



MINUTES

Of the

EMERGENCY SERVICES (Cancelled)

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

COMMUNITY SERVICES

OPERATIONS

Committees of Council

Monday, June 8, 2009

Held at 3:30 p.m.

City Council Chambers

ACTION

PRESENT:

Mayor Compton
Councillor W. Cuthbert
Councillor C. Drinkwater
Councillor D. McCann
Councillor R. McMillan
Councillor C. Van Walleghem
B. Preisenzanz, CAO
R. Perchuk, Operations Manager
K. Brown, Finance & Administration Manager
S. McDowall, HR Manager
C. Neil, Recreation Services Manager

REGRETS:

Councillor A. Poirier

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

June 8 at 3:30 p.m.

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

Take Notice that in keeping with Notice By-law #144-2007 Council intends to approve the following at its June 15, 2009, Meeting:

- To amend the 2009 Municipal Operating & Capital Budget to take funding from the City's Police Building Reserve in the amount of \$21,034.00 for the purchase of a Police Dictation System.

B. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST & THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

1) On Today's Agenda

2) From a Meeting at which a Member was not in Attendance

There were none declared.

C. MOTION - CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved by C Drinkwater, Seconded by C. Van Walleggem & Carried:-
THAT the Minutes of the last regular meeting held May 11, 2009 be confirmed as written and filed.

D. 3:30 P.M. DEPUTATIONS:

- Emily Tacknyk-Roulston – Roads, Money, Taxes
(Ms Tacknyk-Roulston had indicated she would not be able to attend today's meeting.)

- Eric Lovas (Co-ot Taxi) – Draft Taxi By-law
- Ernesto Centena (Blue Taxi & Limo) – Draft Taxi By-law

The gentlemen from the Taxi Companies did not formally speak but responded to questions and made a couple of comments at the time this item was discussed under Item #10.

E. REPORTS:

1. Discussion - Council Representation - 3 Member Police Board

It was discussed that a by-law is required for the purpose of reducing the composition of the Police Services Board from five to three Members, and Committee agreed a by-law be prepared for the June 15 meeting with an effective date of July 20, 2009.

Committee also discussed the Council appointment which, under the Police Services Act defaults to the Head of Council unless the Head does not wish to be a member, in which case another Council Member is appointed. Mayor Compton indicated he is prepared to continue on the three Member Board, effective mid-July at the time one of the Provincial appointments expires. Councillor Poirier is to be advised of this matter as there will not be a Council representative on the new Board and the 2006 appointment will have to be rescinded.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the following be appointed to the Kenora Police Services Board, effective July 20, 2009, with a term to expire November 30, 2010:-

Leonard P. Compton - Mayor
Colin Wasacase – Community Rep.; and further

THAT Resolution Number 24 dated December 4, 2006, be and is hereby rescinded.

Recommendation approved (resolution and by-law).

2. Endorsation of Resolution – Cornwall – Harmonized Sales Tax

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the City of Kenora hereby supports and endorses the City of Cornwall resolution with respect to the Provincial Harmonized Sales Tax of the 5% GST and the 8% PST; and

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THAT Council hereby petitions the Government of Ontario to exempt items relating to the rental of recreation facilities and registration fees for minor sports to ensure that all youth are able to participate; and further

THAT a copy of Kenora's resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Premier McGuinty, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Howard Hampton, M.P.P., and the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association for their support, as well as a copy to the City of Cornwall for their information.

Recommendation approved.

At Councillor McMillan's suggestion, it was agreed NOMA will be included on all resolutions that Council endorses.

3. Endorsation of Resolution – Smiths Falls – Library Grants

RECOMMENDATION:

WHEREAS public libraries have a strong role in literacy, innovation, community and prosperity in municipalities; and

WHEREAS the Ministry of Culture is currently updating its policies related to supporting public libraries as they wish to ensure that policies position public libraries for the future; and

WHEREAS the role of learning in Ontario's future knowledge-based economy grows, the informal learning systems of public libraries will be even more important; and

WHEREAS the library of the future will need to respond to a new social, technological and economic environment; and

WHEREAS municipalities are incurring the majority of costs associated with delivering library programming; and

WHEREAS those same municipalities bear the majority of the costs to build and maintain library facilities; and

WHEREAS the province has decreased its annual grants since 1985 from 15% of annual revenue to 4% of annual revenue which continues to threaten the future of these engines of cultural and economic development;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the City of Kenora hereby petitions the Province of Ontario to increase its annual grants to 15% of library revenue; and further

THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Aileen Carroll Minister of Culture, the Ontario Library Service, Howard Hampton, M.P.P., the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association, and the Town of Smiths Falls.

Recommendation approved.

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4. Endorsation of Resolution–GTA Countryside – Free/Fair Trade

RECOMMENDATION:

WHEREAS the world's economy has entered into a period of slow economic growth; and

WHEREAS Governments throughout the world have introduced various stimulus packages to encourage economic growth; and

WHEREAS the United States of America is Canada's largest trading partner and a signatory of the North American Free Trade Agreement; and

WHEREAS the Council of the City of Kenora is supportive of Free Trade between Canada and the United States which has existed for many years; and

WHEREAS the Government of the United States of American has introduced infrastructure stimulus packages including the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) which includes "Buy American" provisions for steel and other manufactured products; and

WHEREAS these restrictive provisions which are contrary to the spirit of free trade will prevent Canadian companies from bidding on contracts which contain the "Buy American" provisions at the municipal and state levels in the United States since NAFTA and The General Procurement Agreement of the World Trade Organization do not nullify such provisions at those levels; and

WHEREAS Canadian stimulus infrastructure programs do not contain any restrictions on manufacturers from other countries including the United States bidding on such contracts in Canada; and

WHEREAS Canadian companies may be adversely affected by these restrictions possibly leading to lay-offs and financial losses and further could lead to the erosion of their overall viability;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Kenora is supportive of Free Trade between the United States and Canada and that the restrictive "Buy American" provisions in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act are contrary to that spirit of free trade; and

BE IT RESOLVED that the GTACMA supports the Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters in its quest to have the United States Congress reconsider and repeal their current "Buy American" requirements for the United States stimulus packages; and

BE IT RESOLVED that Canadian municipalities adopt a procurement policy that future Canadian Infrastructure projects at the municipal level, including environmental projects such as water and wastewater treatment

projects, require that any goods and materials required for the projects be bought only from companies whose countries of origin do not impose local trade restrictions against goods and materials manufactured in Canada to better ensure open, fair and competitive practices across the globe; and further

BE RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister of Canada, the Premier of Ontario, the Federal and Provincial Ministers of Trade and Industry, the Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters Association (CME), Greg Rickford, M.P., Howard Hampton, M.P.P., the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association and the GTA Countryside Mayors' Alliance.

HOLD for further review and discuss at next month's meeting.

HOLD

5. Endorsation of Resolution – Oxford County – Taxes Capping

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Council of the City of Kenora hereby supports and endorses the following resolution received from the Oxford County Council:

THAT Kenora Council requests that, in addition to the legislated capping calculation tools currently available, that the Province of Ontario enact legislation to grant municipalities the authorization to effectively eliminate capping in any or all of the protected property classes as they may determine; and

THAT a copy of this resolution in the form of a letter of support be forwarded to the Minister of Finance, the Honourable Dwight Duncan, Howard Hampton, M.P.P., the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association, and the Municipal Finance Officers' Association advising them of Kenora's support, as well as a copy to the Oxford County Council.

Recommendation approved.

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6. Police Dictation System

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council of the City of Kenora hereby authorizes the purchase of a Winscribe Workstation Typist Package in the amount of \$21,034.00 taxes included; and

THAT in accordance with Notice By-law Number 144-2007, public notice is hereby given that Council intends to amend its 2009 Municipal Operating and Capital Budgets by by-law at its June 15, 2009 meeting to take funding from the City's Police Building Reserve to cover this expenditure; and further

THAT Council hereby authorizes three readings to a by-law to amend the City's 2009 Municipal Operating and Capital Budgets for this purpose.

Recommendation approved (resolution and by-law).

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**7. Housekeeping By-law – “Movies under the Stars” Agreement
RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT Council give three readings to a by-law to authorize the execution of an agreement between Her Majesty the Queen in right of Ontario as represented by the Minister of tourism and the City of Kenora with respect to “Movies under the Stars.”

Recommendation approved (resolution and by-law).

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8. Celebrate Summer – July 4th – Contribution Request

Councillor McMillan requested, and Committee agreed that this item be referred to the Lake of the Woods Economic Development Commission.

This item is to be removed from the agenda.

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9. Celebrate Summer – Fireworks

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council of the City of Kenora hereby authorizes the issuance of tax

receipts for any donation of \$100 or greater made to the City of Kenora between January 1, 2009 and July 31, 2009 to be used specifically towards the 2009 Celebrate Summer fireworks display; and

THAT the City will pay the invoice(s) for the actual purchase of fireworks, including any specifically related expenditures, direct to the appropriate supplier(s) for the 2009 fireworks display to a maximum of the actual donation amounts received; and

THAT the issuance of tax receipts for donations for fireworks be restricted specifically to the 2009 fireworks display in recognition of the tourism impact the event has to the City of Kenora; and further

THAT the Celebrate Summer Committee be advised of Council’s decision, including all related restrictions.

Recommendation approved.

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10. Draft Taxi By-law – Review

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council gives three readings to a by-law to license, regulate and govern owners and drivers of cabs, motor and other vehicles used for hire; and further

THAT this by-law shall take effect and come into force on July 20, 2009 at which time By-law #94-2001, as amended, will be repealed.

The Taxi Companies requested consideration by Council to change the age of vehicle requirement from 6 years to 10 years old. They indicated they

are required to have safety checks completed twice per year and many times older vehicles can have less mileage and be in better condition than a 6 year old vehicle.

It was also confirmed there are no rate increases in the new by-law.

Other than this item, there were no other concerns raised by Messrs. Centena and Lovas.

Committee agreed to change the age of vehicle requirement to 10 years, and that this by-law would take effect at the time of the OPP transition.

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Recommendation approved (resolution and by-law).

11. Reports on Portal - Discussion

As a result of Fred Dean's recent presentation to Council and Staff, it was recommended the City post meeting reports on the Portal with either the Committee agenda or the Council Agenda on the Monday of the meeting, after Council has received and reviewed them.

After discussing the options of how and when, or if the reports should be posted, Committee did not support releasing the reports on the Portal and to maintain the status-quo of providing reports after Council meetings on an as requested basis.

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This item is to be removed from the Agenda.

12. Reminder – Senior of the Year Presentation–June 15 @ 5 p.m. Information only.

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13. Council Representative on CURA Project Committee

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council hereby appoints Councillor R. McMillan as Council's representative on the Canadian University Research Alliance (CURA) Project Committee, with a term to expire November 30, 2010.

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Recommendation approved.

OTHER BUSINESS

N/A

ITEMS ON HOLD:

- **Draft Policy - Political Contributions**
- **Amend Terms of Reference – Environmental Committee**
- **Family Day & RBHA Public Meeting – Hold until Fall**

NEXT MEETING

- **Monday, July 6, 2009.**



COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES

June 8, 2009 at 4:10 p.m.

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

N/A

B. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST & THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

1) On Today's Agenda

2) From a Meeting at which a Member was not in Attendance

There were none declared.

C. MOTION - CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved by Councillor McCann, Seconded by R. McMillan & Carried:-

THAT the Minutes from the last regular meeting held May 11, 2009 be confirmed as written and filed.

D. REPORTS:

1. Response to May 11 Deputation–Closure of Child Minding Ctr.

SUGGESTION:

THAT the Kenora Recreation Centre Child Minding Centre remains open as a "Family Lounge" during posted times. This space would allow families to have a place to go and recreate with their children in a family environment. This space would allow for parents to utilize the facility in a self directed manner. Children will not be allowed to be left unattended at any time. The "lounge" would not be staffed. The facility staff will continue to clean and maintain the space. The room would still be able to be utilized for rentals and birthday parties in order to generate revenue.

Colleen explained eventually there be a policy developed for this item should Council be in favour of pursuing this option, but for purposes of this meeting she simply wanted to make the suggestion to Committee.

It was discussed that some families are using the space for their own purposes with their caregivers, using it for lunch and meeting in a quiet area.

It was questioned if this group would pay rent and it was explained they would not but they would have to make the space available if and when the facility could rent it out typically on weekends for say birthday parties. Another stipulation is that persons utilizing the space on a drop-in basis with their children would have to hold a facility membership at the Recreation Centre. The space would not be staffed but would have to be cleaned by staff.

It was mentioned a schedule should be posted so other groups wanting to rent the space would know the availability, but also that parents using the space would have to be flexible for this purpose. Colleen explained birthday parties are mainly during the weekends and the space generates about \$25 per hour, which is tied to pool times.

Committee agreed to try this concept on a trial basis, i.e. from July to the end of December and Colleen is to provide a report to Council at the end of the year on how the policy is working and what kind of revenue is being generated.

In the meantime, this item will go forward to Council for June 15 and Colleen will provide appropriate wording for the resolution.

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2. Response to May 11 Deputation – Gentle Water Fit

It was agreed there would be no change made to the pool closure as per this request and that it will remain status quo with the additional two week closure. While the closure is a bit longer it is not a month longer as typically the pool is always closed for two weeks in the summer.

Colleen is to respond back to the Gentle Fit Group.

CNeil

3. Keewatin Homecoming Dance (Library Branch Fundraisers)

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council of the City of Kenora hereby declares the 2nd Annual Keewatin Homecoming Dance to be held July 3, 2009 as a Community Festival in and for the City of Kenora; and

THAT Council hereby approves the Alcohol and Gaming Commission to issue a Special Occasions Permit to the Keewatin Library Branch Fundraisers to operate a licensed event as set out below, subject to compliance with the Municipal Alcohol Policy and Liquor Control Regulations:-

Location	Fri. July 3, 2009
Keewatin Memorial Arena	8:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.

AND THAT the overnight parking tow-away by-law be lifted at the Keewatin Memorial Arena for Friday July 3, 2009 and Saturday July 4, 2009 in the interest of public safety; and

THAT Council hereby approves the request from the Keewatin Library Branch Fundraisers to waive the condition of the Municipal Alcohol Policy to hire two (2) off-duty police officers for the July 3 event; and further

THAT the Keewatin Library Branch Fundraisers shall abide by all other provisions of the Municipal Alcohol Policy and Liquor License Act with regard to responsible service of alcohol.

Recommendation approved.

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OTHER BUSINESS

N/A

ITEMS ON HOLD

- **Pool Wages**

NEXT MEETING

- **Monday, July 6, 2009.**



OPERATIONS STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

June 8, 2009 at 4:30 p.m.

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

2007

N/A

B. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST & GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

1) On Today's Agenda

2) From a Meeting at which a Member was not in Attendance

There were none declared.

C. MOTION - CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved by C. Drinkwalter, Seconded by R. McMillan & Carried:-

THAT the Minutes from the last regular meeting held May 11, 2009 be confirmed as written and filed.

D. REPORTS

1. McLeod Park – Proposed 3 Hour Parking Restriction

RECOMMENDATION

THAT approval be hereby given to amend Schedule "A" to By-Law 66-2006 to include Lot "U" for the McLeod Park Parking Lot as follows:-

Lot "U":	McLeod Park Parking Lot
Control:	Peace Officer
Fees:	No Fee
Special Regulation:	3 hour maximum; and further

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

Recommendation approved (resolution and by-law).

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2. City Owned Facilities – Janitorial Service Tender

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the following tenders submitted to provide janitorial services to City Hall, Operations Building, Kenora Police building, Kenora Public Library, Recreation Centre and Transfer Station office, GST extra; be received,

Canaan Contracting Janitorial Services	\$365,854.00
MTO Janitorial	\$562,201.00
Alpine Janitorial	\$636,367.16
Amazing Janitorial	\$721,818.54
Red Lion Ent Janitorial	\$743,489.10

THAT the quotation submitted by Canaan Contracting Janitorial Services, in the amount of \$365,854.00, GST extra, be hereby accepted.

It was noted there are six locations and it will be a three year contract; re-tendered after that time. Rick advised that all contractors who submitted a tender attended to complete site visits of all the buildings.

The final award of the tender will be conditional upon reference checks for the low tender, but Rick advised that Kawartha Lakes, a municipality similar size to Kenora gave a glowing reference to Canaan and it was noted they also do work in government buildings. Rick further mentioned that local people would be hired as Canaan is looking to set up in Kenora even though they are located in Barrie, Ontario.

It was questioned if the company is bonded and that we should determine this prior to awarding the tender. Rick advised he will confirm prior to the Council meeting.

Recommendation approved, conditional on the issue of whether or not the company is bonded.

Bill explained the Library buildings are included in the costs and with the projected savings the City will realize, it was noted we will appropriate some of these savings to offset the increase in cost to the Library Board for 2009 as a result of this tender.

3. Ocean Avenue Road Allowance - Lease Agreement with The Kenora Health Care Centre Corporation

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council authorizes the City of Kenora to enter into a Lease Agreement with The Kenora Health Care Centre Corporation for the purpose of leasing municipal road allowance on Ocean Avenue; and further

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

Recommendation approved (resolution and by-law).

4. Downtown Revitalization Project - 2009 Landscape Work - Contract Execution

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council give three readings to a by-law to authorize the entering into of a contract with Wilco Construction Inc. to perform works associated with the Downtown Revitalization 2009 Landscaping.

Recommendation approved (by-law only). This item was approved at last month's meeting and the by-law is required to authorize the execution of the contract.

5. 2009 Dragon Boat Festival

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Council of the City of Kenora hereby acknowledges the Kenora Dragon Boat Festival on Sunday, August 9, 2009; and further

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THAT the following approvals be granted in conjunction with the above-noted Special Event;

1. THAT authorization be granted for the officials' boats to operate 25-30 h.p. motors on Rabbit Lake.
2. THAT authorization be granted for the event buoys to be placed in the water 1 day prior to the event, to be removed in the following week.
3. THAT exclusive use of Garrow Park and the Tennis Courts at Garrow Park be approved for this event on August 9, 2009.

Recommendation approved.

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ITEMS ON HOLD:

N/A

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Potholes

A discussion ensued on the efforts of staff and all the work being done on repairing potholes. Rick noted the weather has been an issue and water is a culprit in causing the amount of potholes and deterioration. Rick explained the City of Winnipeg uses pothole repairing machines and that he would like to try this in Kenora through a demonstration.

Rick mentioned the safety aspect with the machine as employees would not have to stand and work on the road as all the work is done within the machine. The machines can also be leased as they are fairly expensive to purchase.

Reference was made to rural roads and that they too are affected by potholes, and that larger vehicles/trucks in particular are hard on the roads. Rick explained Kenora is not alone with the issue of potholes as other municipalities are having similar issues as well. Another benefit to the pothole machine is that it fixes potholes once and eliminates the need to having to keep going back to fix them over and over again.

Committee asked that Rick bring back more information to Committee on this concept.

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OTHER BUSINESS

N/A

NEXT MEETING

- **Monday, July 6, 2009.**

Adjournment to Closed Meeting:

Moved by D. McCann, Seconded by C. Drinkwater and Carried:-

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

THAT pursuant to Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, authorization is hereby given for Council to move into a Closed Session to discuss items pertaining to the following:-

i) Potential Litigation Matter

At 5:35 p.m. Committee reconvened to Open Session with no reports and the meeting stood adjourned.