Municipality of Lakeshore – Report to Council

Corporate Services

Accounting and Revenue



To: Mayor and Members of Council

From: Rebecca Watkins, Team Leader - Revenue

Date: February 24, 2025

Subject: Section 357, Municipal Act Tax Adjustments

Recommendation

Authorize the reduction of taxes under section 357 of the Municipal Act, 2001 totaling \$2,007 .70 for adjustments affecting the 2024 taxation year, as presented at the March 25, 2025 Council meeting.

Background

Under section 357 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, ratepayers may make application to the municipality for adjustments to property taxes as a result of changes to the property which affect the assessed value. Such changes may include demolition of structures, assessment office clerical errors, reduced space used for business, properties becoming exempt, etc.

Strategic Objectives

This report does not relate to a strategic objective, however the approval sought through this report is an annual requirement of the *Municipal Act, 2001*.

Comments

Administration has reviewed all applications received and the properties meeting the requirement under section 357 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* to receive property tax adjustments are listed in the attached Schedule "A".

Administration is supportive of the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation's revised assessment amounts and Administration recommends approving the adjustment to taxes.

Others Consulted

The Municipal Property Assessment Corporation provided assessment information to assist in adjustment calculations.

Financial Impacts

The tax reduction breakdown are as follows:

Municipal portion: \$946.14 County portion: \$748.74 Education portion: \$211.95 Garbage fees: \$100.87

Total: \$2,007.70

The municipal portion of the cost is charged to the Corporate Accounts budget centre, Property Tax Write-offs Expense account, and the garbage fee reductions (\$100.87) are charged to the Solid Waste budget centre.

Attachments

Schedule A – S.357 Applications – Properties Eligible for Tax Adjustments.

Report Approval Details

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Attachments:	- Section 357 Chart 2025.pdf
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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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Approved by the Corporate Leadership Team