

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MINUTES

Held Tuesday, January 24, 2006
At 5:30 p.m. – City Council Chambers

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PRESENT: Vice Chair, Councillor Szajewski
Member, Councillor McMillan
Mayor David Canfield
Councillor Compton
Councillor Wasacase
B. Preisentanz, CAO
R. Perchuk, Operations Manager
P. McLaughlin, Note Taker

REGRETS: Chair, Councillor Poirier

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

N/A

B. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None Declared

C. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved by, L. Compton Seconded by, C. Wasacase and carried, that the Minutes of the Operations Standing Committee Meeting held January 10, 2006, be confirmed as written.

D. DEPUTATIONS

David McCann: Grinder Pumps

Meeting Commenced at: 5:30 p.m.

DEPUTATION: (5:30 – 5:45 p.m.)

Mr. Perchuk opened the deputation by stating that a meeting was held with Mr. McCann and Mr. Ortlieb last week to discuss the options available. Mr. McCann commented that residents require immediate assistance when their pump fails and often do not know what to do or who to contact and are faced with moving out of their residence until their pump is fixed. Mr. McCann requested the same fairness as provided residents currently receiving water and sewer. Mr. Perchuk explained that City protocol for trouble calls received from residents connected to the City system is an initial house call to determine the nature of the problem and whose property is involved. If the trouble is on City property the City fixes it at their cost if on the homeowners property the homeowner has three options: 1) fix it themselves, 2) hire someone to fix it or 3) hire the City to fix it (fee for service). Mr. Perchuk commented that if the City were to consider providing this extension of service to include owners of grinder

ACTION:

pumps its success would be dependent on staff availability. The City's loaner pumps would provide an immediate solution to the problem. Rick to submit a report detailing the feasibility of the option. Mayor Canfield to discuss his suggestion with the Operations Manager.

ROADS

1. Highway 17 East Project
HOLD

2. Transmitter Road Rail Crossing Upgrade Project
Ongoing

3. Pinecrest Home for the Aged – Parking Issue
HOLD

4. 2006 Hired Equipment and Truck Rental Tender
RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the attached ranking lists be accepted and adopted for purposes of hiring non-owned equipment and trucks for the City of Kenora during the period January 1 to December 31, 2006.

Recommendation Approved

J. McMillin

5. Contract with KGS for Provision of Professional Landscape Architectural and Engineering Consulting Services for the Downtown Revitalization Project

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the City of Kenora executes a Contract between The Corporation of the City of Kenora and KGS GROUP with respect to the provision of professional landscape architectural and engineering consulting services for the Downtown Revitalization Project; and;

THAT the Mayor and Clerk of the Corporation of the City of Kenora be authorized to execute a Contract between The Corporation of the City of Kenora and KGS Group in accordance with the terms and conditions therein and affix the Seal of the Corporation thereto.

Discussion:

Individual portions of the contract are at a fixed price. City has the discretion to not proceed with certain components. This project has a maximum upset limit in this project

Recommendation Approved (resolution & bylaw)

J. McMillin

WATER & SEWER

6. Grinder Pump Maintenance
Ongoing

**7. Symonds Private Water & Sewer System
Ongoing**

OTHER BUSINESS

8. OGRA / ROMA

Issues need to be received by Paulette by Fri. Jan. 27, 2006.

9. Operations Centre – 60 Fourteenth Street North

A financial report on overall project costs is requested.
Plan for an Open House is in progress.

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, February 7, 2006 at 5:30 p.m.

Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

R. Perchuk

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