

# MINUTES

of the

Finance & Administration Committee
Community Services Committee
Operations Committee

#### Of Council

Held September 4, 2007 City Council Chambers 4:00 p.m.

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PRESENT: Mayor Compton

Councillor W. Cuthbert Councillor C. Drinkwalter Councillor D. McCann Councillor R. McMillan

Councillor C. Van Walleghem

B. Preisentanz, CAO

R. Perchuk, Operations Manager

B. Reynard, Community Services Manager

J. McMillin, City Clerk

# FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

# A. <u>PUBLIC INFORMATION NOTICES AS PER BY-LAW</u> <u>NUMBER 14-2003</u>

Take Notice that Council intends to approve the following at its September 10 Meeting:

- To amend the 2007 Capital Budget to authorize an appropriation of funds from the City's Vehicle/Equipment Reserve in the amount of \$100,000.00.
  - B. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were none declared.

### C. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved by C. Van Walleghem, Seconded by C. Drinkwalter & Carried: THAT the Minutes from the last regular and closed meetings held August 7, 2007 be confirmed as written and filed.

### D. STANDING COMMITTEE DEPUTATIONS:-

### <u>Malcolm Fisher – Argyle Contribution Request</u>

Mr. Fisher attended to make a presentation to Committee on 'Save the Argyle.' He commented that as any residents do not have boats that they

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cannot have the lake experience, and the Argyle II is a great part of our heritage and history and he would like to see it put back on the lake. He indicated the Argyle could be used to service Coney Island, Keewatin Norman and other parts of the lake. He indicated he has the means to get it here and tow it into the area but is looking at possible locations for restoration purposes.

Mr. Fisher also advised he is looking at Trillium grants to access funding and would be using local trades to work on the boat, indicating there is no timeline to complete the repairs, but looking for donations of time by trades-people to help with the restoration. Mr. Fisher indicated the Argyle could possibly become a living museum as well as an added attraction to the waterfront with all the benefits it would bring. In response to a question about being in competition with other private enterprise Mr. Fisher advised the Argyle would have no lengthy cruises, nor any dining facilities, but would simply act as a bus to transport people around the lake, and that it would be a different lake experience. Costs to restore the boat to make the venture pay were discussed and Mr. Fisher is hopeful to receive donations, and in particular is looking for a saviour at this time before the 15<sup>th</sup> of September as this is the timeframe imposed by the current owners. He indicated they want the boat removed and that after the 15<sup>th</sup> they may simply have it destroyed on-site. Mr. Fisher was thanked for his presentation and left the meeting at 4:10 p.m.

# E. REPORTS:-

# 1. Proposal – Matheson Street Water Tower

Andrew Ross to present proposal at 4:00 p.m.

Mr. Ross attended in response to a call for proposals for the Water Tower and has put together a few ideas, such as turning the tower into a Studio Residence Program. Mr. Ross indicated he is considering hosting a drop-in design forum to get ideas through a coffee house atmosphere to look at various opportunities, possibly partnering with the City to start the dialogue but that the City would not be responsible for establishing the concept. Mr. Ross indicated the tower would be inhabitable, hopefully complete with sewer and water as there would be someone living on-site; basically small rooms stacked one on top of the other. It was agreed that Mr. Ross would require input from various municipal departments, i.e. Operations regarding this concept. It was generally agreed Mr. Ross flush out some of the finer details of his proposal. He further indicated he is considering incorporating some energy efficiencies into the concept such as solar panels, and setting up a website for the community to see real time energy savings. Committee noted there is another 'banner' proposal for the Water Tower and suggested Mr. Ross get a core group together and get back to the City by the end of December regarding his concept. suggestion was made that he contact OD Design to determine if there is any chance for a partnership regarding the two proposals. Mr. Ross was thanked for attending and left the meeting at 4:23 p.m.

2. Licensing By-Law #80-2006 – Vending Regulations
It was discussed this by-law should be reviewed concerning potential

impacts to vendors in the downtown area in light of the proposed revitalization area. It was suggested that various locations be looked at for vendors, not only in the downtown core but in extended areas such as near Kenora Forest Products and McLeod Park for example. A suggestion was made that there could be a call for proposals for the prime real estate areas concerning this matter. Bill was asked to prepare a report to Committee setting out all issues, including concerns at the Recreation Centre for outside vending.

Bill P.

# 3. Northern Ontario Business Awards – October 18 – Timmins File.

# 4. Amendment to 2007 Budget – Sand Truck RECOMMENDATION:

THAT in accordance with Notice By-law #14-2003, notice is hereby given that Council intends to give three readings to a by-law at its September 10 meeting to amend the 2007 Capital Budget to authorize an appropriation of funds from the City's Vehicle/Equipment Reserve in the amount of \$100,000.00, in accordance with the recommendations as set forth in the City's 2007 fleet review, towards the purchase of the sand truck, with the other \$40,000.00 already approved in the 2007 Sewer & Water Budget for this purpose.

**Recommendation approved** (resolution and by-law).

# JMcMillin/ PGrouda

# 5. Request for Additional Members-Council Police Costing Review Committee

Committee discussed this item as a result of the recent resolution adopted by the Kenora Police Services Board and presented by Member Pat Brett to Council on August 13. The resolution sets out a request for additional members to participate on the Council Police Costing Review Committee. Councillor McCann spoke to the matter advising it was not the intention to change the present make-up of the Committee. Bill suggested there is no right or wrong answer to the matter of the Committee make-up but it is what Council feels comfortable with and he referred to the 1999 process prior to Amalgamation.

Committee agreed to remain with the status-quo as per the adopted Terms of Reference for this Committee which sets out the Committee make-up, as there was no Member in favour of moving forward with an amendment to these existing Terms.

JMcMillin

# Letter and file.

#### 6. Argyle II Contribution Request

It was noted the request to the City is for \$2,500. It was indicated the boat will apparently be placed on private property, not municipal or public property. Committee agreed there have been many difficult decisions recently, and concern was expressed regarding a commitment of taxpayers' dollars to private enterprise. However Committee agreed the group should be encouraged to proceed with the project.

Committee recommended a letter go forward setting out the City is unable to financially support the project, and to endorse their efforts in establishing the Argyle back on the lake.

**JMcMillin** 

#### Letter and file.

#### 7. Web Portal Discussion

Councillor McCann believes more advertising/information on the Portal is better from an economical standpoint. It was suggested the Portal could be used for more housekeeping purposes than the Municipal Memo. It was discussed there could be separate sections on our site to make it more user-friendly for the public. It was confirmed that residents should now be able to pay all bills on-line, i.e. tax, telephone, hydro, sewer and water. Discussion ensued on setting up a Portal Committee to look at the various options for advertising on the web. Concern was expressed that not all residents have access to a computer and that some type of Municipal Memo should continue in paper form. Councillor McCann feels if we advertise Agendas and Minutes on the Portal we should be able to advertise everything else. It was suggested that for transitional purposes we advertise in the Memo as to how the public can navigate the Portal to obtain various information on-line. Committee agreed the already established Portal Committee meet and keep this Committee informed on its progress.

# 8. Kenora Hydro Board of Directors Vacancy

Christine Hansen has resigned and it was noted that Mr. J. McDougall had applied earlier. Committee recommended approval of Mr. McDougall's appointment rather than re-advertising.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT Council hereby appoints John M. McDougall to the Kenora Hydro Board of Directors to replace Christine Hansen, with a term to expire June, 2008 at the Annual General Meeting of the Board; and further

THAT Resolution #3 dated July 16, 2007 be and is hereby rescinded.

**JMcMillin** 

#### Recommendation approved.

#### ITEMS ON HOLD:

- The Rat Portage
- Old Fort Island Transfer By-law/MOU2
- Meeting Investigators, etc. Bill 130

#### **NEXT MEETING**

• Monday, September 17, 2007.



At 4:50 p.m.

# **COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES**

# A. PUBLIC INFORMATION NOTICES AS PER BY-LAW NUMBER 142003

N/A

### B. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were none declared.

#### C. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved by R. McMillan, Seconded by D. McCann & Carried:THAT the Minutes from the last regular meeting held August 7, 2007 be
confirmed as written and filed.

#### D. REPORTS:-

#### 1. Winkler Plaque

#### **HOLD** for granite quotes

#### RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council hereby receives the following quotes for the replacement of the Kelvin Winkler plaque at Winkler Harbourfront Park:-

- Guinn & Simpson Company \$2,082.00 plus applicable taxes
- Kenora Community Funeral Home \$2,694.27 taxes included (shipping and installation extra)
- Larsens Memorials \$2,499.00 plus applicable taxes, (FOB Larsens shop, plus \$350.00 plus applicable taxes for installation)
- Alpine Printing Promotions \$3,090.00 PST included, (GST extra, installation costs included)
- MC Delandes
   Monuments and Memorials \$3,500.00 plus applicable taxes

AND THAT the quote from Guinn & Simpson Company Limited in the amount of \$2,082.00 (plus applicable taxes) be accepted to supply a 24" X 30" bronze plaque (including lettering and photo); and

THAT Council authorize an additional allocation in the 2007 budget in the amount of \$2,082.00 plus applicable taxes, representing funding to cover the costs to replace the existing Winkler plaque at the Harbourfront; and further

THAT notice is hereby given that Council intends to give three readings to a by-law at its July 16 meeting to authorize a corresponding appropriation from the City's Parks Reserve for this purpose.

# 2. Application – Leisure Services Committee

Mr. Landry had submitted an application earlier and Committee felt Council should not interpret Conflicts of Interest. It was mentioned there may be another application submitted for this Committee but the Clerk could not confirm at this time if another application had been submitted or not.

Reference was made to the appointment of a Handi Transit applicant that was recently declined due to a perceived conflict, however it was noted this particular issue was a bit different and affected an in-direct employee wishing to serve on a Committee of their Employer.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT Council hereby appoints Darryl Landry to fill a vacancy on the Leisure Services Committee with a term to expire November 30, 2010.

# Recommendation approved.

# **JMcMillin**

# 3. Bear Wise Project

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT Council give three readings to a by-law to enter into an agreement with the Ministry of Natural Resources under the 2007 Bear Wise Project, to permit the release of funds in the amount of \$10,000.00 to purchase bear resistant garbage receptacles for various park locations within the City of Kenora (Anicinabe Park (4), Lakeview Drive Lookout (1), Norman Park (2), Portage Bay Recreation Area (3).

**Recommendation approved** (resolution and by-law).

# JMcMillin/ PGrouda

### 4. Recreation Centre Report

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT the Mayor and Council accept the Recreation Department Review and support the proposals and recommendations as outlined in this report.

Councillor Van Walleghem advised Item #4 will be transferred to the Closed Meeting portion as there are issues concerning identifiable individuals.

-> To In-Camera

#### **UPDATES & INFORMATION**

- JM Financials
- Day Care

#### **NEXT MEETING**

• Monday, September 17, 2007.



At 4:45 p.m.

# **OPERATIONS STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES**

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

# **B.** DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were none declared.

#### C. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved by C. Drinkwalter, Seconded by W. Cuthbert & Carried:-THAT the Minutes from the last regular and closed meeting of Committee held August 7, 2007 be confirmed as written and filed.

# D. REPORTS

### **ROADS**

# 1. Crime Stoppers Template for Signage

Rick Perchuk gave Committee an update advising that Gary Potter of Crimestoppers has indicated that 30 signs have been ordered for Kenora and delivery is expected in a couple of weeks. Depending on funding, there may be an additional 10 to 20 signs made available next year.

## 2. Treated Winter Sand Tender 2007/2008

#### RECOMMENDATION

THAT the following quotations for the supply and delivery of 10,000 tonnes of treated winter sand and for the supply of 450 tonnes of bulk de-icing salt be received;

Neniska (treated sand) \$12.44 per tonne (tax included) Hugh Munro Construction \$19.29 per tonne (tax included)

(treated sand)

Sifto Canada Corp (salt) \$96.45 per tonne, (tax extra), and

THAT the quotation for the supply and delivery of 10,000 tonnes of treated winter sand from Joe Neniska and Sons Ltd., pending material successfully passing sieve analysis testing, be hereby accepted;

Neniska (treated sand) \$12.44 per tonne (tax included), and further;

THAT the quotation for the supply of 450 tonnes of bulk de-icing salt from Sifto Canada Corp., be hereby accepted;

Sifto Canada Corp (salt) \$96.45 per tonne (tax extra)

Recommendation approved.

**JMcMillin** 

#### **INSPECTION**

### City of Kenora Appointment – Deputy Chief Building Official RECOMMENDATION

THAT John Nabb be appointed to the position of Deputy Chief Building Official for the City of Kenora, and

THAT By-law 72-2005 designating John Nabb as a Plumbing Inspector for the City of Kenora, be hereby repealed, and further;

THAT Council give three readings to a by-law for this purpose.

**Recommendation approved** (resolution and by-law).

# ITEMS ON HOLD:

• 318 Mellick Avenue Laneway – Marciniak HOLD for report

#### **NEXT MEETING**

Monday, September 17, 2007

# Motion required adjourning to Closed Meeting Session

Moved by R. McMillan, Seconded by W. Cuthbert & Carried: -

THAT this meeting be now declared closed at 5:00 p.m.; and further

THAT Council adjourns to a Closed Meeting Session to discuss the following:

- Disposition of Land Matter;
- Personal Matter about an Identifiable Individual • Litigation or Potential Litigation.

At 6:15 p.m. Council reconvened to the Open Session with the following report: -

#### PERSONAL MATTER ABOUT AN IDENTIFIABLE INDIVIDUAL

### 'Trappers' Business License

#### RECOMMENDATON:

THAT further to an Appeal Hearing held August 13, 2007 with respect to a City of Kenora Business License, Council of the City of Kenora hereby denies the issuance of a Business License to 1721534 Ontario Inc. ("Trappers Bar & Grill").

**JMcMillin** 

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**PGrouda** 

#### Recommendation approved.

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.