TOWN OF HALTON HILLS

REPORT

REPORT TO:	Mayor Bonnette and Members of Council
REPORT FROM:	Dana Stanescu, Accounting Supervisor
DATE:	March 22, 2021
REPORT NO.:	CORPSERV-2021-0005
RE:	Remuneration and Expenses Paid to Members of Council and Others During the Year 2020

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Report CORPSERV-2021-0005 dated March 22, 2021 regarding Remuneration and Expenses paid to Members of Council and Others during the Year 2020 be received;

AND FURTHER THAT the attached Treasurer's statement on the remuneration and expenses paid to Members of Council, Local Boards and Committees in 2020 be received as information.

BACKGROUND:

The *Municipal Act*, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended, Section 284 (1) requires the Treasurer to submit a statement to Council itemizing remuneration and expenses paid to each member of Council for the previous year. In addition, the Treasurer is also required to report payments made to Council appointees serving as members of any body, including Local Boards and Committees. This requirement applies to the Committee of Adjustment in 2020.

COMMENTS:

Appendix A outlines remuneration and expenses paid to each member of Council and the members of the Committee of Adjustment in 2020. All payments made were in accordance with Town policy and were provided for in the 2020 operating budget.

In 2020, the Mayor and members of Council were provided with a budgeted discretionary spending allowance of \$14,500 and \$2,700 each respectively for community outreach expenses.

Discretionary expenses could include items such as communications expenses, community or charity events, souvenirs or promotional items, and/or production costs for Ward newsletters or other mass mailings.

In 2020 there were no conferences attended by members of Council. All conferences were cancelled for 2020 due to the restrictions imposed as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN:

This report supports Council's priorities regarding fiscal and corporate management with a focus on transparency through the communication of fiscal results.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Remuneration and expenses paid to members of Council are operational costs funded through the 2020 Operating Budget.

CONSULTATION:

The Mayor and Councillors have been advised of the details pertaining to their remuneration and expenses.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT:

There is no public engagement required in reference to this report.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS:

The sustainability implications of the recommendations of the report were reviewed against the requirements of the Town's Sustainability Implications Worksheet. The Worksheet is completed for substantial non-administrative reports, major projects, studies, policies and initiatives that are relevant to advancing the Town's economic, cultural, environmental and social wellbeing, and quality of life. Since this report is none of the latter, the Sustainability Implications section is not applicable.

COMMUNICATIONS:

There is no communications impact associated with this report.

CONCLUSION:

This report fulfills the requirements of the *Municipal Act*, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended, Section 284 (1). All payments were made in compliance with the Council Expense Policy and were funded through the 2020 approved Operating Budget.

Reviewed and Approved by,

M. J. Light.

Moya Jane Leighton, Director of Finance & Town Treasurer

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Laura Lancaster, Acting Commissioner of Corporate Services

John Linhardt, Acting Chief Administrative Officer