



Minutes

Monday, January 10, 2011

3:30 p.m.

City Council Chambers

Action

PRESENT: Mayor Canfield
Councillor Drinkwalter
Councillor Lunny
Councillor McKay
Councillor McMillan
Councillor Roussin
Councillor Smith
K. Brown, CAO
R. Perchuk, Operations Manager
W. Brinkman, Emergency Services Manager
S. McDowall, HR Manager
C. Neil, Recreation Services Manager
J. McMillin, City Clerk

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A. Public information Notices

N/A

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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. Confirmation of Previous Committee Minutes

Moved by R. Lunny, Seconded by R. McMillan, and Carried:

That the Minutes from the last regular Standing Committee Meetings held September 7, 2010, be confirmed and written and filed.

D. 3:30 p.m. Presentation:-

Northern Harbour Proposal

Alex Clark attended to give Committee an overview of the Northern Harbour (expansion) Proposal. The proposed development includes expansion of the existing marina business, the addition of a charitable art park and quality RV park. He indicated that issuance of a commercial water lot lease is required from the MNR. Mr. Hall owns the over 700 acres and requires permission from MNR to operate the commercial business, otherwise the plan could proceed on the basis of 'tenants in common' however Mr. Hall does not wish to pursue that option. An Environmental

study was prepared in 2009 and submitted to the MNR. The Ministry reviews all the known and determined environmental values for that area. Mr. Clark explained there is a small piece of patent land abutting the subject property however while the individual who owns the land is not in favour of the development, he declined to sell the property when approached by Mr. Hall. Mr. Clark then provided a 'movie' on the landscape view of the proposed expansion including what is being proposed for the next decade as well as the next thirty years. Mr. Clark explained there is no government dollars involved with this development and that it is all Mr. Hall's money in the project. The MNR has not been in favour of the project as they believe there is a better location for the development, but they are not sure where. Mr. Clark reviewed the forecast of future economic benefits of the Northern Harbour Marina, present and proposed, which cites a total impact of 39 jobs; \$0.7 million in labour income and \$1.2 million in value added, and 55 jobs, \$1.0 million in labour income and \$1.7 million in value added respectively. It was explained while the project is not within the city limits the business has an economic impact to the overall community and Mr. Hall would like to have the general support of Council on the concept which will be beneficial to illustrate the higher levels of government as the project progresses along for required approvals. Mr. Clark noted the business community is supportive of the project, and he further noted there is currently no further mooring capacity within the city. Mr. Clark was thanked for his presentation and asked to forward a copy of the presentation to the Clerk.

E. Reports:

Community & Protective Services

Councillor Drinkwater reviewed the reports with Committee:

1. Allan Cup Approval for Sponsorship

Recommendation:

That Council of the City of Kenora hereby authorizes the purchase of a Platinum Sponsorship Package for the 2011 Allan Cup in the amount of \$7,500.00; and further

That the sponsorship amount be included and approved in the proposed 2011 operating budget.

It was discussed that the sponsorship is to be for \$8,000.00 and therefore the recommendation is to reflect same.

Amended Recommendation:

That Council of the City of Kenora hereby authorizes the purchase of a Platinum Sponsorship Package for the 2011 Allan Cup in the amount of \$8,000.00; and further

That the sponsorship amount be included and approved in the proposed 2011 operating budget.

Recommendation approved as amended.

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2. KDSB Early Learning and Care Centres in Schools

Recommendation:

That as requested by the Kenora District Services Board, the Council of the City of Kenora hereby supports the following resolution adopted by the K.D.S.B.:-

Whereas since the introduction of the Best Start Initiative in 2004 it has been the expectation of the Ontario Government that all new child care spaces created in the province would be opened in Ontario's publicly funded schools; and

Whereas the Special Advisor on Early Learning, Dr. Charles Pascal recommended that the Province should create a continuum of early learning, child care and family supports for children from the prenatal period to adolescence, under the leadership of the Minister of Education; and

Whereas the Kenora District Services Board supported Early Learning and Care Centres being located in schools; and

Whereas on April 10, 2010, Minister of Children & Youth Services, Laurel Broten and Minister of Education, Leona Dombrowsky jointly announced the transfer of Child Care to the Ministry of Education; and

Whereas the Ministry of Education has not provided capital funds for alterations and renovations to existing schools or for Child Care Centres and Best Start Hubs to be included in newly constructed schools which is evidenced in the Kenora District with there being no Early Learning and Care Centre planned for Riverview School currently under construction in Dryden or for the new school planned for Kenora; and

Whereas the Board of Directors for the Kenora District Services Board believes such lack of funding for Early Learning and Care Centres in schools is not in the best interests of children and goes against the Ministry of Education's vision of creating the best opportunities for children to learn;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved That the Board of Directors requests the Ministry of Education review its capital funding policy to include adequate funding for alterations and renovations to existing schools and construction of new schools to ensure that it is consistent with the best interests of children and the Province's vision that Early Learning and Care Centres and Best Start Hubs be located in publicly funded schools.

Recommendation approved.

JMcMillin

3. Renewal of 9-1-1 CERB Services with O.P.P.

Recommendation:

That further to Council adopting Resolution Number 3 on December 13, 2010, Council of the City of Kenora gives three readings to a by-law to authorize the execution of an agreement between the Corporation of the City of Kenora and the Ontario Provincial Police for the provision of a 9-1-1 Central Emergency Reporting Bureau for a two year term commencing on 16 February 2011 and expiring on 16 February 2013.

Recommendation approved (by-law only).

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Corporate Services

Councillor McMillan reviewed the reports with Committee:

1. Accessibility Committee

Recommendation:

That John Nabb, Building Inspector/Facilities Coordinator, be hereby appointed to the Accessibility Advisory Committee as Staff Resource; and further

That arrangements be made to advertise for additional members to fill the vacancies on this Committee.

Recommendation approved.

JMcMillin

2. A.M.O. Conference

Recommendation:

That authorization be hereby given for four (4) Members of Council to attend the Annual AMO Conference taking place in London, ON, August 21 to 24, 2011; and further

That all eligible expenses in accordance with Council’s Travel & Per Diem Policy be here by authorized.

Recommendation approved.

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It was noted that Mayor Canfield and Councillors Lunny, McMillan and Smith plan to attend.

3. District Service Boards Review & Letter to KDSB-Uploaded savings

Councillor McMillan spoke to these items and specifically requesting the Ministry to review the District Social Services Administration Boards which have now been in place for ten years, and to review the various impacts of their mandate and service delivery. Councillor McMillan noted the City should draft a letter to the Minister of Community & Social Services formally requesting that a review be conducted by the province; apparently

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municipalities in the Rainy River Districts have already made a similar request. It was noted that this action in no way is a slight to the Board in our District but it is time for a review. It was explained the Kenora District Services Board has not pursued a request of this nature and Councillor McMillan advised this suggestion was discussed by the previous Council and Councillor McMillan wanted to ensure this Council was made aware and in favour of submitting such request to which Committee concurred. Councillor Roussin indicated he will follow up with this when he attends the KDSB meeting and will suggest the Board pursue the request as well with the other municipalities at the table. Councillor Roussin will report back on the outcome.

Uploaded Savings

As a result of last year's AMO Conference and discussions concerning DSSAB's and associated costs, Committee agreed that a separate letter go forward to the KDSB under signature of Mayor Canfield, requesting that the savings as a result of the uploaded costs come back to all area municipalities under KDSB. Councillor Roussin will take the letter to the KDSB when he attends the next meeting.

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4. Endorsation of Resolution (Fort Frances) – OPP Costs

Recommendation:

That the Council of the City of Kenora hereby supports the following resolution adopted by the Town of Fort Frances:-

Whereas the cost of policing in Ontario for contract OPP has increased dramatically over the last decade, far exceeding the rate of inflation; and

Whereas the Provincial Government has recently negotiated a front loaded 5.075% increase with the OPP with the possibility of a top-up at the termination; and

Whereas the Town of Fort Frances requests the support from rural municipalities with OPP contract Policing with respect to its resolution which requests an increase to the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund to cover the increased policing cost;

Therefore Be It Resolved That the Provincial Government, through its Police Services grant in the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF) formula, cover all increased costs associated with recently negotiated OPP contract, for all northern and rural municipalities; and further

Be It Resolved That this resolution be forwarded to Premier Dalton McGuinty for consideration.

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Recommendation approved.

The Clerk will check with Sioux Lookout and Red Lake to determine if this item has been forwarded by them to KDMA, if not, Kenora

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will forward to KDMA.

5. Kenora Assembly of Resources – Agreement Extension

Recommendation:

That Council hereby approves a by-law authorizing the four month contract expiring April 30, 2011 between the Kenora Assembly of Resources and the City for provision of services at the Harbourfront and related areas.

Recommendation approved (resolution and by-law).

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6. K.D.M.A. Conference

Recommendation:

That authorization is hereby given for the following Members of Council to attend the Annual KDMA Conference taking place in Red Lake, ON, February 3 to 5, 2011:-

Mayor Canfield
Councillor Drinkwalter
Councillor McKay
Councillor Roussin
Councillor Smith; and further

That all eligible expenses in accordance with Council's Travel & Per Diem Policy be here by authorized.

Recommendation approved.

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7. Various Committee Minutes

Recommendation:

That Council hereby adopts the following Minutes from various City of Kenora Committees:

- November 16, 2010 – Planning Advisory Committee
- December 2, 2010 – Harbourtown Centre Committee
- December 7, 2010 – Kenora Urban Trails Committee; and

That Council hereby receives the following Minutes from other various Committees:

- October 22, 2010 – Northwestern Health Unit Board of Health
- October 27, 2010 – Kenora Police Services Board
- November 25 & December 3, 2010 – Public Library Board
- August 12 & November 17, 2010 – Kenora District Services Board; and further

That these Minutes be circulated and ordered filed.

Recommendation approved.

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Economic Development

Councillor Smith reviewed the reports with Committee:

1. Thistle Pavilion Renovations

Recommendation:

That the City of Kenora proceed with renovations at the Thistle Pavilion using appropriations from the Pavilion reserve.

Recommendation approved.

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Finance

Councillor Lunny reviewed the reports with Committee:

1. November Financial Statements

Recommendation:

That Council hereby accepts the monthly Financial Statements of the Corporation of the City of Kenora as at November 30, 2010.

Recommendation approved.

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2. BCF/ISP Extension

Recommendation:

That Council adopts the following resolution committing to finish the Infrastructure Stimulus Projects for the Highway 17 Gateway Rehabilitation and the LOW Discovery Centre and accepts responsibility for any costs incurred after October 31, 2011:

Whereas the federal and provincial governments are providing a one-time extension of the deadline for funding of projects under the Infrastructure Stimulus Fund, Building Canada Fund – Communities Top-Up, the Recreational Infrastructure Canada/Ontario Recreation Program, and the Knowledge Infrastructure Program from March 31, 2011 to October 31, 2011; and

Whereas all funding from the Government of Canada and Ontario will cease after October 31, 2011; and

Whereas the Corporation of the City of Kenora has asked the provincial government for an extension to federal and provincial funding to October 31, 2011 for the following projects:

Program	Project number	Project title	Total eligible cost
Infrastructure Stimulus Fund	ISF 117	Highway 17 Gateway Rehabilitation Project	7,000,000
Building Canada Fund- Communities Component	BCF 28078	Lake of the Woods Discovery Centre	3,115,508

Therefore Be It Resolved That the Corporation of the City of Kenora attests that it will continue to contribute its share of the required funding for the aforementioned projects; and further

Be It Resolved That actual claims for all eligible costs incurred by March 31, 2011, for the aforementioned projects must be and will be submitted no later than April 30, 2011; and further

Be It Resolved That the Corporation of the City of Kenora will ensure that the project will be completed.

Recommendation approved.

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3. KHCC Loan Guarantee Term Approval

Recommendation:

That Council hereby confirms its guarantee of a one-time loan on behalf of the Kenora Health Care Centre up to a maximum of \$700,000 to Copperfin Credit Union as approved at its December 13th, 2010 Open Council Meeting based on a maximum repayment term of ten years; and

That a copy of this resolution be sent to both the Kenora Health Care Centre Board and the Copperfin Credit Union.

Recommendation approved.

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4. Long Term Debt Issuance

Recommendation:

That under the authority of the Municipal Act, the City of Kenora borrows a sum not exceeding \$5,000,000 from Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation for the purpose of financing the construction of the new Emergency Services Facility located at 100 14th Street North; and further

That the term of this loan not to exceed 20 years.

Councillor Lunny indicated he is not in favour of this proceeding as it stands and that it be referred to a future meeting of the Finance Committee Meeting where Council can have an in-depth discussion to determine if there is a better way to finance this item internally/externally. It was explained this item has already been paid through the City's Line of Credit.

Committee agreed this item be referred to the January 25 meeting under the financial review discussions.

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This item is to remain on hold.

New Business:

Volunteer Service Award – Bill Richards

Recommendation:

That Council of the City of Kenora hereby nominates Bill Richards for a Volunteer Service Award; and further

That Council's nomination be forwarded to the Ontario Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration prior to the January 25, 2011 deadline.

Recommendation approved.

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Operations Committee

Councillor McKay reviewed the reports with Committee:

1. Chipman Street Parking Lot

Recommendation:

That the Chipman Street Parking lot resume daily metered parking for public use; and further

That Council hereby repeals By-law Number 113-2010, being a By-law to amend By-law Number 66-2006 to Establish and Regulate Parking Lots and Structures within the City of Kenora which provided for monthly leased parking in the Chipman Street Lot.

Recommendation approved (resolution and by-law).

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Other Business:

Ontario Good Roads Association – Presentation Package

Mayor Canfield requested Members to review the outline for input so the package can be reviewed by staff and finalized for forwarding by the end of January; any additional items are to be brought to Mayor Canfield and/or Karen Brown as soon as possible.

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Items on Hold:

(To be reviewed by Administration)

Next Meeting:

- Monday, February 14, 2011.

Motion – Adjourn to Closed Meeting:

Moved by S. Smith, Seconded by C. Drinkwalter, and Carried:-

That this meeting be now declared closed at 5:10 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 matter:-

i) Personal Matter about Identifiable Individuals

Reconvene to Open Meeting:

Moved by R. Lunny, Seconded by S. Smith & Carried:-

That Committee hereby reconvenes to Open Session at 6:05 p.m. with the following from its Closed Meeting:

- Committee gave direction to Administration on the following:

- i) To negotiate a lease agreement;
- ii) To commence recruitment for two internal positions; and further

That this meeting be now declared closed at 6:10 p.m.