



To: Mayor Cornell and Members of Council

From: Steven Harvey, Chief Municipal Law Enforcement Officer  
By-law Department

Report Number: MLE-020-21

Meeting Date: 06-09-2021

Subject: **Victoria Day long weekend 2021 Activity Report**

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that MLE-020-21, dated June 9, 2021 be received as information.

**BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS:**

**Reporting comparison:**

At the beginning of 2021, the By-law Department committed to providing long weekend reports to Council on the activities of this Department. This report covers the activities from Friday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021 through to Monday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

**Weather:**

	<b><u>2019</u></b>	<b><u>2020</u></b>	<b><u>2021</u></b>
Friday	Sunny 13 °C	Rain 10 °C	Few clouds 23°C
Saturday	Sunny 10°C	Sunny 11°C	Overcast/Rain 17°C
Sunday	Thunderstorms 15°C	Sunny 16°C	Overcast 17°C
Monday	Rain 10°C	Overcast/Rain 13°C	Clear 23°C

**Analysis:**

**1. Charges**

The following chart illustrates the type and number of charges issued over this time period.

<b><u>Type of Charge</u></b>	<b><u>2019</u></b>	<b><u>2020</u></b>	<b><u>2021</u></b>
<b>Fire – Fail to obtain a burning permit</b>	1	1	1
<b>Fire – Fail to comply with terms and conditions of class “A” burning permit</b>	2	0	1
<b>Provincial Order – Individual fail to comply with a continued section 7.0.2 Order</b>	0	0	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>

## 2. Complaints

Below is a breakdown of the activities undertaken by the Municipal Law Enforcement Department between May 21<sup>st</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

<u>Type of By-law Complaint</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2021 Action Taken</u>
<b>1. Sign:</b>	3	25	43	Open (0) Closed (43)
<b>2. Roadside Debris:</b>	21	7	21	Open(0) Closed(21)
<b>3. Dog:</b>	1	6	14	Open (0) Closed (14)
<b>4. Noise:</b>	1	3	10	Open (0) Closed (10)
<b>5. COVID-19:</b>	-	46	8	Open(4) Closed (4)
<b>6. Parking:</b>	3	1	7	Open(0) Closed (7)
<b>7. Parks:</b>	0	2	8	Open (0) Closed (8)
<b>8. Smoking Policy:</b>	-	-	7	Open (0) Closed (7)
<b>9. Fire:</b>	3	6	3	Open (0) Closed (3)
<b>10. Fireworks:</b>	1	1	3	Open (0) Closed (3)
<b>11. Littering:</b>	1	0	1	Open (1) Closed (0)
<b>12. Other:</b>	0	2	0	Open (0) Closed (0)
<b>Total Complaints Received:</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>125</b>	Open (5) Closed (120)

The number of complaints received this year increased versus the number of complaints received in the previous year. Staff analyzed these differences and would draw the following conclusions or comments:

1. COVID-19: Over the long weekend staff dealt with 8 issues regarding COVID-19. Staff analyzed the occurrences and believe that the decrease in Covid-19 complaints is due to the Stay at Home Order, as well as there being fewer beach restrictions in place this year, which created majority of the complaints in 2020.
  - Four (4) of those were regarding Short-Term Rentals (3 charges and 1 no violation).
  - Two (2) were regarding gatherings of more than 5 people (1 No violation & 1 Written warning/OPP),
  - One (1) was regarding garage sales during the Stay at Home Order (Verbal Warning)
  - One (1) was regarding a business operating with high capacity indoors (Ongoing).
2. Signs: In 2021 the sign occurrences increased by eighteen (18) when compared to 2020. Staff have analyzed the occurrences and believe that the increase in sign collection is due to the colder rainy weather, allowing for more time to conduct proactive sign removal as staff were less busy with reactive complaints and parking enforcement.
3. Roadside Debris: In 2021 the roadside debris occurrences increased by fourteen (14) when compared to 2020. Staff have analyzed the occurrences and believe that the increase in complaints is due to the cool rainy weather which allowed for staff to proactively patrol for roadside debris as the beaches were less busy.

### 3. Parking Tickets

	<b><u>2019</u></b>	<b><u>2020</u></b>	<b><u>2021</u></b>
Parking Tickets issued	0	6	108

### 4. Bike Programs

	<b>Number of Hours</b>	<b>Number of km</b>	<b>Number of Tickets</b>
<b>Bike Patrol #1 – 2 Officers</b>			
<b>Focus: Tiny Trail and Lafontaine</b>			
<b>Comments</b>	Staff patrolled the Tiny Trail and greeted members of the public, as well as answered questions regarding this years parking enforcement.		
<b>Bike Patrol #2 – 2 Officers</b>			
<b>Focus: Balm Beach</b>			
<b>Comments</b>	Staff patrolled Balm Beach and educated members of the public on the current parking enforcement pertaining to resident parking only due to COVID-19 and population control on municipal beaches.		
<b>TOTAL 2021</b>	62 HOURS	381 KM	0 Part I Tickets 17 Part II Tickets
<b>TOTAL 2020</b>	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL 2019</b>	59 HOURS	234 KM	0 Part I Tickets 0 Part II Tickets

**OPTIONS/ALTERNATIVES:**

There are no options/alternatives associated with this item.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

There are no financial implications associated with this item.

**RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN:**

- Deliver Exceptional Municipal Services
- Support Community Health, Safety & Well-Being

**CONCLUSION:**

The By-law Department will be providing a long weekend report for the July long weekends.

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