

6.2 Alice Munro Festival Funding Requests

CAO Evans reports the Alice Munro Festival has requested \$3,500 (the same amount as previous years) to help offset festival costs. Karen advises 500-600 people attended the festival in 2017 and the festival is growing every year. The events at the festival range from workshops, events, readings, short story competitions and much more. At this time there is a discussion regarding accommodations to support the festival. A Committee member notes other Ontario municipalities allow secondary dwelling units to help with the accommodation of people from festivals or events. It was noted we should check North Huron's Official Plan policies to see if we allow this practice.

After some further discussion;

MOVED BY: Glen Manjin

SECONDED BY: Karen Stewart

THAT the North Huron Economic Development Committee recommends the Township of North Huron Council allocate \$3,500 towards the Alice Munro Festival.

CARRIED