

# Minutes

*of a Meeting of the Council of the City of Kenora  
held Monday, January 26, 2004 – City Chambers  
at 5:00 p.m.*

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**WITH Mayor D. Canfield in the Chair, Councillor L. Compton, Councillor R. McMillan, Councillor I. Parkes, Councillor A. Poirier, Councillor T. Szajewski, Councillor C. Wasacase, Bill Preisentanz, CAO, Joanne L. McMillin, City Clerk.**

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

## **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

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

THAT the Minutes of the last Regular Meeting of Council of the City of Kenora held **Monday, January 12, 2004** be confirmed as written and circulated.

**Mayor Canfield then asked if any Member of Council had any Declarations of Interest with respect to any items on the Agenda. There were no Declarations.**

## **DEPUTATIONS:**

### **Emily Tacknyk-Roulston**

Ms Tacknyk-Roulston requested a report from those Members of Council, specifically Councillor Poirier as Operations Chair, upon return from the Ontario Good Roads Conference taking place in Toronto next month. She questioned what 'roads projects' are taking place in southern Ontario that requires the funding to remain in that part of the province rather than here as there is no money being provided to Northwestern Ontario for road projects. In closing she asked if there was "northern" representation on the OGRA Board of Directors, and Mayor Canfield advised there are two representatives.

### **Appointment to Kenora Non-Profit Housing Corporation**

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

THAT Marlene Madison be hereby appointed to the Kenora Municipal Non-Profit Housing Committee to replace Greta Coltman, with a term to expire November 30, 2006.

### **Approval of Accounts**

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

THAT the Reports dated **December 31, 2003, January 13, and 20, 2004** 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 **\$623,825.57** be hereby authorized for approval.

### **IT Strategic Plan**

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

THAT the Council of the City of Kenora approves, in principle, the implementation of the IT Strategic Plan with yearly reviews to ensure the Plan supports the City’s goals and objectives.

**Retainer Services – Fred Dean, Barrister & Solicitor**

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

THAT authorization be hereby given for payment of the legal services retainer fee to Fred Dean, Barrister and Solicitor, for the period January 1 to December 31, 2004 in the amount of \$4,900.00 plus GST.

**LOW Historical Society Operating Grant**

**6.Moved by T. Szajewski, Seconded by R. McMillan & Carried:-**

THAT Council approve a municipal operating grant to the Lake of the Woods Historical Society in the amount of \$2,000 for 2004; and

THAT the grant request received from the Lake of the Woods Historical Society be included in the municipal grant review in conjunction with the operating budget process; and further

THAT the Manager of Finance and Administration be authorized to release these funds to this organization prior to approval of the municipal operating budget.

**Northwestern Health Unit – 1997 Levy**

**7.Moved by I. Parkes, Seconded by R. McMillan:-**

THAT Council approve payment to the Northwestern Health Unit in the amount of \$2,040.15, representing final payment of the 1997 municipal levy to the Town of Kenora, pending confirmation of a legal opinion on the City’s obligation to pay the balance of this levy at this time.

**MOTION DEFEATED**

**Various 2004 Memberships**

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

THAT authorization be hereby given for payment of the following 2004 Memberships:-

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| <b>AMO (Association of Municipalities of Ontario)</b>                                    | <b>\$3,299.30</b> |
| <b>OGRA (Ontario Good Roads Association)</b>                                             | <b>779.31</b>     |
| <b>FCM (Federation of Canadian Municipalities)</b>                                       | <b>1,810.50</b>   |
| <b>AMCTO (Association of Municipal Managers,<br/>Clerks &amp; Treasurers of Ontario)</b> | <b>866.90</b>     |
| <b>Ontario Municipal Water Association</b>                                               | <b>467.00</b>     |

**2004 Five Year Capital Plan**

**9. Moved by L. Compton, Seconded by R. McMillan & Carried:-**

THAT the City of Kenora 2004 Municipal Five Year Capital Plan as reviewed and amended by the Budget Committee be approved.

**Pinecrest Home – Request Vacant Beds be Re-opened**

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

WHEREAS the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care made a ruling in 2003 not to re-open a number of long-term beds as they become vacant at the Kenora and District Home for the Aged (Pinecrest) in Kenora; and

WHEREAS there is an unprecedented need by senior citizens in the Kenora District and First Nations Communities to have these long-term beds re-opened so that seniors may remain in their own environment and receive proper care at a reasonable cost; and

WHEREAS other health care facilities, such as the Lake of the Woods District Hospital is filled to capacity with patients that require the extended long-term care exclusively available at nursing homes; and

WHEREAS the daily costs associated with seniors remaining in hospital care versus Homes for the Aged is exorbitant comparatively and the permanent care that seniors require is underprovided due in part that hospitals are not long-term care facilities; and

WHEREAS the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care in projecting the need for additional long-term care beds have ignored the area north and west of Sudbury;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Kenora hereby implores the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care to re-open 30 long-term care beds that are sitting empty at the Kenora and District Home for the Aged which are in high demand and a vital necessity to senior citizens in our area; and

THAT the Kenora District Municipal Association, an advocacy on behalf of municipalities in the Kenora District of Northwestern Ontario, be requested to petition the Province, demanding that it is imperative for the unoccupied long-term care beds at Pinecrest Home be re-instated immediately; and further

THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Dalton McGuinty, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable George Smitherman, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, the Honourable John Gerretsen, Minister Responsible for Seniors, and the Honourable Howard Hampton, MPP, for direct action on this critical issue on behalf of senior citizens in this part of the province.

**CRF Allocations**

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

THAT the Council of the City of Kenora acknowledges their intent to use the CRF Allocations they will receive for the direct benefit of taxpayers; and further

THAT the City accepts the 2004 CRF Allocations in accordance with the terms and conditions (Conditions of Community Reinvestment Fund Allocations) set out by the Deputy Ministers of Finance and Municipal Affairs and Housing.

**New Governance Model**

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

WHEREAS the Council of the City of Kenora is desirous in establishing an effective and transparent Governance Model; and

WHEREAS the current system with three levels of meetings which results in duplication of discussion and too many meetings of a repetitive nature is an inefficient method of doing business; and

WHEREAS Council prefers the Standing Committee Structure which allows for a more thorough review of the many items they must resolve with the input of staff at such meetings;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the City of Kenora hereby agrees to disband the Committee of the Whole Structure and to adopt a Governance Model with the use of the six (6) Standing Committees with recommendations referred to meetings of the Council; and

THAT the City Clerk be directed to prepare a revised Procedural By-law to reflect the new Governance Model with an implementation date of March 1, 2004; and further

THAT notice is hereby given in accordance with Notice By-law #14-2003 that a new Procedural By-law will be adopted at a meeting of Council to be held Monday, February 23, 2004.

**Grant to Rideout Community Club**

**13.Moved by T. Szajewski, Seconded by R. McMillan & Carried:-**

THAT Council of the City of Kenora receive the recommendation from the Leisure Services Committee, approving the grant amount of \$4,000.00 to Rideout Community Club.

**Increase in Summer Ice Rental Rates**

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

THAT Council of the City of Kenora receive the recommendation from the Leisure Services Committee, approving the rental rate of \$105.00 per hour, plus G.S.T., for the 2004 Summer Ice Program for ice booked between July 19 and August 31, 2004; and

THAT in accordance with Notice Bylaw Number 14-2003, public notice for this increase will be given; and further

THAT Council give three readings to a by-law to amend Schedule "B" to Tariff of Fees and Charges By-law Number 100-2003; and further

THAT this increase take effect February 2, 2004.

**Increase in Salary – J. Zilinski**

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

THAT Council authorize the increase of John Zilinski's salary from \$8.00 per hour to \$10.00 per hour; and

THAT the increase be effective to September 28, 2003, until June 30, 2004; and further

THAT a business plan be presented to the Community Services Committee by June 30, 2004 for the future operation of concessions at the Kenora Recreation Centre and the Keewatin Memorial arena.

**Attendance of K. Robertson to Plumbing Inspection Course**

**16.Moved by L. Compton, Seconded by A. Poirier & Carried:-**

THAT the City of Kenora approve the attendance of Kevin Robertson at the Part 7 – Intermediate Plumbing Inspection course being held in Mississauga on Mar. 29 to April 2, 2004, along with all associated expenses.

**By-laws – First & Second Reading**

**17.Moved by I. Parkes, Seconded by R. McMillan & Carried:-**

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

**#3 - 2004**– to confirm proceedings of the January 20 Committee of the Whole meeting;

**#4 – 2004** – to amend Schedule 'B' to By-law #100-2003 being a by-law to establish a General Tariff of Fees and Charges for the City of Kenora.

**By-laws – Third and Final Reading**

**18. Moved by I. Parkes, Seconded by A. Poirier & Carried:-**

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

**#3 - 2004**– to confirm proceedings of the January 20 Committee of the Whole meeting;

**#4 – 2004** – to amend Schedule 'B' to By-law #100-2003 being a by-law to establish a General Tariff of Fees and Charges for the City of Kenora.

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

**By-law to Appoint a CBO and Deputy CBO (First & Second Readings)**

**18a Moved by A. Poirier, Seconded by I. Parkes & Carried:-**

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

**#5-2004** – to appoint a Chief Building Official and a Deputy Chief Building Official and Inspector in and for the City of Kenora.

**By-law to Appoint a CBO and Deputy CBO (Third & Final Readings)**

**18b Moved by A. Poirier, Seconded by I. Parkes & Carried:-**

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

**#5-2004** – to appoint a Chief Building Official and a Deputy Chief Building Official and Inspector in and for the City of Kenora.

**Adjournment**

**19. Moved by L. Compton, Seconded by I. Parkes & Carried:-**

**THAT** this meeting be now declared closed at 5:55 p.m.

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

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

**.....2004**

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**MAYOR**

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**CITY CLERK**

