

Minutes

*of a Meeting of the Council of the City of Kenora
held Monday, May 26, 2003 – City Chambers
at 5:00 p.m.*

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**WITH Mayor D. Canfield in the Chair, Councillor R. Lunny, Councillor D. McDougald, Councillor R. McMillan, Councillor T. Szajewski, Councillor C. Wasacase, Bill Preisentanz, CAO, Joanne L. McMillin, City Clerk.**

**REGRETS: Councillor I. Parkes**

**Mayor Canfield called the meeting to order and Councillor Lunny read the Prayer.**

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**1.Moved by C. Wasacase, Seconded by T. Szajewski & Carried:-**

THAT the Minutes of the last Regular Meeting of Council of the City of Kenora held **Monday, May 12**, be confirmed as written and circulated.

**DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

**Mayor Canfield then asked if any Member of Council had any Declarations of Interest with respect to any items on the Agenda. The following Declarations were made:- Councillor McDougald – Resolution No. 2 due to a family business.**

**DEPUTATIONS:**

**Jon A. Sigurdson**

Mr. Sigurdson advised he has just received the new Program dated May 1, 2003 for the Kenora Recreation Centre & Michael Smith Fitness Centre and that while seniors and youth are recognized to receive a reduced rate, persons with disabilities have not yet been included. Mr. Sigurdson noted he had made an earlier request for this consideration, advising that these individuals are on fixed incomes as well and should also be eligible for a lower rate. Mr. Sigurdson again urged Council to consider reducing the costs of accessing certain municipal facilities such as the arena and pool for persons with a disability and to reduce the current adult fare from \$4.75 to \$3.00 as is done for seniors and youths.

Donny Liddle then spoke to Council regarding his monthly budget and that there is not much money left at the end of the month from his cheque for these types of "fun" activities and hoped Council would consider a reduction in the fare.

Councillor Szajewski noted there is currently an Accessibility Committee being formed to look at all access matters within the City, as well as a recommendation will be coming forward to Council to have the fare for persons with disabilities reduced to match the price for seniors and youths.

**Lydia Harlos**

Ms Harlos questioned if there is a sidewalk slated to be installed in her area of town? She was advised that at this time there is no sidewalk planned in front of her residence. She expressed concern on the 20% increase in sewer and water rates and is not in favour of such an increase.

Ms Harlos mentioned that the City should consider establishing parking meters in the City Hall parking lot as a source of revenue rather than increasing water rates.

She further expressed concern on KMTS raising their telephone rates just shortly after senior citizens received a \$3.00 increase in their pension and she felt this was not fair of the City. In closing she asked why KMTS cannot match Bell Long Distance rates and that if they could more residents would use KMTS and this would keep funds in the City.

**Pearl Bannister**

Mrs. Bannister requested an update from Council on the moratorium on the use of pesticides and herbicides, and was advised there is a meeting scheduled this Thursday. Councillor Szajewski advised he would be reporting back to Council on the results of that meeting.

Mrs. Bannister questioned why Council has not exercised its right to place a moratorium or ban on the use of these chemicals? She indicated it is not the Health Unit that has this authority and the City can only do it. She advised the City of Toronto just recently placed a ban on the use of herbicides and pesticides and indicated there is no point having a ban on municipal property in Kenora if there is nothing being done for private property.

She urged Council to impose a ban as soon as possible and that there is no reason not to given the health concerns associated with these chemicals.

**APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS****2.Moved by R. McMillan, Seconded by C. Wasacase & Carried:-**

THAT the Reports dated **May 15, 2003** of the Finance and Administration Committee, submitting for approval and authorization for payment, invoices, accounts and payroll summaries, including transfers to Boards and Commissions for municipal and utility listings, attached hereto, totalling **\$2,326,245.34** be hereby authorized for approval.

**Abstention: Councillor McDougald****PURCHASE/CREDIT CARD POLICY****3.Moved by R. McMillan, Seconded by C. Wasacase & Carried:-**

THAT Council approve the Purchase/Credit Card Policy as attached to the report of Karen Brown dated May 14, 2003; and further

THAT the Mayor and the Manager of Finance & Administration be authorized to execute the related agreements and documents applicable for implementation of the purchase/ visa cards.

**EMPLOYEE COMPUTER PURCHASE POLICY - AMENDED****4.Moved by T. Szajewski, Seconded by C. Wasacase & Carried:-**

THAT Council of the City of Kenora hereby approves the amended Municipal Employee Computer Purchase Policy.

**APPROVAL OF SENIORS' CRUISE****5. Moved by R. McMillan, Seconded by C. Wasacase & Carried:-**

THAT Council of the City of Kenora hereby approves the expenditure for the one day 2003 Seniors' Cruise scheduled for Wednesday, June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2003; and further

THAT 2003 be a trial year for the holding of only one cruise.

***Councillor McDougald requested the Rules of Order be Suspended in order to introduce the following item:-***

**ATTENDANCE OF COUNCILLOR LUNNY AT MAYORS' WEEK****5a Moved by D. McDougald, Seconded by R. McMillan & Carried:-**

THAT authorization be hereby given for Councillor Lunny to attend the Mayors' Week in Ottawa taking place June 2 to 6, 2003; and further THAT all eligible expenses in accordance with Council's Travel & Per Diem Policy be hereby authorized.

**BRIGADE STAFF PATROL FOR SPECIAL EVENTS****6. Moved by T. Szajewski, Seconded by R. McMillan & Carried:-**

THAT Council of the City of Kenora hereby supports the LOWBIC initiative of utilizing Brigade staff to patrol the Harbourfront docks and the Parkade during weekends, and Special events; and

THAT the necessary training and equipment be approved by the Kenora Police Service; and further

THAT an appropriation from the Harbourfront operating budget in the amount of \$12,000 be approved for a security light standard on the Harbourfront.

**FALL/WINTER ICE RENTAL RATES****7. Moved by T. Szajewski, Seconded by C. Wasacase & Carried:-**

THAT Council of the City of Kenora approve the following 2003-2004 fall/winter ice rental rates for the Kenora Recreation Centre and the Keewatin Memorial Arena effective September 3, 2003:-

**Local Minor Rates:**

- Recreational usage \$60.65 per hour plus G.S.T.
- Tournament/Special Event usage \$66.25 per hour plus G.S.T.

**Local Adult Rates:**

- Recreational usage \$83.00 per hour plus G.S.T.
- Tournament/Special Event usage \$88.25 per hour plus G.S.T.

**Out-of-Town Rates:**

- Recreational usage \$99.25 per hour plus G.S.T.
- Tournament/Special Event usage \$105.00 per hour plus G.S.T.

**INCREASE IN SEWER & WATER RATES****8. Moved by D. McDougald, Seconded by R. Lunny & Carried:-**

THAT Council give three readings to a by-law to amend By-law Number 33-2002 to authorize an increase in sewer and water rates, effective June 1, 2003.

**SALE OF NEW FLYER FLOOR BUS****9. Moved by D. McDougald, Seconded by R. Lunny & Carried:-**

THAT Council of the City of Kenora declare the New Flyer Low Floor bus as surplus and accept the offer from the City of Brandon in the amount of \$62,000.00; and further

THAT \$5,000.00 of the proceeds or as determined by the Fleet Supervisor be forwarded to Excel Coach Lines for extra bus parts.

**LEASE WITH SUNSET STRIP HUSKY**

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

THAT Council of the City of Kenora approve the request from Sunset Strip Husky to lease a parcel of City property immediately west of Sunset Strip Husky on Highway 17 East for the period May 21 to July 1, 2003, in the amount of \$500.00; and further

THAT Sunset Strip Husky name the City of Kenora as an additional insured on its insurance policy to a minimum amount of \$2,000,000.00.

**APPROVAL OF VARIOUS KMTS BUDGETS**

**11. Moved by R. Lunny, Seconded by D. McDougald & Carried:-**

THAT the Council of the City of Kenora receive and approve the following KMTS Budgets:-

**2003 KMTS Operating  
KMTS Mobility – Operating - 2003  
KMTS Internet – Operating – 2003**

**ACCEPTANCE OF KMTS STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN**

**12. Moved by R. Lunny, Seconded by D. McDougald & Carried:-**

THAT the Council of the City of Kenora hereby receives and accepts the KMTS Strategic Business Plan for 2003-2005.

**BY-LAWS – FIRST & SECOND READING**

**13. Moved by R. Lunny, Seconded by D. McDougald & Carried:-**

**THAT** the following **By-laws** be read a **FIRST & SECOND** Time:~

**#86-2003** – to confirm the proceedings of the May 20 Committee of the Whole meeting;

**#87-2003** – to amend Schedule "D" to By-law Number 33-2002 being a by-law to establish water and sewer rates.

**BY-LAWS – THIRD & FINAL READING**

**14. Moved by D. McDougald, Seconded by R. Lunny & Carried:-**

**THAT** the following **By-laws** be now approved in their present form and be presented for **THIRD AND FINAL** Reading:-

**#86-2003** – to confirm the proceedings of the May 20 Committee of the Whole meeting;

**#87-2003** – to amend Schedule "D" to By-law Number 33-2002 being a by-law to establish water and sewer rates.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

**THAT** this meeting be now declared closed at 5:37 p.m.

***THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF KENORA:***

**CONFIRMED AS WRITTEN THIS .....DAY OF**

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**MAYOR**

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**CITY CLERK**