

July 30, 2010



City Council Committee Report

To: Mayor & Council

Fr: Heather Kasprick, Deputy Clerk

Re: Amendment to Litter, Yard Waste and Property Maintenance

Recommendation:

That Council of the City of Kenora approve the amendment to the Litter, Yard Waste and Property Maintenance by-law; and further

That Council give three readings to a by-law to adopt this amendment.

Background:

It has been questioned if the City has a by-law which bans spitting on City sidewalks and streets. Currently the City does not have any by-law in place which discourages people from spitting anything on the sidewalks including gum.

In discussion with the CAO it was deemed appropriate that we add a provision under the Litter, Yard Waste and Property Maintenance that adds the definition of "spitting" to the by-law with the following wording:

"spitting" means to eject phlegm, saliva, chewing tobacco juice, gum or any other substance from the mouth;

To the same by-law the following section under "Litter" was added:

7 (3)(iii) No person shall spit on the sidewalk of any street, alley or public place, nor in the passageway, stairway or entrance of any building used by the public, nor on the floor of any building, hall, room or place to which the public resort, nor in any public conveyance within the City of Kenora.

This amendment should cover off the provision of preventing spitting gum or other substances onto City sidewalks and streets.

Budget: N/A

Communication Plan/Notice By-law Requirements: