



TO: Council
From: Lake of the Woods Development Commission
Date: July 28, 2011
Re: LOTWDC Summer Students Report

Recommendation:

THAT the City of Kenora Council accept the Summer Student Report from the Lake of the Woods Development Commission; and

Background:

The purpose of this report is to provide the Council with an updated report on summer student hires, which provides Council with actual, rather than projected summer student hires. Council must approve all staff hiring.

On February 22, 2011, Council received a report from the EDO regarding proposed summer student complement for the Commission. At that time, Council adopted a resolution supporting 9 summer students, 8 for Tourism and 1 for the Northwest Business Centre, contingent on Commission operating budget approvals from Council.

EDO submitted summer student funding application to Canada Summer Jobs for 9 students, and received approval for 7. Additional funding for summer students was received by the Commission from Harbourtown BIZ, Ontario's Sunset Country, Confederation College's Co-op Program and from the Dryden Development Commission for a cultural assets mapping project.

Because of the additional monies received, the Commission determined that the staffing distribution would include 2 business students working at Northwest Business Centre and 8 students working in tourism as follows:

2 Senior Travel Consultants, 2 Travel Hosts, 1 Special Events, 3 Tourism Students, 1 Youth Entrepreneurship Coordinator, 1 Summer Business Advisor

All summer student positions are subsidized and the balance of the summer student wages is from the Lake of the Woods Development Commission's 2011 Operating Budget.

Communication: Commission & Council

Budget: 2011 Operating Budget with subsidies as per attached spreadsheet