



Finance & Administration Committee
MINUTES

Held Tuesday, January 9, 2007
City Council Chambers
3:30 p.m.

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PRESENT: Councillor R. McMillan, Chair
Councillor D. McCann, Vice-Chair
Councillor W. Cuthbert, Member
Councillor C. Drinkwalter
Councillor A. Poirier
Councillor C. Van Wallegghem
Mayor L. Compton
B. Preisenzanz, CAO
J. McMillin, City Clerk
K. Brown, Finance & Administration Manager

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

N/A

B. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There was none declared.

C. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved by W. Cuthbert, Seconded by D. McCann and Carried:-
THAT the Minutes of the last meeting held December 12, 2006 be confirmed as written.

D. DEPUTATIONS

N/A

E. REPORTS:-

1. Attendance at K.D.M.A. Convention Feb. 1, 2 & 3 (Kenora)

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT authorization be hereby given for the Council of the City of Kenora to attend the 66th Annual K.D.M.A. Convention taking place in Kenora, February 1, 2 & 3, 2007; and further

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

Recommendation approved.

Councillor Van Wallegghem advised he will not be in town for this event.

2. Sponsorship at K.D.M.A. Convention – Banquet

JMcMillin

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council of the City of Kenora hereby approves a contribution of \$3,000 towards the hosting of the 66th Annual Kenora District Municipal Association Convention taking place in Kenora, February 1 – 3, 2007 at the Lakeside Inn & Convention Centre; and further

THAT a variety of promotional items, as determined by the Clerk, be donated as draw prizes in conjunction with the Convention.

JMcMillin

Recommendation approved.

3. Lake of the Woods Forestry Expo – 2007

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council of the City of Kenora hereby appropriates \$5,000.00 to the 2007 budget as a Gold Corporate Sponsor for the Lake of the Woods Forestry Expo 2007.

JMcMillin

Recommendation approved.

4. 2007 Council Memberships

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council of the City of Kenora hereby approve the following payments for 2007 municipal membership fees:

Ontario Good Roads (OGRA)	- \$ 834.53
Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)	- \$1,937.21
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)	- \$3,711.03
Kenora & District Chamber of Commerce	- \$ 159.00

JMcMillin

Recommendation approved.

5. Community Medical Clinic – Loan Advance

RECOMMENDATION:

Whereas Council of the City of Kenora previously ratified By-law Number 14-2006 and By-law Number 127-2006, being bylaws to authorize a repayable loan up to \$2,450,00.00 to establish a community medical clinic through the Kenora Health Care Centre Corporation; and

Whereas the Kenora Health Care Centre Corporation now requires funds from the approved City loan for capital purposes;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that Council hereby authorizes a loan advance to the Kenora Health Care Centre Corporation in accordance with the terms and conditions of By-law Numbers, 14-2006 and 127-2006 in the amount of \$90,000.00.

JMcMillin

Recommendation approved.

The requested amount of \$90,000.00 may be adjusted subject to cash-flow confirmation.

A discussed ensued on whether or not the City could advance the funding all at once to the Clinic? It was noted that once the City issues a cheque, interest charges start to accumulate. Karen Brown advised Council could delegate authority to Administration to release funds, however it was mentioned by Councillor McMillan that perhaps this suggestion be further discussed at the next meeting of the Kenora Health Care Board of Directors.

6. "Off the Cuff" – January 25 Presentation – Dryden

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the following Members of Council be authorized to attend the "Off the Cuff" Presentation with George Cuff on Thursday, January 25, 2007 in Dryden: -

And further that all eligible expenses in accordance with Council's Travel & Per Diem Policy be hereby approved.

It was discussed that at this time we not send anyone to Dryden as former Mayor Bill Norrie will be coming to Kenora for a session of similar interest with Council in mid-January.

Remove this item from the Agenda for the time being.

JMcMillin

7. Kenora Health Care Centre Appointments

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council of the City of Kenora hereby appoints the following members as Council representatives to the Kenora Health Care Centre Board of Directors for a term to expire November 30, 2010:

- Mayor Len Compton
- Councillor Rory McMillan
 - Ted Szajewski

Recommendation approved.

JMcMillin

8. 2007 Municipal Act Training – Dryden – February 20/07

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT authorization be hereby given for all Members of Council to attend the Municipal Act training sponsored by the Association of Municipalities of Ontario on February 20, 2007 in Dryden; and further

THAT all eligible expenses in accordance with Council's Travel & Per Diem Policy be hereby approved.

Recommendation approved.

JMcMillin

9. Balance of Appointments-Urban Aboriginal Affairs Committee

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT in addition to the Council appointments made on December 4, 2006,

the following be hereby appointed to the Urban Aboriginal Affairs Committee with a term to expire November 30, 2010:-

Geraldine Kakeway, Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer Confederation College;

Terry Sakohianisaks Douglas, Legal & Consulting Services;
Martin Camire, Health Services Co-ordinator Kenora Metis Council;

Jeff Wiebe, Kenora Police Services;

Donald Copenace, Executive Director Ne-Chee Friendship Centre;

Dan Essery, Kenora Community Health Providers;

Colin Wasacase, Member-at-large
Aboriginal Youth Rep. (Vacant).

JMcMillin

Recommendation approved.

It was questioned if the Youth Representative must reside in the municipality and Councillor McMillan advised he would confirm.

**Councillor
McMillan**

10. Essentials of Municipal Fire Protection-Seminar (Frt.Frances)

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Councillor Charito Drinkwalter be hereby authorized to attend the "Essentials of Municipal Fire Protection" Seminar taking place January 31, 2007 in Fort Frances; and further

THAT all eligible expenses in accordance with Council's Travel & Per Diem Policy be hereby approved.

JMcMillin

Recommendation approved.

11. February 26 Council Meeting – Cancellation-Due to training

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council hereby cancels the Standing Committee Meetings scheduled for Tuesday, February 20 and Wednesday, February 21, 2007, as well as the Council meeting scheduled for Monday, February 26.

Recommendation approved.

JMcMillin

ITEMS ON HOLD:

- **Draft Noise By-law**

Summary of Comments

OTHER BUSINESS

January 20 – Sportsmen's Banquet

Councillor McMillan advised that he had forwarded an invitation to Mayor and Council on behalf of the Thistles Committee to attend the January 20 Sportsmen's Banquet at the Lakeside Inn at 6:00 p.m.

January 23 - Pre-Budget Consultation Meetings in Kenora

It was noted there is an opportunity for an oral presentation at this meeting and Karen Brown was asked to determine further information on this through the Province or Howard Hampton's office.

KBrown

It was discussed that Mayor Compton, and Councillor McMillan will present.

NEXT MEETING

- Tuesday, January 23, 2007.

MOTION REQUIRED ADJOURNING TO CLOSED MEETING:

Moved by W. Cuthbert, Seconded by D. McCann, and Carried:-

THAT this meeting be now declared closed at 5:30 p.m.; and further

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

- A personnel matter pertaining to an identifiable individual;
 - Labour Relations;
 - Proposed Acquisition of Land.

At 6:25 p.m., Committee reconvened to the Open Session of the meeting and Councillor McMillan presented the following reports:-

A. PERSONAL MATTER ABOUT AN IDENTIFIABLE INDIVIDUAL

- Business License Appeal – Leanne Leveque (Raylee’s Diner)

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT further to a business license appeal hearing; Council hereby supports the recommendation of the Chief of Police of the Kenora Police Service to deny the Business License application for Raylee’s Diner.

Recommendation approved.

JMcMillin

B. LABOUR RELATIONS

- KMTS Billing System

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council of the City of Kenora support the recommendation of the Kenora Municipal Telephone System Commission to commit to converting the existing KMTS billing system to the HickoryTech billing system on a service bureau basis.

Recommendation approved.

JMcMillin

Karen Brown advised she will have a meeting with her staff on Wednesday morning concerning this matter.

C. PROPOSED ACQUISITION OF LAND

- Hydro Dams

RECOMMENDATION:

Whereas the Council of the City of Kenora, via a Public Information Release on September 25, 2006, had advised the public on the information gathered to date on the Abitibi power dams and recognized the important role these dams had played in the economy of Kenora for almost a century; and

Whereas the City has expended resources these past few months, both

internally and externally, to review information as to whether the City has any legal rights to one or both power dams; and

Whereas this Council has now been provided this information relating to acquisition of the dams through inherent rights and powers of expropriation;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that Council of the City of Kenora hereby suspends further expenditure of City resources relating to City ownership of the power dams at this time.

Recommendation approved.

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

JMcMillin