

8 May 2012



City Council Committee Report

To: Mayor & Council

Fr: John Nabb, City Facilities Supervisor

Re: Coney Island Wharf Review & Inspection

Recommendation:

That the City of Kenora prepare an RFP for Engineering Services for the review and design for the replacement of the Coney Island Wharf; and further

That this request for proposal include tender documents and contract administration for the works; and further

That the Coney Island Wharf shall not be used for vessel craft exceeding 24 feet and be of light duty (pontoon or small craft) for drop off and pick only.

Background:

With the City engaged to promote Coney Island in a larger manner Coney Wharf was identified as the main access for larger vessels to service the Island. Due to the wharfs age and undetermined structural condition, staff advised that the wharf should be received and inspected before any commitment of use by larger vessels. Staff contracted to Dominion Divers in April, 2012 to review and provide an underwater inspection of the Coney Island Wharf. The report received from Dominion Divers concluded that the underwater structural components (Cribs) of the wharf were compromised and failing.

In Dominion Divers opinion the use of this wharf should be carefully considered and clearly should not be used for any major vessel docking. Staff further reviewed the video and concurred with Dominion Divers assessment of the wharf, which clearly indicated that repairs are not feasible and the structure will have to be rebuilt if the direction was to have larger vessels docking at Coney Island. Costs to remove and rebuild a similar structure could exceed \$250,000.00 plus.

Budget:

N/A

Communication Plan/Notice By-law Requirements: