Ratification – Mount Uniacke RCMP Lease Renewal

Council previously gave direction in-camera to staff at the March 2023 Executive Committee Meeting to enter into a new lease agreement with the RCMP for the Mount Uniacke Satellite Office.

The negotiation was successful and aligned with in-camera direction, with the exception of one (1) item. Direction to staff indicated the rental rate was to be adjusted cumulatively by 2% or Consumer Price Index ("CPI"), whichever is greater, for each year of the lease. The RCMP advised that they no longer offer approvals for agreements that contain CPI. Through negotiations, the parties agreed on an annual increase of 5%, including for each of the renewal terms.

The lease agreement was fully executed on May 31, 2023 and can now be ratified.

Move that Council ratify the in-camera direction given to staff at the March 2023 Executive Committee Meeting to enter into a lease agreement for the Mount Uniacke RCMP Satellite office effective June 1, 2023 for a term of three (3) years with two (2) options to renew for one (1) year each, for a rental rate starting at \$8,935.44 per year plus HST, with the rental rate to be adjusted cumulatively by 5% for each year of the lease.

As Chair of the Committee, I so move