

Committee Report

To: Warden Mitch Twolan Members of the Executive Committee

From: Donna Van Wyck, AMCT Clerk

Date: July 9, 2020

Re: Closed Meeting Investigator's Report

Staff Recommendation:

That the Closed Meeting Investigator's Report, dated July 6, 2020 be received for information; and,

That Staff report back with a response to the proposed recommendations outlined in the report.

Background:

On March 5, 2020 the County received a closed meeting investigation request which was forwarded on March 9, 2020 to the County's Closed Meeting Investigator, Aird & Berlis.

The County received a response to this investigation on July 7th, 2020 which is included for Council's information.

Bill 68 introduced a new requirement for municipalities to address closed meeting investigations. Section 239.2 (12) of the Municipal Act requires: "If a municipality or a local board receives a report from a person referred to in clause 239.1 (a) or (b) reporting his or her opinion, and the reasons for it, that a meeting or part of a meeting that was the subject-matter of an investigation by that person appears to have been closed to the public contrary to section 239 or to a procedure by-law under subsection 238 (2), the municipality or the local board, as the case may be, shall pass a resolution stating how it intends to address the report."

A report to address the proposed recommendations will be brought forward to a future meeting.

Financial/Staffing/Legal/IT Considerations:

The cost for this investigation is estimated to be just over \$26,000 (final invoices have not been received).

There is no staffing, legal or IT considerations associated with this report.

Interdepartmental Consultation:

There was no interdepartmental consultation.

Link to Strategic Goals and Elements:

None identified.

Approved by:

Sandra Datars Bere Chief Administrative Officer