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Staff Report CL2021-014

Title of Report: CL2021-014 – OPP Paid Duty Weekend Request
Department: Clerks
Branch: Council and Legislative Services
Council Date: May 19, 2021

Recommendation:

Be it resolved that Council receive Staff Report CL2021-014 as information; and
That Council direct staff to proceed with Option _____, as outlined in this report.

Background:

The Grey Bruce OPP Detachment has reached out to the lower tier municipalities to request that the municipalities support a weekend of paid duties for strictly traffic enforcement for one weekend this summer.

Staff have provided this report to the Township of Southgate Police Services Board at their May 18, 2021 board meeting to seek a recommendation from the board for Council's consideration. Due to the timing of their meeting and this Council meeting, staff will provide Council with the Police Service Board's recommendation, if any, verbally at the meeting during discussions.

Staff Comments:

The Township can support either 8-hour shifts, or 10-hour shifts with 2 officers for Fri/Sat/Sun or Fri/Sat/Mon if the weekend chosen falls on a Holiday long weekend.

Below is a breakdown of payment for either scenario:

	8 Hour Shift – 2 officers	10 Hour Shift – 2 officers
Friday	\$1,360.16	\$1,700.20
Saturday	\$1,360.16	\$1,700.20
Sunday (or Monday if Holiday weekend)	\$1,360.16	\$1,700.20
Total:	\$4,080.48	\$5,100.60

The Grey Bruce Detachment Commander will be waiving the Administration Fee (\$60.62/contract) and the Cruiser Fee (\$25.00/hour X2) for the weekend.

Staff are recommending that this be a Council decision rather than a Police Service Board decision as staff are recommending, if approved, that the Township fund the paid duty weekend from the COVID-19 relief fund received from the Provincial Government.

The following three options are asked to be considered by Council:

Option 1 – Council approves of the OPP request to provide a paid duty weekend for 8-hour shifts in the amount of \$4,080.48 and that the paid duty weekend be funded from the COVID-19 relief fund; or

Option 2- Council approves of the OPP request to provide a paid duty weekend for 10-hour shifts in the amount of \$5,100.60 and that the paid duty weekend be funded from the COVID-19 relief fund; or

Option 3 – Council does not support the OPP paid duty request and directs staff to advise the Grey Bruce Detachment Commander of this decision.

Financial Implications:

There are no financial implications to the municipality as a result of this report. If approved, the OPP paid duty weekend would be funded through the COVID-19 relief fund provided by the Provincial Government.

Communications & Community Action Plan Impact:

This report has been written and presented to Council to communicate accurate information to the public.

Concluding Comments:

That Council receive Staff Report CL2021-014 as information and that Council direct staff to proceed with Option 1, 2 or 3 as outlined in this report.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dept. Head: *Original Signed By*
Lindsey Green, Clerk

CAO Approval: *Original Signed By*
Dave Milliner, CAO

Attachments: None