

# TOWN OF HALTON HILLS – GENERAL INFORMATION PACKAGE

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**MINUTES OF THE  
ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting held on Wednesday February 28, 2024, Via Zoom

Members Present: Councillor M. Albano, Chair, Councillor D. Keene, J. Bray, L. McKenzie, W. Farrow-Reed, S. Calvert

Regrets: J. Pearce

Staff Present: A. Matthews, Director of Facilities J. Smith, Facility Supervisor, T. Forbes, Facility Supervisor, M. Roj, Traffic Coordinator, R. Brown, Deputy Clerk - Administration

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Councillor M. Albano, Chair called the meeting to order.  
Committee and staff briefly introduced themselves.

**2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY/CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

There were no disclosures of pecuniary or conflict of interest.

**3. SCHEDULED ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

**3.a Minutes of the Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting held on November 22, 2023.**

Recommendation No. HHAAC-2024-0001

THAT the Minutes of the Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting held on November 22, 2023, be received.

**CARRIED**

#### **4. ITEMS TO BE SCHEDULED FOR NEXT MEETING**

##### **4.a Update on Accessible Stairs for Acton Pool**

T. Forbes advised the committee that the accessible stairs have been well received and are being utilized daily for all sorts of programming including Aquafit. The stairs can be easily removed when the area they are situated in is required for lane swims.

##### **4.b Funding Request - Accessible Push Buttons for Accessible Washrooms at the Gellert**

T. Forbes noted that at the November meeting it was brought to staff's attention that there were no push buttons on the accessible washrooms located in the public area and the pool deck of the Gellert Community Centre. The facility is now 20 years old, although built in accordance to building code at the time the two standalone accessible all gender washrooms were not equipped with automatic openers. Staff support the request by the committee and are requesting funding to rectify this situation. For provision and installation of two (2) power operated door openers, the cost will be \$8023.96 plus tax. This cost does not include electrical, staff will have the electrical funded from the operating budget.

##### Recommendation No. HHAAC-2024-0002

THAT the Accessibility Advisory committee approves funding for two (2) power operated door openers at the Gellert Community Centre in the amount of \$8023.96 (+HST) to be taken from the Municipal Accessibility Plan Capital Project Account.

**CARRIED**

##### **4.c Update - Accessibility at the Cultural Centre**

A. Matthews and J. Smith provide the Accessibility Committee with information regarding audience accommodation at the John Elliott Theatre, particularly concerning sold-out events and general seating availability. The presentation highlighted the ongoing efforts and procedures in place to ensure accessibility for patrons with special needs during events at the theatre.

The theatre offers both General Admission and Reserved Seating configurations for events, with event organizers having the autonomy to choose the seating arrangement. The Front of House Manager is on-site to oversee ushers and assist patrons with special needs and other issues that arise. Volunteer ushers are often provided by the organization running the event, and while they receive an orientation, they may not have

extensive experience dealing with patron special requests. The John Elliott Theatre has 6 positions where seats can be removed to accommodate the placement of a wheelchair. Because the theatre layout uses stairs to access the individual rows, the positions are in the front row (Row A, 2 locations) and the back row (Row N, 4 locations).

Efforts are made to accommodate patrons with diverse needs if seating is available. The theatre is not obligated to prevent seats from being sold to patrons without special needs to reserve seats for potential patrons with special needs. Since all ticket sales are conducted on a first-come, first-served basis, it is a possibility for a patron to not be able to be accommodated based on availability.

The theatre is equipped with a hearing assistive loop system to accommodate patrons using hearing assistive devices. The hearing assistive loop system allows patrons with compatible devices to receive audio signals directly to their hearing aids or cochlear implants, enhancing their listening experience during performances and events.

The Town has long been aware of the preference to install sliding doors at the main entrance of the facility. This was not included in the original plan due to cost constraints at the time. In 2024, the Town has approved a capital expenditure to retrofit the front entrance with sliding doors. The work is anticipated to take place in the third quarter of this year.

The theatre is committed to providing a welcoming and accessible environment for all patrons, including those with special needs. Measures are in place to address accessibility challenges during events, such as sold-out performances with General Admission seating, while adhering to fire code regulations. The facility has ample Accessible Washrooms that can be accessed by elevator. The elevator and link hallway provide access the accessible seats in the front row.

J. Smith advised the committee that staff recently had a situation where accommodation did not occur for a patron on the autism spectrum, this resulted in a complaint that staff have taken seriously and have been addressing. The complaint arose out of a sold-out general admission event with a waitlist. Staff have looked into the situation and noted that due to the general admission and the multiple stakeholders running the event the accommodation was not done. Staff are addressing the matter with the complainant and are looking at their practices and procedures to see if they can try to better accommodate in the future.

The committee expressed disappointment that this situation occurred and requested that staff review their policies, practices, and procedures for future accommodation requests. Staff will report back to the committee on their review and any actions they may be taking in the future.

#### **4.d AODA Improvements for Signalized Intersections 2024**

M. Roj made a presentation to the Accessibility Advisory Committee 2024 AODA Improvements for Signalized Intersections.

M. Roj noted that it has been an 18-year journey to where we are in terms of AODA Improvements for Signalized Intersections. The Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, (AODA) 2005 came into effect and with that the first Accessible Pedestrian Signal (APS) installation at Guelph Street (Hwy 7) and Mountainview Road in 2006. In f December 2012 the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005, added new design standards for the Design of Public Spaces that apply to new construction and the redevelopment of elements in public spaces. New or redeveloped pedestrian crossings with curb ramps or depressed curbs must have tactile walking surface indicators with “raised tactile profiles” that have a high tonal contrast to the adjacent surface. The Town of Halton Hills as part of its commitment to AODA has committed to installing or updating three (3) Signalized Intersections per Year

M. Roj reviewed Accessible Pedestrian Signals, Tactile Walking Surface Indicators, Sidewalk Platforms, and other Pedestrian Safety Improvements with the committee, explaining the requirements and what the Town has done to meet those requirements.

M. Roj advised that the Town has 3 signalized intersection projects for 2024 they include;

- Main Street North (Hwy 7) and Moore Park
- Guelph Street (Hwy 7) and Mountainview Road - addition of tactile plates
- Main Street and Mill Street in Acton

#### **5. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.



**HERITAGE HALTON HILLS COMMITTEE  
MINUTES**

Minutes of the Heritage Halton Hills Committee meeting held on Wednesday February 21, 2024, in the Esquesing Room at Town Hall, 1 Halton Hills Drive, Halton Hills, ON.

**Members Present:** Councillor C. Somerville, Chair, Councillor J. Racinsky, C. Donaldson, L. Quinlan, R. Denny, A. Walker

**Regrets:** M. Rowe, T. Brown

**Staff Present:** L. Loney, Manager of Heritage Planning, L. Bateson, Senior Administrative and Heritage Planning Coordinator, R. Brown, Deputy Clerk - Administration

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair C. Somerville called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

**2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY/CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

There were no disclosures of pecuniary or conflict of interest.

**3. RECEIPT OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**3.a Minutes of the Heritage Halton Hills Committee Meeting held on January 17, 2024.**

Recommendation No. HHH-2024-0009

THAT the minutes of the Heritage Halton Hills Committee Meeting held on January 17, 2024, be received.

**CARRIED**

#### 4. SCHEDULED ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

##### 4.a Research and Evaluation Report - 9156 Trafalgar Road - Currie Farmhouse (AMMA Canada)

L. Loney provided an overview of the research and evaluation report for 9156 Trafalgar Road (Curie Farmhouse). The property meets 4 of the 9 criteria. It has physical and design value; it is a red brick Ontario Cottage farmhouse with cross-gable roof and stone foundation in the Gothic Revival style. It has historical and associative value, it is associated with the Currie family, Albert Cormier and AMMA Canada. The property has contextual value as it maintains, supports, and defines character. It is visually, physically, functionally, and historically linked to its surroundings. There were no issues brought forward by the owners of the property. For all these reasons it is recommended that 9156 Trafalgar Road be designated.

Recommendation No. HHH-2024-0010

THAT the Heritage Halton Hills Committee recommend that Council issue a Notice of Intention to Designate for the property at 9156 Trafalgar Road for designation under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

**CARRIED**

##### 4.b Research and Evaluation Report - 25 Mountain Street - Barraclough House

L. Loney provided an overview of the research and evaluation report for 25 Mountain Street (Barraclough House). The property meets 8 of the 9 criteria for designation. The property has physical and design value, it is a unique Queen Anne Revival style home with a high degree of craftsmanship and artistic merit. It has historical and associative value, it is associated with the woolen mill industry, Ernest Barraclough and family and Lucy Maud Montgomery. It has contextual value as it is a significant landmark, linked to its surroundings, and is an unusual and interesting home in the community. The owners of the property are supportive of designation. For all these reasons it is recommended that this property be designated.



Recommendation No. HHH-2024-0011

THAT the Heritage Halton Hills Committee recommend that Council issue a Notice of Intention to Designate for the property at 25 Mountain Street for designation under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

**CARRIED**

**4.c Research and Evaluation Report - 8 James Street - Mackenzie Mill**

L. Loney provided an overview of the research and evaluation report for 8 James Street (Mackenzie Mill). This property meets 7 of the 9 criteria for designation. This property has physical and design value, it is a late 19th-century vernacular industrial building. It has historical and associative value it is associated with H.P. Lawson, the Mackenzie family and industry in Georgetown. It has contextual value as it defines the built character of the downtown and it is linked to its historic surroundings. The owners of the property are supportive of designation. For all these reasons it is recommended that this property be designated.

Recommendation No. HHH-2024-0012

THAT the Heritage Halton Hills Committee recommend that Council issue a Notice of Intention to Designate for the property at 8 James Street for designation under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

**CARRIED**

**5. ITEMS TO BE SCHEDULED FOR NEXT MEETING**

**5.a Norval Presbyterian Church**

Norval Presbyterian Church will be closing soon, with this news Council has directed staff to move this property up in the research and evaluation list so that it can be reviewed for designation sooner. Staff will bring the research and evaluation report for this property to committee as soon as it is ready.

### **5.b Architectural Conservancy of Ontario**

Chair C. Somerville and Councillor J. Racinsky advised the committee that the Architectural Conservancy of Ontario is asking for Resolutions from Municipal Council's to ask the province to extend the deadline set out in Bill 23, the Build More Homes Faster Act, to designate properties on Municipal Heritage Registry's.

Councillor C. Somerville and Councillor J. Racinsky will be bringing a Notice of Motion to the March 4, 2024, Council Meeting with respect to this matter, with the Motion going before Council for consideration at the March 25, 2024, Council Meeting. They will update the committee at a future meeting.

### **5.c Knox Presbyterian Church**

L. Loney advised the committee that although there was originally support from the Knox Presbyterian Church congregation for the designation of the church, the Trustees are still meeting with the Presbytery. L. Loney is going to withdraw the original notice of designation so that a new notice of designation can be sent to Knox Presbyterian Church to allow some further conversation before the property is designated.

## **6. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 4:52 p.m.

**DOWNTOWN ACTON BIA**

**BOARD OF MANAGEMENT MINUTES**

**Wednesday February 21, 2024 – 7:00pm**

**Acton Town Hall Centre Office**

Attending: Monica Galway (Chair), Chris Cambouris (Vice-chair), Micheal Albano (Appointed Town Councillor), Nicole Walker (Acton Optical), Norman Paulsen (Acton Motors), Patricia Daleman (Grant Thornton), Matthew Galliford (BIA Coordinator)

1. Chair's Welcome – Monica Galway
2. Call to Order – 7:02pm
3. Adoption of January 2024 Minutes – 1<sup>st</sup>: Michael Albano, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Chris Cambouris, All in favor: Yes
4. Motion to Approve February 2024 Agenda – 1<sup>st</sup>: Patricia Daleman, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Nicole Walker,  
All in favor: Yes
5. Coordinator's Report – Matthew Galliford – see attached.
  - Administrative update
  - Beautification / Graffiti update
  - Events and Festivals update
  - Complaints
6. Financial Report – Matthew Galliford – Presented by Patricia Daleman: see attached.  
Monica Parker – Motion to accept the Draft Financial Statements for 2023.  
1<sup>st</sup>: Chris Cambouris, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Norman Paulsen, All in favor: Yes  
Monica Parker – Motion to accept the Financial Statement for January 2024.  
1<sup>st</sup>: Nicole Walker, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Chris Cambouris, All in favor: Yes
  - 3-year Strategic Plan – What projects do we want to consider adding?  
Chris Cambouris is reviewing our former 5-year plan and is working on recommendations for new projects as we finalize older projects. New Downtown Acton flower planters are on the 3-year strategic plan as well as BIA Signage and Wayfinding Signage, Matthew Galliford has applied for the RED Grant to possibly fund these projects.
  - set monthly meeting dates for 3 months.  
Wednesday April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – 7pm, Acton Town Hall Centre Office  
Wednesday May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – 7pm, Acton Town Hall Centre Office  
Wednesday June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – 7pm, Acton Town Hall Centre Office
7. New Business - OBIAA Conference delegates? April 28 – May 1, 2024, Mississauga Hilton  
Recommendations were made for members of the Board of Directors to attend individual days of the conference to get a chance to experience the information sessions. Norman Paulsen and Chris Cambouris have expressed interest in attending. An email with the conference details will be sent to both Chris and Norman.

\*Chris is available to attend the conference on Monday April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024. The conference is being held in Streetsville Ontario so hotel rooms will not be required, attendees can claim milage.

**NEW ITEM:** Nicole Walker has suggested that the DABIA look into hosting an information session for all BIA Membership businesses regarding the Digital Main Street program. We should consider an evening session in March or April. Matthew Galliford will contact the Digital Main Street and My Main Street programs to make arrangements and send out the invitations once a date is set.

8. Motion to Adjourn – 8:10pm 1<sup>st</sup>: Patricia Daleman, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Chris Cambouris, All in favor: Yes

**NEXT MEETING:**

Wednesday March 20, 2024 – 7:00pm (Audit related)

*Shop, Eat & Play Local – It's Worth the Drive!*

Attachments:

Coordinator's Report

For Internal Use Only (DABIA Board of Directors / Town Clerk's Office):

Draft Financial Statements for 2023  
Financial Statement for January 2024

**DABIA Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Wednesday February 21, 2024 – 7:00pm**  
**Acton Town Hall Centre**

**Coordinators Report**

**Administrative update:**

-OBIAA Membership renewed for 2024, Halton Hills Chamber of Commerce Membership not renewed.

-We were denied full financial support for the Canadian Summer Jobs Program (CSJ). The program was offering 50% wage coverage for the two student funding programs. We had to confirm or withdraw the application. This has happened to many BIA's this year and OBIAA is looking into the changes. We are bringing on a Co-op Student and have various student volunteers who require the 40hrs of community service to help us out this summer.

-The draft recommendations for the M.O.U. have been sent to Erin Kaiser at the Town of Halton Hills. I have expressed that these are our "deal breaker" items. ie: Town to arrange and pay for annual audit.

-The 2024 Downtown Acton Business Directory has been compiled, published and release to all BIA members and the public by email and a pull-out section in the Acton Monthly news.

- The BIA contacts directory and website are underway with a complete overhaul to represent business and activities in Acton and serve as the one stop umbrella for all BIA media and events links.

-Year end financials and the annual Audit are underway. The audit requirements from the office were sent in on Friday Feb. 9<sup>th</sup> with some follow up continuing on the weekend and Monday Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Beautification / Graffiti update:**

-Holiday Lights came down Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>, Banners went up. Holiday light displays were put away shortly after. Valentines display in the Parkette was put up and removed after the occasion. St. Patrick's display in the Parkette will be installed in early March.

-Monday Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>, Monica, Mike, Chris and I met with members of Town of Halton Hills departments to finalize the placement of the benches and garbage receptacles purchased in 2021. Some benches are already in place, the map of garbage receptacle placement has been determined and is included with a report to the Town to open work permits and complete the project. Funding is coming from RED Grant monies allotted in 2021 for this specific project. Installation timeline TBD.

-Flowers: A committee meeting was set for a Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> discussion of downtown flower planning and was cancelled due to other administrative issues coming up unexpectedly. Julie at Flowershed has been contacted and can meet at our convenience to discuss a plan based on our needs and budget. I have a list of actual quantities of what is needed, and placements preferred.

-Graffiti tagging took over part of the Downtown area, mainly along Mill Street from John Street to Giant Tiger, Church Street to Knox Ave. I have the police involved, photos have been collected of all the tags, submitted to Halton Police and the Town. Officer Wentzell and I visited all the affected building tenants / owners to encourage filing police reports. Officer Wentzell will keep me advised on the investigation. The Town has started cleaning municipal property that was tagged.

Events and Festivals update:

-Outdoor Market and Leathertown applications are available online already. Emails to all of last year’s vendors are being sent out. We already have applications and payments coming in.

-70 Below Treats is offering to sponsor a different street character at the Leathertown Festival this year. Does someone want to sponsor Georgetown Spiderman if he is still available?

-A professional stage has been booked for the main stage this year. Ken Baker will be stage managing and providing the equipment again this year. The bands for the main stage are also booked, I am currently working on the secondary stage. Rotary was the secondary stage sponsor last year, I will follow up with them as I start the Sponsorship Fundraising next.

-We have a potential opportunity to bring the Northern Heat Ribfest to Acton on the August long weekend. I am currently working at promoting the heck out of how great Acton is for this event to come here.

-We have the potential to host fireworks shows whenever we choose to. I am considering a 10pm New Year’s Eve mini countdown community event at Prospect Park. Supernova Fireworks has contacted us to offer their services when needed at a very affordable price.

-The BIA are supporting Sarah Brophy-Platts and her office with an Easter Egg Hunt event in March. Details are still being worked out.

Complaints:

-Other than the graffiti tagging, I am still monitoring and following up with the town Enforcement offices regarding the burned-out lot on Mill Street East. We do have a formal investigation filed with the enforcement department and I have been contacted as to the status of the lot remediation.

-The Town had some concerns about some of the sidewalk retail signage around downtown. I have spoken to the business owners, and they have resolved the concerns.

**-End of report-**

Draft Financial Statement for 2023



2023 Acton BIA -  
Budget v Actuals.pdf

Financial Statement for January 2024



Jan 1 - Feb 12 2024  
Budget v Actual.pdf



## COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT MINUTES

Minutes of the Committee of Adjustment hearing held on **February 7, 2024**, at 6 p.m. via Zoom.

Members Present: Todd Jenney (Chair), Jane Watson, Lloyd Hillier, Keith Medenblik, Jason Smith

Staff Present: Ruth Conard, Planner  
Josh Salisbury, Planner  
Niloo Hodjati, Secretary-Treasurer, Committee of Adjustment & Consent Official

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

### 2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY/CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

### 3. APPLICATIONS HEARD

The Chair's comments about the procedure were as follows:

- Town staff would speak.
- Owner or agent would be given an opportunity to speak.
- Any members of the public would be given an opportunity to speak (owner or agent would have an opportunity to respond, if needed).
- The Committee would then deliberate, ask any questions, and make a decision.
- A decision would be subject to a 20-day appeal period.

#### a) **Minor Variance D13VAR20.018H – 2570997 Ontario Inc.**

**Location:** 16268 17 Side Road, Town of Halton Hills (Esquesing), Regional Municipality of Halton

**Purpose:** Requesting relief from Zoning By-law 2010-0050, as amended,

1. To reduce the distance to the front lot for an existing dwelling used as accessory farm employee accommodation from the minimum 30 m to permit a 10 m distance.

2. To increase the distance from the detached dwelling on the same lot to an existing dwelling used as accessory farm employee accommodation from the maximum 30 m to permit a 250 m distance.

**To accommodate a proposed accessory farm employee accommodation (existing dwelling).**

**Owner(s):** 2570997 Ontario Inc., Hernak Daliwhal, **Agent:** Robert Russell Planning Consultants Inc., Rob Russell

The Town Planner noted no staff objections to approval, subject to conditions. The owner and agent were present to speak to the application, and the agent noted that they had no issues with the conditions.

It was MOVED by Todd Jenney, SECONDED, and CARRIED

THAT the application be approved, subject to conditions.

The Committee considered the requested variance(s) to:

1. Meet the intent and purpose of the Official Plan.
2. Meet the intent and purpose of the Zoning By-law.
3. Be desirable for the appropriate use of the land, building or structure.
4. Be minor in nature.

**b) Minor Variance D13VAR23.025H – Klassen**

**Location:** 3 Tweedle Street, Town of Halton Hills (Glen Williams), Regional Municipality of Halton

**Minor Variance Purpose:** Requesting relief from Zoning By-law 2010-0050, as amended,

1. To reduce the side yard setback to the first storey of an addition from the minimum 2.25 m to permit a side yard setback of 1.22 m.

**To accommodate a proposed addition (including garage and proposed accessory dwelling unit).**

**Owner(s):** Matthew & Kajsa Klassen, **Agent:** Matthews Design & Drafting, Doug Matthews / Bethany VanRavens

The Town Planner noted no staff objections to approval (of the revised proposal), subject to condition. The agent was present to speak to the application.

It was MOVED by Lloyd Hillier, SECONDED, and CARRIED



THAT the application be approved, subject to conditions.

The Committee considered the requested variance(s) to:

1. Meet the intent and purpose of the Official Plan.
2. Meet the intent and purpose of the Zoning By-law.
3. Be desirable for the appropriate use of the land, building or structure.
4. Be minor in nature.

**c) Minor Variance D13VAR24.001H – 6 Dawkins Crescent**

**Location:** 6 Dawkins Crescent, Town of Halton Hills (Acton), Regional Municipality of Halton

**Purpose:** Requesting relief from Zoning By-law 2010-0050, as amended,

1. To increase the floor area of an accessory structure from the maximum 20 sq m to permit a floor area of 40.6 sq m.
2. To increase the number of accessory structures from the maximum 2, to permit a total of 3 accessory structures.

**To accommodate an existing pergola structure and two existing sheds.**

**Owner(s):** James Lippett & Carmen Stef

The Town Planner referenced received support from 4 and 8 Dawkins Crescent, and an objection received from 96 Beardmore Crescent regarding glare from the roof of the existing pergola; and verbally amended the Planning report to include a condition to cover the existing roof sheathing with a product that will reduce the solar reflective glare. The Town Planner noted no staff objections to approval, subject to conditions.

The owners were present to speak to the application.

Tony Van Helden (4 Dawkins Crescent) was present and spoke in favour of the application.

It was MOVED by Jane Watson, SECONDED, and CARRIED

THAT the application be approved, subject to conditions.

The Committee considered the requested variance(s) to:

1. Meet the intent and purpose of the Official Plan.
2. Meet the intent and purpose of the Zoning By-law.
3. Be desirable for the appropriate use of the land, building or structure.
4. Be minor in nature.

**d) Minor Variance D13VAR24.002H – 45 Church Street West**

**Location:** 45 Church Street West, Town of Halton Hills (Acton), Regional Municipality of Halton

**Purpose:** Requesting relief from Zoning By-law 2010-0050, as amended,

1. To permit one proposed silo, whereas the by-law only permits two additional silos beyond the number that existed on February 26, 1996 (three silos were already constructed since 1996).

**To accommodate a proposed silo.**

**Owner(s):** P & H Milling Group, W. Bruce MacIntyre (Parrish & Helmbecker Limited),

**Agent:** Van Harten Land Surveyors, Chris Corosky

The Town Planner noted no staff objections to approval, subject to condition. The owner and agent were present to speak to the application. The agent asked about the condition that references the location and construction of the silo, and the Secretary-Treasurer clarified that the condition requires the silo to be generally in accordance with the sketches.

It was MOVED by Keith Medenblik, SECONDED, and CARRIED

THAT the application be approved, subject to condition.

The Committee considered the requested variance(s) to:

1. Meet the intent and purpose of the Official Plan.
2. Meet the intent and purpose of the Zoning By-law.
3. Be desirable for the appropriate use of the land, building or structure.
4. Be minor in nature.

**e) D13VAR24.003H – 19 Barraclough Boulevard**

**Location:** 19 Barraclough Boulevard, Town of Halton Hills (Glen Williams), Regional Municipality of Halton

**Purpose:** Requesting relief from Zoning By-law 2010-0050, as amended,

1. To increase the total floor area for all accessory structures from the maximum 20 sq m to permit a total floor area of 48 sq m.

**To accommodate an existing cabana and a proposed pool shed.**

**Owner(s):** Patrick Lizotte, **Agent:** Alana + Kelly Design, Alana Nielsen

The Town Planner noted no staff objections to approval, subject to condition. The owner and agent were present to speak to the application.

It was MOVED by Todd Jenney, SECONDED, and CARRIED

THAT the application be approved, subject to condition.

The Committee considered the requested variance(s) to:

1. Meet the intent and purpose of the Official Plan.
2. Meet the intent and purpose of the Zoning By-law.
3. Be desirable for the appropriate use of the land, building or structure.
4. Be minor in nature.

#### **4. ADJOURNMENT**

Adjourned at approximately 6:30 p.m.



March, 14 2024

## In This Issue

- Application for the PJ Marshall Awards is open.
- Information to assist Municipalities in flood preparedness.
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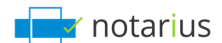
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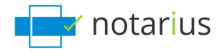
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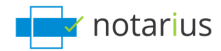
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**VIA EMAIL**

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The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
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Re: Provincial - Municipal Funding

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On behalf of Halton Regional Council, I am writing to request support for the Association of Municipalities of Ontario's (AMO) call for a comprehensive provincial social and economic prosperity review to promote the stability and sustainability of municipal finances across Ontario.

Current provincial-municipal fiscal arrangements are undermining Ontario's economic prosperity and quality of life. 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. Municipalities are also being asked to respond to complex health and social challenges, such as homelessness, supporting refugee and asylum seekers and addressing the mental health and addictions crises. Inflation, population growth, rising interest rates, and provincial policy decisions are further constraining municipal fiscal capacity.

Underscoring the need for a new provincial-municipal fiscal arrangement, is the reality that municipal revenues, such as property taxes, do not grow with the economy or inflation. Property taxpayers, including people on fixed incomes and small businesses, cannot afford to subsidize income re-distribution programs for those most in need.

As Halton Region continues to work with our Local Municipalities to support achieving the Province's target of building 1.5 million new homes in Ontario by 2031, the Region is responsible for providing the housing-enabling water and wastewater infrastructure required to support the local housing pledges of the Halton Municipalities. The local housing pledges represent a significant acceleration of growth in Halton totalling 92,500 units by 2031 which is a 70% increase over the growth anticipated in the Region's Infrastructure Master Plans.

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The funding required to deliver this infrastructure is significant – \$5.2 billion is needed to support growth to 2031, with \$3 billion being required to support residential growth. In addition, since 2018 there have been a number of Provincial initiatives and legislative changes related to the supply of housing in Ontario that impact the ability of municipalities to collect development charges. This means the Region will require an alternative source of financing for some of the major infrastructure required to support accelerated growth.

In December 2023, Halton Regional Council endorsed a resolution requesting a new fiscal framework (New Deal) for Halton to address the on-going provincial funding shortfalls for cost-shared health and social services programming, the shortfall in development charge revenues, and to ensure critical water and wastewater infrastructure is adequately funded to keep pace with accelerated growth. The Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) is also calling for a new municipal growth framework, one that grows with population and the economy ensuring municipalities can continue to respond to the growing challenges being faced in communities.

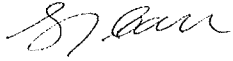
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**RESOLUTION: Provincial-Municipal Funding**

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2. THAT the Halton Regional Chair write to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Finance and the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing outlining support for AMO's call for a social and economic prosperity review including the need for a new fiscal framework (New Deal) for Halton Region.
3. THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Halton's MPPs, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and Halton's Local Municipalities for their information.

Municipalities and the Provincial Government have a strong history of collaboration. The Provincial Government can, and should, invest more to help respond to the needs of growing communities. Now is the time for a comprehensive social and economic prosperity review to ensure the long-term fiscal sustainability of municipalities across Ontario.

Sincerely,



Gary Carr  
Halton Regional Chair

Attachment: Halton Resolution – Provincial-Municipal Funding

Cc:

The Honourable Ted Arnott, MPP, Wellington-Halton Hills  
Stephen Crawford, MPP, Oakville  
Natalie Pierre, MPP, Burlington  
Effie Triantafilopoulos, MPP, Oakville North-Burlington  
Brian Rosborough, Executive Director, Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
Carole Saab, Chief Executive Officer, Federation of Canadian Municipalities  
Victoria Tytaneck, Town Clerk, Town of Oakville  
Kevin Arjoon, City Clerk, City of Burlington  
Valerie Petryniak, Clerk and Director of Legislative Services, Town of Halton Hills  
Meaghen Reid, Director, Legislative and Legal Services/Town Clerk, Town of Milton



## The Regional Municipality of Halton

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS APPROVED BY REGIONAL COUNCIL AT ITS MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2024

**RE: Provincial-Municipal Funding**

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 Provincial Government can, and should, invest more in the prosperity of communities;

WHEREAS, municipalities and the Provincial Government have a strong history of collaboration;

WHEREAS, Halton Regional Council has recently endorsed a resolution requesting a new fiscal framework (New Deal) for Halton to address the funding shortfall for costshared health and social services programming, the shortfall in development charge revenues, and to ensure critical water and wastewater infrastructure is adequately funded to keep pace with growth;

WHEREAS, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) is also calling for a new modernized fiscal framework for municipalities.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT Regional Council supports the Association of Municipalities of Ontario's call for a comprehensive social and economic prosperity review with the Provincial Government to promote the stability and sustainability of municipal finances across Ontario;

THAT the Regional Chair write to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Finance and the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing outlining support for AMO's call for a social and economic prosperity review including the need for a new fiscal framework (New Deal) for Halton Region; and

THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Halton's MPPs, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and Halton's Local Municipalities for their information.

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Josh Machesney, City Clerk / Manager of Legislative Services

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March 7, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau  
Office of the Prime Minister  
80 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2  
Via Email - justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca

**RE: Notice of Motion – Councillor Stedall – Housing Funding**

Dear Prime Minister:

This letter will serve to advise that at a meeting of City of Quinte West Council held on March 6, 2024 Council passed the following resolution:

**Motion No 24-167 – Notice of Motion – Housing Funding**

Moved by Councillor Stedall

Seconded by Councillor Armstrong

Whereas the City of Quinte West is in need of \$28M in funding to complete the West End Trunk Sewer Main replacement in 2024, which is critical in the ongoing development of new homes in Quinte West;

And Whereas the City of Quinte West requires \$58.6M in funding to upgrade the Trenton Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade building to accommodate new homes to be built;

And Whereas the City cannot afford to increase Water, Sewer or Tax rates to fund all of this infrastructure;

And Whereas increased Debt to build the projects will just increase costs to Water, Sewer and Tax rates, or increased costs to developers;

And Whereas the City of Quinte West is currently experiencing a housing crisis from all citizens but specifically with regards to over 250 requiring housing, from Military members of CFB Trenton;

And Whereas City Council approved a Housing Action Plan with a projected 831 new residential units to be completed based on anticipated Housing Accelerator Fund funding over 3 years;

And Whereas the Federal government denied the City of Quinte West the Housing Accelerator Fund;

And Whereas the City of Quinte West is not currently eligible for funding under the Provincial Building Faster Fund as its population is below the threshold;

And Whereas the City of Quinte West may make application to the provincial Housing-Enabling Water Systems Fund which has only \$200M available in funding of which the province would only fund up to 73% to a maximum of \$35M for one project;

And Whereas additional funding has not been allocated from the Federal Government to enhance the Housing-Enabling Water Systems Funding;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved That the City of Quinte West calls on the Federal Government to re-evaluate their lack of funding for municipalities with a population less than 50,000 in rural Ontario and to make available funding for infrastructure programs to help build infrastructure to help build much-needed new homes;

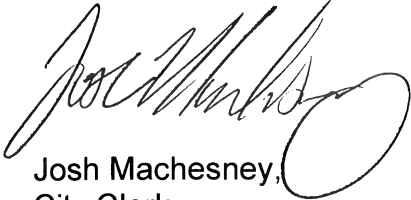
And Further That the Province of Ontario be asked to invest more than the currently allocated \$200M into their Housing Enabling Water Systems Fund;

And Further That this motion be circulated to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Federal Minister for Housing, Ryan Williams MP, Premier Doug Ford, the Provincial Ministers of MOI, MMAH, and Todd Smith MPP, and all municipalities, for their support. **Carried**

We trust that you will give favourable consideration to this request.

Yours Truly,

CITY OF QUINTE WEST



Josh Machesney,  
City Clerk

cc: Hon. Sean Fraser, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities  
Ryan Williams, MP, Bay of Quinte  
Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Hon. Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure  
Hon. Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
Hon. Todd Smith, MPP, Bay of Quinte  
All 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



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February 23, 2024

Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation

Sent by email to: [Premier@ontario.ca](mailto:Premier@ontario.ca); [Minister.mto@ontario.ca](mailto:Minister.mto@ontario.ca)

**Re: Resolution on Highway 413**

At its regular meeting of Council held on February 21, 2024, the Township of Amaranth Council passed the following resolution:

**Resolution #: 3**

**Moved by:** G Little

**Seconded by:** A. Stirk

Whereas the Township of Amaranth recognizes the importance for efficient and effective transportation networks in the Province and;

Whereas, the Province has committed to getting 1.5 millions home built within the next 10 years or less.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Township of Amaranth request that the Province of Ontario pause advancement on proposed highway 413 and redirect the approximate \$8 billion cost for highway 413 to support municipal infrastructure costs and housing construction initiatives and;

Further be it resolved that at least 50% of those funds be allocated for small urban and rural Ontario with populations less than 50,000. **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

Copy: Hon. Sylvia Jones, MPP Dufferin-Caledon [sylvia.jones@pc.ola.org](mailto:sylvia.jones@pc.ola.org)  
Hon. Kinga Surma, MPP Etobicoke Centre [kinga.surmaco@pc.ola.org](mailto:kinga.surmaco@pc.ola.org)  
Dufferin County Municipalities





# The Corporation of the Town of Cobourg

## Resolution

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All Ontario Municipalities

Sent via email

Town of Cobourg  
55 King Street West,  
Cobourg, ON, K9A 2M2  
[clerk@cobourg.ca](mailto:clerk@cobourg.ca)  
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



# The Corporation of the Town of Cobourg

## Resolution

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

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Town of Cobourg

**Delivered via email**  
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[premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

March 11, 2024

RE: Correspondence from the County of Renfrew regarding the affordability of water and wastewater systems in rural and small urban municipalities

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

THAT Council support the correspondence from the County of Renfrew regarding the affordability of water and wastewater systems in rural and small urban municipalities; and

FURTHER THAT Council advocate to the Provincial and Federal levels of government to make them aware that rural and small urban water and wastewater systems are financially unsustainable; and

FURTHER THAT Council advocate to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Rural Ontario Municipalities Association (ROMA) and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) to examine if the unaffordability of water and wastewater system operational costs is systemic provincially and nationally; and

FURTHER THAT Council direct Staff to forward a copy of this resolution to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure (Ontario); the Honourable Dominic LeBlanc, Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs, Infrastructure and Communities (Canada); the Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Honourable Andrea Khanjin, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (Ontario); Philip Lawrence, MP, Northumberland-Peterborough South; David Piccini, MPP,



# The Corporation of the Town of Cobourg

## Resolution

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Northumberland-Peterborough South; AMO; ROMA; FCM; and all  
Municipalities in Ontario.

Sincerely,

Kristina Lepik  
Deputy Clerk/Manager, Legislative Services

cc. the Honourable Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure (Ontario);  
the Honourable Dominic LeBlanc, Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs, Infrastructure and  
Communities (Canada);  
the Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing;  
the Honourable Andrea Khanjin, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks  
(Ontario);  
Philip Lawrence, MP, Northumberland-Peterborough South;  
David Piccini, MPP, Northumberland-Peterborough South;  
AMO;  
ROMA;  
FCM; and  
all Ontario Municipalities



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 8.1.9 - Councillor Gilliland; Re: Council/Committee Meeting  
Structure Under Strong Mayor Powers**

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 Province expanded Strong Mayor Powers to municipalities over 50,000 in population, who committed to a housing pledge in the fall of 2023 to help address the housing crisis, but was not mandatory to accept with a housing pledge; and**

**Whereas the Town of Aurora head of council has the discretion whether to use the strong mayor powers, except for those dealing with the budget; and**

**Whereas strong mayor powers permit the head of council the ability to create new committees of council made under the *Municipal Act, 2001*, where all members are council members, and assign their functions. The head of council is also able to appoint the chairs and vice-chairs of such committees of council;**

- 1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That Council requests that the Mayor reconsider using strong mayor powers to alter the current structure of Council and/or committee meetings, but rather remains the same as officials were originally elected to do; and**
- 2. Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this Motion be sent to the Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Hon. Michael Parsa, MPP Aurora—Oak Ridges—Richmond Hill, Dawn Gallagher Murphy, MPP Newmarket—Aurora, and all Ontario municipalities.**

Town of Aurora Council Resolution of February 27, 2024  
Council/Committee Meeting Structure Under Strong Mayor Powers  
March 6, 2024

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

Sincerely,



Michael de Rond  
Town Clerk  
The Corporation of the Town of Aurora

MdR/lb

Attachment (Council meeting extract)

Copy: Hon. Michael Parsa, MPP Aurora—Oak Ridges—Richmond Hill  
Dawn Gallagher Murphy, MPP Newmarket—Aurora  
All Ontario municipalities



## 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)**

### 8.1 General Committee Meeting Report of February 6, 2024

#### 8.1.9 Member Motion - Councillor Gilliland; Re: Council/Committee Meeting Structure Under Strong Mayor Powers

Whereas the Province expanded Strong Mayor Powers to municipalities over 50,000 in population, who committed to a housing pledge in the fall of 2023 to help address the housing crisis, but was not mandatory to accept with a housing pledge; and

Whereas the Town of Aurora head of council has the discretion whether to use the strong mayor powers, except for those dealing with the budget; and

Whereas strong mayor powers permit the head of council the ability to create new committees of council made under the *Municipal Act, 2001*, where all members are council members, and assign their functions. The head of council is also able to appoint the chairs and vice-chairs of such committees of council;

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**Carried**





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 8.2.8 - Councillor Gilliland; Re: Legislative Amendments to  
Improve Municipal Codes of Conduct and Enforcement**

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 all Ontarians deserve and expect a safe and respectful workplace;  
and**

**Whereas municipal governments, as the democratic institutions most  
directly engaged with Ontarians need respectful discourse; and**

**Whereas several incidents in recent years of disrespectful behaviour and  
workplace harassment have occurred amongst municipal members of  
councils across Ontario; and**

**Whereas these incidents seriously and negatively affect the people involved  
and lower public perceptions of local governments; and**

**Whereas municipal Codes of Conduct are helpful tools to set expectations of  
council member behaviour; and**

**Whereas municipal governments have limited abilities in their toolkit to  
adequately enforce compliance with municipal Codes of Conduct; and**

**Whereas the most severe penalty that can be imposed on a municipal  
member of council is the suspension of pay for 90 days, even when  
egregious acts are committed and substantiated; and**

**Whereas AMO has called on the government to table and pass legislation  
that reflects the following recommendations:**

- **Updating municipal Codes of Conduct to account for workplace safety and harassment**
  - **Creating a flexible administrative penalty regime, adapted to the local economic and financial circumstances of municipalities across Ontario**
  - **Increasing training of municipal Integrity Commissioners to enhance consistency of investigations and recommendations across the province**
  - **Allowing municipalities to apply to a member of the judiciary to remove a sitting member if recommended through the report of a municipal Integrity Commissioner**
  - **Prohibit a member so removed from sitting for election in the term of removal and the subsequent term of office;**
1. **Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That the Town of Aurora supports the call of action the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) has submitted to the Government of Ontario to introduce legislation to strengthen municipal Codes of Conduct and compliance with them, in consultation with municipal governments; and**
  2. **Be It Further Resolved That the legislation encompasses the Association of Municipalities of Ontario’s letter of recommendations which includes options for enforcing compliance by council members with municipal Codes of Conduct such as**
    - **Updating municipal Codes of Conduct to account for workplace safety and harassment**
    - **Creating a flexible administrative penalty regime, adapted to the local economic and financial circumstances of municipalities across Ontario**
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    - **Prohibit a member so removed from sitting for election in the term of removal and the subsequent term of office; and**

**3. Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this Motion be sent to the Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Hon. Michael Parsa, MPP Aurora—Oak Ridges—Richmond Hill, and Dawn Gallagher Murphy, MPP Newmarket—Aurora, the Hon. Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, and all 444 Ontario municipalities.**

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

Sincerely,



Michael de Rond  
Town Clerk  
The Corporation of the Town of Aurora

MdR/lb

Attachment (Council meeting extract)

Copy: Hon. Michael Parsa, MPP Aurora—Oak Ridges—Richmond Hill  
Dawn Gallagher Murphy, MPP Newmarket—Aurora  
Hon. Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
All Ontario municipalities



## 8. Standing Committee Reports

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

#### 8.2.8 Member Motion - Councillor Gilliland; Re: Legislative Amendments to Improve Municipal Codes of Conduct and Enforcement

**Moved by** Councillor Gilliland

**Seconded by** Councillor Gallo

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Absent (1): Councillor Kim

**Carried (6 to 0)**



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**

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  
All Ontario Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs)  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
All Ontario municipalities





## 8. Standing Committee Reports

**Moved by** Councillor Thompson

**Seconded by** Councillor Gaertner

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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

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

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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
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.

**Carried**



## TOWNSHIP OF ZORRA

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March 8, 2024

James Seeley, Chair  
Top Aggregate Producing Municipalities of Ontario (TAPMO)  
Mayor, Township of Puslinch  
Via email: [jseeley@puslinch.ca](mailto:jseeley@puslinch.ca)

Dear Mayor Seeley:

**Re: Funding for TAPMO Executive Director**

At a regular meeting of Council on March 7, 2024, the Council of the Township of Zorra passed the following resolution:

**“THAT Report 2024-028 from the Director of Finance be received and filed for information purposes;**

**AND THAT the Township of Zorra commit in principle to forwarding a one time amount of up to \$25,000 to TAPMO from the Road Projects Reserve for the purpose of hiring an executive director for TAPMO, per TAPMO's correspondence dated January 2024;**

**AND THAT this resolution be circulated to all Municipal members of TAPMO.”**

Yours truly,

Karen Martin  
Director of Corporate Services/Clerk  
Township of Zorra

CC: All members of TAPMO

**24-007**

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Friday, March 8, 2024

Rural Ontario Municipal Association  
ATTN: Board of Directors

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

Ontario Good Roads Association  
ATTN: Board of Directors

SENT VIA EMAIL: [info@goodroads.ca](mailto:info@goodroads.ca)

RE: Return to Combined ROMA and OGRA Conferences

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Dear ROMA & OGRA Board of Directors,

Please be advised of the following motion passed at the Monday, February 26, 2024, Goderich Town Council Meeting:

Moved By: Councillor Kelly  
Seconded By: Councillor Petrie

WHEREAS as a past attendee of combined conferences, it makes great sense for the OGRA & ROMA conferences to be returned to a combined conference effort, not only financially for the municipality but also for availability for participation of members of Council and staff; and

WHEREAS these conferences afford a vital opportunity for delegations with members of our provincial parliament, returning to a combined conference provides a better respect to their availability and participation; and

WHEREAS during the 2019 OGRA conference AGM a resolution was passed regarding the re-establishment of an annual combined conference for both OGRA & ROMA; and

WHEREAS it is understandable that little movement has happened since the resolution at the 2019 OGRA conference AGM was passed, due to delays of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS not all persons who wish to attend can do so in person, that a hybrid participation option be considered for the sessions;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Goderich call upon both the ROMA & OGRA boards to re-establish a combined OGRA & ROMA annual conference.

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FURTHERMORE that this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Minister Paul Calandra, MPP Ben Lobb and be circulated to Municipalities of Ontario; as amended.

**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  
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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)  
MPP Lisa Thompson, Huron–Bruce [lisa.thompsonco@pc.ola.org](mailto:lisa.thompsonco@pc.ola.org)  
Mandi Pearson, Clerk/Operations Clerk [mpearson@petrolia.ca](mailto:mpearson@petrolia.ca)  
Ontario Municipalities

The Corporation of the Municipality of St. Charles  
RESOLUTION PAGE



Regular Meeting of Council

**Agenda Number:** 10.2.  
**Resolution Number** 2024-036  
**Title:** Resolution stemming from December 13, 2023 Regular Meeting of Council - Item 10.1 - Correspondence #5 and #24  
**Date:** February 21, 2024

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**Moved by:** Councillor Loftus  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Laframboise

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of St.-Charles supports Catherine Fife, Waterloo MPP - Request for Support for Bill 21, Fixing Long Term Care Amendment Act (Till Death Do Us Part), 2022;**  
**AND BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this Resolution be sent to Premier Doug Ford; Minister of Long Term Care, Stan Cho; our local Member of Parliament (MP); our local Member of Provincial Parliament; and all Ontario Municipalities.**

CARRIED

  
MAYOR



# Catherine Fife

MPP Waterloo

Todd Kasenberg  
Mayor of Municipality of North Perth

**RE: Requesting your support for Bill 21, Fixing Long-Term Care Amendment Act (Till Death Do Us Part), 2022**

September 25, 2023

Dear Mayor Kasenberg,

I am writing to you today to share an update on Bill 21, Fixing Long-Term Care Amendment Act (Till Death Do Us Part), 2022, and to request your support for this important legislation.

Bill 21 amends the Residents' Bill of Rights set out in section 3 of Fixing Long-Term Care Act, 2021 by adding the right of residents not to be separated from their spouse upon admission but to have accommodation made available for both spouses so they may continue to live together.

The Act was inspired by Cambridge resident Jim McLeod, who will have been separated from his wife of 65 years Joan, on September 17, 2023. Nearly 6 years later, Jim continues to champion spousal reunification. He often says that he will talk to anyone and has two giant binders full of his advocacy work on the Bill. Last week, he told me that his heart is breaking because of his separation from Joan. He has brought other seniors who are separated from their spouses into the advocacy – you cannot sit with these folks for any amount of time and not care deeply about this legislation.

I know that you value the many contributions that older adults have made to Waterloo Region, and care deeply that they can live their final years with dignity and love. **I am hoping you will consider bringing a motion forward to your Council, in support of the Till Death Do Us Part Act.** Your support will help us to keep attention on this important legislation, so that it can finally be called to the Standing Committee on Social Policy – one step closer to Royal Assent.

I would be happy to discuss the Bill with you further, via phone call or an in-person meeting at your convenience. Thanks in advance for considering my request.

Sincerely,

Catherine Fife, Waterloo MPP  
Finance & Treasury Board Critic

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## BACKGROUND:

On November 15, 2022, the Till Death Do Us Part Act, passed second reading in the Ontario legislature after being [introduced for the third time in September 2022](#). The bill was then referred to the Ontario Legislature's Social Policy Committee. You can view highlights of the second reading debate here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mYRlgQgDe2k>

I have been pushing for the Standing Committee on Social Policy to schedule a time to begin the work of reviewing Bill 21 since November 2022. **Today marks 286 days since the Act passed second reading at the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.** Unfortunately, the Bill has yet to be called to committee.

Bill 21, which was formerly Bill 153 and 95, respectively, had passed second reading and was sent to the Justice Committee in December 2019, but was wiped off the order paper when Premier Ford prorogued the house in 2021. It was reintroduced early 2022 but did not have time to progress before the election.

Since I first introduced this Bill in 2019, the number of people who've reached out to my offices with heartbreaking stories of couples entering long-term care who are torn apart has skyrocketed. Simply put, Ontario seniors deserve dignity in care and should have the right to live with their partner as they age. Of note, Nova Scotia passed similar legislation, titled the [Life Partners in Long-Term Care Act](#) in 2021.

Following many meetings with stakeholders, it's clear that "care campuses" which offer different levels of care (independent, assisted living and long-term care) are the progressive model for investing in quality care for Ontario's aging population. Care campuses are an essential element to keeping couples together as they often age at different rates. This level of choice has been brought to my attention as especially important to rural and northern municipal leaders across Ontario. The care campus model for seniors housing that builds different levels of care has unique financial savings that will be critical as we grapple with a rapidly aging province.

We need the Bill to be called to the Standing Committee on Social Policy as soon as possible. We know that couples who are separated across Ontario cannot wait any longer for this legislative change to be made.

Here are the links to recent media coverage of the Till Death Do Us Part Act, which provide more specific insights into the lived experiences of older adults who are separated from their spouses:

- [CTV News Kitchener: Ontario seniors separated in long-term care pushing for the right to remain together](#)
- [CityNews Kitchener: Waterloo MPP appeals for seniors bill to be brought forward](#)
- [Waterloo Region Record: Cambridge senior calls for end to separating couples in long-term care](#)

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# Township of Perry

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February 26, 2024

*Via Email*

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**

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At their last regular meeting on Wednesday February 21, 2024, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Perry supported the following:

**"Resolution #2024-52**  
**Moved by: Paul Sowrey**  
**Seconded by: Jim Cushman**

**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 include 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 Township of Perry hereby request that the province amend Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue

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*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, the Honourable Graydon Smith, MPP Parry Sound-Muskoka, and to all Ontario Municipalities.

**Carried.”**

Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.

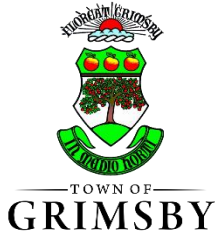
Sincerely,



Beth Morton  
Clerk-Administrator

BM/ec

c.c. Honourable Andrea Khanjin, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks  
Honourable Graydon Smith, MPP Parry Sound-Muskoka  
All Ontario Municipalities



**The Corporation of the Town of Grimsby  
Administration**

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February 26, 2024

SENT VIA E-MAIL

4800 South Service Road  
Beamsville, On, L3J 1L3

Attention: Town of Lincoln

**RE: Correspondence Endorsement – Support of Bill C-310 and Amendments to Subsections 118.06(2) and 118.07(2) of the Income Tax Act (Tax Credit for Volunteer Firefighters)**

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Grimsby at its meeting held on February 20, 2024, received, and endorsed the correspondence from the Town of Lincoln dated February 7, 2024, regarding Support of Bill C-310 and Amendments to Subsections 118.06(2) and 118.07(2) of the Income Tax Act (Tax Credit for Volunteer Firefighters) with the following motion:

Moved: Councillor Korstanje

Seconded: Councillor Charrois

Resolved that Council endorse the Town of Lincoln's resolution regarding Support of Bill C-310 and Amendments to Subsections 118.06(2) & 118.07 (2) of the Income Tax Act (Tax Credit for Volunteer Firefighters).

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

Regards,

Victoria Steele  
Town Clerk

Cc: Association of Fire Chiefs of Ontario  
The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
All Ontario Municipalities



4800 SOUTH SERVICE RD  
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905-563-8205

February 7, 2024

SENT VIA EMAIL: [eflynn@plympton-wyoming.ca](mailto:eflynn@plympton-wyoming.ca)

Ella Flynn  
Deputy Clerk  
Town of Plympton-Wyoming  
546 Niagara Street, P.O. Box 250  
Wyoming, ON N0N 1T0

**RE: Town of Lincoln Council Resolution – Support of Bill C-310 and Amendments to Subsections 118.06 (2) & 118.07 (2) of the Income Tax Act (Tax Credit for Volunteer Firefighters)**

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Lincoln at its Council Meeting held on February 5, 2024, received and supported correspondence from the Town of Plympton-Wyoming dated December 1, 2023, regarding Support of Bill C-310 and Amendments to Subsections 118.06 (2) & 118.07 (2) of the Income Tax Act (Tax Credit for Volunteer Firefighters) with the following motion:

Resolution No: RC-2024-06

Moved by Councillor JD Pachereva; Seconded by Councillor Mike Mikolic

THAT Council support and endorse the resolution within the correspondence received re: Tax Credit for Volunteer Firefighters.

**CARRIED**

If you require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

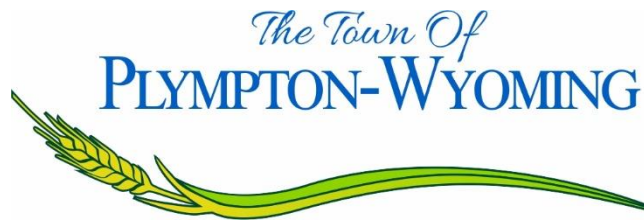
Regards,

Julie Kirkelos  
Town Clerk

[jkirkelos@lincoln.ca](mailto:jkirkelos@lincoln.ca)

JK/dp

Cc: Association of Fire Chiefs of Ontario  
The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
All Ontario Municipalities



Lianne Rood  
House of Commons  
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

December 1<sup>st</sup> 2023

Sent via e-mail: [Lianne.Rood@parl.gc.ca](mailto:Lianne.Rood@parl.gc.ca)

**Re: Support of Bill C-310 and Amendments to Subsections 118.06 (2) & 118.07 (2) of the *Income Tax Act* (Tax Credit for Volunteer Firefighters)**

Dear Ms. Rood,

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting on November 29<sup>th</sup> 2023, the Town of Plympton-Wyoming Council passed the following motion, supporting the attached resolution from the Municipality of Wawa regarding Support of Bill C-310 and Amendments to Subsections 118.06 (2) & 118.07 (2) of the *Income Tax Act* (Tax Credit for Volunteer Firefighters).

***Motion 13***

*Moved by Councillor Mike Vasey*

*Seconded by Councillor Bob Woolvett*

*That Council support item 'R' of correspondence from the Municipality of Wawa regarding Tax Credit for Volunteer Fire Fighters.*

***Carried.***

If you have any questions regarding the above motion, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email at [eflynn@plympton-wyoming.ca](mailto:eflynn@plympton-wyoming.ca).

Sincerely,

Ella Flynn  
Deputy Clerk  
Town of Plympton-Wyoming

cc: Sent via e-mail  
Association of Fire Chiefs of Ontario – [info@oafc.on.ca](mailto:info@oafc.on.ca)  
The Association of Ontario Municipalities (AMO) – [resolutions@amo.on.ca](mailto:resolutions@amo.on.ca)  
All Ontario Municipalities



The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

Tuesday, November 7, 2023

Resolution # RC23265	Meeting Order: 10
Moved by: <i>Cathy Fannon</i>	Seconded by: <i>J. Mal</i>

**WHEREAS** Canada has 90,000 volunteer firefighters who provide fire and all hazard emergency services to their communities; in addition, approximately 8,000 essential search and rescue volunteers respond to thousands of incidents every year; and

**WHEREAS** many of these individuals receive some form of pay on call, an honorarium, or are given some funding to cover expenses, but they do not draw a living wage from firefighting; and;

**WHEREAS** without volunteer firefighters and search and rescue volunteers, thousands of communities in Canada would have no fire and emergency response coverage; and;

**WHEREAS** in 2013, the federal government initiated a tax credit recognizing these individuals, and calling on the federal government to increase this tax credit from \$3,000 to \$10,000; and;

**WHEREAS** volunteer firefighters account for 71% of Canada's total firefighting essential first responders;

- The tax code of Canada currently allows volunteer firefighters and search and rescue volunteers to claim a \$3,000 tax credit if 200 hours of volunteer services were completed in a calendar year;
- This works out to a mere \$450 per year, which we allow these essential volunteers to keep of their own income from their regular jobs, \$2.25 an hour;
- If they volunteer more than 200 hours, which many do, this tax credit becomes even less;
- These essential volunteers not only put their lives on the line and give their time, training and efforts to Canadians, but they also allow cities and municipalities to keep property taxes lower than if paid services were required;

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The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

- It would also help retain these volunteers in a time when volunteerism is decreasing.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa call upon the Government of Canada to support Bill C-310 and enact amendments to subsections 118.06 (2) and 118.07 (2) of the Income Tax Act in order to increase the amount of the tax credits for volunteer firefighting and search and rescue volunteer services from \$3,000 to \$10,000; and;

**FURTHERMORE THAT** a copy of the resolution be shared with the Association of Fire Chiefs of Ontario, Algoma Mutual Aid Association, Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all Ontario municipalities.

RESOLUTION RESULT		RECORDED VOTE	
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Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof.

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Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_

MAYOR - MELANIE PILON	CLERK - MAURY O'NEILL

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March 8, 2024

Municipality of Wawa  
Office of the Clerk  
Municipal Office  
40 Broadway Avenue  
PO Box 500  
Wawa, ON P0S 1K0

Email: [slord@swawa.cc](mailto:slord@swawa.cc)

**Re: Support Bill C-310 and Enact Amendments to Subsections 118.06 (2) and 118.07 (2) of the Income Tax Act**

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Further to correspondence received from the Municipality Wawa calling on the Government of Canada to support Bill C-310 and enact amendments to subsections 118.06 (2) and 118.07 (2) of the Income Tax, the Council of the Town of Hanover passed the following resolution;

**Moved by COUNCILLOR KOEBEL | Seconded by COUNCILLOR SAKAL**

That the Council of the Town of Hanover support the recommendation of the Municipality of Wawa calling upon the Government of Canada to support Bill C-310 and enact amendments to subsections 118.06 (2) and 118.07 (2) of the Income Tax Act in order to increase the amount of the tax credits for volunteer firefighting and search and rescue volunteer services from \$3,000 to \$10,000.

**CARRIED**

Respectfully,



Tanya Patterson  
Deputy Clerk

cc: Honourable Alex Ruff, MP Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound  
Association of Fire Chiefs of Ontario  
The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
All Ontario Municipalities



The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

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Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_

MAYOR - MELANIE PILON	CLERK - MAURY O'NEILL

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CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF  
CLARENCE-ROCKLAND REGULAR MEETING

RESOLUTION

Council Regular meeting

**Resolution:** 2024-16  
**Title:** Resolution proposed by Councillor Kyle Cyr and seconded by Mayor Mario Zanth regarding the 9-8-8 National suicide and crisis hotline  
**Date:** February 14, 2024

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**Moved by** Kyle Cyr  
**Seconded by** Mario Zanth

WHEREAS Canada has adopted 9-8-8, as National three-digit suicide and crisis hotline; and  
WHEREAS the City of Clarence-Rockland recognizes that it is a significant and important initiative to ensure critical barriers are removed to those in a crisis and seeking help;  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Clarence-Rockland continues to endorse the 9-8-8 Crisis Line initiative and will display the 9-8-8 information poster in all its municipal buildings; and  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to Todd Doherty, MP for Cariboo-Prince George, as well as all Ontario municipalities.

**CARRIED**

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Monique Ouellet/Clerk



RÉSOLUTION

Réunion régulière du conseil

**Résolution:** 2024-16  
**Titre:** Résolution proposée par le conseiller Kyle Cyr et appuyée du maire Mario Zanth au sujet du 9-8-8, soit la ligne d'assistance nationale sur le suicide et les crises.  
**Date:** le 14 février 2024

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**Proposée par** Kyle Cyr  
**Appuyée par** Mario Zanth

ATTENDU QUE le Canada a adopté le 9-8-8, comme ligne d'assistance nationale à trois chiffres sur le suicide et les crises ; et  
ATTENDU QUE la Cité de Clarence-Rockland reconnaît qu'il s'agit d'une initiative importante pour s'assurer que les obstacles critiques sont éliminés pour les personnes en situation de crise et qui demandent de l'aide ;  
QU'IL SOIT RÉSOLU QUE la Cité de Clarence-Rockland continue d'appuyer l'initiative de la ligne d'écoute 9-8-8 et affichera l'affiche d'information 9-8-8 dans tous ses édifices municipaux; et  
QU'IL SOIT AUSSI RÉSOLU QU'une copie de cette résolution soit envoyée à Todd Doherty, MP de Cariboo-Prince George, ainsi qu'à toutes les municipalités de l'Ontario.

**ADOPTÉE**

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Monique Ouellet/Greffière

Municipality of Tweed Council Meeting  
Council Meeting



Resolution No.

94

Title: Enbridge Gas Inc.

Date: Tuesday, February 13, 2024

Moved by J. DeMarsh

Seconded by J. Flieler

WHEREAS access to natural gas is important to residents and businesses in our community for affordability and reliability;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Energy Board's (OEB) decision on Phase 1 of the Enbridge Gas 2024 rebasing application, issued on 21 December 2023, has concerning implications including putting into question the future access to natural gas that support of economic development, affordable housing growth, and energy reliability in communities such as the Municipality of Tweed;

AND WHEREAS Ontario is growing and access to affordable energy to support this growth for homes and businesses is crucial, as is a measured approach to energy transition as not having access to natural gas will stifle economic growth and put housing and energy affordability at risk;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT the Municipality of Tweed supports a measured approach to Ontario's energy transition;

AND FURTHER, that the Municipality of Tweed recognizes that there may not be enough electricity available to replace the energy provided by natural gas and meet the increased demand from electrification;

AND FURTHER, that natural gas must continue to play an integral role in meeting the energy needs of Ontario;

AND FURTHER, that the Municipality of Tweed supports the work the Government of Ontario has done to date, including the Natural Gas Expansion Program and Electrification and Energy Transition Panel's call for a clear policy on the role of natural gas to secure access to affordable energy;

AND FURTHER, that this resolution be circulated to the President of AMO, Colin Best, Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, Hon. Todd Smith, the Minister of Energy, Ric Bresee, Member of Provincial Parliament for Hastings-Lennox and Addington, all regional municipalities as significant actors to ensuring the need for natural gas in Ontario as part of a measured approach towards energy transition, and submitted to [municipalaffairs@enbridge.com](mailto:municipalaffairs@enbridge.com).

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