Municipality of West Grey

Budget Request

Request: CNL-01-22 - Council – integrity commissioner training

Department: Council

Year: <u>2022</u> Included in draft budget \Box Proposed addition to budget \Box

Description Budget Request Form

Nature of request:

Integrity Commissioner Training

Justification:

At the November 2, 2021 council meeting the following motion #516-2021 was passed:

That council receive training by the integrity commissioner or by an expert recommended by the integrity commissioner on navigating council and board relationships, including leg, political and ethical considerations.

The cost of a training session is \$3,000 including mileage, meals and accommodation for both integrity commissioners.

Seeking clarity whether the additional integrity commissioner training would be included as part of council member's annual \$1,500 for professional development allotment (\$3,000 divided by 7 council members).

Alternatively, the 2022 preliminary budget includes \$25,000 in council contract labour 1-5-0500-3011 which could be a funding source to be reallocated.

Consequences of not funding:

The actual amount spent on the integrity commissioner in 2020 was \$15,107, being \$13,607 over the 2020 budget amount of \$1,500. The budget for 2021 was increased to \$25,000. In 2021 from January to September \$9,351 has been spent.

Council has the opportunity to contact the integrity commissioner as an issue arises. This shall continue even without training; however, the amount spent on the integrity commissioner inquiries and reports may be lower after another education session.

Alignment with council priority of strategic plan

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Pillar: Build a better future

Goal: Vibrant community

Strategy: Be responsible stewards of the tax dollars

	2022 Mandatory	2022 One- time	2022 Growth	2022 Service level	2023 One- time	2023 Service level	
Capital Expenditure							
Operating Expenditure							
Funding Source		-		-	-		
Tax Levy							
Reserve							
Grant							
Fees							
Other							

No budget impact if included in the annual professional development allotment for council or reallocated from council contract labour.