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Police Service Board Elects 2026 Chair and Vice Chair

At their meeting of January 28, 2026, the Greater Sudbury Police Service Board re-elected Gerry Lougheed, Jr., as Chair and Shawn Poland as Vice Chair.



Chair Lougheed was nominated by Member Poland. He thanked the Board for their support in nominating him and assuming the role.

“I am honoured to have the confidence of the Board to continue serving Greater Sudbury,” said Chair Lougheed. “I look forward to continuing to advocate for our community, providing excellent governance, and supporting Chief Cunningham and our Service. Ensuring our Service has the tools they need to serve the community continues to be our top priority.”

Member Poland was nominated as Vice Chair by Chair Lougheed and received unanimous support from the Board to be elected to the role.

“It gives me great pleasure to serve again as Vice Chair of the Greater Sudbury Police Service Board. I am grateful to have the Board’s support to continue helping to lead the Board. The Service continues to provide excellent policing and does incredible work with community partners to ensure Sudbury is safe,” said Poland.

“I am pleased to see Chair Lougheed and Vice Chair Poland re-elected to their respective positions,” said Chief Cunningham. “They have consistently demonstrated a strong commitment to our community, and ensuring adequate and effective policing in Greater Sudbury. Their leadership will help guide our ongoing efforts to provide a responsive and human-centred approach to service-delivery.”

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The other three members of the Board are Ward 8 Councillor Al Sizer, Mayor Paul Lefebvre, and provincial appointee Krista Fortier, partner at Fortier Law Firm. As civilian community members who represent the public's interests, the Police Service Board is committed to a high quality of community-based policing and excellence in police governance. The Board recognizes the challenges to law enforcement created by a changing environment, demographic shifts, emerging technologies, and evolving crime trends and patterns.



Biographies of the Chair and Vice Chair can be found [here](#).

About: *The Greater Sudbury Police Service Board is a five-member civilian Board that governs the Greater Sudbury Police Service. Under the Community Safety and Policing Act, the Board is responsible for providing adequate and effective police services to over 179,000 Greater Sudbury residents.*

Chair Gerry Lougheed, Jr. (Municipal Appointee)

Vice Chair Shawn Poland (Provincial Appointee)

Member Al Sizer (Councillor, Ward 8)

Member Paul Lefebvre (Mayor)

Member Krista Fortier (Provincial Appointee)

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