



# Town of Newmarket Council Information Package

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April 25, 2024

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Rachel Tyczinski,  
City Clerk  
City of Sault Ste. Marie

**Re: Resolution - Intimate Partner Violence- Coercive Control**

We acknowledge receipt of your correspondence dated April 11, 2024, regarding the above-mentioned matter.

The said correspondence was provided to Stratford City Council for their information as part of the April 22, 2024, Council meeting Consent Agenda (CA-2024-066). At the meeting, Council adopted the following resolution:

**THAT CA-2024-066, being a resolution from the City of Sault Ste. Marie declaring its support for Bill C-332 as well as calling on the Government of Canada to support Bill C-332 and enact the necessary amendments to the Criminal Code of Canada to include coercive control of an intimate partner, be endorsed.**

Sincerely,  
*T. Dafoe*  
Tatiana Dafoe, Clerk

/mf

cc: The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau Prime Minister of Canada  
John Nater, MP Perth-Wellington  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
All Ontario municipalities

**The Corporation of the  
City of Sault Ste. Marie**



**Clerk's Department**

Rachel Tyczinski  
City Clerk

April 11, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau  
Prime Minister of Canada  
Office of the Prime Minister  
80 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, ON  
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Dear Sir:

**Re: Intimate Partner Violence and Coercive Control**

Please be advised that at its April 8, 2024 City Council meeting, Sault Ste. Marie City Council passed the following resolution:

Whereas the jury that heard the Carol Culleton, Anastasia Kuzyk, and Nathalie Warmerdam inquest (The Renfrew County Inquest) issued 86 recommendations to prevent future deaths and delivered those recommendations to the Province of Ontario; and

Whereas recommendation #85 of the inquest is to include "coercive control", as defined in the *Divorce Act*, as a criminal offence or as a type of assault under section 265 of the *Criminal Code*; and

Whereas according to experts, a perpetrator has privileged access to information about the target by virtue of the closeness of an intimate relationship and, as such, is able to identify unique vulnerabilities that can be exploited for coercive control; and

Whereas Coordinating Community Responses to Domestic Violence cites scholars and advocates in the field have consistently described intimate partner violence as both an expression of, and an attempt to maintain, power and control over intimate partners; and

Whereas in 2019, according to the Government of Canada, of the 107,810 people aged 15 and over who experienced intimate partner violence 79% were women. 55% of women who experienced physical or sexual intimate partner violence feared a partner at some point. Being afraid of a partner can indicate intimate partner violence that is more coercive, more severe, and more likely to reflect a pattern of abusive behaviours; and

Whereas between 2014 and 2019 in Canada, there were 497 victims of intimate partner homicide, and 80% (400 victims) were women; and

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Whereas while Indigenous women account for about 5% of all women in Canada, they accounted for 21% of women killed by an intimate partner between 2014 and 2019 (83 victims). In 2021, the rate of gender-related homicide of Indigenous women and girls was more than triple that of gender-related homicides of women and girls overall (1.72 versus 0.54 per 100,000 women and girls); and

Whereas the Government of Canada names coercive control as one of the acts included in intimate partner violence, but does not include coercive control as an offence contained within the *Criminal Code* of Canada\* and

Whereas Bill C332, a private member's bill to amend the Criminal Code to create an offence of exercising coercive control of an intimate partner by engaging in a pattern of conduct that consists of any combination, or any repeated instances, of any of the following acts: using, attempting to use or threatening to use violence against certain persons, coercing or attempting to coerce the intimate partner to engage in sexual activity or engaging in other conduct that could reasonably be expected to cause the intimate partner to believe that their safety, or the safety of a person known to them, is threatened\*\*

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the Sault Ste. Marie City Council express its support for Bill C-332 as well as call on the Government of Canada to support Bill C-332 and enact the necessary amendments to the *Criminal Code* of Canada to include coercive control of an intimate partner; and

Further it be resolved that a copy of this motion be circulated to the Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada, the Honourable Dominic LeBlanc, Minister of Public Safety, the Honourable Patty Hajdu, Minister of Indigenous Services, the Honourable Mark Holland, Minister of Health, the Honourable Marci Ien, Minister for Women and Gender Equality and Youth, the Honourable Jenna Sudds, Minister of Families, Children and Social Development, the Honourable Arif Virani, Minister of Justice, City of Sault Ste Marie MP Terry Sheehan, MP Laurel Collins, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, Federation of Canadian Municipalities, and all Ontario municipalities.

- \* <https://women-gender-equality.canada.ca/en/gender-based-violence/intimate-partner-violence.html>
- \*\* <https://www.parl.ca/documentviewer/en/44-1/bill/C-332/second-reading>
- <https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/pub/85-002-x/2023001/article/00003-eng.htm>

Sincerely



Rachel Tyczinski  
City Clerk





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April 25, 2024

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**Re: Resolution - Support of OEB to End Subsidization of Fossil Gas**

We acknowledge receipt of your correspondence dated April 4, 2024, regarding the above-mentioned matter.

The said correspondence was provided to Stratford City Council for their information as part of the April 22, 2024, Council meeting Consent Agenda (CA-2024-064). At the meeting, Council adopted the following resolution:

**THAT CA-2024-064, being a resolution from the City of Guelph declaring support of the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) decision to End the Subsidization of Fossil Gas, be endorsed.**

Sincerely,  
*T. Dafoe*  
Tatiana Dafoe, Clerk

/mf

cc: Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Hon. Todd A. Smith, Minister of Energy  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
All Ontario municipalities



Thursday, April 4, 2024

Sent via email to: [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca); [MinisterEnergy@ontario.ca](mailto:MinisterEnergy@ontario.ca);

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**The Honourable Todd Smith**

Minister of Energy  
10<sup>th</sup> Floor, 77 Grenville Street  
Toronto, ON M7A 2C1

**RE: Guelph City Council Resolution to Support the Decision of the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) to End the Subsidization of Fossil Gas**

Dear Premier Ford and Minister Smith,

Guelph City Council at its meeting held on March 26, 2024 passed the following resolution in support of the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) decision to revise the revenue horizon for calculating the upfront cost for new natural gas connections, and to end the Gas Pipeline Subsidy:

WHEREAS, residents are struggling with energy bill increases and need relief;

WHEREAS, natural gas is no longer the cheapest way to heat homes because electric heat pumps are now much more efficient, can provide all heating needs even in the cold climates, and result in far lower energy bills over the long term compared to gas heating;

WHEREAS, natural gas is methane gas, which is a fossil fuel that causes approximately one-third of Ontario's GHG emissions, and must be phased out because it is inconsistent with all climate targets, while heat pumps result in the lowest GHG emissions and are consistent with a zero-carbon future;

WHEREAS, the Ontario Energy Board ("OEB") decided to end a subsidy for methane gas pipelines to be built in new construction developments, effective 2025, finding that this would lower energy bills for existing gas customers and improve affordability for new homebuyers, but this decision is at risk of being overturned by the provincial government;

WHEREAS, the OEB decision will help lower energy bills and encourage heating systems that are consistent with climate targets and plans;

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WHEREAS, the construction of new methane gas pipelines, which have 60-year lifetimes, should not be subsidized because they are inconsistent with the City's climate targets and will result in higher carbon emissions, higher energy bills, higher future decarbonization retrofit costs to get off fossil fuel heating, and a continued financial drain as dollars leave the province to pay for fossil fuels extracted in other jurisdictions;

WHEREAS, Guelph City Council acknowledged the climate crisis (May 2019), passed a resolution to support the phase-out of gas-fired energy plants by 2030 (December 2020); and passed a resolution of support to the United Nations Race to Zero commitment (December 2021);

WHEREAS, transforming our existing and new buildings by supporting actions that improve the energy efficiency and GHG profile within the City is a stated goal of our Community Energy Initiative (CEI), our Official Plan and our Strategic Plan;

WHEREAS, the City of Guelph is actively working to support the decarbonization of heating and cooling systems in existing and future building stock within the community, as demonstrated by the Guelph Green Homes Energy Retrofit Program, which will provide 0% interest loans to Guelph homeowners to enable them to transition away from fossil-fuel powered heating and cooling equipment to low carbon air or ground source heat pump systems.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

(a) That the City of Guelph expresses its support for the decision of the Ontario Energy Board to end the fossil gas infrastructure subsidy and requests that the Ontario Government withdraw Bill 165 and allow the OEB decision to stand; and

(b) That this resolution be circulated to the President of Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Colin Best; Premier of Ontario, Doug Ford; Minister of Energy, Todd Smith; Minister of Finance, Peter Bethlenfalvy, MPP Mike Schreiner, and all Ontario Municipalities requesting support for the proposed changes.

Sincerely,

**Intergovernmental Services on behalf of Guelph City Council**

Chief Administrative Office

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CC: The Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance;  
Mike Schreiner, MPP;  
Colin Best, President of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario;  
All Ontario Municipalities



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April 29, 2024

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The Honourable Todd J. McCarthy, Mr. Cassimatis, and Mr. Byers,

At the February 6, 2024, Town of South Bruce Peninsula Council meeting, the following resolution was passed:

### **R-40-2024**

**Whereas** under the *Funeral, Burial and Cremation Services Act, 2002*, when a cemetery is declared abandoned by a judge of the Superior Court of Justice, the local municipality within those geographic boundaries the land of the cemetery is located, becomes the owner of the cemetery with all the rights and obligations in respect of the cemetery and the assets, trust funds and trust accounts related to it that the previous owner or operator possessed;

**And whereas** over the last decade, there has been an increase in the number of churches and local cemetery boards initiating processes to transfer ownership or abandon their owned and operated cemeteries to the local municipality due to such issues as high maintenance costs, inaccuracy of records, lack of financial and human resources to effectively operate and maintain the cemetery, increased regulatory processes regarding training, selling of interment rights, financial operation of the care and maintenance fund, etc.;

**And whereas** municipalities experience the same issues and pressures that churches and local boards experience with the operation and maintenance of cemeteries within its jurisdiction, and additional transfers of cemetery lands only compound the burden on municipal taxpayers;

**And whereas** cemeteries are important infrastructure where the reasonable costs for interment rights, burials, monument foundations, corner stones and administration charges do not sufficiently support the general operation of cemeteries;

**And whereas** the interest earned from the care and maintenance fund(s) of a cemetery do not provide adequate funding to maintain the cemetery with the rising costs of lawn and turf maintenance contracts and monument restoration;

**Now therefore be it resolved** that the Council of the Town of South Bruce Peninsula requests that the Province through the Ministry of Public and Business Service Delivery and the Bereavement Authority of Ontario (BAO) consider the following to assist municipalities in this growing concern of cemetery transfers:

- Amend the *Funeral, Burial and Cremation Services Act, 2002*, to have the Province, through the BAO, identified as the default owner and operator of a cemetery when it is abandoned;
- Provide annual funding (based on the number of cemeteries a municipality owns and operates) to municipalities to assist with the maintenance of inactive and active cemeteries;
- Provide free training opportunities for municipalities regarding cemetery administration; and
- Investigate and support the design of universal cemetery software for use by municipal cemetery operators that can be offered at an affordable cost.

**And that** this resolution be circulated to the Honourable Todd McCarthy, Minister of Public and Business Service Delivery, Jim Cassimatis, BAO Interim CEO/Registrar, the Town of South Bruce Peninsula's Member of Provincial Parliament Rick Byers, and all Ontario municipalities.

I trust you find this satisfactory; however, should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,



Brianna Collins, P.Eng.  
Director of Public Works

cc: All Ontario municipalities

**From:** [Clerk General Line](#)  
**Subject:** Regional Council Decision - York Region Transit 2023 System Performance Report  
**Date:** April 30, 2024 12:22:46 PM

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On April 25, 2024 Regional Council made the following decision:

1. The Regional Clerk circulate this report to the Ontario Ministry of Transportation and Clerks of local municipalities.

The original staff report is available for your information at the following [link](#)

Please contact Richard Montoya, (A) Director, Transit Operations at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 75928 if you have any questions with respect to this matter.

Regards,

**Christopher Raynor (he/him)** | Regional Clerk, Regional Clerk's Office, Corporate Services Department

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1. Regional Clerk forward this report to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local MPP's, and local municipalities for information.

The original staff report is available for your information at the following [link](#)

Please contact Asif Abbas, Senior Planner at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 77271 if you have any questions with respect to this matter.

Regards,

**Christopher Raynor (he/him)** | Regional Clerk, Regional Clerk's Office, Corporate Services Department

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On April 25, 2024 Regional Council made the following decision:

1. The Regional Clerk circulate this report to local municipalities, local area Members of Provincial Parliament and the Building Industry and Land Development Association.

The original staff report is available for your information at the following [link](#):

Please contact Bonny Tam, Acting Director, Treasury Office at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 75885 if you have any questions with respect to this matter.

Regards,

**Christopher Raynor (he/him)** | Regional Clerk, Regional Clerk's Office, Corporate Services Department

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On April 25, 2024 Regional Council made the following decision:

1. The Regional Clerk circulate this report to the Clerks of the local municipalities, City of Toronto, Region of Peel and the Ontario Chief Drinking Water Inspector (Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks).

The original staff report is available for your information at the following [link](#)

Please contact David Szeptycki, Director of Sustainability, Communication and Innovation at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 75723, or Richard Walker, Director of Water and Wastewater (A) at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 75311 if you have any questions with respect to this matter.

Regards,

**Christopher Raynor** (he/him) | Regional Clerk, Regional Clerk's Office, Corporate Services Department

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**Subject:** Regional Council Decision - 2023 Integrated Management System Update Report for Water, Wastewater and Waste Management  
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On April 25, 2024 Regional Council made the following decision:

1. The Regional Clerk circulate this report to Clerks of the local municipalities and the Ontario Chief Drinking Water Inspector (Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks).

The original staff report is available for your information at the following [link](#)

Please contact David Szeptycki, Director, Sustainability, Communications, and Innovation at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 75723 if you have any questions with respect to this matter.

Regards,

**Christopher Raynor (he/him)** | Regional Clerk, Regional Clerk's Office, Corporate Services Department

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**Subject:** Regional Council Decision - 2023 Regional Greening Strategy Achievements  
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1. The Regional Clerk circulate this report to the Clerks of local municipalities, Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation, Environment and Climate Change Canada, Natural Resources Canada, Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority, and Toronto and Region Conservation Authority.

The original staff report is available for your information at the following [link](#)

Please contact Lindsay Milne, Director, Waste Management and Forestry, Operations and Services, Public Works at 1-877-464-9675 ext.75714 if you have any questions with respect to this matter.

Regards,

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**From:** [Clerk General Line](#)  
**Subject:** Regional Council Decision - Cutting Red Tape to Build More Homes Act, 2024 (Bill 185) - Proposed Changes to Development Charges Act, 1997  
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On April 25, 2024 Regional Council made the following decision:

1. This report and Appendix A be submitted to Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing in response to Bill 185, *Cutting Red Tape to Build More Homes Act, 2024*, and as comments on Environmental Registry of Ontario posting #[019-8371](#) on proposed changes to *Development Charges Act, 1997*.
2. Regional Clerk forward this report to local Members of Provincial Parliament and local municipalities.

The original staff report is available for your information at the following [link](#).

Please contact Bonny Tam, Acting Director, Treasury Office, at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 75885 if you have any questions with respect to this matter.

Regards,

**Christopher Raynor** (he/him) | Regional Clerk, Regional Clerk's Office, Corporate Services Department

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**From:** [Clerk General Line](#)  
**Subject:** Regional Council Decision - ventureLAB 2023 Results and 2024-2027 Funding Agreement  
**Date:** April 30, 2024 12:38:53 PM

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On April 25, 2024 Regional Council made the following decision:

1. Council approve a new funding agreement with ventureLAB for core services at an annual cost of \$150,000 with up to three renewals in consecutive years thereafter, for a total cost of up to \$600,000.
2. Region enter into a new funding agreement with ventureLAB for innovation network development under the Entrepreneurship and Innovation Fund at an annual cost of \$100,000 with up to three renewals, for a total cost of up to \$400,000.
3. Commissioner of Corporate Services be authorized to execute funding agreements and renewals or amendments that may be required.
4. ventureLAB report annually to Council on results and impacts of its programs and the Entrepreneurship and Innovation Fund.
5. Regional Clerk circulate this report to the Ministry of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade, Invest Ontario, Toronto Global, ventureLAB and local municipalities.

The original staff report is available for your information at the following [link](#)

Please contact Jonathan Wheatle, Director, Economic Strategy at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 71503 if you have any questions with respect to this matter.

Regards,

**Christopher Raynor (he/him)** | Regional Clerk, Regional Clerk's Office, Corporate Services Department

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April 29, 2024

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
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The Honourable Andrea Khanjin, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks  
Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks  
5<sup>th</sup> Floor, 777 Bay Street  
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Mr. Rick Byers, MPP Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound  
345 8<sup>th</sup> Street East  
Owen Sound, Ontario  
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Dear Premier Ford, Minister Khanjin, and Mr. Byers,

At the April 2, 2024, Town of South Bruce Peninsula Council meeting, the following resolution was passed:

### **R-111-2024**

**Whereas** under Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box, producers are fully accountable and financially responsible for their products and packaging once they reach their end of life and are disposed of, for 'eligible' sources only;

**And whereas** 'ineligible' sources which producers are not responsible for including businesses, places of worship, daycares, campgrounds, public-facing and internal areas of municipal-owned buildings and not-for-profit organizations, such as shelters and food banks;

**And whereas** should a municipality continue to provide services to the 'ineligible' sources, the municipality will be required to oversee the collection, transportation, and processing of the recycling, assuming 100% of the costs;

**Therefore be it resolved that** the Council of the Corporation of the Town of South Bruce Peninsula hereby request that the province amend Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box, so that producers are responsible for the end-of-life management of recycling products from all sources;

**And that** Council hereby request the support of all Ontario municipalities;

**And further that** this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Andrea Khanjin, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, the Honourable Rick Byers, MPP Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound, and to all Ontario municipalities.

I trust you find this satisfactory; however, should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "B. Collins". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Brianna Collins, P.Eng.  
Director of Public Works

cc: All Ontario municipalities



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April 30, 2024

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Dear Sir/Madam:

**RE: Motion to Call on Province for Funding of Housing, Shelters,  
 and other Social Services**

At its meeting of March 12, 2024, the Council of the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand considered correspondence received from the Northumberland Inter-Municipal Task Force on Housing and Homelessness, regarding calling on the Province for an increase in funding for housing, shelters and other social services and passed the following resolution:

**RES:240312-014**

Moved by Councillor Mary Catherine O'Neill, seconded by Deputy Mayor Joan Stover;

*The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand enacts as follows:*

*That the correspondence from the Housing and Homelessness Task Force be received; and*

*That the Corporation of the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand support the motion as amended to delete and replace "municipalities of Northumberland County" with "Township of Alnwick/Haldimand"; and*

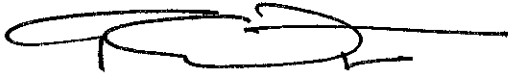
*That the resolution be circulated to all member municipalities of Northumberland County as well.*

CARRIED.

Please find attached the correspondence from the Northumberland Inter-Municipal Task Force on Housing and Homelessness, as amended by the above noted resolution.

Should you require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,



Emily Cartlidge, AOMC, Dipl. MA, MLIS  
Municipal Clerk

Cc: Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Hon. Paul Calandra, Minister for Municipal Affairs and Housing  
Hon. David Piccini, MPP, Northumberland – Peterborough South  
All Ontario Municipalities

'Whereas Ontario is experiencing a housing crisis, with housing costs far exceeding affordable levels by any standard, including in Northumberland County; and

Whereas the prevalence of homelessness is quickly increasing beyond the capacity of local governments to create new emergency, transitional, or affordable housing; and

Whereas homelessness is a condition that can largely be prevented with adequate resources, but that nonetheless puts an increasing number of residents at risk of considerable harm or death; and

Whereas insufficient housing and social services fail not only to provide for those experiencing homelessness, but also cause significant economic costs to lower and upper tier municipalities as well as to the province in the form of higher policing, first responder, healthcare, and economic development costs, among others; and

Whereas insufficient housing and social services fail not only to provide for those experiencing homelessness, but also cause significant social costs in communities that experience social estrangement, insecurity, and fear associated with increased crime and visible drug use, all of which causes considerable social and political unrest; and

Whereas the Province of Ontario dictates the requirement for social services including emergency shelters, but limits their operation through insufficient funding, thereby causing said economic and social costs at the upper and lower tiers of municipal governance; and

Whereas the Township of Alwick/Haldimand recognize our moral and legal obligation (according to the mandates of our respective tiers) to provide adequate shelter and public safety for all residents, but are limited in our capacity to unilaterally do so by constrained finances; and

Whereas the Association of Municipalities of Ontario has requested a social and economic prosperity review, in recognition of these and other challenges faced by municipal governments as a result of insufficient funding;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Township of Alwick/Haldimand call upon the Province of Ontario to significantly increase funding for housing, shelters, and other necessary social services to ensure adequate levels of service to meet the needs of our residents; and

Be it further resolved that this resolution be forwarded to AMO; to all Ontario municipalities; to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; to the Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister for Municipal Affairs and Housing; and to the Honourable David Piccini, MPP for Northumberland - Peterborough South.'



May 3, 2024

Honourable David Piccini, MPP  
 Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development  
 117 Peter Street  
 Port Hope, ON L1A 1C5  
[david.piccini@pc.ola.org](mailto:david.piccini@pc.ola.org)

Dear Sir:

**RE: Resolution of Support – Expand Life Span of Fire Apparatus**

At its Regular Council meeting of February 13, 2024, the Council of the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand passed the following resolution:

**RES:20240213-18**

Moved by Councillor Greg Booth, seconded by Councillor Mike Ainsworth;

*"Whereas the Council of the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand considered the Resolution from the County of Prince Edward regarding support to request the Province to expand the life span of fire apparatus, specifically pertaining to the replacement of fire trucks, due to insurance requirements;*

*Be it resolved that Council hereby provides its support; and*

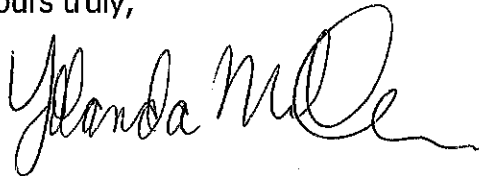
*Further be it resolved that Council direct the Deputy Clerk to send a copy of this Resolution to: MPP David Piccini - Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, and all Ontario municipalities."*

CARRIED.

Please find attached the resolution from the County of Prince Edward as supporting documentation.

We respectfully submit the resolution and supporting documentation for your consideration.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Yolanda Melburn". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Yolanda Melburn  
Deputy Clerk

Encl.

Cc: Hon. Paul Calandra, Minister for Municipal Affairs and Housing  
All Ontario Municipalities

January 22, 2024

Please be advised that during the regular Council meeting of January 16, 2024 the following motion regarding support for the Province to expand the life span of fire apparatus, specifically pertaining to the replacement of fire trucks due to insurance requirements was carried:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-46**

**DATE: January 16, 2024**

**MOVED BY: Councillor Nieman**

**SECONDED BY: Councillor Branderhorst**

**WHEREAS** By-Law 3256-2013, being a By-Law to Establish, Maintain, and Operate a Fire Department established service level standards for the Corporation of the County of Prince Edward Fire Department;

**AND WHEREAS** apparatus and equipment are directly tied to the delivery of fire protection services authorized by Council in By-Law 3256-2013, and a safe, reliable and diverse fleet is required to serve operational needs;

**AND WHEREAS** fire Apparatus is governed by industry best practices, the application of law and recognized industry partners, including the Ontario Fire Service Section 21 Guidance Notes, National Fire Protection Association Standards, The Occupational Health and Safety Act, and Fire Underwriters Survey (FUS);

**AND WHEREAS** Fire Underwriters Survey (FUS) is a provider of data, underwriting, risk management and legal/regulatory services focusing on community fire-protection and fire prevention systems in Canada, establishing apparatus replacement schedules based on safety and risk mitigation practices;

**AND WHEREAS** on November 16, 2023, Council, received report FD-06-2023 regarding asset Management - Fire Apparatus Fleet Report and noted the budgetary pressures of meeting FUS replacement schedules;

**AND WHEREAS** no provincial funding is available for new fire trucks, yet, small and rural municipalities must meet the same standards set by FUS as larger municipalities for fire equipment, including additional pressure to move fire trucks out when they reach a specific age, even though they can still meet the safety regulations;



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**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of Prince Edward County direct the Mayor to draft a letter to MPP Minister Todd Smith requesting a meeting to discuss the life span of fire apparatus, specifically pertaining to the replacement of fire trucks due to insurance requirements; and

**THAT** the Mayor draft a letter to FUS requesting the creation of a new community fire-protection and fire prevention insurance system that does not put all municipalities under the same umbrella, with distinct categories for rural and urban municipalities;

**THAT** this resolution be sent to Premier Doug Ford, the Honourable David Piccini, Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development, Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing requesting a response on this matter within 30 days of receipt; and

**THAT** this resolution be shared with all 444 municipalities in Ontario, The Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), The Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO), and The Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus (EOWC).

**CARRIED**

Yours truly,

Catalina Blumenberg, **CLERK**

cc: Mayor Steve Ferguson, Councillor Nieman, Councillor Branderhorst, Marcia Wallace, CAO and Fire Chief Chad Brown





May 06, 2024

SENT VIA E-MAIL

Andrea Fisher, Clerk  
The Town of Goderich  
57 West Street  
Goderich, Ontario  
N7A 2K5

Dear Clerk Fisher,

**RE: Township of Manitouwadge Resolution – Review of the Ontario Works and Ontario Disability Support Program Financial Assistance Rates**

Please be advised that at its regular meeting held on Wednesday, May 1, 2024, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Manitouwadge passed and endorsed the attached resolution concerning the Town of Goderich's resolution regarding a review of the Ontario Works and Ontario Disability Support Program financial assistance rates.

Should you require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Many thanks,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joleen Keough".

Joleen Keough  
Clerk/Deputy CAO  
The Township of Manitouwadge

CC: Premier Doug Ford  
Hon. Paul Calandra  
MPP Lisa Thompson, Huron–Bruce  
Hon. Sylvia Jones  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
Ontario Municipal Social Services Association  
Ontario Municipalities



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANITOUWADGE

May 01, 2024

Session No. 2024- 122

Moved by: TR

Seconded by: B. Hayes

**RESOLVED THAT:** The Town of Goderich's resolution regarding a review of the Ontario Works and Ontario Disability Support Program financial assistance rates be received and endorsed.

Recorded Vote	FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Kathy Hudson		
Councillor Coady Keough		
Councillor Braden Kotyk		
Councillor Tonilynn Ruff		
Mayor Jim Moffat		

CARRIED  DEFEATED

Jim Moffat  
Mayor Jim Moffat



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April 23, 2024

SENT VIA E-MAIL

Andrea Fisher, Clerk  
The Town of Goderich  
57 West Street  
Goderich, Ontario  
N7A 2K5

Dear: Clerk Fisher,

**RE: Town of Goderich Resolution – Review of the Ontario Works and Ontario  
Disability Support Program Financial Assistance Rates**

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Grimsby at its meeting held on April 15, 2024, passed, and endorsed the following resolution:

**Moved:** Councillor Korstanje

**Seconded:** Councillor DiFlavio

Resolved that the Town of Goderich's resolution regarding a review of the Ontario Works and Ontario Disability Support Program financial assistance rates be received and endorsed.

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

Regards,

Victoria Steele  
Town Clerk

CC: Premier Doug Ford  
Hon. Paul Calandra  
MPP Lisa Thompson, Huron–Bruce  
Hon. Sylvia Jones  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
Ontario Municipal Social Services Association  
Ontario Municipalities

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Wednesday, April 10, 2024

Catalina Blumenberg  
Clerk  
Prince Edward County  
332 Picton Main Street  
Picton, Ontario  
K0K 2T0

SENT VIA EMAIL: [clerks@pecounty.on.ca](mailto:clerks@pecounty.on.ca)

RE: Town of Goderich Resolution – Review of the Ontario Works and Ontario Disability Support Program Financial Assistance Rates

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Dear C. Blumenberg,

Please be advised of the following motion passed at the Monday, March 18, 2024, Goderich Town Council Meeting:

Moved By: Councillor Segeren

Seconded By: Councillor Kelly

**WHEREAS** poverty is taking a devastating toll on communities, undermining a healthy and prosperous Ontario, with people in receipt of Ontario Works and Ontario Disability Support Program being disproportionately impacted;

**WHEREAS** the cost of food, housing, medicine, and other essential items have outpaced the highest inflation rates seen in a generation;

**WHEREAS** people in need of social assistance have been legislated into poverty, housing insecurity, hunger, poorer health, their motives questioned, and their dignity undermined;

**WHEREAS** Ontario Works (OW) Financial Assistance rates have been frozen since 2018 (\$733 per month);

**WHEREAS** Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP) benefit rates have been increased by 6.5 percent as of July 2023 to keep up with inflation, however even with the increase, ODSP rates still fall below their value in 2018 (\$1,376 when adjusted for inflation) and significantly below the disability-adjusted poverty line (\$3,091 per month);

**WHEREAS** OW and ODSP rates do not provide sufficient income for a basic standard of living and, as a result, hundreds of thousands of people across Ontario who rely on these programs live in poverty;

**WHEREAS** designated Service Managers are doing their part, but do not have the resources, capacity, or tools to provide the necessary income and health-related supports to people experiencing poverty; and

**WHEREAS** leadership and urgent action is needed from the Provincial Government to immediately develop, resource, and implement a comprehensive plan to address the rising levels of poverty in Ontario, in particular for those on Ontario Works and Ontario Disability Support Programs;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Town of Goderich requests the Provincial Government to urgently:

1. At least double Ontario Works and ODSP rates and index rates to inflation, answering calls already made by “Raise the Rates” campaign and the “Income Security Advocacy Centre”;
2. Commit to ongoing cost of living increases above and beyond the rate of inflation to make up for the years they were frozen;
3. Commit to jointly working between the Ministry of Children, Community, and Social Services and the Ministry of Health on the best methods of assessing client needs and then matching those in need to the services they require;

**AND FURTHER THAT** a copy of this resolution be sent to the Minister of Children, Community, and Social Services, the Minister of Health, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Ontario Municipal Social Services Association, Huron County Social and Property Services, the Western Ontario Wardens Caucus, and all Ontario Municipalities.

**CARRIED**

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 519-524-8344 ext. 210 or [afisher@goderich.ca](mailto:afisher@goderich.ca).

Yours truly,



Andrea Fisher

Director of Legislative Services/Clerk  
/ar

cc. Premier Doug Ford [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)  
Hon. Paul Calandra [Paul.Calandra@pc.ola.org](mailto:Paul.Calandra@pc.ola.org)  
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Hon. Sylvia Jones [Sylvia.Jones@pc.ola.org](mailto:Sylvia.Jones@pc.ola.org)  
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Western Ontario Wardens Caucus  
Ontario Municipalities

**MULTI-MUNICIPAL ENERGY WORKING GROUP**

TOM ALLWOOD, COUNCILLOR, GREY HIGHLANDS, CHAIR  
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[jhamilton@arran-elderslie.ca](mailto:jhamilton@arran-elderslie.ca)

May 1, 2024

Dear Mayor and Members of Council,

The Multi-Municipal Energy Working Group (MMEWG) continues to actively follow the procurement processes the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) is undertaking to procure additional capacity to meet projected future energy needs. Details released regarding the Long-Term 2 Request for Proposals (LT2 RFP) plus subsequent LT RFPs has raised many concerns.

The IESO RFPs call for 5 TWh of new energy generation, and proposes that this be mostly derived from 2000 MW of new energy generation produced by mostly wind and solar by 2030. It further proposes that a portion of this generation could be derived by repowering on the current footprint of existing wind turbines that will reach their end of contract life between 2026 and 2034.

Since existence, the now Multi-Municipal Energy Working Group, formerly known as the Multi-Municipal Wind Turbine Working Group, has continued to advocate for stronger safety measures and best practices related to wind turbine installations across the province. To date, many of the concerns raised have not been addressed with the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks confirmed in a recent IESO engagement session that no changes to the existing setbacks are planned.

Severe health effects to many residents living within the vicinity of project sites have been identified and continue to jeopardized the health and well-being of many residents. The current setbacks from other activities are not sufficient to protect against the full range of noise emissions from wind turbines. The MMEWG will be making a presentation on this topic to the Grey Bruce Public Health Unit in the March in an effort to bring these concerns to the forefront in advance of the repowering of current projects.

Public safety continues to remain a paramount concern of the MMEWG. Setbacks for tower collapse remain insufficient. The current blade length plus 10 metres requirement not a strong enough protective measure for existing projects let alone repowered turbines on existing footprints. Setbacks for ice throw are also insufficient, as the blade

length plus 10 metre setback is less than the ice throw distance witnessed in Ontario. Ontario has witnessed turbine fire and flaming debris on the ground at 200 metres, while setback was 50 metres. A Ministry review failed to recommend industry standard protective barriers for fire suppression in spite of examples of fires in similar turbines.

In 2013, 115 municipalities declared themselves “Unwilling Hosts” for wind turbine projects. With the expected surge in proposals given the ambitious procurement efforts being undertaken by the IESO, and little change in the regulations, the MMEWG strongly recommends that municipalities reaffirm their unwillingness to host projects until the appropriate ministries address the concerns and make stronger rules and regulations to ensure that, as municipal leaders, provide measures necessary for the health, safety and well-being of citizens within our jurisdiction, as mandated by the *Municipal Act, 2001, as amended*. Over the past month, the municipalities of Arran-Elderslie, Chatsworth and East Zorra-Tavistock have taken this step.

For consideration, a DRAFT declaration has been attached. Should your municipality declare its intention, please let us and we will continue to keep you apprised of any advancements in the industry and regulations.

Warm Regards,



p.p.  
Tom Allwood,  
Chair, Multi-Municipal Energy Working Group  
Councillor, Municipality of Grey Highlands



# DRAFT

Independent Electrical System Operator  
By email: [engagement@ieso.ca](mailto:engagement@ieso.ca)

**Re: Municipality/Township of \_\_\_\_\_ – Wind Turbine Projects**

Please be advised at the Municipality/Township of \_\_\_\_\_ Council meeting held on \_\_\_\_\_, the following resolution was approved:

WHEREAS the Independent Electrical System Operator (the IESO) has proposed to move forward with three RFPs where new wind turbine projects can receive a contract from the IESO; and

WHEREAS people living near existing wind turbines report considerable impact on their lives due to noise and other emissions from the wind turbines; and

WHEREAS there are gaps in the enforcement of key terms of the Renewable Energy Approvals governing existing projects relative to noise standards and resolution of complaints; and

WHEREAS municipal approval is required to locate one of these projects in the Municipality/Township of \_\_\_\_\_; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council does not support the establishment of any new wind turbine projects within the municipality; and

THAT the IESO be directed to advise potential applicants of this resolution.

Sincerely,

Clerk, Municipality/Township of \_\_\_\_\_

c:

The Hon. Todd Smith - Minister of Energy - [MinisterEnergy@ontario.ca](mailto:MinisterEnergy@ontario.ca)

David Donovan, Chief of Staff, [david.donovan@ontario.ca](mailto:david.donovan@ontario.ca)

Association of Municipalities of Ontario - [policy@amo.on.ca](mailto:policy@amo.on.ca)

Local MPP

Multi-Municipal Energy Working Group – [jhamilton@arran-elderslie.ca](mailto:jhamilton@arran-elderslie.ca)



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**May 1, 2024**

**Hon. Paul Calandra**  
**Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing**  
Email: [PaulmCalandra@pc.ola.org](mailto:PaulmCalandra@pc.ola.org)

Dear Mr. Calandra,

**Re: Operational Budget Funding**

Please be advised that at their last regular meeting of Council on Wednesday May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024, the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan supported the following resolution:

**Resolution # 2024-05-01-10**  
**Moved By: Councillor Banks**  
**Seconded by: Councillor Kauffeldt**

**“Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby supports the request of the Township of Amareth calling upon the Province of Ontario to treat all municipalities fairly and provide equivalent representative operational budget funding amount to all Ontario municipalities.**

**And further that Council directs staff to provide a copy of this resolution to the Premier of Ontario; the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Local Member of Provincial Parliament; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); and all Ontario Municipalities.”**

**CARRIED.**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tammy Thompson".

**Tammy Thompson**  
**Deputy Clerk**

**Cc: Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario**  
**Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing**  
**John Yakabuski, Local Member of Provincial Parliament**  
**Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)**  
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March 12, 2024

Hon. Paul Calandra  
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Sent by email to: [Paul.Calandra@pc.ola.org](mailto:Paul.Calandra@pc.ola.org)

**Re: Operational Budget Funding**

At its regular meeting of Council held on March 6, 2024, the Township of Amaranth Council passed the following resolution.

**Resolution #: 4**

**Moved by: G Little**

**Seconded by: A. Stirk**

Whereas all Ontario municipalities are prohibited from running budget deficits for operating purposes, and;

Whereas all Ontario municipalities have similar pressures with respect to aging infrastructure and operating costs for policing, and;

Whereas the City of Toronto has recently received Provincial funding to cover a \$1.2 billion dollar operating shortfall and approximately \$12 million in Federal and Provincial funding for their Police operating budget, and;

Whereas the City of Toronto has the lowest tax rates in the Province, approximately 40% less than the average Dufferin rural municipal tax rate.

**Be It Resolved That the Township of Amaranth call on the Province of Ontario to treat all municipalities fairly and provide equivalent representative operational budget funding amounts to all Ontario municipalities.**

**CARRIED**

Please do not hesitate to contact the office if you require any further information on this matter.

Yours truly,

Nicole Martin, Dipl. M.A.  
CAO/Clerk  
C: Premier of Ontario; AMO; Ontario Municipalities

**CORPORATION OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF NORTH GLENGARRY**

**Council Meeting**

**Resolution #** 1

**Date:** Monday, April 29, 2024

**Moved by:** Jeff Manley

**Seconded by:** Michael Madden

**THAT** the Council of the Township of North Glengarry receives staff report PW 2024-08, Request to the Province to Amend Blue Box Regulations for 'Ineligible' Sources; and

**THAT** the Council of the Township of North Glengarry passes the motion to request that the province amends the blue box regulation for ineligible sources as follows:

**WHEREAS** under Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box producers are fully accountable and financially responsible for their products and packaging once they reach their end of life and are disposed of, for 'eligible' sources only; and

**WHEREAS** 'ineligible' sources which producers are not responsible for including businesses, places of worship, daycares, campgrounds, public-facing and internal areas of municipal-owned buildings, and not-for-profit organizations, such as shelters and food banks;

**AND WHEREAS** should a municipality continue to provide services to the 'ineligible' sources, the municipality will be required to oversee the collection, transportation, and processing of the recycling, assuming 100% of the costs;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of North Glengarry hereby request that the province amend Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box so that producers are responsible for the end-of-life management of recycling products from all sources;

**AND FURTHER** that Council hereby request the support of all Ontario Municipalities;

**AND FURTHER** that this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Andrea Khanjin, Minister of the Environment, Conservation, and Parks, and the Honourable Graydon Smith, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, to MPP of Glengarry, Prescott, Russel, MPP Stéphane Sarrazin, and all Ontario Municipalities

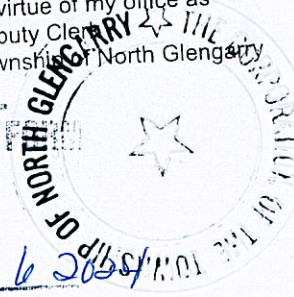
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Deferred

Defeated

Jena Doonan — Commissioner  
by virtue of my office as  
Deputy Clerk  
Township of North Glengarry

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WHICH HAS NOT BEEN ALTERED IN ANY MANNER



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Mayor / Deputy Mayor

*Jena Doonan* May 6 2024  
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**DATE:** May 6, 2024

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Premier's Office  
Room 281, Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier Ford,

**RE: Request to the Province to Amend Blue Box Regulation for 'Ineligible' Sources**

Please be advised of the following motion passed at the Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Municipality of North Glengarry Council Meeting:

Resolution: No. 7  
Moved By: Councillor Jeff Manley  
Seconded By: Councillor Michael Madden

**Whereas** under Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box producers are fully accountable and financially responsible for their products and packaging once they reach their end of life and are disposed of, for 'eligible' sources only;

**And Whereas** 'ineligible' sources which producers are not responsible for including businesses, places of worship, daycares, campgrounds, public-facing and internal areas of municipal-owned buildings, and not-for-profit organizations, such as shelters and food banks;

**And Whereas** should a municipality continue to provide services to the 'ineligible' sources, the municipality will be required to oversee the collection, transportation, and processing of the recycling, assuming 100% of the costs;

**Be it resolved that** the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of North Glengarry hereby request that the province amend Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box so that producers are responsible for the end-of-life management of recycling products from all sources;

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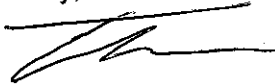
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**CARRIED**

Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Timothy Wright', written over a horizontal line.

Timothy Wright  
Director of Public Works



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May 1, 2024

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Premier's Office  
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Dear Mr. Ford,

**Re: Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan – Supporting the Town of Aurora's Request for Amenity Sharing Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with School Boards for Evening/Weekend Gymnasium Use"**

Please be advised that at their last regular meeting of Council on Wednesday May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024, the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan supported the following resolution:

Resolution # 2024-05-01-09

Moved By: Councillor Keller

Seconded by: Councillor Quade

**"Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby supports the Town of Aurora's Request for Amenity Sharing Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with School Boards for Evening/Weekend Gymnasium Use.**

**And further that Council directs staff to provide a copy of this resolution to the Premier of Ontario; the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Minister of Education; the Local Member of Provincial Parliament; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); and all Ontario Municipalities."**

**CARRIED.**



Sincerely,

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**Tammy Thompson**  
**Deputy Clerk**

**Cc: Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario**  
**Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing**  
**Stephen Lecce, Minister of Education**  
**John Yakabuski, Local Member of Provincial Parliament**  
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March 6, 2024

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
 Premier's Office, Room 281  
 Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
 Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

**Delivered by email**  
 premier@ontario.ca

Dear Premier Ford:

**Re: Town of Aurora Council Resolution of February 27, 2024  
 Member Motion 8.2.7 - Mayor Mrakas; Re: Request for Amenity Sharing  
 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with School Boards for Evening/Weekend  
 Gymnasium Use**

Please be advised that this matter was considered by Council at its meeting held on February 27, 2024, and in this regard, Council adopted the following resolution:

**Whereas the Town of Aurora recognizes the importance of fostering community engagement and providing recreational opportunities; and**

**Whereas schools are funded by local taxpayers; and**

**Whereas school gymnasiums serve as valuable amenities that can enhance recreational activities for residents; and**

**Whereas existing school board policies/procedures do not prioritize municipal residency within their allocation of the use of space; and**

**Whereas the school board charges a premium rate to use the schools on weekends causing a barrier for the Town or local organizations to afford;**

- 1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That this Council requests the Province and the Minister of Education to assist in making school board facilities available to local municipalities on a priority, at a cost recovery rate; and**
- 2. Be It Further Resolved That Council requests the School Boards within the jurisdiction of the Town of Aurora to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Town for the shared use of school gymnasiums on evenings and weekends; and**
- 3. Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this request be sent to the relevant School Boards, expressing the Town's interest in establishing a collaborative agreement for evening and weekend gymnasium access; and**

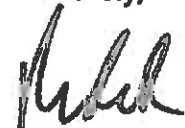
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4. **Be It Further Resolved That the Town staff is directed to collaborate with the School Boards in drafting the terms and conditions of the MOU, ensuring clarity and fairness in the shared use of these facilities; and**
5. **Be It Further Resolved That upon reaching an agreement, the MOU shall be presented to Council for review and approval; and**
6. **Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this Motion be sent to The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, The Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, The Honourable Stephen Lecce, Minister of Education, Marit Stiles, Leader of the Ontario New Democratic Party, Bonnie Crombie, Leader of the Ontario Liberal Party, and all MPPs in the Province of Ontario; and**
7. **Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this Motion be sent to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario municipalities for their consideration of support.**

The above is for your consideration and any attention deemed necessary.

Sincerely,



Michael de Rond

Town Clerk

The Corporation of the Town of Aurora

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Attachment (Council meeting extract)

Copy: York Region District School Board  
 York Catholic District School Board  
 Conseil scolaire catholique MonAvenir  
 Hon. Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
 Hon. Stephen Lecce, Minister of Education  
 Marit Stiles, Leader of the Ontario New Democratic Party  
 Bonnie Crombie, Leader of the Ontario Liberal Party  
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## Council Meeting Extract

Tuesday, February 27, 2024

### 8. Standing Committee Reports

**Moved by Councillor Thompson**

**Seconded by Councillor Gaertner**

That the Standing Committee Reports, items 8.1 and 8.2, be received and the recommendations carried by the Committee approved, with the exception of sub-items 8.1.7, 8.1.8, 8.2.1, 8.2.4, 8.2.6, and 8.2.8, which were discussed and voted on separately as recorded below.

**Yeas (6):** Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Thompson, and Councillor Gallo

**Absent (1):** Councillor Kim

**Carried (6 to 0)**

### 8.2 General Committee Meeting Report of February 20, 2024

#### 8.2.7 Member Motion - Mayor Mrakas; Re: Request for Amenity Sharing Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with School Boards for Evening/Weekend Gymnasium Use

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7. Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this Motion be sent to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario municipalities for their consideration of support.

**Carried**



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May 1, 2024

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Premier's Office  
Room 281, Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Mr. Ford,

**Re: Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan – Supporting the Town of  
Bracebridge “Request to the Province of Ontario for New Provincial-  
Municipal Fiscal Framework”**

Please be advised that at their last regular meeting of Council on Wednesday May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024, the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan supported the following resolution:

Resolution # 2024-05-01-08  
Moved By: Councillor Banks  
Seconded by: Councillor Kauffeldt

**“Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby supports the Town of Bracebridge letter dated March 14<sup>th</sup> 2024, regarding the request to the Province of Ontario for New Provincial-Municipal Fiscal Framework.**

**And further that Council directs staff to provide a copy of this resolution to the Premier of Ontario; the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Minister of Finance; the Local Member of Provincial Parliament; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Association of Municipal Managers; Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMTCO); and all Ontario Municipalities.”**

**CARRIED.**

Sincerely,

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**Tammy Thompson**  
**Deputy Clerk**

**Cc: Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario**  
**Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing**  
**Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance**  
**John Yakabuski, Local Member of Provincial Parliament**  
**Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario**  
**(AMTCO)**  
**Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)**  
**All Ontario Municipalities**



March 14, 2024

**Re: Item for Discussion – Resolution of Support Regarding Request to the Province of Ontario for New Provincial-Municipal Fiscal Framework**

At its meeting of March 13, 2024, the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Bracebridge ratified motion #24-GC-053, regarding Resolution of Support Regarding Request to the Province of Ontario for New Provincial-Municipal Fiscal Framework, as follows:

**"WHEREAS** the current provincial-municipal fiscal arrangements are undermining Ontario's economic prosperity and quality of life;

**AND WHEREAS** nearly a third of municipal spending in Ontario is for services in areas of provincial responsibility and expenditures are outpacing provincial contributions by nearly \$4 billion a year;

**AND WHEREAS** municipal revenues, such as property taxes, do not grow with the economy or inflation;

**AND WHEREAS** unprecedented population and housing growth will require significant investments in municipal infrastructure;

**AND WHEREAS** municipalities are being asked to take on complex health and social challenges – like homelessness, supporting asylum seekers and addressing the mental health and addictions crises;

**AND WHEREAS** inflation, rising interest rates, and provincial policy decisions are sharply constraining municipal fiscal capacity;

**AND WHEREAS** property taxpayers – including people on fixed incomes and small businesses – can't afford to subsidize income re-distribution programs for those most in need;

**AND WHEREAS** the province can, and should, invest more in the prosperity of communities;

**AND WHEREAS** municipalities and the provincial government have a strong history of collaboration;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Town of Bracebridge calls on the Province of Ontario commit to undertaking, with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, a comprehensive social and economic prosperity review to promote the stability and sustainability of municipal finances across Ontario;

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planning & development fax: (705) 645-4209



AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this motion be sent to the Premier of Ontario; the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Minister of Finance; the Local Member of Provincial Parliament; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario; the Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO); the Muskoka and Area Indigenous Leadership Table (MAILT); and all Ontario Municipalities."

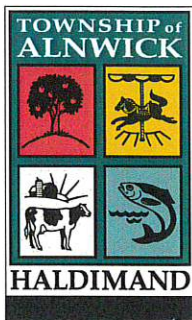
In accordance with Council's direction, I am forwarding you a copy of the resolution for your reference.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can provide any additional clarification in this regard.

Yours truly,

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Lori McDonald  
Director of Corporate Services/Clerk



May 8, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, M.P.,  
 Prime Minister of Canada  
 Office of the Prime Minister  
 80 Wellington Street  
 Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2  
[justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca](mailto:justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca)

Dear Prime Minister:

**RE: Resolution of Support – Provincial National Fire Fighting Strategy**

At its Regular Council meeting of February 13, 2024, the Council of the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand passed the following resolution:

**RES:20240213-19**

Moved by Councillor Mary Catherine O'Neill, seconded by Councillor Mike Ainsworth;

*"Whereas the Council of the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand considered the Resolution from the Municipality of Calvin regarding a request for a Provincial National Fire Fighting Strategy;*

*Be it resolved that Council hereby provides its support; and*

*Further be it resolved that Council direct the Deputy Clerk to send a copy of this Resolution to: the Prime Minister of Canada, the Minister of National Defence, the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry of Ontario, the Minister of Economic Development Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all Ontario municipalities."*

CARRIED.

Please find attached the resolution from the Municipality of Calvin as supporting documentation.

We respectfully submit the resolution and supporting documentation for your consideration.

Yours truly,

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Yolanda Melburn  
Deputy Clerk

Encl.

Cc: Hon. Bill Blair, Minister of National Defence  
Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Hon. Graydon Smith, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry of Ontario  
Hon. Victor Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade  
The Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)  
The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
All Ontario Municipalities



# Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin

## Council Resolution

**Date:** January 30, 2024

**Resolution Number:** 2024-31

**Moved By:** Councillor Moreton

**Seconded By:** Councillor Manson

**Background:** Before Calvin township became a township, it was burned by numerous forest fires. This was before the time of fire towers, water bombers, and municipal fire departments. A 1881 report from Lawrence Tallan, Provincial Land surveyor, states: *"The township of Calvin has been traversed by repeated and severe fires – so well have the flames done their work that with the exception of an insignificant portion, scarcely a vestige of the original timber remains."*

History has a way of repeating itself, and now rural municipalities and remote areas need more than ever to be prepared to respond to forest fires. Invasive pests like the emerald ash borer and the spruce bud worm are killing large numbers of trees, leaving copious amounts of dry kindling in our forests just waiting for a careless human or a lightning strike. Our forests are choked with deadfall and forest fires are becoming increasingly difficult to control. Add to this the effects of rising temperatures and drier seasons, or climate change, and we could be facing increasingly disastrous forest fires. This is not the time to be caught short with limited forest fire-fighting resources.

Jordan Omstead of the Canadian Press recently wrote: "But as Canada's water bombers age – and wildfire seasons are expected to intensify – some wildland

firefighters and emergency preparedness experts say the country needs to prop up its fleet of firefighting aircraft, even though several provinces are playing down concerns about capacity.” He quotes Eric Davidson, president of the Ontario Professional Association of Wildland Firefighters, “We’re really starting to see the effect of the aging fleet.”

The article further states the John Gradek, lecturer at McGill University estimates that almost half of the larger water bombers used to fight Canadian forest fires are nearing the end of their service life.

However, a Canadian company making a large skimmer-style water bomber is backed up with orders from European countries until the end of the decade.

Ontario has its own fleet of aircraft. They have 20 fixed-wing aircraft which includes 9 CL215 and CL415 water bombers that are 24 years old on average. The remaining 11 aircraft are an average of 54 years old. Melissa Candelaria, a spokesperson for Minister Graydon Smith says the MNR can handle Ontario fires with these aircraft, but Jennifer Kamau, communications manager for the Canada Interagency Forest Fire Centre, CIFFC, noted that other provinces contract out firebombers and last year there was a strain in Canada to get the resources to areas in need because there were so many fires across the country at the same time and very few aircraft available.

Peter Zimonjic of the CBC quoted the Canadian Association of Fire Chiefs (CAFC) President Ken McMullen, “It's not often that the fire chiefs sound the alarm. We are very concerned about this impending crisis that the summer of 2024 and beyond is going to bring our sector.”

In 2023 we all smelled the smoke and saw the sky turn brown. Buildings can be replaced, but lives cannot. And once an area is burned it takes more than a lifetime for it to return to its original state.

**WHEREAS** Forest fires are a very real threat to rural municipalities.

**AND WHEREAS** smoke from forest fires put people's health at risk. This is especially true of children and the elderly. The David Suzuki Foundation reports that wildfires kill many thousands of people per year and most of the deaths are from smoke inhalation.

**AND WHEREAS** forest fires are a very real danger to the climate and according to The Guardian, in 2023 they emitted three times as much carbon as the entire carbon footprint of Canada.

**AND WHEREAS** according to the John Crace interview in The Guardian with William Kurz, a retired scientist with Natural Resources Canada, around two billion tonnes of carbon have been released into the atmosphere from forest fires in 2023.

**AND WHEREAS** carbon emissions from forest fires are not counted against Canada's Paris agreement commitments, according to Kurz, but they far exceeded all of the emissions tied to Canada's economy (670 mega tonnes, or 0.67 billion tonnes, according to Environment and Climate Change Canada).

**AND WHEREAS** that standing healthy forest serves as a carbon sink, drawing in carbon, but once destroyed by fire, even though second growth takes its place, it is much less effective for many decades.

**AND WHEREAS** the federal government owns no water bombers and assists the provinces through the CIFFC, Canadian Interagency Forest Fire Centre, a spokesperson with CIFFC says that last year there were too many requests and not enough inventory to meet the needs of the country.

**AND WHEREAS** as reported by De Havilland Canada who manufacture the Canadian made water bomber, they have contracts with European countries for the next 22 of its new DHC-515 planes, which will take until 2029 or 2030 to complete and there will be very little production available to replace the aging water bombers in Ontario and the rest of Canada.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the council of the Corporation of Calvin Township urges and encourages the Federal Government to commit additional funds for cost sharing of provincial firefighting and to consider the development of a national strategy of firefighting. Furthermore, we urge the federal government to consider the measures necessary for acquiring a national fleet of Canadian-made waterbombers, with home bases strategically located to best serve and respond to the needs of rural communities, and a national fire administration to better coordinate and manage efforts across the country. We also encourage the introduction of a program similar to the Joint Emergency Preparedness Program (JEPP) which was ended in 2013.

And we encourage Minister Graydon Smith to step up the on-the-ground firefighting capability and water bomber acquisitions in Ontario.

**AND THAT** this resolution be forwarded to The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada, The Honourable Bill Blair, Minister of National Defence, The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, The Honourable Graydon Smith, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry of Ontario, The Honourable Vic Fideli, Minister of Economic Development Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FMC) and the Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO).

**AND THAT** this resolution be shared with all 444 municipalities in Ontario for their consideration and adoption.

**Results: Carried**

**Recorded Vote:**

<u>Member of Council</u>	<u>In Favour</u>	<u>Opposed</u>
Mayor Gould	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Moreton	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Latimer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Grant	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Manson	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



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May 1, 2024

**Re: Mental Health Services of Renfrew County (MHSRC) Hoarding Program**

Please be advised that at their last regular meeting of Council on Wednesday May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024, the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan supported the following resolution:

Resolution # 2024-05-01-11  
Moved By: Councillor Quade  
Seconded by: Councillor Keller

**“Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby supports the resolution from the Town of Arnprior and their support for the Mental Health Services of Renfrew County (MHSRC) Hoarding Program and its benefits to all residents within the County of Renfrew.**

**And further that Council directs staff to provide a copy of this resolution to the Pembroke Regional Hospital, all local municipalities and the County of Renfrew in support of the MHSRC Hoarding Program.”**

**CARRIED.**

Sincerely,

Tammy Thompson  
Deputy Clerk

Cc: Pembroke Regional Hospital  
All Local Municipalities  
County of Renfrew





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May 8, 2024

Cathy Bradley  
 County of Hastings  
 Postal Bag 4400  
 Belleville, ON K8N 3A9

Dear Ms. Bradley,

**Re: Sustainable Infrastructure Funding for Small Rural Municipalities**

At their meeting held on May 6, 2024, Council of the Township of Stirling-Rawdon passed the following resolution:

***Moved by Councillor Graff  
 Seconded by Councillor Stewart***

*That the correspondence from Hastings County calling on the Provincial and Federal Governments to implement sustainable infrastructure funding for small rural municipalities be received; and further*

*That Council of the Township of Stirling-Rawdon supports the establishment of an intergovernmental working group which would include a member of the Eastern Ontario Wardens Caucus, to develop a plan on how to deal with the impending debt dilemma facing small rural municipalities; and*

*That this resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister, the Minister of Housing Infrastructure and Communities of Canada, the Acting President and CEO of Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation, the Premier, the Minister of Infrastructure, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, MP Shelby Kramp-Neuman, MPP Ric Bresee, AMO, ROMA, EOWC and all municipalities in Ontario.*

***Carried.***

Thank you for bringing this important matter to the attention of Council.

Sincerely,

Sydney Dodson  
 Deputy-Clerk

/sd

cc: Prime Minister, Minister of Housing Infrastructure and Communities of Canada, Acting President and CEO of Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation, Premier, Minister of Infrastructure, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, MP Shelby Kramp-Neuman, MPP Ric Bresee, AMO, ROMA, EOWC, all municipalities in Ontario

May 9, 2024

Please be advised that during the regular Council meeting of May 7, 2024 the following resolution regarding seeking support for the Province and Federal Government to work together to help end the national housing affordability crisis.

**RESOLUTION NO.**    **2024-224**  
**DATE:**                    **May 7, 2024**  
**MOVED BY:**            **Councillor Branderhorst**  
**SECONDED BY:**        **Councillor Roberts**

**WHEREAS** there is an unprecedented national housing affordability crisis and substantial investments in new affordable social housing are required to address the overwhelming need;

**WHEREAS** substantial investments in revitalizing existing affordable social housing are required to maintain existing housing stock so as not to make the national housing affordability crisis worse;

**WHEREAS** social support expansions are required to prevent families choosing between housing and other basic necessities of life;

**WHEREAS** the national housing affordability crisis is most acute in Ontario, and unlike most Provinces and Territories in Canada, 47 Service Managers and District Social Service Administration Boards (SM/DSSAB) are responsible for delivering social supports, including housing affordability supports in this Province;

**WHEREAS** many of these 47 SM/DSSABs in Ontario are larger than many provinces and territories in other provinces in the country, but lack the revenue, policy tools and powers of the Provincial and Federal governments to end the housing affordability crisis on their own;

**WHEREAS** on March 25, 2024 our local SM/DSSAB (Prince Edward Lennox and Addington Social Services) was notified by the Province that the Federal Government would be cutting \$355 million in funding intended to support affordable social housing across the province, due to a disagreement about how community housing units are counted as part of the National Housing Strategy Action Plan;



**From the Office of the Clerk**  
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**WHEREAS** any reductions in funding from the Federal and Provincial governments risks the termination of critically needed housing and social supports for some of the most vulnerable across Ontario;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the County of Prince Edward requests that the funding dispute between the Federal and Provincial governments be resolved to limit mounting harms to some of Ontario's most vulnerable people;

**THAT** the Federal and Provincial governments to continue to fund SMs/DSSABs in an amount equivalent to the monies under the CMHC-Ontario Bilateral agreement in the National Housing Strategy until a new funding agreement can be reached;

**THAT** the Council of the County of Prince Edward advocate to the Federal and Provincial governments to establish a trilateral table including the SMs/DSSABs, to negotiate the final 3 year tranche of funding under the National Housing Strategy;

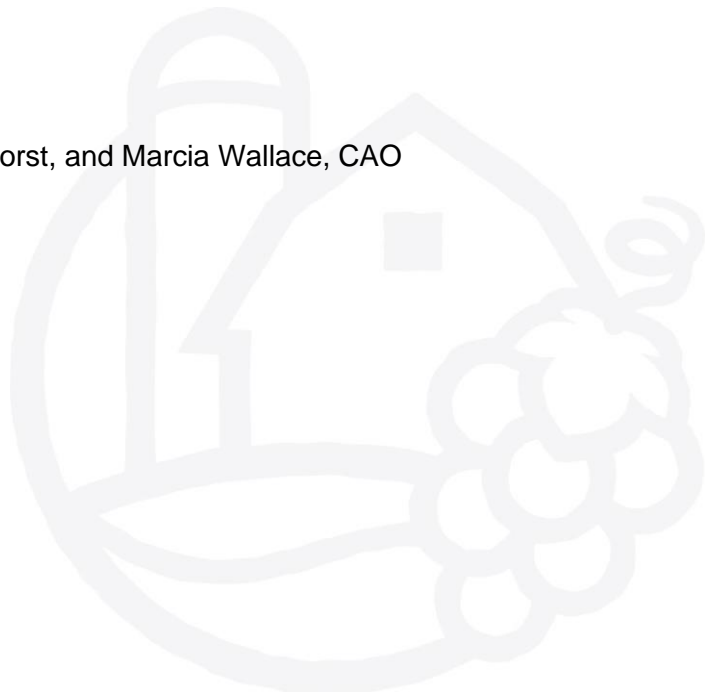
**THAT** Council direct the Mayor to write to the Provincial and Federal Ministers of Housing urgently requesting confirmation that financial support will continue for vulnerable households across Ontario currently in receipt of the Canada-Ontario Housing Benefit prior to May 31, 2024; and

**THAT** a copy of this resolution be sent to the Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Ontario Municipal Social Services Association, Prince Edward Lennox and Addington Social Services, the Eastern Ontario Wardens Caucus, and all Ontario Municipalities.

Yours truly,

Catalina Blumenberg, **CLERK**

cc: Mayor Steve Ferguson, Councillor Branderhorst, and Marcia Wallace, CAO





Honourable Lisa Thompson  
Ontario Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs  
Via e-mail: [lisa.thompsonco@pc.ola.org](mailto:lisa.thompsonco@pc.ola.org)

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May 9, 2024

Dear Minister Thompson,

In the 2023 Auditor General's Value-for-Money Audit of Public Health Ontario (PHO) released in December 2023, recommendation number 5 states that PHO, in conjunction with the Ministry of Health (MOH), are to update and implement a laboratory modernization plan within 12 months to streamline the laboratory's operations.

[https://www.auditor.on.ca/en/content/annualreports/arreports/en23/AR\\_publichealth\\_en23.pdf](https://www.auditor.on.ca/en/content/annualreports/arreports/en23/AR_publichealth_en23.pdf)

This stemmed from a 2017 proposal by PHO, collaboratively with the MOH at the request of the Deputy Minister to close six of the 11 public health laboratory sites (Hamilton, Kingston, Orillia, Peterborough, Sault Ste. Marie and Timmins) and gradually discontinue private drinking water testing. The justification:

- Mitigating rising costs of maintaining facilities
- Establishing a more efficient operating model that reduces the rerouting of samples to other PHO laboratory sites

The residents of the Township of Puslinch do not have access to a municipal water supply and rely exclusively on private wells. The phasing out of free well water testing will impose an additional barrier to water sampling.

At the April 10, 2024, meeting of the Township of Puslinch's Council the following resolution was unanimously approved:



**Resolution No. 2024-134:**

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and  
Seconded by Councillor Hurst

That correspondence item 10.2 regarding the Ausable Bayfield Maitland Valley Source Protection Committee recommendation Phase Out of Free Well Water Testing be received for information; and

Whereas the Township of Puslinch in receipt of the February 26, 2024 letter from the Ausable Maitland Valley Source Protection Committee (via the Lake Erie Source Protection Committee Meeting of March 28, 2024 ) to Honourable Lisa Thompson, Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs concerned Public Health Ontario's recommended phase out of free well water testing; and

Whereas the residents of the Township does not have access to a municipal water supply and rely exclusively on well water; and

Whereas the phasing of free well water testing will impose an additional barrier to ensuring safe drinking water when it is already difficult to encourage residents to test their water;

Be it resolved that the Township of Puslinch supports the letter from the Ausable Bayfield Maitland Valley Source Protection Committee to Minister Lisa Thompson and requests staff to send a similar letter of concern Minister Lisa Thompson, Honourable Sylvia Jones Minister of Health and Long Term Care, Honourable Andrea Khanjin Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, all Ontario Municipalities, AMO, Hon. Ted Arnott, and MPP Rae.

**CARRIED**

As per the above resolution, please accept a copy of this correspondence for your information and consideration.

Sincerely,

Justine Brotherston  
Municipal Clerk



CC: Hon. Sylvia Jones, Hon. Andrea Khanjin, MPP Rae, Hon. Ted Arnott, All Ontario Municipalities



February 26th, 2023

**Honourable Lisa Thompson, Ontario Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs**

Via e-mail: [lisa.thompsonco@pc.ola.org](mailto:lisa.thompsonco@pc.ola.org)

**Re: Recommended Phase Out of Free Well Water Testing in the 2023 Auditor General's Report**

Dear Minister Thompson,

In the 2023 Auditor General's Value-for-Money Audit of Public Health Ontario (PHO) released in December 2023, recommendation number 5 states that PHO, in conjunction with the Ministry of Health (MOH), are to update and implement a laboratory modernization plan within 12 months to streamline the laboratory's operations.

[https://www.auditor.on.ca/en/content/annualreports/arreports/en23/AR\\_publichealth\\_en23.pdf](https://www.auditor.on.ca/en/content/annualreports/arreports/en23/AR_publichealth_en23.pdf)

This stemmed from a 2017 proposal by PHO, collaboratively with the MOH at the request of the Deputy Minister to close six of the 11 public health laboratory sites (Hamilton, Kingston, Orillia, Peterborough, Sault Ste. Marie and Timmins) and gradually discontinue private drinking water testing. The justification:

- Mitigating rising costs of maintaining facilities
- Establishing a more efficient operating model that reduces the rerouting of samples to other PHO laboratory sites

About 50% of the Ausable Bayfield Maitland Valley Region population is serviced by private wells. The proposed removal of PHO's free private drinking water testing is of concern to our Ausable Bayfield Source Protection Committee, particularly when Source Protection Regions have been directed by the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks, Source Protection Branch, to deliver education and outreach to private well owners under the new Best Practices initiative.

In our region, we have been working with service and community organizations such as the Lions, Optimists and Lakeshore Residents Associations to co-host very successful Best Practices 'Water Wise' events that encourage private well owners to sample their drinking water using the free microbial testing provided by the province. By distributing water sample bottles ahead of the event and delivering the samples to Huron Perth Public Health for lab analysis, most of

the barriers to water sampling are removed. At these events 25% to 50% of a communities well water will be sampled in one day or night.

Well owners understand the importance of testing their well water; it is the inconvenience of doing so that is the barrier. One of the goals of the 'Water Wise' events is to encourage well owners to get in the habit of testing their water regularly as part of Best Practices for protecting their drinking water. The hope is that the community groups and service clubs that Source Protection staff work with will make Water Wise water sampling events part of their regular activities.

Private drinking water systems in Ontario do not have the legislated safeguards that are required for municipal/communal/public systems under the *Safe Drinking Water Act, 2002*. Only municipal water supply systems fall under the *Clean Water Act, 2006* and the Source Water Protection program. Health Canada's guidance on waterborne pathogens references three studies that determine that private systems are vulnerable and there is evidence that demonstrates they are more likely to contribute to gastrointestinal illness than public drinking water systems.

If the free water testing phase out recommendation is approved, well owners would have to use a commercial lab for a fee, which disincentivizes testing. When water is not monitored regularly, there is no way to know the true quality of the water, which puts people at increased risk of becoming ill. With private systems being stand-alone systems, any associated illnesses are isolated sporadic events and do not come to public attention like those seen during the Walkerton outbreak.

The private drinking water test data maintained by PHO has been used by researchers to publish evidence that helps support public health policy. Source Protection Committees can access data associated with their area, as was presented at our March 2023 meeting. The data can be used to inform well owners of regional water quality concerns and associated health risks. If PHO stops testing, this data and affiliated research will no longer be available.

In the Walkerton Inquiry Report Part 2, Justice O'Connor concluded the privatization of laboratory testing of drinking water samples connected directly to the *E. coli* O157:H7 outbreak in Walkerton Ontario in May 2000. Twenty-four years later, there is a proposal to privatize water testing once again.

At the January 31<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Ausable Bayfield Maitland Valley Source Protection Committee the following resolution was unanimously approved:



**MOTION #SPC: 2024-02-04**

**Moved by Philip Keightley**

**Seconded by Mary Ellen Foran**

**“THAT the Source Protection Committee direct a letter to Minister Thompson requesting that the province not proceed with the recommended phase out of free private well testing in Ontario, and**

**“FURTHER, THAT area municipalities, the Minister of Environment Conservation and Parks, the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, other Source Protection Committees, and local health units be forwarded the letter and asked for their support. “**

**Carried.**

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely



Matthew Pearson

Chair

Ausable Bayfield Maitland Valley Source Protection Committee

Cc Honourable Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care  
Honourable Andrea Khanjin, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

Municipalities of Adelaide Metcalfe, Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh, Bluewater, Central Huron, Goderich, Howick, Huron East, Lambton Shores, Lucan Biddulph, Mapleton, Middlesex Centre, Minto, Morris-Turnberry, North Middlesex, North Perth, Perth South, South Bruce, South Huron, Warwick, West Perth, Wellington North  
Townships of Huron-Kinloss and North Huron

Huron Perth Public Health, Lambton Public Health, Middlesex-London Health Unit, Wellington Dufferin Guelph Public Health

Source Protection Regions: Cataraqui; Central Lake Ontario, Toronto, Credit Valley; Essex; Hamilton Halton; Grey Sauble, Saugeen, Northern Bruce Peninsula; Lake Erie; Lakehead; Mattagami; Mississippi-Rideau; Niagara; North Bay; Quinte; Raisin South Nation; Sault Ste. Marie; South Georgian Bay Lake Simcoe; Sudbury; Thames -Sydenham and Region; Trent Conservation Coalition



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May 9, 2024

RE: Resolution from Town of Coburg Council regarding Request to Amend Subsection 27(16) of the Ontario Heritage Act

Please be advised that Township of Puslinch Council, at its meeting held on April 10, 2024 considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

**Resolution No. 2024-123:**

Moved by Councillor Hurst and  
Seconded by Councillor Sepulis

That the Consent Agenda item 6.13 be received for information; and

Whereas Council supports the resolution from the Town of Cobourg Council regarding a Request to Amend Subsection 27(16) of the Ontario Heritage Act;

That Council direct staff to forward a support resolution accordingly; and

That Council refer this consent item to the Heritage Advisory Committee for its information.

**CARRIED**

As per the above resolution, please accept a copy of this correspondence for your information and consideration.

Sincerely,



Justine Brotherston  
Municipal Clerk

CC: Ontario Municipalities



# The Corporation of the Town of Cobourg

## Resolution

All Ontario Municipalities

Sent via email

Town of Cobourg  
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Town of Cobourg

March 8, 2024

RE: Correspondence from the Architectural Conservancy Ontario regarding Proposed Amendment to Subsection 27(16) of the Ontario Heritage Act with respect to the removal of listed (non-designated) properties from municipal heritage registers

Please be advised that the Town of Cobourg Council, at its meeting held on February 28, 2024, passed the following resolution:

WHEREAS subsection 27(16) of the Ontario Heritage Act stipulates that any non-designated heritage property listed on the municipal register of properties as of December 31, 2022 shall be removed from the municipal register on or before January 1, 2025, if the council of the municipality does not give a notice of intention to designate the property under subsection 29(1) of the Ontario Heritage Act on or before January 1, 2025; and

WHEREAS since January 1, 2023, municipal staff and members of the municipal heritage committee in the Town of Cobourg have been diligently working to: review the municipal heritage register; research the heritage value and interest of listed (non-designated) properties; review and research the heritage value and interest of non-designated properties; contact owners of such properties; determine which properties should potentially be designated in accordance with the provisions of Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act; and take all required steps to designate such properties; and

WHEREAS the above-noted work involving 213 listed properties in the Town of Cobourg is extremely time-consuming and cannot be completed by December 31, 2024 with the limited municipal resources available.



# The Corporation of the Town of Cobourg

## Resolution

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Cobourg authorize the Mayor to promptly send a letter to Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, and Michael Ford, Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism, requesting that Subsection 27(16) of the Ontario Heritage Act be amended to extend the above-noted deadline for five years from January 1, 2025 to January 1, 2030; and

FURTHER THAT Council direct staff to forward this resolution to all 443 municipalities in Ontario seeking support of the ACO correspondence.

Sincerely,



Kristina Lepik  
Deputy Clerk/Manager, Legislative Services



Hon. Paul Calandra  
Ministry of Municipal  
Affairs and Housing

VIA EMAIL:

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May 9, 2024

RE: Resolution No. 2024-124 regarding 6.14 Township of Amaranth Resolution regarding Operational Budget Funding

Please be advised that Township of Puslinch Council, at its meeting held on April 10, 2024 considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

**Resolution No. 2024-124:**

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and  
Seconded by Councillor Hurst

**That the Consent Agenda item 6.14 be received for information; and**

**Whereas Council supports the resolution from the Township of Amaranth regarding Operational Budget Funding;**

**That Council direct staff to forward a support resolution accordingly; and further**

**That the resolution be forwarded to the County Warden Lennox for information.**

**CARRIED**

As per the above resolution, please accept a copy of this correspondence for your information and consideration.

Sincerely,

Justine Brotherston  
Municipal Clerk

CC: Premier of Ontario, AMO , Ontario Municipalities



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March 12, 2024

Hon. Paul Calandra  
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Sent by email to: [Paul.Calandra@pc.ola.org](mailto:Paul.Calandra@pc.ola.org)

**Re: Operational Budget Funding**

At its regular meeting of Council held on March 6, 2024, the Township of Amaranth Council passed the following resolution.

**Resolution #: 4**

**Moved by:** G Little

**Seconded by:** A. Stirk

Whereas all Ontario municipalities are prohibited from running budget deficits for operating purposes, and;

Whereas all Ontario municipalities have similar pressures with respect to aging infrastructure and operating costs for policing, and;

Whereas the City of Toronto has recently received Provincial funding to cover a \$1.2 billion dollar operating shortfall and approximately \$12 million in Federal and Provincial funding for their Police operating budget, and;

Whereas the City of Toronto has the lowest tax rates in the Province, approximately 40% less than the average Dufferin rural municipal tax rate.

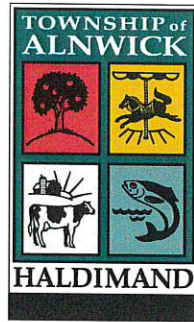
**Be it Resolved That** the Township of Amaranth call on the Province of Ontario to treat all municipalities fairly and provide equivalent representative operational budget funding amounts to all Ontario municipalities.

**CARRIED**

Please do not hesitate to contact the office if you require any further information on this matter.

Yours truly,

Nicole Martin, Dipl. M.A.  
CAO/Clerk  
C: Premier of Ontario; AMO; Ontario Municipalities



May 9, 2024

Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
 155 University Avenue, Suite 800  
 Toronto, ON M5H 3B7  
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Dear Sir/Madam:

**RE: Resolution of Support – Request Province to Undertake with AMO a Comprehensive Review of Municipal Finances Across Ontario**

At its Regular Council meeting of February 13, 2024, the Council of the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand passed the following resolution:

**RES:20240213-24**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Joan Stover, seconded by Councillor Mike Ainsworth;

*"Whereas Council of the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand received letters from the Town's of Hanover and Orangeville supporting the province committing to the undertaking of a social and economic prosperity review; and*

*Whereas current provincial-municipal fiscal arrangements are undermining Ontario's economic prosperity and quality of life; and*

*Whereas nearly a third of municipal spending in Ontario is for services in areas of provincial responsibility and expenditures are outpacing provincial contributions by nearly \$4 billion a year; and*

*Whereas municipal revenues, such as property taxes, do not grow with the economy or inflation; and*

*Whereas unprecedented population and housing growth will require significant investments in municipal infrastructure; and*



*Whereas municipalities are being asked to take on complex health and social challenges – like homelessness, supporting asylum seekers and addressing the mental health and addictions crises; and*

*Whereas inflation, rising interest rates, and provincial policy decisions are sharply constraining municipal fiscal capacity; and*

*Whereas property taxpayers – including people on fixed incomes and small businesses – can't afford to subsidize income re-distribution programs for those most in need; and*

*Whereas the province can, and should, invest more in the prosperity of communities; and*

*Whereas municipalities and the provincial government have a strong history of collaboration;*

*Therefore, be it resolved that the Province of Ontario commit to undertaking with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario a comprehensive social and economic prosperity review to promote the stability and sustainability of municipal finances across Ontario; and*

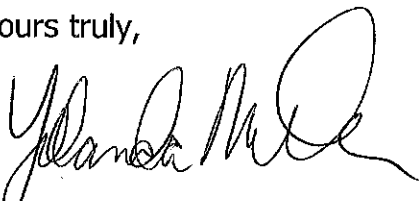
*Further be it resolved that Council direct the Deputy Clerk to send a copy of this resolution to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Premier Doug Ford, MPP David Piccini - Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development and all Ontario municipalities."*

CARRIED.

Please find attached the resolution from the Town's of Hanover and Orangeville as supporting documentation.

We respectfully submit the resolution and supporting documentation for your consideration.

Yours truly,



Yolanda Melburn  
Deputy Clerk

Encl.

Cc: Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Hon. David Piccini, Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Dev.  
Hon. Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
All Ontario Municipalities

February 1, 2024

The Honourable Doug Ford  
 Premier of Ontario  
 Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
 Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Via Email: [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

Dear Premier Ford:

**Re: Social and Economic Prosperity Review**

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Please be advised that the Council of the Town of Hanover adopted the following resolution at their meeting of January 15, 2024 regarding the above noted matter;

**Moved by COUNCILLOR KOEBEL      Seconded by COUNCILLOR HOCKING**

**Whereas** current provincial-municipal fiscal arrangements are undermining Ontario's economic prosperity and quality of life;

**Whereas** nearly a third of municipal spending in Ontario is for services in areas of provincial responsibility and expenditures are outpacing provincial contributions by nearly \$4 billion a year;

**Whereas** municipal revenues, such as property taxes, do not grow with the economy or inflation;

**Whereas** unprecedented population and housing growth will require significant investments in municipal infrastructure;

**Whereas** municipalities are being asked to take on complex health and social challenges – like homelessness, supporting asylum seekers and addressing the mental health and addictions crises;

**Whereas** inflation, rising interest rates, and provincial policy decisions are sharply constraining municipal fiscal capacity;

**Whereas** property taxpayers – including people on fixed incomes and small businesses – can't afford to subsidize income re-distribution programs for those most in need;

**Whereas** the province can, and should, invest more in the prosperity of communities;

**Whereas** municipalities and the provincial government have a strong history of collaboration;

**Therefore be it resolved that** the Province of Ontario commit to undertaking with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario a comprehensive social and economic prosperity review to promote the stability and sustainability of municipal finances across Ontario;

**And further that** a copy of this motion be sent to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, and to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

**CARRIED**

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tanya Patterson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Tanya Patterson  
Deputy Clerk

/tp

cc: Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
Honourable Rick Byers, MPP Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
Ontario Municipalities



## Town of Orangeville

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### Corporate Services

January 26, 2024

#### **Re: Social and Economic Prosperity Review**

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Orangeville, at its Regular Council Meeting held on January 22, 2024, approved the following resolution:

**WHEREAS current provincial-municipal fiscal arrangements are undermining Ontario's economic prosperity and quality of life; and**

**WHEREAS nearly a third of municipal spending in Ontario is for services in areas of provincial responsibility and expenditures are outpacing provincial contributions by nearly \$4 billion a year; and**

**WHEREAS municipal revenues, such as property taxes, do not grow with the economy or inflation; and**

**WHEREAS unprecedented population and housing growth will require significant investments in municipal infrastructure; and**

**WHEREAS municipalities are being asked to take on complex health and social challenges – like homelessness, supporting asylum seekers and addressing the mental health and addictions crises; and**

**WHEREAS inflation, rising interest rates, and provincial policy decisions are sharply constraining municipal fiscal capacity; and**

**WHEREAS property taxpayers – including people on fixed incomes and small businesses – can't afford to subsidize income redistribution programs for those most in need; and**

**WHEREAS the province can, and should, invest more in the prosperity of communities; and**

**WHEREAS municipalities and the provincial government have a strong history of collaboration; now**

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Orangeville requests the Province of Ontario commit to undertaking with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario a comprehensive social and economic prosperity review to promote the stability and sustainability of municipal finances across Ontario; and**

**FURTHER THAT a copy of this motion is sent to the Premier of Ontario, Doug Ford; the MPP, Sylvia Jones; and all municipalities in Ontario.**

**Carried.**

Yours truly,

Raylene Martell  
Town Clerk

May 9, 2024

Sent via email: [minister.mecp@ontario.ca](mailto:minister.mecp@ontario.ca)

Hon. Andrea Khanjin, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks  
College Park 5<sup>th</sup> Flr  
777 Bay St.  
Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

Dear Minister Khanjin:

**Re: Lake Simcoe Phosphorus Pollution**

For your information and records, at its meeting of Municipal Council held on May 7, 2024, the Council of the Town of East Gwillimbury enacted as follows:

*WHEREAS in 2009 the Government of Ontario released its Lake Simcoe Protection Plan, which called for Lake Simcoe's phosphorus pollution to be reduced by 50% to 44 tonnes per year to protect our cold water fishery and to prevent toxic blue-green algae blooms and excessive weed growth;*

*WHEREAS Lake Simcoe's phosphorus pollution has risen by 25% between 2015 and 2020 relative to its 2009 level.*

*NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of East Gwillimbury requests the Government of Ontario to fund and implement a plan to reduce Lake Simcoe's phosphorus pollution to 44 tonnes per year with a target date of 2030; and*

*THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Honourable Andrea Khanjin, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks; and all Lake Simcoe watershed MPPs and municipalities.*

If you have any further questions, feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,



Tara Lajevardi, Hon. B.A.  
Municipal Clerk/Director of Legislative Services

CC

Honourable Doug Downey, MPP, Barrie–Springwater–Oro-Medonte  
Honourable Jill Dunlop, MPP, Simcoe North  
Honourable Caroline Mulroney, MPP, York–Simcoe  
Laurie Scott, MPP, Haliburton–Kawartha Lakes–Brock  
Lake Simcoe Watershed Municipalities



## Minister Cho Op-ed for Seniors' Month – 2024

*June is Seniors Month: Keeping seniors fit, active and socially connected*

Seniors Month has been celebrated in the month of June since 1984, and this year marks 40 years celebrating Ontario's outstanding seniors and recognizing the positive impact they have made in our lives.

Across this great province, seniors have made enormous contributions in building the Ontario we all enjoy today, and they are the fastest growing demographic group. By 2046, the number of adults aged 65 and over is projected to increase significantly from over 2 million, since 2021, to 4.4 million.

This year's Seniors Month is another wonderful opportunity for celebrating our aging population with the theme, **'Working for Seniors'**. It's a theme that emphasizes the continued importance of supporting older adults through the right programs and initiatives that provide wellness, social engagement and education in communities across the province.

I am proud of the work we have done - and continue to do - to address the needs of an aging population while helping seniors contribute to all aspects of community life.

Our programs and services across our government will always be guided by the health and well-being of our senior population. And we will continue to invest in the supports that all seniors need and deserve so they can live life to the fullest.

For example, [The Seniors Active Living Centre \(SALC\) Program](#) is a program that promotes wellness, social interaction, education, and support services with the goal of keeping seniors healthy and independent through approximately 316 programs across the province.

Each year, our [Seniors Community Grant Program](#) funds local not-for-profit community groups and organizations to deliver projects, supports and resources that help older adults by offering a wide variety of activities to promote engagement, reduce isolation and promote healthy living.

Our new website at [ontario.ca/seniors](https://ontario.ca/seniors) and our [Guide to Programs and Services for Seniors](#) offers a wealth of information for seniors and caregivers about health, finances, housing, security and more.

It is also a priority for me to honour the knowledge, experience, and contributions that Ontario's older adults have made to the province through the [Ontario Senior Achievement Awards](#) and [Ontario Senior of the Year Awards](#).

Our government knows that Ontario's communities are strengthened, and everyone benefits when our aging population can stay active and connected with local supports.

Over the course of Seniors Month, we are working with municipalities and our community partners to provide resources that promote the health and well-being of Ontario's seniors, help reduce social isolation and make sure they have opportunities to thrive in their communities.

Not just during Seniors Month, but always, I encourage everyone to take some time to reach out and acknowledge a senior in your life.

Together, let's recognize our seniors and help keep them active, fit and socially connected.

For more information about programs and services for seniors, visit:  
[www.ontario.ca/seniors](http://www.ontario.ca/seniors).

**Raymond Cho**  
**Ontario Minister for Seniors and Accessibility**



**June is  
Seniors Month**





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# June is Seniors Month

Working for Seniors

## Tips on how you can support Seniors Month 2024

Thank the seniors in your life for all their hard work and show them just how much they are appreciated:

- Send a "Thank You" message, either in person, over the phone, by mail or email, or on social media.
- Nominate a senior in June for an [Ontario Senior Achievement Award](#).
- Post a message on your social media channels and tag us on X (Twitter): [@SeniorsON](#) or Facebook: [@SeniorsOntario](#).

## Tell us what you are doing during Seniors Month

- Join our Seniors Month conversation on Twitter and Facebook by using **#SeniorsMonth2024**.
- Post photos or videos of your Seniors Month celebrations and tag us on X (Twitter): [@SeniorsON](#), and Facebook: [@SeniorsOntario](#)
- Seniors volunteering and helping in their neighbourhood? Tell us about it! Tag us on X (Twitter): [@SeniorsON](#), and Facebook: [@SeniorsOntario](#)

## Promote Seniors Month to your friends and family

- Share health and fitness tips for seniors.
- Post info about seniors' events taking place during Seniors Month (via link to community centres/municipalities)
- Feature topics of interest to seniors (retirement, financial scams and fraud, elder abuse, housing, driving, health and well-being) in your posts.
- Provide Seniors Month resources to celebrate the month: poster, factsheet, or ideas to celebrate Seniors Month.



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### Information for Seniors in Ontario

The [Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility](#) works with community organizations to offer supports and services to help seniors stay active, well, safe and socially connected through a range of programs and services. This year, the theme for Seniors Month is Working for Seniors.

### Seniors Community Grants

This program funds local not-for-profit community groups and organizations to deliver projects, supports and resources for seniors that provide opportunities for greater social inclusion, volunteerism and community engagement.

Find information about the [program online](#).

### Seniors Active Living Fairs

Seniors can find information about government programs and services, as well as information about healthy aging and active lifestyles to keep them active and engaged.

Learn more about [seniors fairs in your community](#).

### Seniors Active Living Centre programs

Seniors Active Living Centre programs help local seniors stay active, become more involved in their community, and meet new friends in person or online. These programs include:

- unique social activities
- learning and educational opportunities
- recreational programming
- the Seniors Centre Without Walls virtual program
- online video sessions.

There are 316 programs across the province serving seniors annually.

To find a Seniors Active Living Centre program, please:

- visit the [Seniors Active Living Centre locator map](#)
- contact your municipality
- call 2-1-1.

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### Age-friendly communities

Age-Friendly Communities are inclusive, accessible environments with programs and services that help seniors stay connected. These communities can include improved transit and housing, as well as opportunities for civic and social participation.

Learn more at [ontario.ca/agefriendly](https://ontario.ca/agefriendly).

### Health811

Health811 is a free, secure and confidential service Ontarians can call or access online 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to receive health advice from qualified health professionals, such as a registered nurse, locate local health services and find trusted health information.

This service is available in both English and French, with translation support offered in other languages.

- Call: 811
- Toll-free TTY: 1-866-797-0007
- Chat live online
- Visit [ontario.ca/Health811](https://ontario.ca/Health811)

### Seniors Safety Line

Seniors Safety Line is a 24/7, confidential and free resource. It provides counselling, information, safety planning and referrals in 240 languages for seniors in Ontario who are experiencing, or are at risk of, any type of abuse or neglect.

Call Toll-free: 1-866-299-1011 or  
TTY: 1-866-299-0088.

### More information

Learn more about:

- Seniors Month at [ontario.ca/SeniorsMonth](https://ontario.ca/SeniorsMonth).
- ministry programs and services at [ontario.ca/seniors](https://ontario.ca/seniors).
- resources for seniors with the updated [Guide to Programs and Services for Seniors in Ontario](#).
- other programs and services available in your area at: [211ontario.ca](https://211ontario.ca).
- Seniors' INFOLine  
Call: 416-326-7076  
Toll-free: 1-888-910-1999  
TTY: 1-800-387-5559

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May 10, 2024

Sent to: [k.madho@deafblindontario.com](mailto:k.madho@deafblindontario.com)

Dear Karen Madho:

**RE: Proclamation and Lighting Request – Deafblind Awareness Month – June 2024**

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I am writing to advise that your proclamation request has been approved in accordance with the Council-approved [Proclamation, Lighting Request and Community Flag Raising Policy](#), and the Town of Newmarket will proclaim June 2024 as Deafblind Awareness Month. Approved proclamations, lighting requests, and community flag raisings will be listed on the Town's website. Approved lighting and community flag raisings will also be communicated to the public through the Town's social media.

In addition, the Riverwalk Commons and Fred A. Lundy Bridge located on Water Street will be illuminated in blue on June 3, 2024 to recognize Deafblind Awareness Month. Please note that the lighting will occur from sunset until 11:00 PM.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely,

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Simon Granat  
Legislative Coordinator



May 10, 2024

Sent to: k.madho@deafblindontario.com

Dear Karen Madho:

**RE: Proclamation and Lighting Request – Deafblind Awareness Month – June 2024**

On behalf of the Town of Newmarket Council I am pleased to recognize Deafblind Awareness Month as June 2024.

In addition, the Riverwalk Commons and Fred A. Lundy Bridge located on Water Street will be illuminated in blue on June 3, 2024 from sunset until 11:00 PM.

Thank you for submitting your request and for your contributions to the community.

Yours sincerely,

John Taylor  
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May 8, 2024

Sent to: [mawad@kidneycancer canada.ca](mailto:mawad@kidneycancer canada.ca)

Dear Mona Awad:

**RE: Lighting Request – World Kidney Cancer Day — June 20, 2024**

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I am writing to advise that your proclamation request has been approved in accordance with the Council-approved [Proclamation, Lighting Request and Community Flag Raising Policy](#), and the Town of Newmarket will illuminate the Riverwalk Commons and Fred A. Lundy Bridge located on Water Street in green on June 20, 2024 to recognize World Kidney Cancer Day. Please note that the lighting will occur from sunset until 11:00 PM. Approved proclamations, lighting requests, and community flag raisings will be listed on the Town's website. Approved lighting and community flag raisings will also be communicated to the public through the Town's social media.

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May 10, 2024

Sent to: [eblaskie@paralympic.ca](mailto:eblaskie@paralympic.ca)

Dear Erin Blaskie:

**RE: Lighting Request – Canadian Paralympic Team and 50 Days to the Paralympic Games – July 9, 2024**

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I am writing to advise that your lighting request has been approved in accordance with the Council-approved [Proclamation, Lighting Request and Community Flag Raising Policy](#), and the Town of Newmarket will illuminate the Riverwalk Commons and Fred A. Lundy Bridge located on Water Street will be illuminated in Red on July 9, 2024 to recognize the Canadian Paralympic Team and 50 Days to the Paralympic Games. Please note that the lighting will occur from sunset until 11:00 PM. Approved proclamations, lighting requests, and community flag raisings will be listed on the Town's website. Approved lighting and community flag raisings will also be communicated to the public through the Town's social media.

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May 10, 2024

Sent to: eblaskie@paralympic.ca

Dear Erin Blaskie:

**RE: Lighting Request – Canadian Paralympic Team and 50 Days to the Paralympic Games – July 9, 2024**

On behalf of the Town of Newmarket Council I am pleased to recognize the Canadian Paralympic Team and 50 Days to the Paralympic Games by illuminating the Riverwalk Commons and Fred A. Lundy Bridge located on Water Street in red on July 9, 2024 from sunset until 11:00 PM.

Thank you for submitting your request and for your contributions to the community.

Yours sincerely,

John Taylor  
Mayor