



June 11, 2012

City Council Committee Report

To: Mayor & Council

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

**Re: Northwest International Rowing Association Regatta and Kenora
Rowing Club (mini-two) Regatta – 2012**

Recommendation:

That the Council of the City of Kenora hereby acknowledges the Northwest International Rowing Association Regatta to be held August 17 & 18, 2012 on Rabbit Lake; and

That Council also acknowledges the Kenora Rowing Club (mini-two) Regatta to be held July 28, 2012; and

That the following approvals be granted as outlined below in conjunction with both of these events:

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

Background:

The Kenora Rowing Club is hosting the Northwest International Rowing Association Regatta on Friday and Saturday, August 17 & 18, 2012.

Also planned is a one day event, hosted by the Kenora Rowing Club (mini-two club) Regatta to be held on July 28, 2012 which will involve Kenora and Winnipeg Rowing Clubs.

The following approvals are being requested for both events;

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 two to three (2-3) days 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.