

Committee Report

To:	Warden Matrosovs and Members of Grey County Council
Committee Date:	March 27, 2025
Subject / Report No:	FR-CW-04-25
Title:	2024 Treasurer's Statement
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Recommendation

1. That Report FR-CW-04-25 and the attached 2024 Treasurer's Statement be received for information.

Executive Summary

The purpose of this report is to meet the statutory requirements of the *Municipal Act, 2001* that requires the treasurer of a municipality on or before March 31 to provide an itemized statement on remuneration and expenses paid to members of Council and other persons appointed to local boards in the previous year.

This report ensures that Council's goals of financial sustainability and public accountability are maintained.

Background and Discussion

Section 284 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* requires the following:

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.

The attached 2024 Treasurer's Statement provides an itemized statement of the remuneration and expenses, authorized under By-Law 4702-10. This statement lists the costs paid to each member of Council and other Board and Committee appointees in respect of his or her services as a Member of Council or as an appointee of Council.

For 2024, Council members received a base salary of \$24,972.60 and the Warden a base salary of \$82,254.96 that covers all council and committee of the whole meetings and all related work associated with these meetings. In addition, per diems are paid for additional sub-committee meetings, and where the Councillor is a county representative and compensation is not paid by another agency.

The itemized 2024 Statement of Remuneration of Expenses includes disclosure on benefits which include the employer portion of OMERS, CPP, Employer Health Tax and Employee Assistance Program.

The Statement also includes the charges or reimbursements for cellular phones (excluding hardware costs) and conference registrations and accommodations, made by the corporation on behalf of each council member. This information is provided to provide openness, accountability and transparency.

The attached Statement includes payments made to each person who has been appointed to the following Boards and Committees:

- a) Board of Health (Grey Bruce Public Health)
- b) Niagara Escarpment Commission (NEC)
- c) Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
- d) Agricultural Advisory Committee
- e) Joint Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee
- f) Planning and Economic Development Advisory Committee

Financial and Resource Implications

This report has been prepared in accordance with the legislative requirements in Section 284 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*.

Relevant Consultation

- ☐ Internal: Clerks and Human Resources Departments
- ☐ External: Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Niagara Escarpment Commission and Grey-Bruce Public Health

Appendices and Attachments

Treasurer's Statement