

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE A G E N D A

Tuesday, November 2, 2004 - City Hall Council Chambers 3:00 p.m.







Public Information NOTICES as per By-law No. 14-2003

Take Notice that as required under Notice By-law No. 14-2003, Council intends to adopt the following by-law at its November 8 meeting:

To Adopt Amended Estimates for Reserve Funds to be incorporated into the Sums required for Municipal Purposes during the Year 2004 (re: municipal policing costs.)

A. 3:00 p.m. Budget Presentation - Northwestern Health Unit

- B. RESOLUTIONS PREPARED FOR Monday, November 8/2004:-
 - Confirm Minutes
 - Approval of Accounts
 - Confirmatory By-law
 - Adjournment

C. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

D. REPORT OF COMMITTEES:-

<u>FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION – Councillor R. McMillan</u>

NO. REPORT SUBJECT

DISPOSITION

1. Harassment Policy

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council hereby amends the City of Kenora Policy Manual by approving the attached Harassment Policy #HR-1-6; and further

THAT the Harassment Policy be included in the City's Policy Manual.

THAT Council approve a supporting by-law permitting the City of Kenora to enter into the letter of agreement with the Ministry of Transportation with respect to the Dedicated Gas Tax Funds for Public Transportation Program.

3. Municipal Clerks to Perform Civil Marriages RECOMMENDATION:

WHEREAS in September, 2004 the Ontario government filed changes to the regulations under the Marriage Act authorizing municipal clerks to perform civil marriages; and





WHEREAS prior to giving Royal Assent to the new regulation, the Ontario government did not notify or consult with municipal clerks and/or municipal governments across the province in advance to determine if they would consider the option of performing civil marriages; and

WHEREAS municipalities were somewhat blind-sided with the News Release publicized across Ontario by the Ministry of Consumer and Business Services that municipal councils could opt into this service by authorizing municipal clerks to perform civil marriages; and

WHEREAS Ontario Regulation #285/04 as filed September 17, 2004 under the Marriage Act is very vague and ambiguous in terms of rules and regulations concerning the municipal clerk's authority for performing civil marriages; and

WHEREAS there has been very little information provided to municipalities concerning any aspect of providing this service, yet the public perception is that municipal clerks will automatically be performing these ceremonies in their municipality; and

WHEREAS not all municipalities have the resources to accommodate this type of service in their municipal offices, nor do municipal clerks have the time to perform these ceremonies; and

WHEREAS municipalities are bound by the Municipal Act in terms of imposing fees and charges for the provision of various services, many of which are restrictive and cannot be structured for the purpose of a revenue-generating opportunity; and

WHEREAS the Ontario government is once again clearly downloading their responsibilities to municipalities by taking advantage of, and imposing this discretionary legislation upon the municipal clerk's position rather than directly appointing "marriage commissioners" throughout the province and retaining this service at the provincial level; and

WHEREAS it is time for municipalities to speak out against further downloading by the province to municipal governments, especially when as key stakeholders, municipalities are not being adequately consulted, involved or informed of potential legislative changes that will have a definite impact on municipal resources and the delivery of municipal services;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the City of Kenora hereby petitions the Premier of Ontario and the Minister of Consumer and Business Services to revoke Ontario Regulation 285/04 thereby eliminating any option by a local municipality to authorize a municipal clerk to solemnize marriages; and

THAT a demand be placed on the Ontario government for the province to introduce a new regulation which authorizes the Ministry of Consumer and Business Relations to appoint marriage commissioners at-large to perform civil marriages and removing any municipal link to this service; and further

THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for circulating to all municipalities in the province for their support and endorsement, and a copy be forwarded to Howard Hampton, M.P.P., the Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks & Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO), the Kenora District Municipal Association and the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA).

4. Kenora Police Service Wages & 2004 Budget RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council of the City of Kenora hereby authorizes an amendment to the 2004 municipal budget to fund the additional Kenora Municipal policing costs; and



THAT Council give three readings to a by-law approving the withdrawal of \$95,000.00 from the contingency Reserve for this purpose; and further

THAT public notice is hereby given in accordance with Notice By-law #14-2003 for the amending of the 2004 budget.

THAT Council give three readings to a by-law to establish the claw back rates for certain property classes within the City of Kenora for 2004.

6. KMTS Commission Stipend RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council of the City of Kenora refer the KMTS Commission stipend to the 2005 KMTS operating budget for consideration.

7. Letter of Support – Children's Treatment Centre RECOMMENDATION:

THAT authorization be hereby given for the Council of the City of Kenora to forward a letter of support to the Lake of the Woods Child Development Centre in support of their proposal to establish a Children's Treatment Centre to serve children and families in the Districts of Kenora and Rainy River.

- 8. Attendance of Clerk @ 2004 Access & Privacy Workshop Information
- 9. 2004 Kenora Visit by Fred Dean November 30
- 10. Reminder of Budget Discussion Meeting Pinecrest Home the Aged Monday, November 8 @ 4:15 p.m.

<u>COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE – Councillor T. Szajewski</u>

NO. REPORT SUBJECT DISPOSITION

1. Wellness Centre Information Report

Ongoing

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2. Naming of the Kenora Recreation Centre & Tabled Motion HOLD RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Mayor and Council accept the recommendation from the Community Services Committee to change the name of The Kenora Recreation Centre to "The Kenora Wellness and Recreation Centre.

3. Lk of the Woods Museum – Temporary Closure RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Council of the City of Kenora give approval to the temporary closure of the Lake of the Woods Museum in January 2005 in order that repainting and re-carpeting can be done.

THAT the staff of the Lake of Woods Museum continue to work their regular hours during January 2005.

THAT the Council of the City of Kenora hereby appoint Lorne Kletke to the Lake of the Woods Museum Board, to fill a vacancy for a term to expire November 2006.

- 5. City of Kenora Wharf Capital Planning Report
- 6. Sunset Trail Riders Storage for Groomer & Equipment

7. Snowmobile Corridor – 19th Avenue North RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council of the City of Kenora in the interest of continuing to provide a safe snowmobile trail through the City approve an expenditure of \$3,000 to Hydro One to relocate the guy wires on 19th Avenue North; and further

THAT the Sunset Trail Riders be required to barricade and mark the extreme drop-off area on 19th Avenue North adjacent to the snowmobile corridor.

THAT Council of the City of Kenora hereby authorizes free public parking at the Kenora Parkade (first two floors) on Saturday, November 27 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. for the "I'll be Home for Christmas" promotion in order to provide greater access to convenient customer parking in the Business Improvement Area; and further

THAT approval also be hereby given for a temporary street closure from Second Street South to Chipman Street and First Street South on Saturday, November 27, in support of this BIA Christmas promotion.

EMERGENCY SERVICES - Councillor I. Parkes

NO. REPORT SUBJECT

DISPOSITION

No reports.

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE - Councillor A. Poirier

NO. REPORT SUBJECT

DISPOSITION

1. Public Works Re-location Information Report

Ongoing

THAT Council give three readings to a by-law to amend City of Kenora Sewer & Water By-law Number 33-2002 as outlined in the October 26 report; and further

THAT prior to the adoption of the by-law, authorization be hereby given to commence the public process for such amendment in accordance with Notice By-law 14-2003 and O.Reg. #244/02 in order for the changes to come into effect on December 1, 2004.



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THAT Council give three readings to a by-law to amend Traffic Regulation By-law Number 127-2001 to include the following changes to Schedule O "Stop Signs at Intersections" at Shauna Crescent and Darren Avenue:-

Add:

Column 1
INTERSECTION
Shauna Crescent and
Darren Avenue

Column 2
FACING TRAFFIC
West bound on
Shauna Crescent

4. 2005 Hourly Equipment/Truck Rental Tender RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the attached ranking lists be accepted and adopted for purposes of hiring non-owned equipment and trucks for the City of Kenora during the period January 1 to December 31, 2005.

PROPERTY & PLANNING COMMITTEE - Councillor C. Wasacase

NO. REPORT SUBJECT

DISPOSITION

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1. Cancellation of November 4 P & P Meeting (only Nov. 18)

UTILITIES & COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE - Councillor L. Compton

NO. REPORT SUBJECT

DISPOSITION

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1. K.M.T.S. Information Report.

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OTHER BUSINESS

Adjournment