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SENT VIA EMAIL: Michael.Kerzner@pc.ola.org

November 6th, 2024

The Honourable Michael Kerzner
Solicitor General
Ministry of the Solicitor General

Dear Honourable Michael Kerzner;

RE: Resolution No. 2024-331 – 2025 Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) Annual Billing Statement Increases

At the regular meeting of the Township of Seguin Council held November 4th, 2024, Council passed Resolution No. 2024-331 (copy attached) regarding the 2025 OPP Annual Billing Statement increases.

Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Andrea Spinney
Deputy Clerk

Encl.

cc: (via email) The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier
The Honourable Graydon Smith, MPP Parry Sound-Muskoka
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities
West Parry Sound Area Municipalities



Resolution No. 2024- 331

**The Corporation of
the Township of Seguin**

Moved by GG Greg Getty

Seconded by TF Terry Fellner Date November 4th, 2024

WHEREAS current police services within the Township of Seguin (hereinafter referred to as the 'Township') are provided by the Ontario Provincial Police (hereinafter referred to as the 'OPP');

AND WHEREAS the Township and the local OPP detachment have worked in a positive, collaborative and effective manner for decades;

AND WHEREAS historical increases in OPP Annual Billing Statements have trended around 5%;

AND WHEREAS the OPP submitted their 2025 Annual Billing Statement to the Township on October 4, 2024, that identifies a \$258,155 (21.28%) increase from 2024 to 2025 that will translate to an approximate 1.675% tax rate increase, on top of what the Township was contemplating for the residents of Seguin;

AND WHEREAS the Township was not consulted nor provided any advanced notice from the Commissioner regarding the significant cost increase received for OPP services;

AND WHEREAS the Township cannot afford to absorb this unexpected and entirely preventable increase without causing undo financial strain to our taxpayers;



The Corporation of the Township of Seguin

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Seguin (hereinafter referred to as the 'Council') wishes to dispute the 2025 OPP Annual Billing Statement;

AND FURTHER THAT Council requests that the 2025 OPP Annual Billing Statement be reduced to an approximate 5% increase that is more manageable for the Township and in line with historical trends;

AND FURTHER THAT any increase above 5% be absorbed by the province as the additional costs are directly the result of collective bargaining that was within the control of the OPP and should have been known to be financially unsustainable for the municipalities that now need to pay the bill;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Michael Kerzner, Solicitor General, the Honourable Graydon Smith MPP Parry Sound-Muskoka, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Federation on Northern Ontario Municipalities and the West Parry Sound Area Municipalities.

<u>DIVISION LIST</u>	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	
Adams	—	—	—	—	CARRIED <i>ERM</i>
Buszynski	—	—	—	—	DEFEATED —
Collins	—	—	—	—	
Fellner	—	—	—	—	
Finson	—	—	—	—	
Getty	—	—	—	—	
MacDiarmid	—	—	—	—	