

TOWN OF MINTODATE:January 25, 2017REPORT TO:Mayor and CouncilFROM:Annilene McRobb, Deputy ClerkSUBJECT:9th Annual Volunteer Appreciation Event

STRATEGIC PLAN:

<u>Vision</u>

A friendly, safe, affordable, family oriented rural community built on a foundation of respect, volunteerism, and prosperous business, and sustained by people who value neighbourliness, fairness and inclusiveness.

BACKGROUND:

Since 2008, Town of Minto Council acknowledged the valuable work volunteers do in our community by hosting a Volunteer Appreciation Evening held yearly. The 2015 Event was held at the Palmerston Community Centre on November 5. We had approximately 155 Volunteers in attendance. Due to the International Plowing Match in Minto in 2016, a volunteer dinner was not held.

COMMENTS:

This event has been held in numerous venues in Minto. It is suggested the event return to the Clifford Community Hall during the week of April 23-29 (National Volunteer Week) at 6:30 pm. In speaking with Recreation and the speaker, the available dates are Tuesday April 25 and Wednesday April 26 Staff is arranging for Reva Cooper, Volunteer Engagement Consultant in conjunction with the Cultural Roundtable Committee, to speak on Volunteer Recruitment/Retention. The Event is for all volunteers in the Town of Minto. It is tradition that Councillors help out with the event directly by helping with food preparation, serving or cleanup so it is hoped most of Council are available



FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

The cost for the 2011 event was \$888.34, 2012- \$959.26, 2013- \$1,112.35, 2014 \$853.95 and 2015 was \$926.88, under the budget of \$1100. I would request that the budget remain the same at \$1,100. The cost of the speaker will be funded through the Cultural Roundtable Committee.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council receives the Deputy Clerks report regarding the 9th Annual Volunteer Appreciation Event and provides comments and direction on the budget and date for the event.

Annilene McRobb, CMO Deputy Clerk