



**City of Kenora**  
**Committee of the Whole**  
**Minutes**  
**Tuesday, August 6, 2019**  
**9:00 a.m.**  
**City Hall Council Chambers**

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**Present:** Mayor Daniel Reynard  
Councillor Mort Goss  
Councillor Rory McMillan  
Councillor Andrew Poirier  
Councillor Kirsi Ralko  
Councillor Sharon Smith

**Regrets:** Councillor Chris Van Wallegghem

**Staff:** Karen Brown, CAO, Heather Pihulak, Manager of Administration/City Clerk, Stace Gander, Community Services Manager

**A. Public Information Notices**

**As required under Notice By-law #144 -2007, the public is advised of Council's intention to adopt the following at its August 13, 2019 meeting:-**

- Budget amendment in the amount of \$10,482.00 to be funded through the Parkade/Parking Rental Reserves for the purchase of metered parking equipment for the current phase of Downtown Revitalization
- ~~Amend 'Schedule D-Operations & Infrastructure' of the Tariff of Fees and Charges Bylaw to reflect an increase in water and sewer rates by 5.5% for 2020 (deferred indefinitely)~~
- ~~Amend 'Schedule D-Operations & Infrastructure' of the Tariff of Fees and Charges Bylaw to reflect various amended water and wastewater rate charges for 2020 (deferred)~~
- Adopt a new Tariff of Fees and Charges - 'Schedule D-Operations & Infrastructure' to reflect a \$35.00/tonne increase to ICI Recycling Services tipping fee September 1, 2019 and authorize adjustments to the Bulk Corrugated Cardboard Commercial rate March 1, 2020
- Budget amendment in the amount of \$7,550.00 to be funded through the Community Club Reserves for the Evergreen Community Club Outdoor Rink project
- Budget amendment in the amount of \$6,762.93 to be funded through the Recreation Reserves for the Portage Bay Backstop
- Budget amendment in the amount of \$19,500.00 to be funded through the Contingency Reserves for the damages to the Kenora Recreation Centre roof not covered by the insurance claim

## **B. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest & the General Nature Thereof**

- 1) On Today's Agenda
- 2) From a Meeting at which a Member was not in Attendance.

There were none declared.

## **C. Confirmation of Previous Committee Minutes**

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

That the Minutes from the last regular Committee of the Whole Meeting held July 9, 2019 and the Special Committee of the Whole meetings held July 15, 2019 be confirmed as written and filed.

## **D. Deputations/Presentations**

### **Lillian Zvanovec – Opposition to Bed 'n' Bale**

Ms. Lillian Zvanovec presented new information she has regarding the Bed n Bale application. We are located here today at 1 Main St. South and down the street is 111 Main St. S which is the CIBC Bank. That is the distance from their shore to the opposite shore where horses (up to their saddles) have been seen. If they are swimming, and they're in the water the distance is much less.

Since their deputation on July 16th she have contacted the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry MNRF, Ministry of Environment MOE, and Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs OMAFRA and I'm awaiting phone calls from the MNRF and MOE as staff were away from the office on vacation.

From the discussions she was able to have it is fair to say that not one Ministry considered the consequences outside of the boundaries of 66 Cambrian. This led her to gathering more information and to this meeting such as reading Bed 'n' Bale's rationale and that led me to more questions: City of Kenora Zoning By-Law 4.12.2 includes the following permitted uses in Rural zoning: agriculture use; equestrian establishment; home occupation; interpretive centre; open storage; outdoor recreation facility; mobile home; modular home; seasonal dwelling; single-detached dwelling; sleep cabin, among other uses.

According the City of Kenora Zoning and Official Plan if this is approved 66 Cambrian Drive could become a trailer park in the future. It also states that Open Spaces and Recreational Areas must be preserved. Quads and trail bikes are very noisy and will significantly increase noise levels on the lake.

As the Bed n Bale plans to expand the trail system this would definitely have a negative impact on residents. Are the residents aware of this proposal? That it's much more than a Bed 'n' Bale. It's RV and Boat Storage, cabins a resort, diesel fuelled traffic with larger noisy vehicles pulling horse trailers, boarding horses, livestock, farm, stocking livestock feed, its quad traffic.

Conversations with City Staff have been hard at times. She voiced concerns of manure floating and the City Planner told her it doesn't float, it sinks, which confirmed that manure will enter the water. Bed and Bales presentation notes that their property has increased from \$48,000 to \$400,000. It's very difficult to find any lot for \$48,000. This appears to be a good investment.

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Will City of Kenora taxes be reduced if the property is rezoned to rural?

In closing, Ms. Zvanovec suggested a solution in which to ban horses on the Rotary trails and on the shores and in the water of Rabbit Lake and stop the development of trails that allow quads and trail bikes that disturbs a residential area. Many residents expressed that there should be a public meeting regarding this development.

Council thanked Ms. Zvanovec for her presentation and a copy was left with the Clerk.

## **E. Reports:**

### **1. Administration & Finance**

#### **1.1 2019 January to June Capital and Unusual Spending**

##### **Recommendation:**

That Council hereby accepts the 2019 January to June Capital and Unusual Spending report.

##### **Recommendation to Council.**

#### **1.2 2019 Q2 Investments**

##### **Recommendation:**

That Council of the City of Kenora hereby accepts the 2019 second quarter investment report that includes details of the Kenora Citizens' Prosperity Trust Fund and other City of Kenora investments.

##### **Recommendation to Council.**

#### **1.3 Recreational Cannabis Retail Stores**

##### **Recommendation:**

That Council hereby supports the City of Kenora Municipal Cannabis Policy Statement to identify retail areas and potential sensitive land uses which would be used as a framework for staff to provide comments to the AGCO on municipal license applications for retail cannabis sales locations; and further

That three readings be given to a bylaw to adopt the Municipal Cannabis Policy Statement # AF-11-5.

**Discussion:** Council had no concerns with sensitive areas in the community and therefore felt that a Policy Statement was not required. This item will not come forward to Council and will form an informational report only.

#### **1.4 2019 April to June Approved contracts & Expenditures**

##### **Recommendation:**

That Council hereby accepts the 2019 April – June Contracts & Expenditures Approved report.

##### **Recommendation to Council.**

#### **1.5 Harbourfront Fireworks Tax Deduction Request**

##### **Recommendation:**

That the Council of the City of Kenora hereby authorizes the issuance of tax receipts for any donation of \$250 or greater made to the City of Kenora up to August 31, 2019, unless otherwise

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specified, to be used specifically towards the 2019 Harbourfest fireworks display on August 4, 2019; and further

That the City will pay the invoice(s) for the actual purchase of fireworks, direct to the appropriate supplier(s) for the 2019 fireworks display to a maximum of the actual donations received; and further

That the issuance of tax receipts for donations for fireworks be restricted specifically to the 2019 fireworks display in recognition of the tourism impact the event has to the City of Kenora.

**Recommendation to Council.**

**1.6 June 2019 Financial Statements**

**Recommendation:**

That Council hereby accepts the monthly Financial Statements of the Corporation of the City of Kenora at June 30, 2019.

**Recommendation to Council.**

**1.7 Budget Amendment – Downtown Revitalization Metered Parking**

**Recommendation:**

That Council hereby approves an additional allocation of \$6,799.00, plus taxes, to be funded through the Parkade/Parking Rental Reserves for the purchase of an on street metered parking machine for metered spaces on First Street South; and further

That Council hereby approves an additional allocation of \$3,683.00, plus taxes, to be funded through the Parkade/Parking Rental Reserves to replace regular meter maintenance stock on hand used to accommodate the single metered spaces required for Chipman Street; and further

That in accordance with Notice By-law Number 144-2007, public notice is hereby given that Council intends to amend its 2019 Operating & Capital Budget at its August 13, 2019 meeting to withdraw funds from the Parkade/Parking Rental Reserves in the amount of \$10,482.00, plus taxes, to fund the equipment purchase; and further

That Council gives three readings to a bylaw to amend the 2019 budget for this purpose.

**Discussion:** City Clerk Heather Pihulak to send the cost for one individual meter as well as the pay station in comparison to Council.

**Recommendation to Council.**

**1.8 Reaching Home Federal Funding Program**

**Recommendation:**

Whereas communities in the District of Kenora are experiencing alarming and growing rates of homelessness and poverty; and

Whereas communities in the District of Kenora are witnessing a growing mental health and addictions crisis, resulting in communities losing community members to addictions and suicide; and

Whereas the lack of housing and necessary support facilities has created a housing crisis for the District of Kenora; and

Whereas, in the absence of adequate housing and support facilities, Indigenous people visiting or residing in off-reserve communities in the District of Kenora are left vulnerable, homeless and many get cycled through the policing and justice systems;

Now therefore let it be resolved:-

That the Mayor and Council of the City of Kenora hereby requests that the Government of Canada provide the communities of the District of Kenora with the necessary resources to address the housing and homelessness crisis; and further

That the Mayor and Council hereby supports the Kenora District Services Board's application under the Reaching Home program to become a Designated Community, on behalf of the Kenora District.

**Discussion:** It was suggested that we send a copy of the resolution to Grand Council Treaty 3, Nishnawbe Aski Nation, Metis Nation, Bob Nault, MP and Greg Rickford MPP. CAO Karen Brown advised that the application is designed to help address homelessness issues across the District and Karen will see if there is further robust information regarding the application she could share with Council.

#### **Amended Recommendation to Council.**

##### **1.9 2020 Water and Sewer Rate Increase**

##### **Recommendation:**

That as recommended by BMA Management Consulting Inc. in the Water and Wastewater Long Range Financial Plan Forecast approved by Council resolution on November 17, 2015, the 2020 water and sewer rates be increased by 5.5% over the 2019 rates; and further

That in accordance with Notice By-Law Number 144-2007, public notice is hereby given that Council intends to amend the Tariff of Fees and Charges bylaw to increase water and sewer rates by 5.5% in 2020; and further

That Council give three readings to a by-law for this purpose; and further

That these rates shall take effect and come into force on January 1, 2020.

**Discussion:** Council would like to see when the study is complete and when the increases are recommended to be complete. They would like to see the report, but also here is the actuals. It was questioned if we have we done much more capital work and infrastructure upgraded. Would like to see an actual versus the report so it is defensible as to the increases. Council wants this deferred indefinitely until staff have time to review and prepare a report to reflect this information for them. One big measure we would look at and look at where it started with the asset management piece and want to know that pipes have been replaced and want to see from 5 years ago and where it is now. The BMA plan is only specific to the infrastructure renewal program. Our rates are based on the information contained within the BMA report.

**Item deferred indefinitely.**

### **1.10 Vehicle Operation Policy HR-2-04 Amendment**

#### **Recommendation:**

That Council hereby repeals Human Resource policies #HR-2-04-Vehicles & Equipment, #HR-2-12-Loss of License, #HR-2-18 Staff Parking and #HR-2-19-Vehicle Operation and adopts one new comprehensive City Vehicle Operation Policy #HR-2-04; and further

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

**Recommendation to Council.**

## **2. Fire & Emergency Services**

**No Reports**

## **3. Operations & Infrastructure**

### **3.1 Tariff of Fees and Charges – Water & Wastewater Fees**

#### **Recommendation:**

That Council hereby approves an amendment to Schedule "D" of the Tariff of Fees and Charges By-law to include various amended water and wastewater rate charges, along with routine rate changes for 2020; 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 Number at its August 13, 2019 meeting to give effect to these rates outlined in the revised Schedule "D"; and further

That By-law Number 130-2019 be hereby repealed.

**Discussion:** Council directed administration to provide notice to the affected users and defer this matter and return after one month to the September Committee of the Whole meeting.

**Item deferred to September Committee of the Whole.**

### **3.2 Tariff of Fees and Charges – Solid Waste Fees**

#### **Recommendation:**

That Council hereby approves an amendment to Schedule "D" of the Tariff of Fees and Charges bylaw to include a change to Solid Waste item #23, Fees for ICI Recycling Services – tipping fee at Kenora Area Transfer Facility. That Council approve a \$35.00/tonne increase as of September 1, 2019, to the aforementioned fee and that Administration further be authorized to adjust the Bulk Corrugated Cardboard (OCC) Commercial rate on March 1, 2020, to reflect the full cost to the City of Kenora to handle these materials; 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 Number at its August 13, 2019 meeting to give effect to these rates outlined in the revised Schedule "D"; and further

That By-law Number 48-2019 be hereby repealed.

**Recommendation to Council.**

### **3.3 Traffic Amendment to No Parking Zone – West Bay Road**

#### **Recommendation:**

That Council hereby authorizes an amendment to the City of Kenora Traffic Regulation Bylaw Number 180-2015 to include changes to Schedule "B" – No Parking – Tow Away Zone for West Bay Road, and changes to Schedule "C" – Limited/Restricted Parking to the same road, to accommodate a pull off area for vehicles utilizing the Mink Bay Trail System ; and further

That three readings be given to an amending by-law for this purpose.

**Recommendation to Council.**

## **4. Community Services**

### **4.1 Budget Amendment – Evergreen Community Club Outdoor Rink**

#### **Recommendation:**

That Council hereby authorizes a budget amendment in the amount of \$7,550.00 to be funded through Community Club Reserves for the Evergreen Community Club Outdoor Rink project; and further

That in accordance with Notice By-law Number 144-2007, public notice is hereby given that Council intends to amend its 2019 Capital Budget in the amount of \$7,550.00 at its August 13th, 2019 meeting for this purpose; and further

That Council give three readings to a By-law to amend the 2019 capital budget for this purpose.

**Recommendation to Council.**

### **4.2 Budget Amendment – Portage Bay Backstop**

#### **Recommendation:**

That Council hereby approves a budget amendment in the amount of \$6,762.93 plus taxes to be provided through Recreation Reserves for the Portage Bay Backstop capital project; and further

That in accordance with Notice By-law Number 144-2007, public notice is hereby given that Council intends to amend its 2019 Capital Budget in the amount of \$6,762.93 plus taxes at its August 13, 2019 meeting for this purpose; and further

That Council give three readings to a by-law to amend the 2019 capital budget for this purpose.

**Recommendation to Council.**

### **4.3 Budget Amendment – Kenora Recreation Centre Roof Damage**

#### **Recommendation:**

That Council hereby approves a budget amendment in the amount of \$19,500 related to the costs not covered by an insurance claim for damages to the Kenora Recreation Centre roof to be funded through contingency reserves; and further

That in accordance with Notice By-law Number 144-2007, public notice is hereby given that Council intends to amend its 2019 Capital Budget at its August 13th, 2019 meeting to withdraw

funds from contingency reserves in the amount of \$19,500 for the repairs at the Kenora Recreation Centre roof and hot water supply; and further

That Council give three readings to a by-law to amend the 2019 capital and operating budget for this purpose.

**Recommendation to Council.**

## **5. Development Services**

### **No Reports**

#### **F. Other**

- Councillor McMillan referenced the busy weekend downtown and the number of events and the community continues to thrive with special events and attractions.
- Mayor Reynard mentioned the community forums last week and the public attendance was great. They are available online for viewing.

#### **G. Next Meeting**

- Tuesday, September 10, 2019

#### **H. Adjourn to Closed**

**Resolution #2 - Moved by Councillor A. Poirier, Seconded by K. Ralko & Carried:**

That pursuant to Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, authorization is hereby given for the Committee to move into a Closed Session at 10:17 a.m. to discuss the following item:-

**i) Education and Training Members of Council** (1 matter-Developer Procedures)

#### **I. Reconvene to Open Meeting**

Council reconvenes to open session at 10:57 a.m. with no reports from its closed session.

#### **J. Close Meeting**

Meeting adjourned at 10:57 a.m.