



Minutes
of the
Property and Planning Committee of Council
Wednesday, August 8, 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. McKay
Councillor R. McMillan
Councillor S. Smith
Karen Brown, CAO
Rick Perchuk, Operations Manager
Matt Meston, Planning Assistant
Heather Kasprick, Deputy Clerk

Regrets: Tara Rickaby, Planning Administrator
James Tkachyk, Planning Advisory Committee Chair

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 August 13th meeting:-

N/A

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 R. Lunny & Carried:-

That the Minutes of the last meeting of the Regular Standing Committee meeting held July 10, 2012 be confirmed as written and filed.

D. Committee Deputations:

Tina Brookes – Talbot Marketing/Earth 4 U

Mrs. Brookes expressed that her and her husband own and operate two businesses at 610 Lakeview Drive and have applied for a permit to install a sign at this location which was turned down by the City Chief Building Official with no explanation as to why it was refused. The Brookes' have gone to the expense to remove the original

sign box that was in place as they felt that this could potentially be one of the reasons for the refusal. Since the removal of the old sign box, a new sign permit application with new design concepts have been submitted for consideration. Ms. Brookes is asking Council to move this application forward and have staff work with them on how to get approval rather than simply denying an application. It is important to them, and all businesses, to have business signs to identify their business and location and they have put thought into the design incorporating a wooden beam theme that has been incorporated into the new City of Kenora signage on the East and West highways. Council thanked Tina for her deputation and a copy of her presentation was left with the Clerk.

Joyce Chevrier – Norman Park Covenant

Joyce Chevrier along with other members of the public were present to discuss the Norman Park covenant. She noted that there was no resolution or bylaw that authorized the removal of the covenant on Norman Park and is questioning how and why this happened. What has changed that Council wants to remove the covenant on this park? Ms. Chevrier references many people who have donated land to the municipality for specific use in the past and how does the public feel confident that their donations will be honoured with the intention of their donation. Ms. Chevrier referenced the official plan and zoning bylaw and how it must be reviewed every 5 years. She is requesting Council to place the covenant back on the Norman Park in perpetuity so that we do not have to go through this every five years. Ms. Chevrier requested that the City go back to the former parties and advise them that the removal of the covenant was done incorrectly and it needs to be rectified by placing the original covenant on the land with the original parties. Council thanked Ms. Chevrier for her deputation.

E. Presentations: N/A

F. Reports:

1. Norman Park

Recommendation:

That Council hereby directs the Planning Department to prepare an amendment to the City's Official Plan to develop a specific policy for Norman Park and an associated special designation on Schedule A; and further

That Council further directs the Planning Department to develop any resulting and required zoning by-law amendment; and further

That Council further directs the Planning Department to provide a draft policy for Norman Park on or before the September 2012 Property & Planning Committee meeting for Committee consideration.

Recommendation Approved.

Discussion: Karen Brown, CAO advised that the City solicitor has advised that Council does have the option to place a covenant back on the land, however, it is simply that, a covenant on their own land and can be removed at any time by any future Council. Karen suggests that Council looks towards including something in the

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Official Plan when reviewed next rather than simply placing a covenant back on the property. Putting restrictions on by Council through the Official Plan will instill a more permanent promise for future intent of the property rather than just a covenant.

Motion - Adjournment to Closed Meeting:

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

That this meeting be now declared closed at 9:50 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) **Disposition of Land**
- ii) **Security of Property**
- iii) **Acquisition of Land for Municipal Purposes**

At 11:00 a.m. Committee reconvened to Open Meeting with no reports from the Closed Session.

G. Other Business:

The meeting closed at 11:00 a.m.