

Staff Report

Report To: Council

Report From: Jamie Eckenswiller, Director of Legislative Services/Clerk

Meeting Date: March 18, 2025

Subject: Statement of 2024 Council and Board Member Remuneration and Expenses

Recommendations:

THAT in consideration of staff report 'Statement of 2024 Council and Board Member Remuneration and Expenses, Council receives the report for information purposes.

Highlights:

- The *Municipal Act, 2001* requires municipalities to report on remuneration and expenses paid to members of Council.
- Council members were allocated \$1,500.00 for conference registration. Expenses related to the conference such as meals, mileage, and accommodations are not included in the \$1,500.00 allotment.
- Total remuneration and expenses paid to Council in 2024 is \$222,622.10.
- Total remuneration and expenses paid to members of local boards in 2024 is \$9,501.39.

Previous Report/Authority:

None.

Analysis:

The *Municipal Act, 2001* requires municipal treasurers to submit to council an itemized statement of remuneration and expenses paid to or on behalf of each council member and members of local boards. Specifically, section 284 (1) states that:

“The treasurer of a municipality shall in each year on or before March 31 provide to the council of the municipality an itemized statement on remuneration and expenses paid in the previous year to,

- a. each member of council in respect of his or her services as a member of the council or any other body, including a local board, to which the member has been appointed by council or on which the member holds office by virtue of being a member of council;
- b. each member of council in respect of his or her services as an officer or employee of the municipality or other body described in clause (a); and
- c. each person, other than a member of council, appointed by the municipality to serve as a member of any body, including a local board, in respect of his or her services as a member of the body.

West Grey Bylaw No. 2023-024 identifies the amount that each member of council is permitted to spend on conference registration, excluding expenses related to the conference. The allotment for each member in 2024 was \$1,500.00. Additionally, members of council are permitted to claim expenses related to the conference such as meals, mileage, and accommodations. Members of council are also permitted to claim mileage expenses for travel to and from council meetings.

Financial Implications:

There are no direct financial implications associated with this report.

Climate and Environmental Implications:

None.

Communication Plan:

Council and board member remuneration and expenses will be posted to the West Grey website.

Consultation:

None.

Attachments:

Statement of 2024 Remuneration and Expenses

Recommended by:

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