



MINUTES

Of a Meeting of the Council of the City of Kenora

Tuesday, August 9, 2022

12:00 p.m.

City Hall Council Chambers

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**With** Mayor D. Reynard in the Chair, Councillor G. Chaze, Councillor M. Goss, Councillor R. McMillan Councillor A. Poirier, Councillor S. Smith, Councillor C. Van Wallegghem

**Staff:** Kyle Attanasio, CAO, Heather Pihulak, Director of Corporate Services/City Clerk, Charlotte Edie, Director of Finance, Ryan Marsh, Incoming Director of Finance, Stace Gander, Director of Community Services, Marco Vogrig, Acting Director of Engineering & Infrastructure, Kent Readman, Director of Fire & Emergency Services, Roberta Marsh, Director of Human Resources, Risk and Insurance, Kevan Sumnar, City Planner

## **Call to Order**

Mayor Reynard called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

## **Blessing & Land Acknowledgment**

***Delivered by Councillor McMillan***

As we gather, we recognize that we are on Treaty Three Lands which are steeped in rich Indigenous history and home to many First Nations and Metis people today. We continue to be thankful for the partnerships with Indigenous people.

We give thanks for the many blessings we enjoy in the City of Kenora. We seek wisdom in our minds, clearness in our thinking, truth in our speaking and always love in our hearts, so that we may try always to unite the Citizens of Kenora. Let these principles guide us in our decision making.

## **Public Information Notices as per By-law Number 144-2007**

Mayor Reynard then read the following notices:-

As required under Notice By-law #144 -2007, Council hereby advises the public of its intention to adopt the following at today's meeting:-

- Approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$100,000 from the Insurance Deductible Reserves to cover the deductible for the a flood damage claims
- Authorize a budget amendment in the amount up to \$225,000 plus HST to be funded through the contingency reserve for emergency costs related to the replacement of the Coney Island footbridge

## **Declaration of Pecuniary Interest & General Nature Thereof**

Mayor Reynard then asked if any Member of Council had any Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof pertaining to any items as follows:-

- i) On Today's Agenda or from a previous Meeting
  - ii) From a Meeting at which a Member was not in Attendance
- There were none declared.

### **Confirmation of Minutes**

#### **1. Moved by C. Van Wallegghem, Seconded by M. Goss & Carried:-**

That the following Minutes of the Council of the City of Kenora be adopted as circulated:-  
Regular Council – July 19, 2022

### **Deputations**

#### **Janet Hyslop – Request to waive or assist in fees for Olympic Training costs**

Ms Hyslop noted that the City was very supportive to the Kenora Swimming Sharks during the pandemic. Gabe Mastromatteo was training for the 2020 Olympics and training was challenging during the height of the pandemic.

Ms. Hyslop's request to Council is for consideration to help offset the cost of \$2,444.00 by either waiving or partially assisting with the invoice for the use of the facility during the pandemic.

Council thanked Ms. Hyslop for her deputation and a copy was left with the Clerk.

### **Additions to the Agenda**

#### **2. Moved by M. Goss, Seconded by S. Smith & Carried:-**

That approval be hereby given for the following additional item to be added to today's agenda:

- Budget Amendment – Coney Island Foot Bridge Replacement

### **Additions to the Agenda – Budget Amendment-Coney Island Footbridge**

#### **2a. Moved by S. Smith, Seconded by M. Goss & Carried:-**

That Council hereby approves a budget amendment in the amount up to \$225,000 plus HST to be funded through the contingency reserve for emergency costs related to the replacement of the Coney Island footbridge; and further

That in accordance with Notice By-law Number 144-2007, public notice is hereby given that Council intends to amend its 2022 Capital budget at its August 9, 2022 meeting for this purpose; and further

That Council give three readings to a By-law to amend the 2022 Capital budget for this purpose.

**Discussion:** The 2022 melt, high water, and exceptional weather conditions led to a situation where on May 9<sup>th</sup> the Coney Island foot bridge released from its anchor point on the shore. This situation worsened throughout that evening due to an extraordinary south wind resulting in the footbridge getting hammered by wave action causing extreme flexing under force. The result was an extensively damaged structure. As a result of the damage, administration engage the services of Stantec Engineering to review the situation and evaluate two options: repair of the existing structure and replacement.

Preliminary estimates of the replacement cost of the bridge is approximately \$160,000 plus HST. Administration is requesting a budget in the amount of up to \$225,000 plus HST to provide adequate buffers for cost overruns related to this project and the higher level estimate of the project at this time. There are also other factors such as supply chain concerns, time to freeze-up and the time required to complete engineering and design, procurement, fabrication and installation that create a high level of urgency to proceed with this project as quickly as possible.

### **June 2022 Financial Statements**

#### **3. Moved by R. McMillan, Seconded by G. Chaze & Carried:-**

That Council hereby accepts the monthly Financial Statements of the Corporation of the City of Kenora at June 30, 2022.

### **Section 357's**

#### **4. Moved by G. Chaze, Seconded by A. Poirier & Carried:-**

That Council hereby approves Section 357 tax adjustments with potential refunds totaling \$10,994.29.

### **Budget Amendment-Insurance Deductible Reserve**

#### **5. Moved by A. Poirier, Seconded by G. Chaze & Carried:-**

That Council hereby approves an allocation of \$100,000 from the Insurance Deductible Reserve to cover the deductible for a flood damage claim; and further

That in accordance with Notice By-law Number 144-2007, public notice is hereby given that Council intends to amend its 2022 Operating Budget at its August 9, 2022 meeting to withdraw funds from the Insurance Deductible Reserve for this purpose; and further

That Council give three readings to a by-law to amend the 2022 operating budget for this purpose.

### **Committee Review**

#### **6. Moved by C. Van Walleggem, Seconded by M. Goss & Carried:-**

That the 2018-2022 term of Council reviewed the existing Boards and Committees that form part of this term of Council and hereby support the Kenora Urban Recreational Trails Committee be excluded from the renewal process at end of term November 14, 2022; and further

That the terms of reference for this committee be repealed effective November 14, 2022; and further

That three readings be given to a bylaw for this purpose.

**Discussion:** Councillor Smith thanked the volunteers of the Trails Committee for their work over the years and the good work they did to bring our Trails to the excellent system

we have in place today. We want to ensure that we do not lose sight of the value of our trail system in the community and that staff continue to lead the vision of the future of our trails.

**Engineering & Infrastructure Second Quarter Report**  
**7. Moved by M. Goss, Seconded by S. Smith & Carried:-**

That Council hereby receives the Engineering & Infrastructure Departments quarterly & operational updates ending June 2022.

**Community Services Second Quarter Report**  
**8. Moved by S. Smith, Seconded by C. Van Wallegghem & Carried:-**

That Council hereby receives the Community Services Division second quarter report for 2022 as presented.

**Tourism & Economic Development Strategy Year One Update**  
**9. Moved by R. McMillan, Seconded by A. Poirier & Carried:-**

That Council hereby receives the Five Year Tourism and Economic Development Strategy plan update as presented.

**Deputy Treasurer Appointment**  
**10. Moved by G. Chaze, Seconded by A. Poirier & Carried:-**

That Council hereby appoints Ryan Marsh to the position of Deputy Treasurer for the City of Kenora.

**Municipal Disaster Recovery Assistance Program Application Approval**  
**11. Moved by A. Poirier, Seconded by G. Chaze & Carried:-**

Whereas the municipality of the City of Kenora recently experienced a flood event commencing on May 4, 2022 which remains ongoing, and has experienced incremental operating and capital costs, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Kenora hereby requests the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing to activate the Municipal Disaster Recovery Assistance program; and further

That Ryan Marsh, Director of Finance, is hereby given delegated authority to verify and attest to the accuracy of the claim on behalf of the Corporation of the City of Kenora.

**Repeal of Zoning Bylaw #34-2021 Central Park**  
**12. Moved by C. Van Wallegghem, Seconded by S. Smith & Carried:-**

That Council hereby repeals Zoning Bylaw Amendment Bylaw #34-2021; and further

That Council gives three readings to a by-law for this purpose.

**Vacancy Rebate bylaw**  
**13. Moved by M. Goss, Seconded by C. Van Wallegghem & Carried:-**

That three readings be given to a vacancy rebate program bylaw as per Resolution #7 of the December 21, 2021 Council meeting.

### **Various Agreements Execution**

#### **14. Moved by S. Smith, Seconded by M. Goss & Carried:-**

That the Mayor and Clerk be hereby authorized to execute the following agreements on behalf of the Corporation of the City of Kenora:

Site Plan Control Agreement – CP Rail/Two Bears Marina  
NOHFC Funding Agreement – LOW Museum  
ICIP Funding Agreement – water main replacements

That three readings be given to bylaws for this purpose.

### **Various Committee Minutes**

#### **15. Moved by R. McMillan, Seconded by A. Poirier & Carried:-**

That Council hereby adopts the following Minutes from various City of Kenora Committees:

- March 24, 2022 & May 5, 2022 – The Muse
- June 22, 2022 - Kenora Public Library Board Minutes

That Council hereby receives the following Minutes from other various Committees:

- May 5 & 26, 2022 - District of Kenora Home for the Aged
- May 24, 2022 – Police Services Board; and further

That these Minutes be circulated and ordered filed.

### **Approval of By-laws**

#### **16. Moved by G. Chaze, Seconded by A. Poirier & Carried:-**

That the following By-laws be now read a First & Second Time, and approved in their present form and presented for Third & Final Readings:~

#112-2022 - Confirmatory  
#113-2022 - Budget Amendment-Insurance Deductible Reserve  
#114-2022 - Deputy Treasurer Appointment  
#115-2022 - Repeal of Zoning Bylaw #34-2021 Central Park  
#116-2022 - Vacancy Rebate bylaw  
#117-2022 - Site Plan Control Agreement – CP Rail/Two Bears Marina  
#118-2022 - NOHFC Funding Agreement – LOW Museum  
#119-2022 - ICIP Funding Agreement – water main replacements  
#120-2022 – Repeal #73-2019 Kenora Urban Recreational Trails Committee TOR  
#121-2022 – Budget Amendment – Coney Island Foot Bridge

### **Notices of Motion**

None

**Proclamations**

None

**Announcements**

**The following was highlighted by Council:**

- 1. Councillor McMillan attended KBI this weekend and was very good to see people out on Harbourfront and accessing all the activities on the Harbourfront. Generated excitement back in the community.
- 2. Councillor Chaze thanked the volunteers who organized Harbourfest and KBI. It was nice to see the activity back on the Harbourfront.

**Adjourn to Closed Session**

**17. Moved by A. Poirier, Seconded by G. Chaze & Carried:-**

That pursuant to Section 239 of the Municipal Act, as amended, authorization is hereby given for Council to move into a Closed Session at 12:23 p.m. to discuss items pertaining to the following:-

- i) Education & Training Members of Council (3 matters – CAO, Mayor & KDSB updates)
- ii) Labour Relations (1 matter-staffing compliment)

**Reconvene to Open Meeting**

Council reconvenes to open session at 3:29 p.m. with no reports from its closed session.

**Close of Meeting**

**18. Moved by C. Van Walleghem, Seconded by S. Smith & Carried:-**

That this meeting be now declared closed at 3:29 p.m.

**The Corporation of the City of Kenora:**

**Confirmed As Written This .....Day**

**Of.....2022**

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**Mayor**

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**City Clerk**