

Media Release

Rainy River DSSAB Welcomes New Chair & Vice-Chair

Fort Frances, Ontario – 2019/01/21 – 3:00 pm The Rainy River District Social Services Administration Board (RRDSSAB) held its first meeting of 2019 on January 17th, 2019 at 6:30 pm, at it's office at 450 Scott Street, in Fort Frances, ON.

The first order of business was to elect a new Chair and Vice-Chair for the 2019 year, pursuant to legislative requirements. Dan McCormick, CAO is pleased to advise that, Deb Ewald, Mayor of the Town of Rainy River was acclaimed as Chair and Mike Ford, Reeve of Township of Alberton was acclaimed as Vice-Chair. The new board consists of the following members appointed by their municipality or elected within the Townships without Municipal Organization (TWOMO):

Chair	Deb Ewald	Town of Rainy River	Incumbent
Vice-Chair	Mike Ford	Township of Alberton	Returning
Director	Colleen Fadden	Township of Lake of the Woods	Incumbent
Director	Bill Langner	Township of Dawson	Incumbent
Director	George Heyens	Township of Morley	Incumbent
Director	James Gibson	Township of Chapple	Incumbent
Director	Lori-Ann Shortreed	Town of Emo	Incumbent
Director	Ken McKinnon	Township of LaVallee	Incumbent
Director	Andrew Hallikas	Town of Fort Frances	New
Director	Dennis Brown	Town of Atikokan	Incumbent
Director	vacant	TWOMO –West	Vacant
Director	Don Canfield	TWOMO –Central	Incumbent
Director	Robert Burns	TWOMO – East	Incumbent

The Chair, Deb Ewald, stated, "I look forward to leading our board through 2019, to renew our Strategic Plan, Housing & Homelessness Plan, Children's Services Plan, develop our budget and address any further changes or initiatives with the Ford government."

"I am pleased to be able to return to the board after a short absence," said Mike Ford, Vice-Chair, "As always, we are in transition, which requires a strong board to ensure continued delivery of all our current services with the best outcomes for our citizens.

CAO Dan McCormick noted, "2019 is shaping up to be yet another year of change and with this strong and experienced board I trust that effective lobbying and planning will further improvements in services across our District."

Thank you for the opportunity to provide you with information on our board. Should you have any questions please contact me as indicated below:

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