

ITEM 8
MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 43
COUNCIL MEETING 88/06/20

RE: DEER LAKE BOAT RENTAL LICENCE

MUNICIPAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the recommendation as contained in the report from the Director Recreation & Cultural Services be adopted.

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1988 JUNE 16

TO : MUNICIPAL MANAGER
FROM: DIRECTOR RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES
RE : DEER LAKE BOAT RENTAL LICENCE

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the preparation and execution of a licence agreement with Shirley Fisher, operator of the Deer Lake Boat Rental service, be approved for the period 1988 June 01 to 1990 September 15, as more specifically explained in this report.

REPORT

At its meeting of 1988 June 15, the Parks & Recreation Commission received a staff report recommending that a licence agreement be executed between the Corporation and Shirley Fisher, operator of the Deer Lake Boat Rental service.

The boat rental service has been operated on a daily basis from the long weekend in May to Labour Day, weather conditions permitting, from 11:00 a.m. to sunset. She has approximately 50 craft available for rent, including pedal boats, canoes, kayaks, sail boats, row boats and aqua bikes. The concession utilizes one boat storage shed at Deer Lake which is approximately 1,012 square feet.

Terms of a new agreement have been negotiated with Mrs. Fisher. With the proposed dredging of Deer Lake, staff felt it more appropriate to renew an agreement with Mrs. Fisher, rather than to explore possibilities for placing this service to public tender. A term which covers three summer seasons is proposed as it is anticipated that work at Deer Lake will be complete by this time. Upon expiry of the new agreement, the boat rental service will be put to public tender, as is the general practice for all contracted services.

Changes included in the proposed agreement are as follows:

1. The monthly rental rate for use of the boat storage shed has been increased from \$120.00 to \$130.00 for the first 12 months of the agreement, \$140.00 for the second year and \$150.00 for year three.

This represents an 8.3% increase in fees for the first year, 7.7% for the second year and 7.7% for year three. Mrs. Fisher is in agreement with these rates, as she considers them to be in line with what it would cost her to store her equipment elsewhere.

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2. The operating hours have been changed to coincide with those of supervised swimming. Previous hours were:

(a) From the May 24 weekend and every weekend thereafter to July 01, weather conditions permitting, from 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. 118

(b) From July 01 to Labour Day, weather conditions permitting, daily from 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

The new operating hours are:

(a) 1988 June 01 to August 28 daily from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

(b) 1989 June 03 to August 27 daily from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

(c) 1990 June 02 to August 26 daily from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

(d) During times approved in writing by the Director Recreation & Cultural Services and upon payment of a fee of \$120.00 per day to pay the Corporation's cost of operating a safety boat.

This will ensure that there is always a qualified, Corporation employed lifeguard with access to our safety boat and motor available to respond to emergencies. The Municipal Solicitor is of the opinion that the Corporation must make reasonable effort to ensure the safety of those using the boat rental service and with the above change, this has been accomplished.

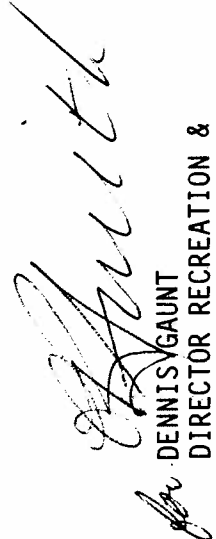
So as not to shorten Mrs. Fisher's operating season, she has been provided with the option of requesting to begin her season the long weekend in May and operate until Labour Day by paying the staff costs to provide a lifeguard.

3. The rules of water safety by which the boat rental service must abide have been specifically included in the agreement. In previous years, only verbal discussions have taken place.

4. Liability insurance requirements have been increased from \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000 to conform to Corporation requirements.

5. The proposed agreement does not contain any further right of renewal. As mentioned earlier in the report, staff believe the boat rental service should be put to public tender.

The Commission approved the execution of the agreement and requests Council's authority to proceed.


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DIRECTOR RECREATION &
CULTURAL SERVICES

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cc: Director Finance
Municipal Solicitor