

TOWNSHIP OF EDWARDSBURGH CARDINAL ACTION ITEM

Committee: Special Council Meeting

Date: May 8, 2023

Department: Fire

Topic: Eastern Ontario Firefighters Association (EOFA) Convention

Purpose: To have Council designate the 111th annual Eastern Ontario Firefighters Association Convention an event of municipal significance.

Background: On June 16 & 17, 2023 Edwardsburgh Cardinal is hosting the 111th annual EOFA convention in Cardinal. As part of the event, a licensed community dance with live music is planned to take place on Saturday June 17 at the Ingredion Centre. In order to receive a special occasion permit (SOP) for a public event, it must be designated by municipal council as being an event of municipal significance.

Policy Implications:

By-Law 2013-43, A bylaw to adopt a municipal alcohol policy states the following:

In order to receive an SOP, Public Events which are not conducted by registered charity or non-profit organizations must be designated as an event of "municipal significance" by Council.

An SOP for a public event can be issued to:

- A charity organization under the Income Tax Act (Canada)
- A non-profit organization or association organized to promote educational, charitable or community events. The entity is not required to be incorporated.

An individual or business may also apply for a public SOP if:

- The event has provincial, national or international significance
- The event has municipal significance (must have resolution from Council or letter)

Financial Considerations: None

Recommendation: That Municipal Council designate the 111th annual Eastern Ontario Firefighters Association convention, hosted by the Edwardsburgh Cardinal Fire Department, as an event of municipal significance.

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