

# FORMAL REPORT

To: Mayor Strathdee and Members of Council

Prepared by: Trisha McKibbin, Director of Corporate Services / Deputy Clerk

Date of Meeting: 13 March 2018

Subject: COR 06-2018 St. Marys Kinsmen Summerfest Noise By-law

**Exemption** 

## **PURPOSE**

To provide Council the necessary information regarding the St. Marys Kinsmen Club Summerfest festival held in July 2018 to make an informed decision regarding a noise by-law exemption, designating the festival one of municipal significance, and granting Milt Dunnell Field full access for a set period of time.

#### RECOMMENDATION

THAT COR 06-2018 St. Marys Kinsmen Summerfest Noise By-law Exemption report be received; and

THAT Council declares Summerfest to be municipally significant in the Town of St. Marys from July 26, 2018 until July 28, 2018; and

THAT Council grant an exemption of the Noise By-law, under Section 6, to the applicant, St. Marys Kinsmen Club at Milt Dunnell Park, for the purpose of Summerfest until the time of 1:00am on July 27, 28 and 29, 2018; and

THAT Council grant exclusive use of Milt Dunnell Park to the St. Marys Kinsmen Club between July 23 and August 1 for the purpose of setting up, running and taking down for Summerfest.

#### BACKGROUND

St. Marys Kinsmen have operated Summerfest at Milt Dunnell Field for a number of years having transitioned from the vacancy left when the St. Marys Fair Board disbanded.

The Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) states that a special event of this nature must be designated by the municipality as an event or festival of municipal significance prior to the organization applying to the AGCO for a liquor licence.

At the January 30, 2018 special meeting of Council during deliberations of the 2018 municipal budget, Council was of the consensus that it would continue support of this event with the provision of picnic tables, waived event fees and waived landfill tipping fees.

#### REPORT

St. Marys Kinsmen Club is seeking the Town's designation of a municipally significant event for this year's Summerfest. The event begins on Thursday, July 26, 2018, continues on Friday, July 27 and ends Saturday, July 28. The alcohol related activity is open on Thursday and Friday from 6:00pm until 1:00am. On Saturday, the alcohol related activity is open from 11:00am until 1:00am on Sunday July 29, 2018.

St. Marys Kinsmen Club is seeking an exemption to the Noise By-law, 43 of 2007, during the following periods of time:

- Thursday, July 26, 11:00pm until 1:00am
- Friday, July 27, 11:00pm until 1:00am
- Saturday, July 28, 11:00pm until 1:00am on Sunday July 29, 2018.

Council is asked to grant the exclusive use of Milt Dunnell Field to St. Marys Kinsmen Club for the purposes of set up, operations and takedown of Summerfest from July 23 until August 1, 2018. By granting this exclusive use it will mean that minor baseball will not be able to access the diamonds between these dates which has been the historical approach since the organizers first began the festival.

## **SUMMARY**

St. Marys Kinsmen Club is seeking Council's approval to hold Summerfest at Milt Dunnell Field and to receive exclusive use of Milt Dunnell Field between July 23, 2018 and August 1, 2018. In addition, St. Marys Kinsmen Club is seeking an exemption to section 6 of the Noise By-law and that the Town of St. Marys designate Summerfest to be an event of municipal significance.

## FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

None.

## STRATEGIC PLAN

# **OTHERS CONSULTED**

Stephanie Ische, Director of Community Services Grant Brouwer, Director of Building and Development Richard Anderson, Director of Emergency Services / Fire Chief Jed Kelly, Director of Public Works

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Noise By-law Exemption Application

#### **REVIEWED BY**

**Recommended by the Department** 

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Trisha McKibbin

Director of Corporate Services / Deputy Clerk

**Recommended by the CAO** 

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