



August 3, 2010

City Council Committee Report

To: Mayor & Council

**Fr: Barbara A. Manson, Parks Supervisor
Rick Perchuk, Operations Manager**

Re: Northwest International Rowing Association Regatta – 2010

Recommendation:

THAT Council of the City of Kenora acknowledge the Northwest International Rowing Association Regatta held by the Kenora Rowing Club on August 13 & 14, 2010 on Rabbit Lake;

AND THAT approvals be granted as outlined below in conjunction with the above-noted Special Event;

1. A variance be granted for the motor size on Rabbit Lake as set out by By-law No. 153-2005; need to operate 25-50 h.p. motors to keep up to the racing boats to ensure their safety on the water for the date above.
2. The event buoys to be placed in the water 2-3 (two to three) days prior to the event, to be removed the following week by the Kenora Curling Club.

Background:

The Kenora Rowing Club is hosting the Northwest International Rowing Association Regatta on Friday and Saturday, August 13 & 14, 2010. This regatta was to be hosted by Winnipeg but due to unforeseen circumstances, in the last week, they are unable to hold this event.

The following approvals are requested;

1. Request to grant a variance for the boat motor size on Rabbit Lake, set by Jaffray Melick By-Law No. 833, passed 17 November 1981. The official boats need to be 25-50 h.p. to keep up to the racing boats to ensure their safety on the water.
2. Permission to place course lanes in the water 2 - 3 (two to three) day prior to the event and to remove in the following week. The buoys float, allowing swimmers, canoeists, kayakers & motorboats safe access to the lake.

Budget:

No direct cost to the City of Kenora.

Communication Plan/Notice By-law Requirements:

Barb Manson, Parks Supervisor

Heather Kasprick, Customer Service

Joanne McMillin, City Clerk

Peter Harland, Northwest International Rowing Regatta Rep.