

**ITEMS OF INFORMATION**  
**COUNCIL AGENDA – September 25, 2023**

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## Haldimand County Provincial Offences Act Ticket Issuance Statistics

Year	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
JANUARY	279	217	149	151	209	104	157	142	93
FEBRUARY	201	205	184	186	330	81	169	74	197
MARCH	273	248	364	213	283	84	229	173	77
APRIL	566	211	181	295	370	81	371	400	282
MAY	422	202	197	337	262	270	372	266	188
JUNE	398	197	214	271	238	140	160	135	213
JULY	567	171	146	345	349	216	269	203	178
AUGUST	336	272	203	303	325	122	131	162	200
SEPTEMBER	238	173	117	184	298	190	163	155	
OCTOBER	242	258	143	212	236	154	139	212	
NOVEMBER	302	153	164	248	108	113	122	139	
DECEMBER	200	102	127	276	71	160	69	132	
<b>Total</b>	<b>4024</b>	<b>2409</b>	<b>2189</b>	<b>3021</b>	<b>3079</b>	<b>1715</b>	<b>2351</b>	<b>2193</b>	<b>1428</b>

The above figures reflect tickets issued in Haldimand County from all sources including Haldimand County By-law Enforcement, the O.P.P., and various provincial ministries. They do not include Part II (Parking) issued offences.

## Comprehensive POA Stats - 2023

Legislation / By-law Reference	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
<b>Summary of Charges Laid by OPP</b>												
Highway Traffic Act (Part I - ticket)	69	121	60	228	163	185	140	86				
Highway Traffic Act (Part III - information)	16	19	11	54	19	11	19	58				
Parking By-laws (Part II)	By-law 307/02					4	1					
	By-law 302/02 (snow)											
	By-law 1534-15 Parks											
Discharge Firearms	By-law 41-74											
	By-law 38-74											
	By-law 11-79											
Noise	By-law 1435/14											
Open Air Fires	By-law 1662/16											
EMCPA	7.0.11(2)(a)											
Late Filed Part 1 Tickets	these #'s not included in total											
<b>Total of all Charges Laid</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
									<b>OPP Total: 1264</b>			
<b>Summary of Charges Laid by County Staff</b>												
Discharge Firearms	By-law 41-74											
	By-law 38-74											
	By-law 11-79											
Noise	By-law 1435/14											
Property Standards	By-law 730/06			2								
Ontario Building Code Act, 1992	Section 8(1) No Permit											
	Section 12(2) Fail to Comply to Order											
Open Air Fires	1662/16				1							
Planning Act	562(67)(1)	1										
Haldimand-Norfolk Tree By-law	By-law 15-00					3	3					
Fire Protection	By-law 28(1)											
Parking By-laws (Part II)	By-law 307/02	18		104	16	132	161	205	152			
	By-law 302/02 (snow)	1		5								
Parks	By-law 1534/15			3		6	14	67	11			
Site Alteration By-law	By-law 1664/16											
<b>Total of all Charges Laid</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
									<b>Staff Total: 905</b>			
<b>Summary of Charges Laid by Other Enforcement Agencies</b>												
Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry						10	2					
Welland & District Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA)	1		4		1			3				
Ministry of Finance	6					6	10	33				
Ministry of Revenue												
Ministry of Transportation												
Ministry of Environment		57				1	6	18				
Ministry of Labour												
Ministry of Housing												
Ministry of Agriculture, Food & Rural Affairs												
Ontario College of Trades												
Health Protection Act					1							
<b>Total of all Charges Laid</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
									<b>Other Enforcement Agency Total: 159</b>			
<b>*Note: Total Charges (Excluding Parking) reflects what is recorded and reported regularly to Council (through the Council Information Package) and PSB for year-by-year historical trends. The historical trends spreadsheet does not capture parking tickets.</b>						<b>*Total Charges (Excluding Parking) 1428</b>						
						OPP Issued Parking Charges 5						
						Staff Issued Parking Charges 895						
						<b>Total Parking Charges Issued 900</b>						
						<b>Total of All 2022 Charges 2328</b>						



May 2023

Your Worship,

Whether you live in a large, cosmopolitan city or a small hamlet, you have been faced with the opioid crisis facing Canadians.

The National Chronic Pain Society is asking for your assistance to help patients suffering from chronic pain from becoming addicted to opioids.

Recently, the Ontario College of Physicians and Surgeons has made a decision that will lead more people who suffer from chronic pain to turn to opioids to alleviate their pain. The College is targeting community pain clinics by requiring the use of ultrasound technology in the administration of nerve block injections by licensed physicians. They are not mandating this requirement for physicians in any other capacity, such as epidurals in hospitals. This requirement will increase the time it takes to administer the nerve block and, therefore, reduce the number of patients a physician can see in a day.

Also, the Ontario Health Insurance Plan (OHIP) is proposing to reduce coverage for several vital healthcare services, including a drastic reduction in the number and frequency of nerve block injections a patient can receive. These changes have been proposed without any consultation with pain management medical professionals or with their patients. This cut will force chronic pain clinics to shut down, putting a greater strain on family physicians and emergency rooms.

With the reduction in the number of nerve blocks being administered, many patients, looking for pain relief, will turn to overcrowded emergency rooms, opioid prescriptions from doctors or opioid street drugs.

We are asking that your Council pass a motion requesting that the Government of Ontario maintain OHIP coverage for chronic pain treatments and continue to provide much-needed care for the people of Ontario.

Further if you can please communicate that motion to the Premier, Minister of Health, Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addictions and your local MPP(s),

Thank you for your kind consideration of this matter. If you have any question, please do not hesitate to contact me at 1-800-252-1837, or by email at [info@nationalchronicpainsociety.org](mailto:info@nationalchronicpainsociety.org). You may also contact me through Elias Diamantopoulos of GTA Strategies at (416) 499-4588 ext. 6, or at [elias@gtastrategies.com](mailto:elias@gtastrategies.com).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Leeann Corbeil", written in a cursive style.

Leeann Corbeil, Executive Director  
National Chronic Pain Society



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September 8, 2023

SENT VIA E-MAIL

Office of the Prime Minister  
80 Wellington St.  
Ottawa, ON, K1A

Attention: The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau

**RE: Establishing a Guaranteed Livable Income**

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Grimsby at its meeting held on September 5, 2023 passed the following resolution:

Moved by: Councillor Korstanje

Seconded by: Councillor Freake

Whereas the Canadian livable wage for Niagara Region, two years ago was determined to be \$19.80. This was \$6000 below the annual income of a minimum wage employee; and

Whereas our residents on programs such as Ontario Works, receive targeted fixed monthly incomes of \$733, and ODSP recipients receive \$1376; and

Whereas at the current Ontario minimum wage rate, a person working 37.5 hours per week will earn approximately \$2,500 monthly (before tax); and

Whereas the median rent for one bedroom in Grimsby as of August 2023 is now \$2000 a month; and

Whereas rent is considered affordable, when it is less than 30% of income. In Niagara west, rent is approximately 272% of Ontario Works, 145% of Ontario Disability Support Services, 75% of minimum wage full-time, and 150% of minimum wage part time; and

Whereas an annual 2.5% allowable rent increase can be combined with an additional 3-6.5% capital investment increase, raising the cost of rental housing another minimum of \$110 monthly; and

Whereas there are no housing units under Niagara Regional Housing for single adults or families with dependents, including 2,3,4 or five bedrooms in our community; and

Whereas the Grimsby Benevolent Fund reported that in 2022:

- 70+ households received monthly rental supplement totaling \$237,744
- \$79,500 was invested into one time emergency housing support as of June 7, 2023
- 78 households are receiving monthly financial benefits to make rental housing more affordable; and

Whereas food inflation was 8.3% and groceries rose by 9.1%; and

Whereas the Grimsby Food Bank numbers from June 2023 reported:

- 19 new households
- 447 served households
- 1055 served individuals
- 7 emergency visits; and

Whereas the Grimsby Economic Strategic Plan identified the general high cost of living and housing affordability as primary obstacles in our workforce attraction.

Therefore be it resolved that The Corporation of the Town of Grimsby circulate correspondence to Ontario municipalities encouraging them not only to collect data of their housing and poverty statistics, but also to examine their pending economic vulnerability as a result.

Be it further resolved that The Corporation of the Town of Grimsby encourage these same municipalities to join us in advocating on behalf of our communities with this data, and by writing a letter to the Prime Minister, Premier, and local politicians calling for a united effort in establishing a Guaranteed Livable Income program.

Be it further resolved the Town of Grimsby Clerks Department circulates this resolution to Niagara West MP Dean Allison and Niagara West MPP Sam Oosterhoff, requesting a response on this matter within 30 days of receipt.

Be it further resolved that The Corporation of the Town of Grimsby, through its Finance and Human Resources departments, undertake a comprehensive assessment to explore the feasibility and implementation of a living wage policy for all Town of Grimsby employees, with the aim of ensuring that all municipal workers receive fair compensation that aligns with the principles of a living wage and that staff be directed to explore becoming a living wage employer.

If you require any additional information, please let me know.

Regards,



Bonnie Nistico-Dunk  
Town Clerk

cc. Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Ontario Municipalities  
Dean Allison, MP Niagara West  
Sam Oosterhoff, MPP Niagara West