

STAFF REPORT

Meeting Date: September 13, 2021

Title: 2021 Budget Amendment – September 2021

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Department: Finance

Report Number: Finance-2021-06

Recommendation:

THAT Council approves an amendment to the 2021 Budget.

Background:

In accordance with S. 290 of the Municipal Act, Council adopted the 2021 Budget back on December 14, 2020 (By-Law 4796-2020).

Any amendments to that budget must be approved by Council.

Discussion:

<u>Capital Plan Change</u>

Included in the 2021 approved Capital Plan was \$125,000 for the replacement of two Dryden Police Services cruisers. Earlier this year, the City acquired one replacement cruiser from the Municipality of Shelburne, who had recently made the decision to disband their municipal police force. With Council's recent decision to disband the Dryden Police Service and accept the OPP's proposal for contracted police services, the City cancelled the purchase of the second police cruiser. This then freed up \$85,000 in Capital funds.

The Senior Management Team reviewed the 2021 Capital Plan, looking at non-approved projects that were "below the line" and seeing what could be completed this year,

appreciating workload, time limitations and contractor availability. The decision was made to acquire the Trackless - Boom Flail Mower Attachment.

Summary of Changes:

- DPS Cruisers Capital Budget changed to \$40,000 (originally \$125,000)
- Trackless Boom Flail Mower Attachment added to the Capital Plan, with budget of \$40,000

Financial Implications: Projected savings of \$45,000

Current Budget Allocation: \$1,026,506

Account #: 01-5-4120-090000

Attachments (Reference Material):

SCHEDULE B – 2021 Capital Plan – September 2021 Revision