

**PROPERTY & PLANNING
STANDING COMMITTEE
M I N U T E S**

**Held Wednesday, April 19, 2006
At 10:00 a.m. – City Council Chambers**

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PRESENT:	Councillor Wasacase	Chair
	Councillor Compton	Council
	David Canfield	Council
	Councillor McMillan	Council
	Art Mior	
	Tara Rickaby	Planning Assistant
	Bill Preisentanz	C.A.O.
	Jeff Port	City Planner

Regrets: Councillor Parkes, Jennifer Rasmussen

A. PUBLIC INFORMATION NOTICES AS PER BY-LAW NUMBER 14-2003 -

Take Notice that as required under Notice By-law No. 14-2003, Council hereby advises the public of its intention to adopt the following by-law at its meeting on April 10, 2006

A By-law to assume a portion of the Anderson Branch Road and the Davis Road as a highway for public and municipal purposes.

B. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST - None

C. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – 4 April, 2006

Moved by: Len Compton Seconded by: Rory McMillan

THAT the minutes of the April 4, 2006 meeting of the Property and Planning Committee meeting be adopted as distributed.

D. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA - NOHFC Youth Intern Program

E. DEPUTATION - None

1. By-law to provide that *The Line Fences Act* does not apply to all or a part of the municipality.

Tara Rickaby reported that the draft by-law has been sent for review and an opinion by the Municipal Solicitor.

Councillor Compton expressed concern with the cost of civil action, if required, between two neighbours.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT City Council adopts a By-law to provide that *The Line Fences Act* does not apply to all or any part of the City of Kenora.

Recommendation on hold pending further research

ACTION

HOLD

2. Economic Development Officer – Report

Jeff Port highlighted minutes from the April 7, 2006 Economic Development Committee minutes with respect to the Municipal Cultural Planning Forum, an update on Abitibi Consolidated’s plans in the area, the partnership with Grand Council Treaty #3, the preparation of the economic development plan, “At the Crossroads – Forum #3) and an update on the “Common Ground” initiative.

In addition, Kenora has been designated for a “Kenora Family Health Team”, which is anticipated to be an asset for physician recruitment.

Information only

3. Northwest Business Centre – 2006/2007 Business Plan

Jeff Port reminded Council of the agreement between the City and the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines to deliver the Northwest Business Centre Program. He indicated that Carmela Laffin does an excellent job in delivering services on a “shoestring budget” and has reduced the request to the City by 5%; the City’s contribution to the \$73,000 budget is \$3,800.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the City of Kenora approve the attached BEC Business Plan, extend the agreement with the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines for the delivery of the Business Enterprise Centre program for the 2006/07 fiscal year.

Recommendation approved with requirement for further supporting documentation.

Jeff

4. Acquisition of a portion of Anderson Road and Davis Road

Tara Rickaby explained that an application for consent by Joan Belanger, to create one new lot, was given conditional approval on July 19, 2005. One condition of the approval was that a portion of both the Anderson Road and Davis Road be surveyed and transferred to the City of Kenora. The survey has been performed and the property will be transferred.

Bill

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the Council of the Corporation of the City of Kenora assumes a portion of the Anderson Road and Carlton Road;
2. THAT the Corporation of the City of Kenora assumed as a highway for public/municipal purposes, lands acquired from Joan Elizabeth Belanger, particularly, a part of parcel 18030 Sec DKF; Part of Lot 3 Concession 8 Jaffray, as in LT48203 Except LT 49863, S/T Right in LT 32042; Part 1 23R-11198, now in the City of Kenora, District of Kenora;
3. THAT the portion of the road forms part of the Anderson Road and Davis Road;
4. THAT the purchase price of the said road shall not exceed the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00);
5. THAT the Mayor and Clerk be and are hereby authorized to execute any and all documents required to complete this transaction.

Tara/Joanne

5. Youth Intern Program – Funding by Northern Ontario Heritage Fund

Jeff Port explained that the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines approached Carmela Laffin with this program, which is similar in scope

to a partnership, approved last year, with FedNor as part of a youth retention program in the City. The FedNor program has expired and the NOHFC has approved funding of \$27,500. The Northwest Business Centre will use a small reserve of \$4,225 as its contribution to the program.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council give three readings to a by-law to authorize the entering into of a contract for a “Northern Ontario Youth Internship;” and further THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute the agreement on behalf of the City of Kenora.

Bill

Recommendation approved

Motion required adjourning to Closed Meeting:

Moved by Rory McMillan, Seconded by Len Compton , and Carried:-

THAT this meeting be now declared closed at 10:40 a.m.; and further

THAT Committee adjourns to a Closed Meeting to discuss the following:

Disposition of Land.

The closed meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Action from closed meeting:

6. Colonization Road – City Planner to provide report to Council with respect to how to control development of the property. After Council has reviewed the report, a final recommendation will be forthcoming.

Meeting adjourned at 11:22 a.m.

**HOLD
Jeff P.**