

To: Mayor Evans and Members of Council

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By-law Department

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Report Number: MLE-006-23

Meeting Date: 09 Aug 2023

Subject: Canada Day Long Weekend 2023 Activity Report

Our File No:

Recommendation

THAT MLE Report MLE-006-23 regarding the Canada Day Long Weekend Activity be received as information:

Background/Analysis

This year the Statutory Holiday landed on a Saturday. This report covers the activities from Saturday July 1st through to Monday, July 3rd, 2022 (3 day period).

Note: 2022 Statutory Holiday landed on a Friday, therefore that long weekend report was from Friday July 1st, 2022, to Sunday, July 3rd, 2022 (3 day period)

Note: 2021 Statutory Holiday landed on a Thursday, therefore that long weekend report was from Thursday July 1st, 2021, to Sunday, July 4th, 2021 (4 day period)

Weather

2021		2022		2023	
Thursday	Cloudy 22°C				
Friday	Sunny 20°C	Friday	Clear 25°C		
Saturday	Sunny 24°C	Saturday	Clear 20°C	Saturday	Sun/cloud 26°C
Sunday	Sunny 25°C	Sunday	Clear 20°C	Sunday	Clear 27°C
				Monday	Clear 27°C

Charges

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

Type of Charge	<u>2021</u>	2022	2023
Dog – Permit dog on Balm Beach between June 1 to September 30	1	2	1
Parks- Operate motorized machine in a park	1	2	1
Noise – Cause or permit a noise from any Electronic Device or Sounds Producing Equipment	5	4	0
Fireworks – Set off consumer fireworks on beach, park or public property without authorization	0	3	0
Fireworks - Set off consumer fireworks on unauthorized day	0	2	0
Dog- Permit dog to run at large	0	2	0
Parks – Have barbeque upon municipal beach	0	1	0
Dog – Permit animal on beach between 10am to 6pm (June 15 – September 15) Cawaja Beach	2	1	0
Fire - fail to obtain a burning permit	1	1	0
Watering – Use water not during permitted time	0	1	0
TOTAL	10	19	2

Parking Tickets

The following chart illustrates the number of Parking Tickets issued over this time period. The below ten locations are the areas that generated the most parking tickets for the 2022 calendar year.

Location	2021	2022	2023
Balm Beach MBP	44	5	16
Concession 16 W/Lafontaine Rd MBP	27	11	0
Balm Beach Road West	14	3	8
Jackson Park MBP	17	18	5
Tiny Beaches Road North	7	14	5
Concession 13 West	4	9	5
Concession 2 West (Woodland) MBP	4	5	2
Trew Ave MBP	3	2	2
Concession 11 West	2	2	1
Miscellaneous	55	69	24
Total:	177	138	77

MBP- Major Beach Park with Master Plan

Complaints

Below is a breakdown of the activities undertaken by the Municipal Law Enforcement Department over this time period.

Type of By-law Complaint	2021	2022	2023
Short-Term Rentals:	-	-	19
Parking:	23	9	11

Type of By-law Complaint	2021	2022	2023
Noise:	21	12	10
Fireworks:	7	19	9
Roadside Debris:	14	12	8
Dog:	12	12	7
Parks:	8	4	6
Fire:	2	2	1
Sign:	27	6	1
Zoning:	1	1	0
Other:	1	3	5
Total Complaints Received:	116	80	77

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

<u>Fireworks:</u> In 2023 the fireworks occurrences decreased by ten (10) when compared to 2022. Staff have analyzed the occurrences and believe that the decrease in occurrences/complaints received is due to the 2 Fireworks Enforcement Campaigns that ran from May 18 to May 25, 2022 and the July Long Weekend Fireworks Enforcement Campaign that ran from June 28 to July 5 in 2022. It is believed that the Enforcement Campaigns brought awareness to the new Fireworks By-law and promoted strict enforcement for Fireworks complaints.

<u>Short-Term Rentals:</u> Of the 77 complaints received over the Canada Day Long Weekend, 19 were related to Short-Term Rentals. Staff analyzed the the occurrences and believe that the number of complaints is related to the new Short-Term Rental By-Law 22-017, as amended. The following is a brief breakdown of the Short-Term Rental related complaints:

- Unlicensed (7)
- Occupancy Limits (5)
- Noise (4)
- Rentals for fewer than 6 consecutive days (3)

Bike Programs

Bike Patrol One – 2 Officers					
Focus: Tiny Rail Trail, Lafontaine Beach and Woodland Beach					
Comments	Staff educated the public on watering, parking and our Hotspot Parking App.				
Bike Patrol Two – 2 Officers					
Focus: Balm Beach					
Comments	Staff educated the public on parking, fireworks, and which beaches dogs are allowed on in the township.				
	Number of Hours	Number of KM	Number of tickets		
TOTAL 2023	53 HOURS	385 KM			
TOTAL 2022	51 HOURS	256 KM			
TOTAL 2021	50 HOURS	331 KM			

Reviewed By Other Departments

Not applicable.

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications associated with this item.

Relationship to Strategic Plan

Not applicable.

Conclusion

The By-law Department is expecting to provide the Civic Long Weekend Activity Report at the Committee of the Whole meeting on September 20, 2023.

Steve Harvey, Chief Municipal Approved - 28 Jul 2023

Law Enforcement Officer

Haley Leblond, Director of Approved - 28 Jul 2023

Corporate Services/Deputy CAO

Robert Lamb, Chief Administrative Approved - 31 Jul 2023

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