



MINUTES

Of a Meeting of the Council of the City of Kenora

Tuesday, September 20, 2022

12:00 p.m.

City Hall Council Chambers

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

**Staff:** Heather Pihulak, Director of Corporate Services/City Clerk, Charlotte Edie, Director of Finance, Ryan Marsh, Incoming Director of Finance, Stace Gander, Director of Community Services, Roberta Marsh, Director of Human Resources, Risk & Insurance, Kent Readman, Director of Fire & Emergency Services

## Call to Order

Mayor Reynard called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.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:-

- Council will amend their October meeting schedule to reflect the October Committee of the Whole date being October 3 at 9 a.m. and October 7 as Council at 12 noon
- Council will receive the report of the CAO for expenditures during the Lame Duck Period

## 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 A. Poirier, Seconded by G. Chaze & Carried:-**

That the following Minutes of the Council of the City of Kenora be adopted as circulated:-  
Regular Council – August 9, 2022

### **Deputations**

None

### **Additions to the Agenda**

None

### **2022 Q2 Investments**

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

That Council of the City of Kenora hereby accepts the 2022 second quarter investment report that includes details of the Kenora Citizens' Prosperity Trust Fund and General City of Kenora investments.

### **July 2022 Financial Statements**

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

That Council hereby accepts the monthly Financial Statements of the Corporation of the City of Kenora at July 31, 2022.

### **Joint Elections Compliance Audit Committee**

#### **4. Moved by S. Smith, Seconded by G. Chaze & Carried:-**

That Council gives three readings to a Joint Compliance Audit Committee Terms of Reference for the 2018-2022 Term of Council bylaw; and further

That this regional joint committee includes partnerships with the Cities of Dryden and Kenora; the Municipalities of Machin, Red Lake and Sioux Lookout; and the Townships of Ear Falls, Ignace and Pickle Lake; and further

That the regional participating clerks are hereby delegated the joint authority to make the appointments to the committee through mutual consensus.

### **October Meeting Dates**

#### **5. Moved by M. Goss, Seconded by A. Poirier & Carried:-**

That Council hereby amends the 2022 Council meeting calendar to reflect the October Committee of the Whole meeting date be rescheduled to Monday, October 3 and the October Council meeting rescheduled to Friday, October 7, 2022; and further

That in accordance with Notice By-law Number 144-2007, public notice is hereby given that Council intends to amend their October meeting dates to October 3 and October 7<sup>th</sup>.

### **Potential Redistribution of Federal Ridings Advocacy**

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

Whereas the Federal Electoral Boundaries Commission for the Province of Ontario has proposed a new electoral map that would cut the number of federal election districts in northern Ontario from ten to nine; and

Whereas the Constitution of Canada requires that the federal elector districts be reviewed every ten years; and

Whereas the most significant change would see the two largest ridings in the far north, Kenora and Timmins-James Bay, amended and combined into one massive riding called Kiiwetinoong-Mushkegowuk, spanning from the Manitoba border to Quebec, and Kenora's current riding boundary readjusted dramatically and combined with Thunder Bay-Rainy River with further significant changes to the Thunder Bay-Superior North and Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing boundaries; and

Whereas the land mass size of the new Kenora-Thunder Bay-Rainy River riding would make it virtually ungovernable, and ultimately infringe on the democratic rights of northerners; and

Whereas our region has diverse and unique interests which are quite different from one another and deserve adequate diverse representation in Ottawa; and

Whereas the legislation would in fact support, according to the population quota to be applied by the Commission, a reduction of two, but the commission has recommended one; and

Whereas the Kenora District was deemed an "extraordinary circumstance" in 2012 during the last boundary review, and because of which it was not revised at that time;

Now therefore be it resolved that Council of the Corporation of the City of Kenora strongly opposes the proposed reduction of Northern ridings and representatives; and further

That the City of Kenora calls upon the Federal Electoral Boundary Commission to consider the vast land mass that already exists within our electoral boundary and refrain from extending any boundary which reduces northern ridings and representatives; and further

That further consideration be given to the uniqueness of Northwestern Ontario, especially smaller municipalities in the north and expanding this boundary provides for further imperiled and underrepresented by so few seats; and further

That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Eric Melillo, MP Kenora Riding, the Federal Electoral Boundaries Commission for Ontario, the Kenora District Municipal Association, the Rainy-River District Municipal Association Grand Chief Francis Kavanaugh, Grand Council Treaty 3 and the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association.

### **Disconnect from Work Policy #HR-2-18**

#### **7. Moved by R. McMillan, Seconded by G. Chaze & Carried:-**

That three readings be given to a bylaw to adopt the new Disconnect from Work Policy #HR-2-18 in accordance with the Employment Standards Act, 2000 (ESA); and further

That Policy #HR-2-18 form part of the City's Comprehensive Policy Manual.

### **Repeal City Policy #HR-1-2**

#### **8. Moved by G. Chaze, Seconded by A. Poirier & Carried:-**

That City Policy #HR-1-2 that forms part of the Comprehensive City Policy Manual be hereby repealed; and further

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

### **Repeal City Policy #ES-1-1**

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

That City Policy #ES-1-1 that forms part of the Comprehensive City Policy Manual be hereby repealed; and further

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

### **904 Ottawa Street Lease Renewal**

#### **10. Moved by S. Smith, Seconded by G. Chaze & Carried:-**

That Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to enter into an extended lease agreement between the Corporation of the City of Kenora and the medical professionals representing the Keewatin Medical Clinic for the term ending September 30, 2027 for the municipal property located at 904 Ottawa Street, legally described as Plan 18, Block 50, Pt. Lot 2, all lots 3 & 4; and further

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

### **Kenora Recreation Centre Concession Contract Agreement**

#### **11. Moved by M. Goss, Seconded by G. Chaze & Carried:-**

That Council gives three readings to a bylaw authorizing an agreement between the Corporation of the City of Kenora and Chad Gropp for the purpose of providing Food and Beverages Services in the Kenora Recreation Centre concession for the term of October 1, 2022 to August 31, 2025.

### **Submission to Reseau du Nord Call for Proposals**

#### **12. Moved by C. Van Wallegghem, Seconded by G. Chaze & Carried:-**

That Council approve a submission to the Reseau du Nord call for proposals to select communities that are wishing to develop their immigration capacity in Northern Ontario.

## **Zoning Bylaw Amendment D14-22-06 – 216 Matheson Street South**

### **13. Moved by A. Poirier, Seconded by G. Chaze & Carried:-**

That the application for Zoning By-law Amendment, File No. D14-22-06, to seek relief from the regulations of the "GC" General Commercial Zone by amending the zoning to "GC[54]" General Commercial, exception [54] Zone should be approved, with an amendment to the proposed reduction in required parking to 1.0 parking space per dwelling unit, with the approved exceptions being:

1. to permit the location of a dwelling unit on the ground floor of a multi-storey building;
2. to permit the location of a commercial use on the fourth floor;
3. to reduce the number of required parking spaces from 1.5 parking spaces plus 0.2 visitor parking spaces per dwelling unit (total of 1.7 parking spaces per unit) to 1.0 parking spaces per unit; and
4. to increase the maximum permitted building height from 11.0m to 13.9m.

That Council gives three readings to a by-law to that effect.

## **Water & Wastewater Monthly Summary – May, June, July 2022**

### **14. Moved by G. Chaze, Seconded by A. Poirier & Carried:-**

That Council of the City of Kenora hereby accepts the May, June and July 2022 Kenora Water and Wastewater Systems Monthly Summary Reports, as prepared by City administration.

## **Various Agreements**

### **15. Moved by R. McMillan, Seconded by G. Chaze & Carried:-**

That the Mayor and Clerk be hereby authorized to execute the following agreements on behalf of the Corporation of the City of Kenora:

Site Plan Agreement – KDSB – 10 Matheson Street South  
Amended Subordination & Postponement Agreement – Synergy North  
Services Agreement – Performance Sponsorship Group – Recreation advertising  
Contract Agreement – Sierra Construction – McLeod Park Upgrades  
Agreement – NOHFC – docking remedial works  
Agreement – NOHFC – Keewatin Memorial Arena works  
Agreement – NOHFC – ball diamonds upgrades  
Agreement – NOHFC – beach upgrades  
Agreement – NOHFC – project date change #7510074

That three readings be given to bylaws for this purpose.

## **Approvals by the CAO in Lame Duck Period**

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

That Council hereby receives the report of the CAO for expenditures authorized by the CAO under bylaw number 58-2022 during the lame duck period of Council; and further

That in accordance with Notice By-law Number 144-2007, public notice is hereby given that Council received this report at their September 20, 2022 meeting of Council which outlined the expenditures in a public meeting.

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

#### **17. Moved by M. Goss, Seconded by C. Van Walleggem & 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:~

- #122-2022 – Confirmatory
- #123-2022 - Joint Elections Compliance Audit Committee
- #124-2022 - Disconnect from Work Policy #HR-2-18
- #125-2022 - Repeal City Policy #HR-1-2 and #ES-1-1
- #126-2022 - 904 Ottawa Street Lease Renewal
- #127-2022 - Kenora Recreation Centre Concession Contract Agreement
- #128-2022 - Zoning Bylaw Amendment D14-22-06 – 216 Matheson Street South
- #129-2022 - Agreement – NOHFC – docking remedial works
- #130-2022 - Agreement – NOHFC – Keewatin Memorial Arena works
- #131-2022 - Agreement – NOHFC – ball diamonds upgrades
- #132-2022 - Agreement – NOHFC – beach upgrades
- #133-2022 - Agreement – NOHFC – project date change #7510074
- #134-2022 - Site Plan Agreement – KDSB – 10 Matheson Street South
- #135-2022 - Amended Subordination & Postponement Agreement – Synergy North
- #136-2022 - Services Agreement–Performance Sponsorship Group–Recreation
- #137-2022 - Contract Agreement –Sierra Construction – McLeod Park Upgrades

### **Notices of Motion**

None

### **Proclamations**

- Franco-Ontarian Day - September 25, 2022
- Rail Safety Week - September 19–25, 2022
- Social Isolation Awareness Month – October 2022

### **Announcements**

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

- 1.** Councillor Goss reminded the public about the upcoming municipal election and voting begins October 11 by telephone or internet.
- 2.** Councillor Poirier presented a gift and acknowledgment to Councillor McMillan and congratulated him on his appointment to the Public School Board.
- 3.** Councillor Chaze thanked Council for the appointment to Council as this is his last meeting of this term of Council.
- 4.** Mayor Reynard acknowledged that this may be the last meeting for several members of Council and thanked Councillor McMillan for his commitment to Council over the last 28 years.
- 5.** Councillor McMillan noted it was his last meeting and thanked members of Council and staff for the positive relationships over his many years on Council.

**Adjourn to Closed Session**

**18. Moved by C. Van Walleghem, Seconded by G. Chaze & 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 12:30 p.m. to discuss items pertaining to the following:-

- i) Education & Training Members of Council (2 matters – CAO, Mayor update)

**Reconvene to Open Meeting**

Council reconvenes to open session at 1:10 p.m. with no reports from its closed session.

**Close of Meeting**

**19. Moved by A. Poirier, Seconded by C. Van Walleghem & Carried:-**

That this meeting be now declared closed at 1:10 p.m.

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

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

**Of.....2022**

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**Mayor**

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**City Clerk**