

Meeting Date: August 8, 2023
Department: Office of the Chief Administrative Officer
Report No.: CAO-2023-04
Submitted by: William Dakin – Director of IT/Finance-Acting CAO
Approved by: William Dakin – Director of IT/Finance-Acting CAO

SUBJECT: Revised Member Code of Conduct

RECOMMENDATION: THAT: Council accepts report CAO-2023-04 for information; and further THAT: Council approves the Revised Member Code of Conduct and the Council –Staff Relations Policy

BACKGROUND:

The *Municipal Act, 2001* requires municipalities to have a Code of Conduct for Members of Council, Committees and Local Boards. The Act also requires the appointment of an Integrity Commissioner, the Integrity Commissioner at is an independent and impartial position that reports directly to Municipal Council and whose powers and duties are set out in the *Municipal Act, 2001*. The Integrity Commissioner is responsible for oversight of the Code of Conduct for Members of Council, Committees and Local Boards

COMMENTS:

Administration had our current Integrity Commissioner (IC) review our current Code of Conduct to ensure compliance with the *Municipal Act, 2001*. The IC office did find a number of changes required to be in compliance with the latest legislation. The attached Revised Code of Conduct along with the recommended Council-Staff Relation policy are a result of that review and administration working with the Integrity Commissioner and their office to bring the Municipality of Strathroy-Caradoc into compliance.

Once the Revised Code of Conduct is passed by, By-Law later in tonight's meeting it will get posted to the Municipal Website as per the legislation.

CONSULTATION:

John Mascarin -Integrity Commissioner

Brianna Hammer-Keidel - Deputy Clerk / Communications Co-ordinator

Jennifer Pereira - Deputy Clerk / Lottery Licencing Officer

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

There are no Financial Implications with this report

ATTACHMENTS:

- Strathroy-Caradoc Revised Code of Conduct for Members
- Council Staff Relations Policy