



April 1, 2010

City Council Committee Report

To: Mayor & Council

Fr: Heather Kasprick, Deputy Clerk

Re: 1,000 Officers Agreement

Recommendation:

THAT Council give three readings to a by-law to authorize the execution of an agreement between the Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services, the City of Kenora, and the Kenora Police Services Board with respect to the Safer Communities – 1,000 Officers Partnership Program

Background:

The Ministry has established the Safer Communities – 1,000 Officers Partnership Program as part of the government's commitment to make Ontario communities safer and stronger.

The objective of the program is to hire 1,000 New Police Officers across the province of Ontario from October 23, 2003, the beginning of the Ontario Government's mandate, to enhance community policing and the six-targeted areas identified by the government in its fight against crime in Ontario; youth crime, guns and gangs, organized crime, and marijuana grow ops, dangerous offenders, domestic violence and protecting children from internet luring and child pornography.

The Ministry wishes to continue to fund the Board by granting funds to the Municipality for the purpose of maintaining the increased number of sworn officers of the OPP Kenora for enhanced police visibility.

The term of the contract is April 1, 2010 and shall expire on March 31, 2012 according to Schedule "A" of the Agreement.

Budget:

The revenue from these programs has been included in the 2010 Municipal Budget.

Communication Plan/Notice By-law Requirements:

Public Notice shall be given for the passing of the by-law to execute the agreement.