



**Finance & Administration Committee  
MINUTES**

Held Tuesday, May 2, 2006  
City Council Chambers  
3:30 p.m.

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**PRESENT:** Chair, Councillor R. McMillan  
Member, Councillor Szajewski  
Councillor L. Compton  
Councillor I. Parkes  
Councillor C. Wasacase  
B. Preisntanz, CAO  
J. McMillin, City Clerk  
K. Brown, Finance & Administration Manager

**REGRETS:** Councillor Poirier, Vice-Chair

**A. PUBLIC INFORMATION NOTICES AS PER BY-LAW NUMBER 14-2003**

Take notice that as required under notice By-law No. 14-2003, Council intends to adopt the following by-law at its May 23 meeting:

1. Amendment to Business Licensing By-Law #170-2004 to include Special Events Operation and Licensing.

**B. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

N/A

**C. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

Moved by T. Szajewski, Seconded by L. Compton and Carried,  
That the Minutes of the last meeting held April 18, 2006 be confirmed as written.

**D. DEPUTATIONS:-**

N/A

**E. REPORTS:-**

**Councillor R. McMillan - Chair**

**1. Performance Pay Plan – KMTS**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT Council of the City of Kenora authorize funding from the 2006 KMTS Operating Budget in the amount of \$39,400.00 for KMTS staff bonuses as recommended by the KMTS Commission for 2005 performance results.

**Recommendation approved.**

**JMcMillin**

**2. Free Public Parking @ Parkade – Summer Months**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT Council of the City of Kenora approve the use of the Parkade for free public parking on the weekends for the period June 1 to September 15, 2006 in order to accommodate the onset of traffic during the summer months; and

THAT Buck’s Brigade be authorized to patrol and provide security and clean-up services at the Parkade during this period; and further

THAT the following steps be implemented to address issues relating to the use of the Parkade for the purpose of the free weekend parking:-

- a) That free parking at the Parkade be restricted to the first two floors and the third floor (and any on the second floor) be signed and retained for the exclusive use of the Market Square tenants in accordance with the contractual obligations.
- b) That there be adequate notice to the Parkade users of one month’s notice in advance of the free public use of the Parkade during the summer months
- c) That there be scheduled patrols of the Parkade during free public use
- d) That there be a wash-down of the Parkade following free public use.

**Recommendation approved.**

JMcMillin

**3. AMO Alert – Early Learning & Child Care Agreement**

It was agreed that as the Federal Budget has now been announced, as of today, this item may not be required through a resolution as suggested by AMO, but will continue to be monitored.

JMcMillin

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**4. Leasing of Voting Tabulators – Dominion Voting**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT Council give three readings to a by-law to authorize the execution of a lease agreement between Dominion Voting Systems Corporation and the Corporation of the City of Kenora for the rental of two ballot tabulators including required software, training and support for the 2006 Municipal Election.

**Recommendation approved (resolution and by-law).**

JMcMillin

**5. Business Licensing By-Law Amendment**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT in accordance with Notice By-Law Number 14-2003, public notice is hereby given that the City of Kenora shall hold a public meeting on Monday, May 8 at 4:45 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall for the purpose of considering a new provision related to a Special Events Operation and special events business license fee within the City’s Business Licensing By-law; and

THAT Council approve a new provision under the Business Licensing By-Law defining a Special Events Operation and authorizing the use of a special events business license; and

THAT in accordance with Notice By-Law Number 14-2003, public notice is hereby given that Council intends to pass an amended Business Licensing By-Law for this purpose at its May 23 meeting; and further

THAT Council give three readings to the amended Business Licensing By-Law at its May 23 meeting.

**Recommendation approved (resolution only at this time). There will be a public meeting at 4:45 p.m. on Monday, May 8, with the by-law to follow for adoption on May 23.**

JMcMillin/  
KBrown

#### **6. 2006 BIZ Levy**

##### **RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT Council approve the Harbourtown Centre Business Improvement Board budget request in the amount of \$50,000 representing the 2006 Business Improvement Board levy; and

THAT Council give three readings to a by-law to set the 2006 tax rate for the Harbourfront Centre Business Improvement Zone in accordance with the budget as approved by Council.

**Recommendation approved (resolution and by-law).**

JMcMillin

##### **ITEMS ON HOLD:**

- **Kenora Thistles Centennial Celebration**      **HOLD**-Council Support
- **Staff Parking**      **HOLD** for policy
- **Members – Urban Native Affairs Committee**      **HOLD** for names

##### **OTHER BUSINESS**

##### **Parkview Apartments**

Councillor McMillan noted that next Thursday, May 11 the Non-Profit Housing Board will take a vote for making the much needed renovations/repairs to Parkview Apartments in Kenora. Councillor McMillan explained the process whereby the cost is to be borne by member municipalities. The repairs are extremely necessary and discussions continue with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing regarding this issue, with advocacy at the District Board meetings. Tenants of Parkview have also written letters to have this issue addressed as soon as possible. It was noted that KDSB will have to go through a municipality to undertake/finance these repairs (total cost is approximately \$2.2 million), with Kenora bearing about 25% of that amount. However the cost to Kenora will not be felt until 2007.

Councillor McMillan indicated he is in agreement with these repairs and will vote on behalf of Kenora at the meeting next week with Council's support that the work proceed. Councillor McMillan requested Council adopt a resolution at Monday's meeting for this purpose, and that it be circulated to the other member municipalities in KDSB for their support as well. Committee agreed, and it was suggested our resolution contain a reference that this is yet another downloaded matter that municipalities have to continually try to get funding from the higher levels of government for when in fact it should be their responsibility.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT the Council of the City of Kenora hereby supports the Kenora District Services Administrative Board in proceeding to secure funding for the repair of Parkview Apartments in the City of Kenora through the issue and sale of debentures or through other means more favourable to the KDSB funding partners; and

THAT as the matter of housing was a downloaded responsibility placed on municipalities by the Ontario Provincial Government, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing be petitioned to assist the Kenora District Services Board and its municipalities with the funding of these much needed housing repairs; and

THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Hon. Dalton McGuinty, Premier of Ontario, the Hon. J. Gerretsen, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, and the Hon. Howard Hampton, MPP, and further

THAT a copy of this resolution be circulated to the KDSB Member Municipalities for their support of this project.

**Recommendation approved.**

JMcMillin

**NEXT MEETING**

- Tuesday, May 16, 2006 (3:30 p.m.)

**MOTION TO ADJOURN TO CLOSED MEETING TO DISCUSS:**

**Moved by T. Szajewski, Seconded by C. Wasacase, and Carried:-**

THAT this meeting be now declared closed at 4:00 p.m.; and further

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

- Security of Municipal Property

**At 4:19 p.m. Committee returned from its Closed Meeting and Councillor McMillan advised that no report resulted from the Closed Session.**

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.