



## Staff Report

**Report Title: August 2023 Monthly By-Law Enforcement Status Report**

**Prepared By: Heather Falconer, By-Law Enforcement Officer**

**Department: By-Law Enforcement Officer**

**Date: Sep. 6, 2023**

**Report Number: BLE-2023-09-19**

**File Number: C11 - BLE23**

**Attachments:** Letter from Resident Regarding Fireworks  
Clerk Correspondence with Resident  
How to Report a Problem Information Card

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### **Recommendation:**

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report Number BLE-2023-09-19 prepared by Heather Falconer, By-Law Enforcement Officer:

### **Background:**

To update Council on August occurrences involving By-Law Enforcement.

### **Discussion:**

<b>Violations</b>	<b>Number of Calls for Service</b>	<b>Calls To Date</b>
By-Laws not Listed	13	39
Animal Control	1	15
Clean and Clear Yards	1	16
Property Standards	0	14
Parking Violations	0	5
Beach Violations	2	6

Feeding Wildlife and Feral Animals	1	8
Other Calls not specific to Township By-laws	2	42

**Summer Weekend Calls**

During the weekends in the month of August there was one call that was received to the by-law enforcement pager. The call was an inquiry not related to any possible by-law infractions. There were no calls received to the by-law enforcement after-hours emergency number.

**Noise**

Six complaints were received regarding excessive noise.

Two complaints were received regarding excessive dog barking at the same location. The owners confirmed that will be working with their dogs to solve this problem. Compliance will be monitored.

A complaint was for music being played loudly enough to disturb the peace of the neighbourhood. This has been addressed with the resident and no further infractions have been reported.

Two concerns that were brought forward were regarding noise occurrences that were not by-law related.

**Zoning Infractions**

Six Notices of Violations were sent to property owners pertaining to non-permitted uses that were occurring on their land. Three of these properties have trailers located on them that are not permitted to be used for human habitation. Two other property owners received notices for housing livestock on their residential properties. The last notice was sent to a resident that had been operating a commercial vehicle business from their residential property. All properties will be monitored for compliance as per the Township of Huron-Kinloss Comprehensive Zoning By-law No. 2018-98.

**Licensed Refreshment Vehicle Impeding Parking**

A complaint was received regarding a refreshment vehicle that had pylons situated in such a way to block parking. The refreshment vehicle owner was notified of the concern. An inspected of the location confirmed that the pylons appeared to be placed on the edge of the commercial private property and not on any public parking spaces.

## **Animal Control**

A Dangerous Dog Order was issued after a child was bit by a dog that was visiting the area. The Grey-Bruce Health Unit confirmed that the dog is up to date on its required vaccines. The dog is currently undergoing the standard 10-day quarantine period for which the Health Unit oversees.

## **Clean and Clear Yards**

One Clean and Clear Order was issued to a property owner for tall weeds. The property yard has since been maintained.

## **Beach Violations**

Two complaints were submitted regarding motor vehicles being on the public beach. The beach accesses where this is occurring are being reviewed to see if something can be implemented to deter future occurrences.

## **Feeding Wildlife and Feral Animals**

A Provincial Offence Certificate was issued to a resident in the Point Clark area for granting access to food to feed feral animals. This location is inspected on a re-occurring basis and if further infractions occur, additional enforcement actions will be taken. The concern at this location is the growing population of feral cats. This is due to breeding and the free access to food, water, and shelter. Additional agencies have been contacted in the hope to combine efforts in seeking a solution.

## **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts associated with this report.

## **Strategic Alignment / Link:**

We are an accessible community that offers opportunities for everyone by being open and transparent.

## **Respectfully Submitted By:**

Heather Falconer, By-Law Enforcement Officer

## **Report Approved By:**

Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer