THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF KENORA

By-law Number 53 - 2000

A BY-LAW TO ESTABLISH A RURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Whereas on January 01, 2000 the Corporation of the City of Kenora was established and amalgamated the three former Towns of Kenora, Keewatin, and Jaffray Melick; and

Whereas the new City boundaries now include a combination of territory comprised of urban, rural, cottages and water access properties, and whose residents have different life styles and requirements of local government; and

Whereas Council of the City of Kenora has deemed it to be in the best interests of its citizens to establish a Rural Affairs Committee to act in an advisory role to Council on rural issues and to provide a forum for these residents to communicate their concerns and ideas;

Now Therefore the Corporation of the City of Kenora enacts as follows;

Purpose:

- 1. A Rural Affairs Committee for the City of Kenora is hereby established.
- 2. The Rural Affairs Committee, known hereto as the Committee, shall act in an advisory capacity to City Council on issues relating to the rural, cottage and water access areas within the boundaries of the City of Kenora and provide a forum for residents in these areas to identify concerns and offer solutions to these issues.

Composition of Committee:

- 3. The Committee shall be comprised of six (6) members with alternates, appointed by Resolution of Council, and with representation as follows;
 - two (2) members of City Council plus one (1) alternate
 - two (2) members of the public residing in the former Town of Jaffray Melick plus one (1) alternate
 - one (1) member of the public residing in the former Town of Keewatin plus one (1) alternate
 - one (1) member of the public residing in the former Town of Kenora plus one (1) alternate

; in case of a vacancy, the position will be filled by Resolution of Council as soon as possible.

Term:

6. Committee members shall be appointed by resolution of a Council for a three (3) year term or until such time as determined by Council.

Quorum:

7. At any meetings of the said Committee, the presence of a majority of the members is necessary for a quorum and for the transaction of business.

Chair:

8. The appointed members of City Council comprising this Committee shall act as Chair and Vice-Chair of the Committee.

Remuneration:

9. All members of the Committee shall act in their various capacities without remuneration.

Reporting:

10. The Committee shall submit to Council minutes of its meetings including recommendations in response to identified issues.

Meetings:

13. The Committee shall meet monthly for a two (2) hour duration or as determined by the Committee; any meeting may be cancelled by authorization of the Chairperson or by two-thirds majority of the Committee members.

Act in Good Faith:

14. In carrying out the provisions of this By-law, the Committee shall at all times be the agent of the City and while acting in good faith within the limits of the authority of this By-law, the Committee nor any member thereof, shall incur any liability by reason of anything done or left undone by the Committee; provided, however, that nothing in this paragraph shall authorize or empower the Committee to incur any debt, liability, or obligation for which the City shall become liable without having previously obtained the consent of Council.

Amendments:

15. Any further changes to this By-law must be approved in a recorded vote by members of the said Committee and referred to City Council for final approval.

Effective Date:

16. This By-law shall come into force and take effect on the date of third and final reading of the Municipal Council.

By-law Read a First and Second Time this 10th Day of April, 2000. By-law Read a Third and Final Time this 10th Day of April, 2000.

The Corporation of the City of Kenora

David Canfield, Mayor

Joanne McMillin, Clerk