



MINUTES

**Of a Meeting of the Council of the City of Kenora
Tuesday, January 19, 2016 – City Council Chambers
12:00 p.m.**

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**WITH Mayor D. Canfield in the Chair, Councillor L. Roussin, Councillor S. Smith,  
Councillor C. Wasacase, Councillor M. Goss**

**Regrets:** Councillor R. McMillan & Councillor D. Reynard

**Staff:** Karen Brown, CAO, Lauren D'Argis, Corporate Services Manager, Heather Kasprick, Manager of Legislative Services/City Clerk

## **Call to Order**

Mayor Canfield called the meeting to order and Councillor Roussin delivered a blessing.

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

### **Mayor Canfield 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:-

- Adopt a new Tariff of Fees and Charges By-Law to give effect to new Museum Boardroom rental rates outlined in Schedule "B" of the bylaw

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

Mayor Canfield 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 L. Roussin, Seconded by M. Goss & Carried:-**

That the following Minutes of the Council of the City of Kenora be adopted as circulated:-

- Regular Meeting held December 15, 2015

## Deputations

### **Teika Newton, Kenora Refugee Support Partnership (KRSP)**

The Kenora Refugee Support Partnership (KRSP) is happy to announce that they have identified a refugee family who they have offered to sponsor and help settle in Kenora. At this time, the group is asking Council to consider the merits of the efforts to resettle these refugees in Kenora, and if they have Council's support, they are asking that Council please consider providing a public statement of support for the initiative.

Kenora has welcomed refugees many times in the past, usually through private sponsorships from individual church groups. KRSP represents the first time, to our knowledge, that there has been a true community effort that combines the good will and hard work of interested citizens from many faith groups who have joined together to support a larger sponsorship effort.

In the first week of January, the sponsorship agreement holders were able to release a list of new, eligible refugees to the sponsoring groups and from this list KRSP selected a family of four Syrian refugees. The family is currently undergoing medical screening in a refugee camp in Jordan and we are awaiting notice that they have accepted the offer of sponsorship.

The father is 38 and is a telephone line repairman. The mother is 29 and is a kindergarten teacher. They have two children: a son who is 6 and a daughter who is 1. The family speaks Arabic and not English, but there are at least three Arabic speaking residents in Kenora who have already stepped forward and offered to assist with translation. There are also community members who are interested in learning how to speak basic Arabic.

It has always been the intention to resettle either a small family and several single people, or one large, extended family – up to 8 or 9 people – because they understand that refugee resettlement goes most easily when people who are new to our country and our cultures have others from their same culture to whom they can turn for social and emotional support.

When this project started back in the fall, there was a benchmark fundraising goal established which were minimum amounts required to prove that there would be the capacity to undertake sponsorship of at least four people, bearing in mind that it is less costly to resettle families than single people. There needed to be a bare minimum of \$29,000 by December and \$40,000 by February to be able to commit to sponsoring anyone at all.

At present the group has raised \$61,000 which doesn't mean they have exceeded the amount of funds needed, nor that they have stopped fundraising. It simply means they are now in a position to be able to commit to funding specific numbers of people. The group has drafted a detailed budget for the financial commitment required to sponsor the family of four: \$29,200. If they add another four single people to the mix, they will require around \$77,000. Through the Blended Visa Office Referral sponsorship model to which they have subscribed, the federal government matches the groups' sponsorship dollars.

Now that they have identified a family to support the group has been dropped to the bottom of the sponsorship agreement holder (SAH) list. If they want to sponsor additional refugees through the United Church of Canada (UCC) as our SAH, they will have a long wait to get through the queue of community groups in Canada also vying to sponsor refugees through the UCC – a nice problem of riches, but still an impediment to our goals of resettling a small community of refugees here in Kenora. For this reason, the SAH has advised that they might want to look at privately sponsoring additional refugees. They have recommended that they ask the family they are sponsoring if they have others in their extended family or social network that need our support to be relocated here, too. Everyone is welcome to the group's regular monthly community information meeting. The next one is tomorrow night, Wednesday, January 20, 2016 at 7:00 pm at Knox United Church.

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

### **Additions to the Agenda**

None

### **Kenora District Home for the Aged Board Appointment**

#### **2. Moved by C. Wasacase, Seconded by S. Smith & Carried:-**

That Council of the City of Kenora hereby reappoints Erin Roussin to the District of Kenora Home for the Aged Board for a term at the pleasure of Council.

### **Kenora Library Board Appointment**

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

That Council hereby accepts the resignation of Will Scutt from the Kenora Public Library Board effective immediately; and further

That Council hereby appoints Kristen Dexter to the Kenora Public Library Board for a term at the pleasure of Council.

### **Community Foundation Annual Interest**

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

Whereas Council of the City of Kenora originally donated \$250,000 to the Community Fund and \$30,000 to the Operating Endowment Fund of the Lake of the Woods Regional Community Foundation (LOWCF) in 2005; and

Whereas the agreement between the City and the LOWCF indicated that all earning from the Operating Endowment Fund donation and no earnings from the Community Fund donation were to be used for administration; and

Whereas the Council of the City of Kenora has provided a donation towards LOWCF administration of \$25,000 annually from 2005 to 2011 followed by \$20,000 in 2012 and reducing the amount by \$5,000 each year; and

Whereas Council of the City of Kenora is scheduled to cease providing funds towards administrative costs to the LOWCF in its 2016 budget;

Now therefore let it be resolved that the Council of City of Kenora authorizes staff to amend the contract and to allow the LOWCF to annually use up to \$5,000 of the interest generated from the City's portion of the Community Fund to be used towards administrative costs.

### **Strategic Plan – Balanced Scorecard**

#### **5. Moved by C. Wasacase, Seconded by L. Roussin & Carried:-**

That Council hereby accepts the Balanced Scorecard Performance Measurement document as a tool for monitoring ongoing effectiveness related to the implementation of actions identified within the City of Kenora's Strategic Plan – Our Vision is 20/20; and further

That Council hereby directs Administration to perform an ongoing review of this tool, making amendments as appropriate, to ensure the City is actively measuring and reporting on its progress in implementation of the actions within its strategic plan.

### **Section 357 Tax Appeals**

#### **6. Moved by L. Roussin, Seconded by M. Goss & Carried:-**

That Council hereby approves Section 357 tax adjustments with potential refunds totaling \$4,202.73.

### **Set Fine Application – By-law #6-2006**

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

That Council authorizes an application to the Regional Senior Justice, Ontario Court of Justice, Northwest Region, for an Order approving the set fines for the offences attached as Schedule "A" to this Resolution which establishes set fines for bylaw number 6-2006 in the City of Kenora.

### **Set Fine Application – Part II By-law #180-2015**

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

That Council authorizes an application to the Regional Senior Justice, Ontario Court of Justice, Northwest Region, for an Order approving the set fines for the offences attached as Schedule "A" to this Resolution which establishes set fines for the Traffic and Parking Bylaw in the City of Kenora.

### **Set Fine Application – Part I By-law #180-2015**

#### **9. Moved by C. Wasacase, Seconded by L. Roussin & Carried:-**

That Council authorizes an application to the Regional Senior Justice, Ontario Court of Justice, Northwest Region, for an Order approving the set fines for the offences attached as Schedule "A" to this Resolution which establishes set fines for the Traffic and Parking Bylaw in the City of Kenora.

### **Museum Board Room Rental Rates**

#### **10. Moved by L. Roussin, Seconded by M. Goss & Carried:-**

That as recommended by the Museum Board, Council gives three readings to a bylaw to authorize the rental rate for the Museum Boardroom as outlined in the December 18, 2015 report of Lori Nelson, Museum Director, effective February 1, 2016; and further

That in accordance with Notice By-law Number 144-2007, public notice is hereby given that Council intends to give three readings to a new Tariff of Fees and Charges By-Law at its January 19, 2016 meeting to give effect to these rates outlined in the revised Schedule "B"; and further

That By-law Number 177-2015 be hereby repealed.

### **Purchase and Sale of Lands - Gagne**

#### **11. Moved by M. Goss, Seconded by L. Roussin & Carried:-**

That the Council give three readings to a by-law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into an agreement of purchase and sale of property described as Part 1 and Part 2 23R- 12433, Dufresne Island, Winnipeg River, City of Kenora, in the District of Kenora to Ray Gagnon and Donna Gagnon at the price of \$ 4,715.20 + any applicable taxes, legal and transfer fees and subject to a consolidation agreement with the City of Kenora; and further

That the purchaser be responsible for all costs associated with the purchase/sale, including fee for provision of the opinion of value and for those associated with the consolidation agreement, including registration.

### **Request to Purchase Municipal Property - Montero**

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

That lands described as PLAN 3 BLK 2 N OF LOT 182, measured 1 m from the back of the sidewalk, on the north side (adjacent to McLellan Avenue) be permitted for use by the adjacent property owner, for fencing and landscaping purposes; and further

That the purchaser must make formal application for a letter of comfort, which application will include an undertaking that the City of Kenora shall approve any fencing and landscaping elements contemplated.

### **Black Sturgeon Lake Water Quality Report**

#### **13. Moved by C. Wasacase, Seconded by L. Roussin & Carried:-**

That Council hereby accepts the 2015 Black Sturgeon Lakes Water Quality Monitoring Report, as prepared by Kenora Consultants – Ryan Haines, B.Sc.

### **November 2015 Financial Statements**

#### **14. Moved by L. Roussin, Seconded by M. Goss & Carried:-**

That Council hereby accepts the monthly Financial Statements of the Corporation of the City of Kenora as November 31, 2015.

### **Various Committee Minutes**

#### **15. Moved by M. Goss, Seconded by L. Roussin & Carried:-**

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

- January 6, April 7, June 2, November 3 & December 1 – Kenora Urban Trails Committee
- September 9, October 14 & November 12 – Accessibility Advisory Committee
- December 8 & 17 – Event Centre Committee
- December 17 – Lake of the Woods Museum Board; and

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

- October 8 – Kenora District Services Board
- November 4 – Kenora Police Services Board
- October 27 & November 24 – District of Kenora Home for the Aged Board of Management; and further

That these Minutes be circulated and ordered filed.

### **Outdoor Wood Burning Appliances By-law Amendment**

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

That Council gives three readings to a by-law to amend By-law Number 118-2004, a By-Law to regulate the Location and Installation of Outdoor Wood Burning Appliances in the City of Kenora, as per section 3.13.7 of the Zoning By-law; and further

That By-law Number 118-2004 be hereby repealed.

### **Water Wastewater Systems Monthly Summary – November 2015**

#### **17. Moved by C. Wasacase, Seconded by L. Roussin & Carried:-**

That Council of the City of Kenora hereby accepts the November 2015 Kenora Water and Wastewater Systems Monthly Summary Report, as prepared by City administration.

### **Janitorial Services Agreement**

#### **18. Moved by L. Roussin, Seconded by S. Smith & Carried:-**

That Council gives three readings to a bylaw authorizing an agreement between the Corporation of the City of Kenora and Reliable Cleaning Services for a three year term for cleaning services for City facilities in the amount of \$585,762.91 (plus HST); and further

That the agreement includes all schedules and addenda outlined in the invitation to tender submission and the proposal submitted by Reliable Cleaning Services.

### **Keewatin Channel Bridge Rehabilitation Tender**

#### **19. Moved by M. Goss, Seconded by L. Roussin & Carried:-**

That the tender submitted by Eiffage Innovative Canada Inc., in the amount of \$2,418,350.00., HST extra, related to selecting "Option B with Type M Concrete Barrier

including Provisional Items”, for the rehabilitation of the Keewatin Channel Bridge, be hereby accepted.

**Discussion:** Council felt the history of the bridges should be documented with all detailed history to present to Ministers and so all of Council has the full history.

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

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

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

**#1-2016** – Confirm the proceedings of Council

**#2-2016** – New Tariff of Fees and Charges

**#3-2016** – Sale of Lands Agreement (Gagne)

**#4-2016** – Outdoor Wood Burning Appliances

**#5-2016** – Janitorial Services Agreement

### **Notices of Motion**

None

### **Proclamations**

None

### **Announcements**

#### **The following was highlighted by Council:**

1. Councillor Smith noted that there have been some fundraisers in the community for a family in the community who lost their home over the holidays. She encouraged people to support the family if they could.
2. Mayor Canfield reviewed the average increase across the province for water and sewer rates. From 2001 to 2014, municipal revenues collected from water have doubled from \$970 million in 2001 to more than \$2.16 billion in 2014. The average annual increase over that period was 6.5%. The year 2014 saw the highest annual increase since 2001 of 12.68%.

### **Adjourn to Closed Session**

#### **21. Moved by C. Wasacase, Seconded by L. Roussin & 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 12:35 p.m. to discuss items pertaining to the following:-

#### **Education & Training (1 item)**

#### **Personal Matter about an Identifiable Individual (1 item)**

### **Reconvene to Open Meeting**

Council reconvenes to open session at 1:22 p.m. with no reports from its closed session.

**Close of Meeting**

**22. Moved by L. Roussin, Seconded by S. Smith & Carried:-**

That this meeting be now declared closed at 1:22 p.m.

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

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

**Of.....2016**

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**Mayor**

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**City Clerk**