



MINUTES

**Of a Special Meeting of the Council of the City of Kenora
Friday, June 10, 2022
City Hall Council Chambers**

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9:00 a.m.



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

Staff: Kyle Attanasio, CAO, Heather Pihulak, Director of Corporate Services/City Clerk, Marco Vogrig, Acting Director of Engineering & Infrastructure, Stace Gander, Director of Community Services

Call to Order

Mayor Reynard called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Blessing & Land Acknowledgment ***Delivered by Councillor Poirier***

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:-

- Adopt a budget amendment in the amount of \$185,000 from the JM Roads Reserve to complete remedial work in the Coker Road, East of Kelly Road area

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.

Budget Amendment-Coker Road East of Kelly Road Grade Raise

1. Moved by M. Goss, Seconded by C. Van Walleghem & Carried:-

That Council hereby approves a budget amendment in the amount of \$185,500 to be funded through the JM Roads Reserve Fund to rehabilitate the Coker Road just east of Kelly Road by way of a grade raise to accommodate future flooding events; 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 a special meeting of Council on June 10, 2022 to withdraw funds from the JM Roads Reserve Fund in the amount of \$185,500 to complete this work; and further

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

Discussion:

One of the affected areas by the flooding one location is the Coker Road just east of Kelly Road in which this flooding caused it to be closed for several weeks. As part of certain improvements as part of the flood, it is being recommended to raise the road in this area. A grade raise is recommended at this time to provide a flood resilient second point of entry and exit into the flood prone Black Sturgeon Lakes area. This would supplement the East Melick Road access and egress route where two sections of East Melick Road were previously grade raised which provided the only primary access in and out this sector of the City during the flood. The water was about 20" at its highest point over the road, and therefore requires a substantial grade raise.

Currently this section of Coker Road has remained closed to date awaiting water levels to recede and direction on how to remediate the area. Now that the road has been assessed and an evaluation of the works required to reopen this area determined, a decision is required regarding the funding required for these works. The recommendation presented to Council is a full grade raise which will rehabilitate and bring the road back to an acceptable standard prior to its reopening.

We also have Pinecone Drive and Essex Road/Hooterville Trail and will be our next focus moving forward after we address the Coker Road area. The Pinecone Drive area we are looking for some geotechnical support from a third party engineer it is filled with slip failure into swampy material and will require better long range solutions. The Essex at Hooterville is double the geographical area in size and will require longer term plans in this area as well. The Roads division has looked at this area yesterday and have come back with a recommendation for some remedial works that will take 2-4 days. There will be a need to review in detail and come back to Council with a detailed report with a scope of work for Council to review. In short term it is best to do some initial remedial work so we can reopen the road, and then in the longer term look at deeper remedial work. We would look at using our own internal staff to do that immediate remedial work.

Bylaws

2. Moved by R. McMillan, Seconded by G. Chaze & Carried:-

That the following bylaw be now read a First & Second time, and approved in its present form and presented for Third & Final Reading:~

#79-2022 – Budget Amendment-Remedial work-Coker Rd flooding

Adjourn to a Closed Session

3. Moved by M. Goss, Seconded C. Van Walleghem & 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:-

- i) Disposition of Land (1 matter-Keewatin Medical Centre)

Adjourn Meeting

4. Moved by M. Goss, Seconded C. Van Walleghem & Carried:-

That this meeting be now declared closed 10:44 a.m.

The Corporation of the City of Kenora

Confirmed As Written ThisDay

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Mayor

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City Clerk