

DATE: March 8, 2021

REPORT NO: PD-31-2021

SUBJECT: **Recommandation Report - Approval of new prohibited parking signage to control and regulate parking and vehicular traffic at Colver Street/Wade Road, Colver Street/Barbara Street, and Smithville Public School**

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OVERVIEW:

- It has been brought to the Enforcement Officer's attention that the vehicular traffic entering and exiting Smithville Public school, and parked along Colver Street (Colver Street/Wade Road, Colver Street/Barbara Street) upon dismissal is raising concern for the safety of pedestrians, students, and our Township Crossing Guards.
- Currently, there is no posted parking signage which is enabling vehicles to park in a dangerous manner. This causes a hazard for vehicles entering and exiting Smithville Public School, and our Township Crossing Guards located at Colver Street/Wade Road, and Colver Street/Barbara Street, who are attempting to safely guide students and pedestrians across the designated crosswalks.
- The Enforcement Officer has observed the following violations at Smithville Public School and the aforementioned intersections: Stop on sidewalk /within crosswalk, Stop/stand/park facing wrong way, Park within 1.5 m of a driveway, Park within 10m of an intersection.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. That, Report PD-31-2021-, regarding "Recommandation Report - Approval of new prohibited parking signage to control and regulate parking and vehicular traffic at Colver Street/Wade Road, Colver Street/Barbara Street, and Smithville Public School", dated March, 8, 2021, be RECEIVED and;
2. That, the proposed signage found in attachment 1 of this report be approved and installed and;

3. That, By-law 89-2000 be amended by adding to Schedule 'C' a new restriction as identified on the attached Schedule "C". And that the second attachment to this by-law represents the newly consolidated Schedule 'C' to insert into 89-2000.

ALIGNMENT TO STRATEGIC PLAN:

Theme #5

- Community Health and Safety

BACKGROUND:

The Township of West Lincoln does not have any signage posted which designates areas on the roadway, Colver Street, as prohibited parking zones.

CURRENT SITUATION:

As a result, the Enforcement Officer has attended various complaints in 2020/2021 regarding vehicles parked in a hazardous manner at the entry and exit of Smithville Public School at the new parking lot, plus Colver Street/Barbara Street, and Colver Street/Wade Road.

Upon arrival, the Enforcement Officer concluded on numerous occasions that these vehicles were in fact causing a safety hazard to students and pedestrians and other roadway traffic. Currently, the Township Crossing Guards are unable to have a clear line of sight of the oncoming traffic at both intersections, and the exit / entry of Smithville Public School. However, due to the lack of signage, there were no grounds to issue a Parking Penalty Notice.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

To offset the cost of sign installation, the following Parking Penalty Notices may be issued with their accommodating monetary fines:

Stop on sidewalk / within crosswalk	\$50.00
Park where prohibited by sign	\$40.00
Stop / stand / park facing wrong way	\$30.00
Park within 1.5 m of a driveway	\$25.00
Park within 10 m of an intersection	\$30.00

INTER-DEPARTMENTAL COMMENTS:

Township Clerk's Staff, Planning Staff, Public Works Staff and By-law Enforcement staff have had discussions about this sign proposal and report.

CONCLUSION:

Ultimately, staff recommend that a by-law to amend By-law 89-2000 by adding the attached Schedule 'C' be passed and that six (6) signs be erected to help minimize

future hazards, accidents or injuries. Additionally, sign installation will allow the Enforcement Officer to monitor and pursue sufficient enforcement as necessary.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Images of the current situation
2. Images of the proposed sign location
3. Draft By-law and Schedule C

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