



**Budget Committee  
MINUTES**

**Held Tuesday, November 13, 2007  
City Council Chambers  
4:00 p.m.**

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**PRESENT:** Councillor R. McMillan, Chair  
Councillor D. McCann  
Councillor W. Cuthbert  
Councillor C. Van Wallegghem  
Mayor L. Compton  
B. Preisntanz, CAO  
K. Brown, Finance & Administration Manager  
J. McMillin, City Clerk

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

N/A

**B. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

N/A

**C. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

N/A

**D. DEPUTATIONS**

**Alice Jardine – Keewatin Branch Seniors' Centre**

Mrs. Jardine made a presentation to Council requesting the City not close the doors on the New Horizons Seniors Centre in Keewatin as they have worked hard at establishing and maintaining the Centre for Keewatin Seniors. Mrs. Jardine's deputation is attached to and forms part of these Minutes.

**Don Parfitt - Kenora & LOW Regional Community Foundation**

Mr. Parfitt on behalf of the Kenora & Lake of the Woods Regional Community Foundation addressed Council on various Community Foundation Facts, highlighting its contributions to the City and Region as well as its financial picture outlining income and expenses. This statistical presentation together with the Foundation's Financial Statements to the end of 2006 is attached to and forms part of these Minutes.

**Sheila Alcock Triple P.L.A.Y.**

Ms Alcock made a presentation to Council requesting a \$15,000 grant to support Triple P.L.A.Y. program costs for the 2008 operating year and gave a brief background of the program that represents "Positive Leisure Activities for Youth" noting it supports 500 Kenora kids in a variety of sport activities. Ms Alcock's deputation is attached to and forms part of these Minutes.

**Colleen Ford – Keewatin Branch Library**

Ms Ford read a letter on behalf of Diane Webb who was unable to attend today's meeting requesting Council to find a way to keep the Keewatin Branch Library open. Ms Ford then gave her presentation to Council, also supporting that the Keewatin Library be allowed to remain open. Ms Ford presented Diane Webb's letter and her own deputation to the Clerk which are attached to and form part of these Minutes.

**Lois Dale – (OECTA) – Keewatin Branch Library & Seniors' Centre**

Mrs. Dale on behalf of the Ontario English Catholic Teacher Association addressed Council in support of the citizens to save the Keewatin Library and Senior Centre and for Council to look again at these facilities as not just a building but the important role they play in the building of our community. Mrs. Dale's deputation is attached to and forms part of these Minutes.

**Dan Essery - Kenora Urban Trails & Safe Communities Coalition  
Pedestrian/Cyclist Safety**

Mr. Essery explained he is attending this evening representing two groups, and requested the City to upgrade self-transport routes for pedestrian and cyclist safety, particularly in the Railway Street, Norman Drive and Government Road areas for the purpose of walking, biking, wheelchair, stroller use, etc. Mr. Essery's deputation is attached to and forms part of these Minutes.

**Sharon Smith - (Citizens' Committee) – Keewatin Branch Library**

On behalf of the Citizens' Committee in Keewatin, Ms Smith made a presentation to Council on retaining the operation of the Keewatin Branch Library and Seniors' Centre open, and operational costs for this purpose included in the 2008 budget. Ms Smith's deputation is attached to and forms part of these Minutes.

**Jess Rheault – Lake of the Woods Soccer Association**

Ms Rheault, Chairperson of the LOW Soccer Association circulated a copy of her presentation. Ms Rheault advised Council the Association is making application for consideration of a \$4,000 utility grant from the City towards the soccer facility as provided to other Community Clubs in the area. Ms Rheault's deputation is attached to and forms part of these Minutes.

**E. REPORTS**

**1. Budget Progress Update**

Councillor McMillan thanked the presenters for coming forward noting the process is moving along and that consideration will be given to this evening's deputations.

**ITEMS ON HOLD:**

N/A

**OTHER BUSINESS**

N/A

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.