



February 16, 2010

## City Council Committee Report

**To: Mayor & Council**

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

**Re: Ice Candle – Year End Report & Amendment to Tariff & Fees**

### **Recommendation:**

**That** the Council of the City of Kenora hereby receives the 2009 Ice Candle Report, as prepared by Barbara Manson; and further,

**That** Council hereby approves amending Schedule “B” Table 14 of Tariff of Fees By-Law Number 147-2007 to reflect the following fee:

Wax Candle only \$ 3.00 ;and,

**That** Council hereby gives three readings to a By-Law to amend the Tariff of Fees By-Law for this purpose; and further,

**That** in accordance with Notice By-law Number 144-2007, public notice is hereby given that Council intends to amend its Tariff of Fees By-law at its March 15 meeting.

### **Background:**

The Parks Department of the City of Kenora resumed complete co-ordination, responsibility and delivery of the Lake of the Woods Cemetery - Ice Candle Program in 2005. All revenue is put in a reserve account and all monies raised are to be used for parks beautification projects.

The ice candle program is also a community driven event with over 3,000 candles placed by the community-at-large as well as the approximately 2,000 ice candles the Cemetery offers for sale. Over 50 volunteers light the candles on Christmas Eve. This event has received local, national and international recognition.

The 2009 Ice Candle Festival of Lights consisted of just over 5,000 candles which were lit on Christmas Eve. (See attached report)

People have been requesting just the wax candle, so a fee of \$3.00 is to be added to the Tariff of Fees – Schedule “B”, Table 14 – “Ice Candle Fees”. The fees for Pick-up Candles (\$8.00) and Place and Light Candles (\$10.00) will remain the same.

**Budget:**

Operating Budget

**Communication Plan/Notice By-law Requirements:**

Resolution & By-Law required.

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