## The Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss



# Staff Report

**Report Title: September 2021 Staff Report** 

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

**Department: By-Law Enforcement** 

Date: Oct. 4, 2021

Report Number: BLE-2021-10-17 File Number: C-11 BLE21

Attachments: N/A

#### **Recommendation:**

That the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report Number BLE-2021-10-17 prepared by Heather Falconer, By-Law Enforcement Officer.

## **Background:**

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

### **Discussion:**

Violations	Number of Calls	Calls to Date
By-Law Enforcement	5	62
Animal Control	6	58
Property Standards	9	55
Parking Violations	0	31
Beach Violations	4	13
Lawn Watering	0	5
Feeding Wildlife and Feral Animal	1	13
Other	8	47

### **By-Law Enforcement**

Complaints were received regarding recreational trailers being parked on residential properties. Neighbours are concerned that the trailers may be used as overnight sleeping quarters on occasion and that the trailers make the property and surrounding properties look unsightly. The complainant stated that some trailers are parked in driveways over the duration of a few days. The Comprehensive Zoning By-Law No. 2018-98 permits recreational trailers on residential properties be stored in the rear yard, interior side yard or on a driveway for the purposes of loading the recreational trailer.

#### **Animal Control**

There were four dogs found running at large in the Township on separate occasions this month. Two were returned to their owner after being identified through their Huron-Kinloss dog tag licence. Two of the dogs were brought to the Township Pound. One of the dogs is in the process of being adopted after the hold period expired and no owner came forward. The other dog is still being held and waiting to be claimed by the owner.

## **Property Standards**

Derelict vehicles being stored on residential properties were mentioned in a couple of property standards complaints. Notices of violations were sent to property owners and compliance will be monitored.

Ash trees complaints are still coming in consistently from residents. Arborist are busy trying to assist residents to get ahead of the Ash Borer tree disease.

#### **Beach Violations**

This month there were three complaints in relation to structures that have been built without permission or permit on the road allowance/right of way and on the public beach along Lake Huron. These structures have been investigated in the past with the current structures on the beach plan. The plan is to have the structures that are not permitted on Township property and the public beach systematically removed. The structures that were included in the recent complaints have been re-investigated to include any new developments. The owners of these structures have been sent a notice of violation to remove the structures from Township property and the public beach. The Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority has also been notified of the violations as we work together to rectify these violations.

### **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial implications at this time.

## 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

## **Approved By:**

Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer