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Cc: [Mayor Van Bynen](#)
Subject: RE: Mayors' remuneration story
Date: November-13-15 10:38:45 AM

Please note that the headings for Remuneration, Benefits and Total have erroneously shift to the left in the previous e-mail.

Corrected version below.

Sincerely,
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-----Original Message-----

From: Mayor Van Bynen
Sent: November-13-15 10:33 AM
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Cc: Mayor Van Bynen
Subject: RE: Mayors' remuneration story

Hi Lisa, Sorry for my delay in responding, I'm finding it just as challenging to clarify, as you are in developing a way to make a fair and balanced comparison of remuneration for elected officials, especially when the income is from varied sources and determined differently depending on the reporting methodology / requirements.

For example, the public reports provided by the Town of Newmarket and the Regional Municipality of York for their respective "Annual Statements of Remuneration and Expenses to Elected and appointed Officials" differs from the information reported for the "Annual Public Sector Salary Disclosure (aka "Sunshine List") because the latter includes only salaries based on taxable income & benefits as shown on T4's. Additionally, if compensation is provided by more than one organization the aggregate amount may qualify for reporting but may not meet the reporting requirements for reporting for each.

I am summarizing my remuneration from various municipal sources in 2014:

Remuneration	Benefits	Total	
Town of Newmarket	*\$91,313.98	\$16,383.88	\$107,697.86
Regional Municipality of York	\$52,987.00	\$8,794.00	\$61,781.00
Newmarket Tay Hydro	\$9,604.00	\$9,604.00	
Total:	\$153,904.98	\$25,177.88	\$179,082.86

Please note that 1/3rd of the Town of Newmarket remuneration (\$30,388.09 - which is included in the \$91,313.98) is not taxable.

For ease of reference I am attaching excerpts from the Town of Newmarket's Financial Services Report 2015-15 which reflects the foregoing and provides additional information such as Auto Allowance and other expenses. I am also attaching a copy of York Region's Commissioner of Finance Report No. 3 dated March 26 2015 which provides similar information as well. Reimbursements for municipal expenses are published quarterly on our web

site.

As you know elected officials are appointed to other various boards related to the role as a community representative or for their responsibility as a director /board member representing municipal ownership interests, for me, Newmarket Tay Hydro is an example. Other Boards that I participate on like the Southlake Regional Health Centre, Trinity Glen Housing Complex, and Belinda's Place are voluntary and without honorariums.

Because compensation can vary significantly even among York Region elected officials, I suggest the most effective comparison would be salary and benefits that are required to be disclosed annually under Section 284(1) of the Municipal Act, together with an indication if any portion of salaries that are not taxable and any remuneration from other boards / organizations related to their role as elected officials, as I have shown you above. This is easily accessible public information that is consistent across all municipalities. Hope this helps.

Please feel free to call me if you have any questions.

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From: Queen, Lisa [<mailto:lqueen@yrmg.com>]
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Subject: Mayors' remuneration story

Hi mayors,

Hope you are all doing well. I am working on a story over the next few weeks looking at mayors' remuneration for serving on local municipal councils, York Region council and any other boards and committees to which you belong. I want to get all salaries, benefits, etc. so I have complete information for everyone. Can you please let me know the best way of getting your information.

Thanks,
Lisa

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