



Corporation of the Municipality of Temagami

Memorandum to Council

Memo No.

2023-M-236

Subject:	By-law 23-1710 the Keeping of Animals
Agenda Date:	November 23, 2023
Attachments:	By-law 23-1710 (Section 9.1) and quote attached

RECOMMENDATION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Temagami does hereby adopt and enact By-law 23-1710;

FURTHER THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Temagami does hereby direct the Municipal Clerk to forward By-law 23-1710 to the Attorney General for 'Set Fine' approval.

AND FURTHER THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Temagami does hereby authorize the purchase of the stainless-steel animal tags.

INFORMATION

By-law 22-1627 is a By-law that amends By-law 10-870 to alter the renewal of dog and cat tags. By-law 23-1710 is a completely new By-law that was previously developed by myself and the MLEO and has been passed by the Council and the Attorney General for another Township.

By-law 23-1710 has updated terminology and fees that fall inline with other Municipalities. For the MLEO/ACO/PSO to enforce and promote compliance it is necessary to have such By-law(s) up to date and made enforceable with the approval of the Attorney General.

The MLEO/ACO/PSO also recommends that the Municipality considers ordering a stronger more robust stainless-steel tag that does not contain a year so that the animal will keep said tag until its passing or transfer of ownership. Owners would only need to pay a renewal fee on the anniversary of every year going forward.

If Council should agree to this new method of licence renewal new dog and cat tags would have to be purchased for the start of January 2024. Please see the attached quote for your review. By adopting this method, the Municipality will only need to order tags when the supply is low compared to yearly.

The MLEO/ACO/PSO has been able to have CGIS to update the program to add a layer specific for animal tag renewal. Once the MLEO updates the database he can simply review the map and see by colour code who has valid, expired tags or no tags etc. Set Fines and tag renewals should not be viewed as solely income but rather a way to maintain and keep the pound upgraded and in usable condition as well as the maintenance of the level of service that the MLEO/ACO/PSO provides to the Municipality.

Respectfully Submitted

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