Short Term Rentals in Kawartha Lakes

Background and Moving Forward



Timeline

- June 2017 Correspondence received from homeowners association requesting that Short Term Rentals be regulated
- July 2017 Staff directed to create report outlining alternatives and implications
- October 2017 Staff report back and recommend no further action be taken to regulate Short Term Rentals

Rationale for Recommendation

- Response in other municipalities not applicable to local situation
- Existence of other by-laws
- Lack of complaint call volume
- Scope of the issue
- Available resources

Further Direction

- Staff directed to consult further with interested parties
 - Public Forum
 - Public Survey
 - One-on-one conversations
 - Complaint tracking tool

Results of the Consultation

- Majority of survey respondents opposed to regulating short term rentals
- Key themes
 - Noise
 - Waste
 - Alcohol and drug use
 - Unsafe boating

Further Direction

- Staff reported back to Council on June 19, 2018
- Staff recommended that Council direct staff to follow Option #1: Status Quo and Monitoring
 - No new by-laws
 - Revise current by-laws and enforcement practices
- Staff directed to monitor and report back with additional options and information

Revised Recommendation

- Staff reported back to Council on August 14, 2018 with three options
 - Option #1 Status quo and monitoring
 - Option #2 Mandatory STR registration
 - Option #3 Increase MLE hours of service and STR registration
- Option #1 chosen by Council

Option #1 Components

- Amended Fees By-Law
- Amended other applicable by-laws (animal, noise, etc.)
- Committed to public education component

Next Steps

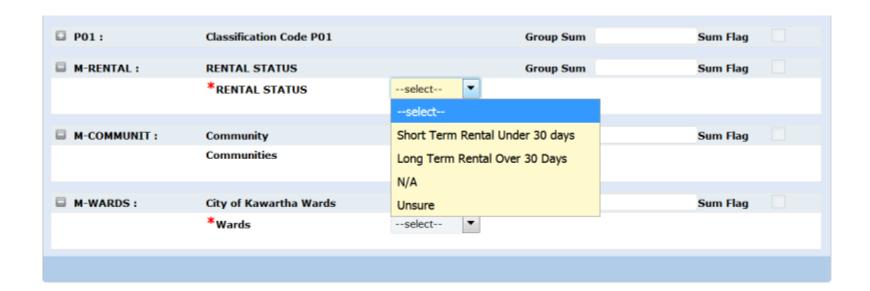
- Reporting back to Council by the end of Q2 2019
- Implement public education component
- Tracking complaints
- Increased enforcement of inspection fees

Progress to Date

- By-law amendments completed
 - Clean and Clear
 - Animals
 - Open Air Fires/Burning
 - Fireworks
 - Noise

Progress to Date

Improved complaint tracking tool



Progress to date

- Public Education Component
 - Info Sheets
 - Website
 - Media



