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Staff Report PW2021-051

Title of Report: PW2021-051 Off Road Vehicle By-law Revision

Department: Public Works

Branch: Transportation & Public Safety

Council Date: November 3, 2021

Recommendation:

Be it resolved that Council receive Staff Report PW2021-051 for information; and **That** Council consider approval of the Off-Road Vehicle (ORV) By-law No. 2021-160.

Background:

Staff have updated and revised the current <u>All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) and Motorized Snow Vehicle By-law No. 2020-089</u>, to be changed to the Off-Road Vehicle By-law.

Staff Comments:

Staff brought forth some interpretation issues with the ATV by-law to the September 21, 2021, Police Services Board meeting. The Detachment Commander advised that our By-law should have clearer provisions as well as its own Set Fines Listing for easier interpretation by OPP Officers and municipal By-law officers. The new by-law changes the title from All Terrain Vehicle and Motorized Snow Vehicle By-law to "Off-Road Vehicle By-law." The definition included in the by-law for "ORV" includes All Terrain Vehicles, Extreme Terrain Vehicles, Off-Road Motorcycles, Recreational Off-Road Vehicles and Motorized Snow Vehicles which is used as a "catch-all" definition for easier interpretation and for clear set fines.

Staff also added a definition for Boulevard as well as a section for Severability and some additions to the general provisions section that include a general nuisance provision and well as operation of an ORV during a funeral or church service. A Schedule "D" Short Form Wording and Set Fines were also added, awaiting Provincial (MAG) approval. The By-law was re-formatted, and sections were renumbered throughout the by-law on advice from MAG staff.

The updated by-law is included in the agenda package for consideration of approval following this report.

Financial Implications:

There are no Township financial implications to this report

Communications & Community Action Plan Impact:

Goal 5 - Upgrading our "Hard Services"

Action 5:

The residents and businesses of Southgate recognize our linear services - roads, bridges, water and sewer works, for example - to be a fundamental purpose of municipal government. This infrastructure needs to be serviceable and sustainable so that our businesses and communities can thrive and grow.

Concluding Comments:

Staff recommends that Council receive Staff Report PW2021-051 for information, and that Council consider passing the updated and revised ORV Bylaw No. 2021-160.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Jim Ellis, Public Works Manager

Clerk Approval: Original Signed By

Lindsey Green, Clerk

CAO Approval: Original Signed By

Dave Milliner, CAO

Attachments: None