



December 13, 2012

City Council Committee Report

To: Mayor and Council

Fr: Barb Manson, Tourism Development Officer, on behalf of
the Lake of the Woods Development Commission

Re: Canada Day/Air Show Festival

Recommendation:

That as recommended by the Lake of the Woods Development Commission, Council hereby authorizes the issuance of tax receipts for donations towards the Air Show portion of the Canada Day/Air Show (Up, Up & Away) Festival to be held July 1st, 2nd and 3rd, 2013 in Kenora.

Background:

The Air Show Committee, Tourism Kenora and Keewatin's Summer Splash Committee are planning a three day festival (Up, Up and Away) in Kenora on July 1st, 2nd and 3rd. Events will occur at the Whitecap Pavilion and Keewatin on July 1st and 2nd, culminating with an Air Show at the Kenora Airport on July 3rd.

The details for all activities for July 1st and 2nd are still being worked on. A Celebrate Ontario grant has been applied for, for this Festival, but it is not reliant on these funds to proceed. A substantial amount of donations and a cover fee for the Air Show will offset costs. Confirmed donations in kind include Q104, Super 8, Lakeside Inn & Conference Centre, Smith's Camps, Dingwall Ford and Bayview Toyota.

The Air Show Committee is being co-chaired by John Gale and Rick Joyce. Approval has been given to allow the air show at the Kenora Airport and all insurance is covered by the Kenora Airport. Part of the show will consist of a guest appearance by Pete McLeod of Pete McLeod Aerosports performing an aerobatic performance.

The City of Kenora has been asked to accept the donations and issue tax receipts for same. \$10,000.00 in cash donations have been committed so far.

Budget:

No change

Communication Plan/Notice By-law Requirements:

Mayor & Council
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