



MINUTES

**Of a Meeting of the Council of the City of Kenora
Tuesday, August 25, 2020
Electronic Attendance/City Hall Council Chambers
12:00 p.m.**

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, Council met electronically as permitted by Council's Procedural Bylaw. Citizens and our Media Partners are encouraged to attend the virtual meeting via the Public Live Stream Event at:

<https://video.isilive.ca/kenora/2020-08-25.html>

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

**Regrets** Councillor K. Ralko

**Staff:** Heather Pihulak, Manager of Administration/City Clerk/Acting CAO, Kelly Galbraith, Deputy Clerk, Adam Smith, Manager of Development Services, Jeff Hawley, Manager of Operations and Infrastructure, Stace Gander, Manager of Development Services

### **Call to Order**

Mayor Reynard called the meeting to order and Councillor Goss delivered a blessing.

### **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:-

- To remove the building described as the Blue Heron, located at 321 First Avenue South
  - Amend the Procedural bylaw to meet electronic participation amendments

### **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 21, 2020

### **Presentations/Deputations**

None

### **Additions to the Agenda**

None

### **Appointments**

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

That Council hereby appoints Jake Goselin & Melissa Reynard to the Business Improvement Area (B.I.Z.) for a term at the pleasure of Council no later than November 14, 2022.

### **June 2020 Monthly Financial Statements**

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

That Council hereby accepts the monthly Financial Statements of the Corporation of the City of Kenora at June 30, 2020.

### **2020 Second Quarter Investments**

#### **4. Moved by S. Smith, Seconded by R. McMillan & Carried:-**

That Council hereby accepts the 2020 second quarter investment report that includes details of the Kenora Citizens' Prosperity Trust Fund and other City of Kenora investments.

### **2020 Second Quarter Contracts**

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

That Council hereby accepts the 2020 April – June Contracts & Expenditures Approved report.

### **2019 Annual Report**

#### **6. Moved by A. Poirier, Seconded by C. Van Wallegghem & Carried:-**

That Council approves the 2019 City of Kenora Annual Report including the 2019 audited financial statements for the City; and further

That a copy of this report be made available for public viewing.

### **Section 357 Tax Appeals**

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

That Council hereby approves Section 357 tax adjustments with potential refunds totaling \$91,950.59.

### **Bylaw Amendment – 166-2015 Off Road Vehicle (OVR) Bylaw**

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

That Council gives three readings to a bylaw to adopt a new Off-Road Vehicle (ORV) bylaw to control the use of Off-road Vehicles including All-terrain Vehicles in the City of

Kenora, to include four-stroke off-road motorcycles (ORMs) and prohibit the use of two-stroke ORM and extreme terrain vehicles (XTVs); and further

That bylaw number 166-2015 be hereby repealed.

### **Traffic Amendment to Parking – Third Street South**

#### **9. Moved by S. Smith, Seconded by R. McMillan & Carried:-**

That Council authorizes an amendment to the City of Kenora Traffic Regulation By-law Number 180-2015 to include changes to Schedule "B" – No Parking – Tow Away Zone for Third Street South, to add parking restrictions along the south side of the street from forty nine (49) metres west of Seventh Avenue South, westerly for twenty five (25) metres; and further

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

### **Lease Agreement – 1008 Ottawa Street**

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

That Council hereby authorizes a lease agreement extension with TBT Engineering for Unit B, at 1008 Ottawa Street, Keewatin for the term January 1st, 2020 until July 31st, 2021 as outlined in the lease; and further

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

### **Blue Heron – Request to Remove Property from Register and Demolish**

#### **11. Moved by A. Poirier, Seconded by C. Van Wallegghem & Carried:-**

That three readings be given to a bylaw to remove the building described as the Blue Heron, located at 321 First Avenue South – Water Lot RP1965 PCL 33492, from the Kenora municipal registry of properties of cultural heritage significance or interest; and further

That in accordance with Notice By-law Number 144-2007, public notice is hereby given that Council intends to remove the building described as the Blue Heron from the Kenora Municipal registry at its August 25, 2020 meeting.

#### **Discussion:**

Councillor Van Wallegghem shared that the Heritage Committee is in support of this motion.

### **Fast Tracking Infrastructure Applications**

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

Whereas the COVID-19 pandemic crisis has had a significant impact on the City of Kenora, our residents, and our businesses; and

Whereas the City of Kenora is already at a distinct economic disadvantage due to a shorter infrastructure construction season as well as a large infrastructure portfolio that the City has been advocating for additional funding support over the years; and

Whereas the City of Kenora has submitted three projects for the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) to the province in October 2019 and January 2020, and

has not yet received any approvals, which limits the City's ability to build critical infrastructure and adds fiscal strain to the City's budget; and

Whereas the City of Kenora will be submitting applications of \$325,000 each to NOHFC and FedNor for detailed design and development of tender ready drawings related to the Harbourfront Business Development Plan, which will help position the City for economic recovery in light of the COVID-19 global pandemic; and

Whereas both large and small infrastructure projects have the immediate effect on local small and medium business in our region and cities need certainty to plan measures to offset 2020 budget losses as well as future budget losses;

Now Therefore Let It Be Resolved That the City of Kenora joins the County of Renfrew and the City of Mississauga in calling upon the Governments of Ontario and Canada to fast track the review of applications under the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program, and to NOHFC and FedNor, in order to provide much needed investment into Northwestern Ontario to provide sustainable infrastructure that will be safe and suitable in a post-pandemic setting; and further

That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier; Kenora's Member of Provincial Parliament; the Minister of Infrastructure; the Association of Municipalities in Ontario; Rural Ontario Municipalities Association; and the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association.

### **Submission to Canada's Centre of Excellence in Next Generation Networks**

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

That Council supports a submission to Canada's Centre of Excellence in Next Generation Networks (CENGN) Northern Ontario Residential Broadband Program.

### **Ontario Trillium Foundation Resilient Community Fund Application**

#### **14. Moved by S. Smith, Seconded by A. Poirier & Carried:-**

That Council directs staff to apply for funding under the Ontario Trillium Foundation – Resilient Communities Fund to proceed with the purchase of new fitness equipment, fostering more active lifestyles.

### **Weed Inspector**

#### **15. Moved by A. Poirier, Seconded by C. Van Wallegghem & Carried:-**

That Council gives three readings to a bylaw to appoint Joseph Kurtz as the Weed Inspector for the City of Kenora; and further

That bylaw number 43-2017 be hereby repealed.

### **COVID Funding – Museums Assistance Program**

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

That Council of the City of Kenora approves an application to the COVID-19 Emergency Support Fund for Heritage Organizations to assist with operating expenses for the Lake of the Woods Museum.

### **NOHFC Agreement – Northwest Business Centre Internship Program Funding**

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

That three readings be given to a bylaw to execute an agreement between the Corporation of the City of Kenora and the Province of Ontario for the Internship Program Funding; and further

That the Mayor & Clerk be authorized to execute this agreement.

### **Application to NOHFC – Economic Development Intern**

#### **18. Moved by S. Smith, Seconded by R. McMillan & Carried:-**

That Council approves an application to the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation (NOHFC) for the engagement of an Economic Development Intern for a two year period; and further

That Council confirms a contribution of up to \$25,276 for the project to be funded through the operating budget over a two year period; and further

That Council hereby approves any cost overruns associated with the project.

### **Traffic Amendment to One-Way Streets – Thistle Drive**

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

That Council authorizes amendments to the Traffic Regulation By-law Number 180-2015 Schedule "D" - 45° Angle Parking Areas, on Thistle Drive from 54 metres east of Chipman Street to Park Street, Schedule "M" – One-Way Streets, west bound on Thistle Drive from Park Street to 54 metres east of Chipman Street, Schedule "O" – Stop Signs at Intersections, Thistle Drive and Park Street and Schedule "U" – Do Not Enter, 45 metres east of Chipman Street to Park Street east bound; and further

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

### **Agreement with WSP Canada Group Ltd – Official Plan & Zoning Bylaw Review**

#### **20. Moved by A. Poirier, Seconded by C. Van Walleggem & Carried:-**

That Council authorizes the execution of an agreement between the Corporation of the City of Kenora and WSP Canada Group Ltd. for the comprehensive review of the Official Plan and Zoning By-law; and further

That three readings be given to a By-law for this purpose.

### **June 2020 Water & Wastewater Systems Monthly Summary**

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

That Council of the City of Kenora hereby accepts the June 2020 Kenora Water and Wastewater Systems Monthly Summary Report, as prepared by City administration.

### **Procedural Bylaw Amendment**

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

That three readings be given to a revised procedural bylaw; and further

That bylaw number 43-2020 be hereby repealed.

## **Discussion:**

Council is in favor of the electronic meeting and proxy voting amendments. It was requested that the wording in the procedural bylaw indicate the amendments apply to both Committee of the Whole and Council meetings.

## **Various Committee Minutes**

### **23. Moved by S. Smith, Seconded by R. McMillan & Carried:-**

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

- May 27, 2020 & July 22, 2020 - Kenora Public Library Board
- June 12, 2020 – Lake of the Woods Development Commission

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

- February 27, 2020 & June 11, 2020 - District of Kenora Home for the Aged Board of Management; and further

That these Minutes be circulated and ordered filed.

## **Approval of Bylaws**

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

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

- #126-2020 - Confirmatory
- #127-2020 - Off Road Vehicle (ORV)
- #128-2020 - Traffic Amendment to Parking – Third Street South
- #129-2020 - Lease Agreement for TBT Engineering - 1008 Ottawa Street
- #130-2020 - Blue Heron – Remove Property from Register
- #131-2020 - Weed Inspector Appointment
- #132-2020 - NOHFC Agreement – NWBC Internship Program Funding
- #133-2020 - Traffic Amendment to One-Way Streets – Thistle Drive
- #134-2020 - Agreement with WSP Canada Group Ltd. OP/ZB Review
- #135-2020 - Procedural Bylaw
- #136-2020 - Deeming Bylaw – Aranason-Wilson

## **Notices of Motion**

None

## **Proclamations**

None

## **Announcements**

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

1. Councillor Van Wallegghem shared that the KDMA meeting will be held in January. Further details will be sent to Council once available.
2. Councillor Goss commend citizens of Kenora for their compliance with the mandatory mask wearing. He expressed his appreciation for citizens jumping on board.

3. Councillor Poirier seconded what Councillor Goss said. He recognizes wearing a mask can be difficult however it will make it easier to move forward with businesses being open.
4. Mayor Reynard shared the Kenora and District Chamber of Commerce is hosting a Main Street Market to encourage downtown shopping from 9am to 7pm on Wednesday, August 26<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, August 29<sup>th</sup>. This week's events are groundwork for future projects.

**Adjourn to Closed Session**

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

That pursuant to Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, authorization for Council to move into a Closed Session to discuss items pertaining to the following:-

- Education & Training Members of Council (3 matters-Development Services update, CAO and Mayor update)
- Disposition of Land (Developer property proposal)

**Reconvene to Open Meeting**

Council reconvenes to open session at 4:01 p.m. with no reports from its closed session.

**Close of Meeting**

**26. Moved by S. Smith, Seconded by A. Poirier & Carried:-**

That this meeting be now declared closed at 4:01 p.m.

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

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

**Of.....2019**

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**Mayor**

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**City Clerk**