



Staff Report

Report Title: October 2023 Monthly Municipal By-Law Enforcement Status Report

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Department: Municipal By-Law Enforcement Officer

Date: Nov. 6, 2023

Report Number: BLE-2023-11-23

File Number: C11 - BLE23

Attachments: N/A

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report Number BLE-2023-11-23 prepared by Heather Falconer, Municipal By-Law Enforcement Officer:

Background:

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

Discussion:

Violations	Number of Calls for Service	Calls To Date
By-Laws not Listed	7	50
Animal Control	2	18
Clean and Clear Yards	1	19
Property Standards	1	16
Parking Violations	1	6
Beach Violations	0	6
Feeding Wildlife and Feral Animals	0	8

Other Calls not specific to Township By-laws	8	52
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Public Nuisance

Concerns related to residents blowing leaves onto public roadways were addressed through notices and education. An emphasize that the roadway is public property, and littering or dumping yard waste on public property is not permitted. Alternative ways to manage leaves including fall leaf pick up dates and the yard waste depot centres were provided.

Open Air Burning

Two complaints were received for the burning of prohibited material in residential areas. Site inspections were conducted with residents receiving notices of violation.

Zoning Infraction

There are two residential properties that have been brought to the Townships attention for utilizing trailers for habitation. Concerns included whether the trailers have proper access to utilities (water, electricity, sewage), meet safety standards, and fire regulations. Notices were issued and the properties will be monitored for compliance.

Animal Control

Two incidents regarding dogs running at large were addressed. One dog was returned to its owner. The other dog was taken to the Township Pound to later be picked up by the owner.

Clean and Clear Yards

A Clean and Clear Order was issued for a property that had refuse on the lawn. Compliance has been met.

Other

All eight "other" complaints included wildlife and a pony. It is that time of year when wildlife is out trying to find food to store and a place to stay warm during the colder months. Education was provided to residents on wildlife and how to deter them from properties where they are not wanted.

A pony was allegedly abandoned at a property in the Kinlough area. Two calls were received and the contact information for the Provincial Animal Welfare Services (1-833-9-ANIMAL) was provided. A site inspection was done with a follow up to the Provincial Animal Welfare Services.

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, Municipal By-Law Enforcement Officer

Report Approved By:

Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer