



September 17, 2014

REPORT TO: Mayor and Council

FROM: Mark McCaig, CAO

SUBJECT: Term Limits for Boards and Committees.

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At the Administration and Finance Executive Committee meeting of September 16, the committee considered the by-law that limits the tenure for members of boards and committees appointed by Council.

Currently under By-Law No. 6/77-C, the maximum tenure of office of appointments by Council to boards and advisory committees is 8 years. In 2011, this by-law was further amended through By-Law 6/77-D to exempt the members of the Fort Frances Municipal Non-Profit Housing Corporation (FFMNPHC) board of directors from the 8 year limit. This was done in consideration of the difficulties encountered in receiving applications for the positions.

Over the last few years, the Town has noted a decline in applications to boards and committees. These entities are crucial to Town operations. In consideration of this decline in applications, the AFEC is recommending that the 8 year term limit for boards and committees be abolished. The rationale is that any persons wishing to volunteer for such a commitment on a continuing basis should have the opportunity to do so.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark McCaig'.

Mark McCaig, CAO

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<p><b>COUNCIL APPROVAL OF THIS REPORT</b> will direct the preparation of a by-law which will rescind By-Law 6/77 and abolish term limits for those boards and committees appointed by Council.</p>
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TOWN OF FORT FRANCES

BY-LAW NO. 6/77-C

(Being a by-law to amend Town of Fort Frances By-Law No. 6/77, a by-law to limit the tenure of office of appointments by Council to boards and committees.)

WHEREAS on February 22, 2010, Council approved limiting the maximum tenure of office of appointments by Council to boards and advisory committees from 9 consecutive years to 8 years;

AND WHEREAS provisions in the *Planning Act*, with respect to appointment by a council of members to a Committee of Adjustment have changed such that members are now appointed with a term that coincides with the term of council;

AND WHEREAS the Committee of Adjustment now is performing the functions of planning advisory and the Planning Advisory Committee is no longer a separate committee.

NOW THEREFORE Council for the Corporation of the Town of Fort Frances  
HEREBY ENACTS as follows:

1. That Town of Fort Frances By-Law No. 6/77, as amended, be now further amended as follows:
  - 1) Section 1. be repealed and subsequently re-enacted as follows:
    - "1. That effective December 1, 2010, continuous reappointments of members to local boards and committees shall be limited to a maximum tenure of eight (8) consecutive years on any one board or committee."
  - 2) Section 2. be repealed and subsequently re-enacted as follows:
    - "2. That any board or committee member who, as of November 30<sup>th</sup> in the final year of their term of appointment, has served the maximum of eight (8) consecutive years on a board or committee, shall not be eligible for reappointment to such board or committee until December 1<sup>st</sup> in the next succeeding year.
  - 3) Section 3. be repealed.
  - 4) Sections 4. and 5. be renumbered Sections 3. and 4.

This by-law shall come into force and take effect on the final passing thereof.

READ THREE TIMES and finally passed in open Council this 9<sup>th</sup> day of August 2010.

TOWN OF FORT FRANCES

BY-LAW NO. 6/77-D

(Being a by-law to amend Town of Fort Frances By-Law No. 6/77, a by-law to limit the tenure of office of appointments by Council to boards and committees.)

WHEREAS on March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2011, Council approved a request from the Fort Frances Municipal Non-Profit Housing Corporation board of directors to exempt the appointment of their members from the limitations imposed by Town of Fort Frances By-Law No. 6/77.


NOW THEREFORE Council for the Corporation of the Town of Fort Frances HEREBY ENACTS as follows:

1. That Town of Fort Frances By-Law No. 6/77, as amended, be now further amended by the addition of the following section:  
  
"3.2 That the provisions of this by-law do not apply to the appointment of members to the board of directors for the Fort Frances Municipal Non-Profit Housing Corporation."

This by-law shall come into force and take effect on the final passing thereof.

READ THREE TIMES and finally passed in open Council this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April 2011.

  
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R. Avis, Mayor

  
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G. Treftlin, Clerk