



THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF KINCARDINE

Subject: Overnight Camping Request in Rotary Park

Report Number: REC 2019-10

Meeting Date: Wednesday, May 22, 2019

Recommendation: THAT Council grant an exemption to By-Law No. 2002 - 145 and allow the Rotary Club Interact and Exchange Students and their chaperones to camp overnight in Rotary Park from June 13-15, 2019 as part of the District Conference 6330 being held in Kincardine.

Date to be considered by Council: Wednesday, May 22, 2019

Report Summary: The Municipality of Kincardine has by-law No. 2002 – 145, which prohibits overnight camping in public places and Municipal parks owned by the Corporation of the Municipality of Kincardine. The Municipality received a request from Rotary District 6330 for an exemption to this by-law which would allow their Interact and Youth Exchange Students to camp overnight at Rotary Park from June 13-15, 2019 in conjunction with the Rotary District 6330 Conference taking place in Kincardine at that time. Along with camping overnight, they would require access to washrooms/showers, as well as hydro and water. Staff is recommending that Council authorize the exemption for the period requested above.

Origin: Request from Rotary District 6330 Conference Committee

Existing Policy: By-Law No. 2002 – 145, By-Law to Prohibit Overnight Camping in Public Places and Municipal Parks Owned by the Corporation of the Municipality of Kincardine

Background/Analysis: The Municipality received a request from the Rotary District 6330 Conference Committee requesting overnight camping in Rotary Park from June 13-15, 2019.

The Rotary Clubs of Kincardine and Hanover are requesting an exemption to Municipal By-Law No. 2002 - 145 which prohibits overnight camping in public places and municipal parks as they would like to provide accommodations to Interact and Youth Exchange students during the upcoming Rotary District 6330 Conference being held in Kincardine June 13-15, 2019.

They will also require access to washrooms/showers at Reunion Park, as well as hydro and water. The estimated number of students that would be camping in tents is approximately 30, and they will be accompanied by chaperones at all times.

Staff is recommending that Council grant an exemption to By-Law No. 2002 – 145 and allow these Rotary students and chaperones to camp overnight in Rotary Park from June 13-15, 2019.

Community Plan and Integrated Community Sustainability Plan (ICSP)

Considerations: To ensure that the assets of the Municipality of Kincardine continue to be well promoted, valued, enhanced and supported.

Financial Implications: Hydro and water costs absorbed through 2019 Parks operating budget

Attachments: N/A