

## City Council Committee Report

To: Mayor & Council

Fr: Colleen Neil, Recreation Services Manager

**Re: Municipal Alcohol Policy** 

## **Recommendation:**

That Council hereby authorizes an amended City of Kenora Municipal Alcohol Policy – Policy #CS-01-01; and

That the appropriate By-law be approved for this purpose.

## **Background:**

In 2010 the Municipal Alcohol Policy was reviewed and updated to reflect changes in: policing and enforcement, updated information with regard to permits through the LLCB, to allow the City Clerk to authorized endorsements and community festivals. This was all completed to ensure that City of Kenora communicates due diligence to the public hosting events on or in the City of Kenora property.

On November 2, 2011 a meeting was held to review the City of Kenora's Municipal Alcohol Policy. Present or having input to the meeting was representation from the City of Kenora, O.P.P, Lake of the Woods District Hospital Addictions program staff and the Liquor License Control Board. On December 7, 2011 a meeting was held with past special event applicants (KBI, Harbourfest, and Tourism Staff) to review and receive feedback on the current policy and review changes to the Alcohol and Gaming Commission special occasions permits.

On January 12, 2012 staff attended an information session held by the Ontario Provincial Police regarding private security at alcohol related events. On January 29, 2012 staff participated in an information session hosted by the AMCTO providing information from the AGCO on the changes to Special Occasions Permitting.

The City of Kenora's Municipal Alcohol policy meets or exceeds all standards set out by all pertinent governing bodies. The City is committed to review and update the Municipal Alcohol Policy on an annual basis.

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

The approved policy will be added to the City of Kenora Policy Manual and will be made available to the public or groups hosting alcohol related events on the City Portal or by request from the Recreation Services Department, Tourism and Special Events, Parks Department or from the City Clerk.