



Minutes
of the
Property and Planning Committee of Council
Wednesday, April 11, 2012
City Council Chambers
9:00 a.m.

Action

Present: Councillor L. Roussin, Chair
Councillor R. Lunny, Vice-Chair
Mayor Dave Canfield
Councillor C. Drinkwalter
Councillor R. McMillan
Councillor S. Smith
James Tkachyk, Planning Advisory Chair
Karen Brown, CAO
Rick Perchuk, Operations Manager
Tara Rickaby, Planning Administrator
Heather Kasprick, Deputy Clerk

Regrets: Councillor R. McKay

A. Public Information Notices:-

As required under Notice By-law #144 -2007, the public is advised of Council's intention to adopt the following at its April 16th meeting:-

- To authorize the purchase of property known as 1210 Hwy 17 E
- An amendment to the 2012 Capital budget in the amount of \$95,000 plus disbursements funded through the contingency fund for a land purchase

B. Declaration Of Pecuniary Interest And The General Nature Thereof:

- a) On today's agenda
- b) From a meeting at which a Member was not in attendance

There were none declared.

C. Confirmation of Previous Standing Committee Minutes

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

That the Minutes of the last meeting of the Regular Standing Committee meeting held March 13, 2012 be confirmed as written and filed.

D. Committee Deputations:

None

E. Presentations:

N/A

F. Reports:

1. Property Purchase by City – 1210 Hwy 17 E

Recommendation:

That the Council of the City of Kenora authorizes the purchase of property described as 1210 Highway 17 East, PLAN M63 PT LOT 129 PT LOT 130 W20 FT OF 131 PCL17841 for future municipal purposes; and

That the additional budget request, in the amount of \$95,000 + disbursements, be funded through the Contingency Fund; and

That in accordance with Notice By-law No. 144-2007, public notice is hereby given that Council intends to amend its 2012 Capital Budget at its meeting on April 16, 2012; and further

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

Recommendation Approved (resolution & bylaw).

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2. Sign Variance Request – Hwy 17 E Pre-approved location

Recommendation:

That the Property and Planning Committee defers a decision on an application for a sign variance for the Highway 17 E pre-approved location until such time as the Lake of the Woods Development Commission has made a decision on community events signage and advised Council of same.

Amended Recommendation:

That the Property and Planning Committee approves an application for a sign variance for the Highway 17 E pre-approved location until such time as the Lake of the Woods Development Commission has made a decision on community events signage and advised Council of same.

Amended Recommendation Approved.

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3. Sign Variance Request–Temporary Metal Framed Ground Signs

Recommendation:

That the Property and Planning Committee defers a decision on an application for a sign variance for temporary metal framed ground signs until such time as the Lake of the Woods Development Commission has made a decision on community events signage and advised Council of same.

Amended Recommendation:

That the Property and Planning Committee approves an application for a sign variance for temporary metal framed ground signs until such time as the Lake of the Woods Development Commission has made a decision on community events signage and advised Council of same.

Amended Recommendation Approved.

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4. Sign Variance Request-Wall Mounted Bulletin Boards

Recommendation:

That the Property and Planning Committee defers a decision on an application for a sign variance for wall mounted bulletin boards until such time as the Lake of the Woods Development Commission has made a decision on community events signage and advised Council of same.

Recommendation Approved.

Discussion:

Through the branding process there is going to be some consistent changes coming forward and we should possibly defer this decision as the branding committee is looking to develop a style guide which this would be included in. There may be a need to revisit the sign bylaw once the discussions take place with the branding committee.

5. Application of Sign Variance-Chamber of Commerce

Recommendation:

That the Property and Planning Committee, acting as the Sign Committee, refuses an application for a variance to Sign By-law No. 115-2010, made by the Kenora Chamber of Commerce for the following reasons:

- 1) The location of a read-o-gram sign in the Harbourtown Centre area does not meet the intent and purpose of the by-law (section 8.1.1(b) to maintain the area in a historic manner, or b(iii) as the message scrolls horizontally; and
- 2) The read—gram is by its very nature, lit, which does not meet the intent of the Sign By-law or vision for the Harbourtown Centre area; and
- 3) The location of the read-o-gram sign is in an area with many turning movements per hour on an arterial street and therefore is a driver distraction.

Recommendation Approved.

Motion - Adjournment to Closed Meeting:

1. Moved by R. McMillan, Seconded by R. Lunny & Carried:

That this meeting be now declared closed at 9:24 a.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 matters:-

i) Security of Property

At 9:55 a.m. Committee reconvened to Open Meeting with no reports from the Closed Session

The meeting closed at 9:56 a.m.

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