



Staff Report

Report Title: Golf Car Pilot Update PSB

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Department: Clerk

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Ministry of Transportation Golf Car Pilot

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Attachments:

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Police Services Board hereby receives for information Report No. CLK-2021-09-13 prepared by Emily Dance, Clerk

Background:

The golf car pilot program is a Province of Ontario Pilot Program under [Ontario Regulation 407/21 Pilot Project – Golf Cars](#) which provides another transportation option for people living in communities with unique transportation needs.

The pilot program allows residents and visitors to use golf cars on roads with a speed limit of up to 50 kilometres per hour on Pelee Island and in the Township of Huron-Kinloss. The pilot program will run for ten years. (2021-2031)

To participate the municipalities are required to pass by-laws before golf cars can be used on roads in the regions. Golf car users in these regions must follow the local by-laws.

On August 16, 2021, Township of Huron-Kinloss Council passed [By-Law No. 2021-90](#) Regulating the Use of Golf Cars in the Township of Huron-Kinloss.

Discussion:

Commencement of Pilot

The pilot commenced on September 7, 2021. To date the Township has 22 golf cars registered for 2021.

Registration

Registration of a Golf Car is \$50.00 per year and is valid from April 1st to November 30th. First-time registrants are provided with a numbered Registration Sticker which must be displayed on the driver's side front panel of the vehicle and always be visible. Yearly registration/renewal is indicated by a Validation Sticker in the upper right corner of the original Registration Sticker.

Communications

A [dedicated webpage](#) is on the Township website to allow participants to access the regulations, the registration form and details.

Information is also communicated through various channels including social media posts, direct mail-outs and electronic newsletters throughout the year.

Public Comment Forms will be available on the website for residents to provide feedback on the pilot.

Enforcement

All Highway Traffic Act rules of the road apply to golf carts allowed under the pilot program. In addition, federal penalties for impaired driving under the Criminal Code will apply. A copy of the draft By-Law has been forwarded to the OPP.

Strategic Alignment / Link:

We are an accessible community that offers opportunities for everyone by being accessible for those with disabilities.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Emily Dance, Clerk

Approved By:

Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer