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**Of a Special Meeting of the Council of the City of Kenora
Tuesday, March 14, 2017 – City Council Chambers
12:00 p.m.**

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**WITH Deputy Mayor Louis Roussin in the Chair, Councillor M. Goss, Councillor R. McMillan Councillor D. Reynard, Councillor S. Smith, Councillor C. Wasacase**

**Regrets: Mayor D. Canfield**

**Staff:** Karen Brown, CAO, Heather Kasprick, City Clerk

### **Call to Order**

Deputy Mayor Roussin called the meeting to order.

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

**Deputy Mayor Roussin 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:-

- Council will adopt a new Keewatin Community Improvement Plan, a new Former Mill Site Community Improvement Plan and a new Harbourtown Centre Community Improvement Plan
- Council will adopt an Official Plan Amendment (Number 3)

### **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.

### **Community Improvement Project Area and Plan for Keewatin**

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

That Council gives three readings to a bylaw to authorize a Community Improvement Project Area and a Community Improvement Plan for Keewatin; and further

That the final draft revised Community Improvement Plan is revised to reflect Section 5.2 “General Program Requirements” (f) after “accordingly, the grant may be reduced on a pro-rated basis”, include “... and in no case should the total grant amounts received exceed the eligible cost of the improvements to that property;” ; and further

That bylaw number 99-2015 and bylaw number 100-2015 be hereby repealed.

## **Community Improvement Project Area and Plan for Harbourtown Centre 2. Moved by M. Goss, Seconded by S. Smith & Carried:-**

That Council gives three readings to a bylaw to authorize a Community Improvement Project Area and a Community Improvement Plan for the Harbourtown Centre; and further

That Council directs staff to accept suggestions as follows made by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs:

1. That the final draft Harbourtown Centre Community Improvement Plan is revised by replacing Section 7.10 "Application Fees", with the paragraph below for enhanced consistency and clarification:

### 7.10 Application and Permit Fees Grant Purpose

The purpose of this incentive program is to waive any associated planning approval and building permit fees for the landowner/developer. Although this incentive is not included under Section 28 of the Planning Act, the waiving of building permit fees is permitted under Section 7 of the Ontario Building Code Act. Description: The City will provide a grant equivalent to the cost of the City's planning application and building permit fees for approved projects in accordance with Section 69 of the Planning Act and the City's Tariff of Fees By-law. Requirements: Any property or business owner who undertakes redevelopment of lands and/or buildings in the CIP project area is eligible for this grant. The owner would be responsible for all mapping and registration costs for agreements and plans where applicable. All grants for planning application fees and building permit fees will be equal to 100% of the application fees paid by the applicant, to a maximum of \$5,000; and further

That the final draft revised Community Improvement Plan is revised to reflect Section 8 "Grant Eligibility Requirements" (f) after "accordingly, the grant may be reduced on a pro-rated basis", include "... and in no case should the total grant amounts received exceed the eligible cost of the improvements to that property;" ; and further

That bylaw number 83-2012 be hereby repealed.

## **Community Improvement Project Area and Plan for Former Mill Site 3. Moved by D. Reynard, Seconded by M. Goss & Carried:-**

That Council gives three readings to a bylaw to authorize a Community Improvement Project Area and a Community Improvement Plan for the Former Mill Site; and further

That the final draft revised Community Improvement Plan is revised to reflect Section 4.2 "General Program Requirements" (f) after "accordingly, the grant may be reduced on a pro-rated basis", include "... and in no case should the total grant amounts received exceed the eligible cost of the improvements to that property;" and further

That bylaw number 77-2011 be hereby repealed.

## **Official Plan Amendment – Number 3**

### **4. Moved by C. Wasacase, Seconded by R. McMillan & Carried:-**

That Council of the City of Kenora hereby adopts Official Plan Amendment 3 to the City of Kenora Official Plan (Adoption: May 19, 2015-Ministerial approval: November 5, 2015 Bylaw 75-2015); and further

That Council gives three readings to a bylaw to authorize an Official Plan Amendment, Number 3.

## **Approval of By-laws**

### **5. Moved by R. McMillan, Seconded by C. Wasacase & 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:~

- #27-2017** – Keewatin Community Improvement Plan Project Area
- #28-2017** – Keewatin Community Improvement Plan
- #29-2017** – Harbourtown Centre Community Improvement Plan Project Area
- #30-2017** - Harbourtown Centre Community Improvement Plan
- #31-2017** – Former Mill Site Community Improvement Plan Project Area
- #32-2017** – Former Mill Site Community Improvement Plan
- #33-2017** – Official Plan Amendment #3

**Discussion:** We need to circle back to the Heritage Committee on the protocols on these projects to ensure that the program is being used how it is intended to. We need to make sure that the dollars are being accessed and available to people who want to use it and it may be worthwhile to develop a requirement on the spending once the application is approved. A discussion will take place with the Heritage Committee around these changes to the program.

One of our objectives in our Strategic Plan is to reduce red tape in our planning department. Nadia is working as a consultant working with developers on our Official Plan that the CIP won't address. We want to make sure we are utilizing ideas in the CIP but accessing other options such as funding announcements to make sure we are building really good developments in the planning stage and working with them. Karen will follow up with Nadia on how she is working with other municipalities on this.

## **Close of Meeting**

### **6. Moved by R. McMillan, Seconded by C. Wasacase & Carried:-**

That this meeting be now declared closed at 12:10 p.m.

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

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

**Of.....2017**

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**Mayor**

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**City Clerk**