



**MINUTES  
of the  
Property and Planning Committee  
of Council**

**Held Tuesday, March 3, 2009  
City Council Chambers 9 a.m.**

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**PRESENT:** Councillor W. Cuthbert, Chair  
Bill Priesentanz, CAO  
Mayor L. Compton  
Councillor D. McCann  
Councillor Chris Van Wallegghem  
Councillor Charito Drinkwalter  
Art Mior, Chair, PAC  
Jeff Port, City Planner  
Tara Rickaby, Planning Assistant

**REGRETS:** Councillor R. McMillan

**A. PUBLIC INFORMATION NOTICES AS PER BY-LAW NUMBER 144-2007**

**Take Notice that Council intends to approve the following at its next meeting:**

- A By-law to assume certain roads in the Keewatin neighbourhood
- A By-law to enter into a development agreement with Qualico - HOLD

Notice that a public meeting will be held, under the *Planning Act*, with respect to Official Plan Amendment No. 2, Black Sturgeon Lake Management, and the associated Zoning By-law Amendment, on Tuesday, March 9, 2009 at 4 p.m.

**B. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST & GENERAL NATURE THEREOF:**

- a) On today's agenda - Mayor Compton declared a conflict with item #7 as the property landlord of one of the potential respondents to the request
- b) From a meeting at which a Member was not in attendance – None

**C. STANDING COMMITTEE DEPUTATIONS:** None

**D. ADDITION TO AGENDA :** None

**E. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**Moved by:** David McCann **Seconded by:** Chris Van Wallegghem **& Carried:**

THAT the Minutes from the last regular meeting of Committee held February 12, 2009 be confirmed as amended. The amendment is the removal of Councillor Van Wallegghem from the listed regrets and placement on the list of those present at the February 12, 2009 meeting.

**CARRIED**

**F. REPORTS:-**

**1) Directional (highway) and way finding signage on Highway 17 and 17A – Update**

Councillor Cuthbert reminded the Committee of Council's request, on behalf of the Kenora OPP Community Policing Committee, to install signage indicating the number of exits into the City of Kenora. The Ministry of Transportation has approved these signs.

The MTO advised that the signage indicating food/fuel/accommodation must be provided through the TODS program. Staff will investigate. A letter, advising the Community Policing Committee of the approval of the new signage, will be sent.

**2) Signage – Amendments to Sign By-Law**

Councillor Cuthbert explained some housekeeping changes that are required to harmonize the sign by-law with the terms of reference for the Property and Planning Committee. The CAO will investigate the possibility of adding costs of sign removal to the tax roll.

The by-law will also be amended, after research by Staff, to implement some control of the types

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of signage permitted in the Harbourtown Centre area.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT the Sign By-law be amended by changing section 19.1, which appoints a committee and requires the election of a Chair, to reflect that the Property and Planning Committee acts as the Sign Committee; and

THAT, in order to ensure compliance with the Sign By-law, and provide a mechanism for any cost recovery by the City, for costs incurred for removal etc. of signs, the By-law be amended to include wording which would permit addition of said costs to the tax roll, if possible.

**RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL**

CAO  
Planning/Clerk/  
M. Solicitor

**3) Rest stop**

Councillor Cuthbert explained that the City representatives met with the Ministers of Economic Development, Tourism and Northern Development of Mines at Ontario Good Roads. Mr. Gravelle (MNDM) is looking at developing links with other ministries for economic development and tourism infrastructures such as rest stops.

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**4) Assumption of Mather and Keewatin Streets – Neighbourhood of Keewatin**

The Planning Assistant explained that, during the course of dealing with another matter, the municipal solicitor's office discovered that two streets, in the Keewatin neighbourhood, have not been assumed by the City.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT the City of Kenora directs the Municipal Solicitor to proceed with the requirements to assume Mather Street and Keewatin Street, in the Keewatin neighbourhood, for highway purposes.

**RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL**

M. Solicitor  
Planning/Clerk

**5) Official Plan Amendment No. 2 – Reminder of Public Meeting on March 9<sup>th</sup>**

The City Planner reviewed the development of the Black Sturgeon Lake Management Plan and the associated amendments required to both the Official Plan and Zoning By-law which will help to ensure protection of the water quality in the lower Black Sturgeon Lake. The expectation is that the Official Plan Amendment No. 2 will be adopted, and the Zoning By-law amendment approved at the Council meeting on March 9, 2009.

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**6) Kenora Video Tour**

The City Planner indicated that the Tourism Development Officer has provided additional information from Timmins and Pembroke, which include positive comments on the benefits to those municipalities.

The contract will be sent to the Municipal Solicitor for review before being approved at the next Council meeting.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT, upon approval of the Municipal Solicitor, the City of Kenora enter into an agreement with CGI Communications, Inc. for the development and implementation of a Community Video Program for a term of three years.

**RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL**

TDO/M.  
Solicitor/Clerk

**7) RFP for Real Property Services**

Councillor Cuthbert asked the Mayor if he wished to remain in the meeting. Mayor Compton indicated that he would, as the meeting is open to the public.

The City Planner indicated that the request for proposals document has been reviewed, and more detail added. The Planning Department will decide on adequate time lines and send the document out to all local real estate firms. The proposals will be evaluated and a report and recommendation will be brought forward to the Property and Planning Committee.

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**8) Canada Day Agenda**

The CAO explained that there are two events being planned in the City, to celebrate July 1<sup>st</sup>. KAR is proposing activities on the Harbourfront, for which they have requested financial assistance, and the Keewatin BIZ is proposing a first annual family celebration in the Keewatin

neighbourhood, for which they are also requesting financial assistance. It was noted that fireworks will not be held on July 1<sup>st</sup>, on the Harbourfront, but on July 4<sup>th</sup>. It has been proposed that, on a forward basis, the fireworks will be held on the weekend after the July 1<sup>st</sup> holiday in.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT the Council of the City of Kenora agrees to provide funding, for Canada Day events, to KAR, in the amount of \$4,666 and to Keewatin BIZ, in the amount of \$1,000.

**RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL**

CAO/Clerk

**9) Special Events Coordinator funding**

The City Planner asked for clarification of what the intent of Council was, with respect to whether or not the 50% of the funding for this position, which is required to be provided from a third party, could be the reserve funds which are the LOWDC surpluses from 2006-8.

The members of Council present, and CAO, discussed the issue. The intent of the resolution passed in February was that the funding would come from an outside provincial and/or federal agency.

The City Planner indicated that, the position may not be in place for 2009 because of the time lines required to find a funding program, apply for funding and receive funding.

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**Motion required adjourning to Closed Meeting: ( 9:49 a.m.)**

**Moved by: Charito Drinkwater      Seconded by: David McCann    and Carried:-**

THAT this meeting be now declared closed at 9:49 a.m.; and further

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

- Disposition and Security of Property Matters, Personal Matter about an Identifiable Individual

**Reconvene to Open Session ( 10:17 a.m.)**

**RECOMMENDATIONS FROM CLOSED SESSION: None**

**Moved by: Chris Van Wallegghem      Seconded by: David McCann**

**THAT the March 3, 2009 meeting of the Property and Planning Committee be adjourned at 10:18 a.m.**