



City Council Committee Report

Date: 29 November 2012
To: Mayor & Council
Fr: Warren F. Brinkman, Emergency Service Manager
Re: Renewal of 911 Central Emergency Reporting Bureau (CERB) Services Agreement

Recommendation:

That Council authorize a renewal of the 9-1-1 CERB Service contract with the Ontario Provincial Police for the City of Kenora's residential population at a cost of \$8,610.23; and further

That this costing remains constant for the 5-year term of this CERB agreement; and further

That Council gives three readings to a by-law to authorize the execution of an agreement between the Corporation of the City of Kenora and the Ontario Provincial Police for a five year term commencing on February 17, 2013 and expiring on February 16, 2018.

Background:

"911" is the three digit telephone number that has been designated as the "Universal Emergency Number," for public use throughout Canada and the United States to request emergency assistance. It is intended as a nationwide telephone number giving the public direct access to a Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) which will be responsible for taking the appropriate action. The citizens residing within the City of Kenora, the neighbouring unincorporated and First Nation Communities and motoring public have ready access to a wide range of emergency services as accessed by the basic 911 City of Kenora's Central Emergency Reporting Bureau located at the Kenora Police Service.

Council by way of Resolution #10 on August 10th 2008 contracted the "9-1-1 CERB Service" serving the existing 9-1-1 area which includes the City of Kenora, the unincorporated territories of Kirkup, and the First Nation Communities of Ochiichagwe'Babigo'ining Ojibway Nation and Wauzhushk Onigum First Nation with the Ontario Provincial Police" based on an annual cost of \$0.561 per capita. The cost for providing the 9-1-1 CERB Service to the City of Kenora was \$7,745.73. This amount was based on the residential population for the City of Kenora which in 2008 was 13,807. This costing remained constant for term of this CERB Agreement. The Stats Canada

Census of 2011 reported that the City of Kenora's population grew to 15,348. As a result and based on the per capita cost of \$0.561 the contract price for providing 9-1-1 CERB Service to the City of Kenora for the renewal period of 17 February 2013 through to 16 February 2018 is \$8610.23.

Budget: Pending approval of the 2013 Operating Budget

Communication Plan/Notice By-law Requirements: By-law required for the agreement.