# TOWN OF HALTON HILLS – GENERAL INFORMATION PACKAGE

# **COUNCIL MEETING – September 16, 2024**

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# HERITAGE HALTON HILLS COMMITTEE

# **MINUTES**

Minutes of the Heritage Halton Hills Committee meeting held on Wednesday August 14, 2024 VIA Zoom.

**Members Present:** Councillor J. Racinsky, Vice Chair, L. Quinlan, M. Rowe,

R. Denny, A. Walker, T. Brown

**Regrets:** Councillor C. Somerville, Chair, C. Donaldson

**Staff Present:** L. Loney, Manager of Heritage Planning, C. MacPherson,

Heritage and Development Planner, L. Bateson, Senior

Administrative and Heritage Planning Coordinator

1. CALL TO ORDER

Councillor, J. Racinsky, Vice Chair called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

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 June 19, 2024

Recommendation No. HHH-2024-0040

That the Minutes of the Heritage Halton Hills Committee Meeting held on June 19, 2024, be received.

**CARRIED** 

## 4. SCHEDULED ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

# 4.a Demolition 14278 Third Line Lot 32, Concession 3 (Churchill)

L. Loney advised the committee that based on the Condition Assessment of the Existing Structure located at 14278 Third Line, Halton Hills, staff have no objection to demolition of the structure.

# Recommendation No. HHH-2024-0039

THAT the Heritage Halton Hills Committee recommend that Council remove the property at 14278 Third Line, Halton Hills from the Heritage Register.

**CARRIED** 

# 5. ITEMS TO BE SCHEDULED FOR NEXT MEETING

### 6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.







August 29, 2024

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- Blue Box Transition engagement session.
- Opportunity to help project researching future municipal energy needs.
- Careers.

#### **AMO Matters**

Thank-you to everyone who made AMO125 a success! To a record number of delegates, exhibitors, sponsors, and media, thank-you for participating in the 2024 AMO Conference. To our outstanding speakers and panelists, thank-you for bringing your experience and your voice to important public policy discussions. To our partners at the province and TVO, thank-you for your remarkable contributions to the event. To our facilities, suppliers and production partners, thank-you for your professionalism and service. Thank-you for supporting AMO in its work on behalf of municipalities in every part of Ontario.

AMO encourages you to read AMO's Workforce Development <u>Project Roadmap</u> which identifies priority areas and future actions for AMO and its partners to support municipal employee recruitment and retention.

#### **Provincial Matters**

The Ontario government is launching a <u>call for proposals</u> for new community-based projects that prevent and address gender-based violence. The deadline for proposals is October 11, 2024 at 5pm.

The Ontario government is accepting applications for its new \$200-million Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund that will revitalize existing infrastructure and support new construction across the province. Apply now!

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#### LAS

Today, more than ever, there is a growing need to make the built environment more accessible for people with disabilities. Register now for our webinar on September 12 with RothIAMS to learn more about eliminating barriers in municipal facilities. RothIAMS is an approved supplier through the Canoe Procurement Group.

The LAS-endorsed Sewer and Water Line Warranty Program through SLWC came in handy for a Windsor homeowner who was challenged with a damaged sewer on her property. <u>Learn more about the warranty coverage</u> for the expensive repair and her experience.

For public sector owners, the traditional approach to engaging contractors is an extensive process. With public funds at stake, the sector could consider "Job Order Contracting". Read our <u>latest blog</u> to learn more.

Do you want to enhance your understanding of municipal investments? <u>This new on-demand training</u>, which is perfect for municipal finance staff, will review the *Municipal Act* investment regulation, discuss current municipal finance challenges, and overview investment options available to the municipal sector.

#### **Municipal Wire\***

If you have knowledge of full-time, ongoing roles in municipal work that might be relevant to students considering their career options, you are invited to participate in this <u>survey</u>. Click <u>here</u> for more information on the project.

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Circular Materials and Waste to Resource Ontario invite municipal waste staff to meet on the transition. Register here for the September 26 10am-12pm event at the Toronto Fairmont Royal York.

Pollution Probe and QUEST Canada aim to talk for one hour with Ontario communities for an <u>OEB-funded project</u> to address your innovative energy needs. Register at <a href="mailto:rkiro@pollutionprobe.org">rkiro@pollutionprobe.org</a> until September 16.

#### Careers

Director of Human Resources - City of Woodstock. Closing date: September 20, 2024.

HR Business Analyst - Niagara Region. Closing date: September 4, 2024.

Environmental Compliance/QMS Coordinator - City of Orillia. Closing date: September 6, 2024.

Economic Development Officer - Municipality of Redlake. Closing date: September 27, 2024.

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August 22, 2024

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#### **AMO Matters**

AMO is pleased to welcome its <u>2024-2026 AMO Board of Directors</u>. In accordance with AMO By-law No. 1, elections occurred at the AMO Annual Conference, hosted by the City of Ottawa in August 2024.

At the 2024 AMO Conference in Ottawa, the Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, announced \$378 million to support 19 treatment and social support hubs for individuals with mental health and substance abuse challenges. Addressing the opioid crisis and the related homelessness crisis are key priorities for AMO and Ontario's 444 municipal governments.

The Peter J. Marshall Innovation Award jury presented its highest award to The Regional Municipality of York for its <u>automated transit facility inspection program with artificial intelligence</u>.

The Peter J. Marshall Innovation Award jury presented its highest award to the Town of Midland for its project: <u>Leveraging AI for Enhanced Risk Assessments for Water and Wastewater Infrastructure</u>.

The Peter J. Marshall Innovation Award jury presented its highest award to the City of Peterborough for addressing encampment through its <u>Modular Bridge Community Housing Project</u>.

#### **Provincial Matters**

Apply for Ontario's new <u>Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund</u> that will revitalize existing infrastructure and support new construction across the province. Email <u>CSRIF@ontario.ca</u> to register for the webinar on August 27!

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#### Careers

Director of Council Services, Clerk - County of Brant. Closing date: August 26, 2024.

Treasurer/Clerk - Township of Ignace. Closing date: September 15, 2024.

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August 15, 2024

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More than 2,500 participants from hundreds of municipalities and organizations across Ontario will take part in the annual AMO Conference, August 18 to 21, at the Shaw Centre in Ottawa.

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LAS is excited to see you at the AMO Conference on Sunday. Stop by Booth #200 to say 'hi' and be sure to visit with <u>AMO/LAS and Canoe partners</u> in Partners' Row and around the tradeshow. We'll see you there!

<u>Explore the Minimum Maintenance Standards (MMS) for municipal highways</u> with leading experts Charles Painter and Brian Anderson. Gain practical knowledge, ask questions, and strengthen your municipal defense strategy.

#### Municipal Wire\*

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#### **Careers**

Planning and Regulations Supervisor - Kettle Creek Conservation Authority. Closing date: August 23

City Manager - City of Vaughan. Closing date: August 30, 2024.

Housing Community Planning Manager - Wellington County. Closing date: August 26, 2024.

Network Analyst - City of Kawartha Lakes. Closing date: August 21 2024

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August 30, 2024

Doug Ford Premier of Ontario

Sent via email: <a href="mailto:premier@ontario.ca">premier@ontario.ca</a>

Dear Honourable Doug Ford:

Please be advised that Brantford City Council at its meeting held August 27, 2024 adopted the following:

# 12.2.4 Legislative Amendments to Improve Municipal Codes of Conduct and Enforcement

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 abuse and workplace harassment have occurred amongst members of municipal councils; 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 members' behaviour; and

WHEREAS legislation would hold both accountable and protect all municipal offices; and

WHEREAS municipal governments do not have the necessary tools to adequately enforce compliance with municipal Codes of Conduct and support appropriate accountability when it comes to perpetrating violence and harassment in the workplace; and

WHEREAS the fundamental underlying principle of broadening diversity, equity and inclusion in politics rests on the assumption the workplace is safe; and

WHEREAS government legislation would require Councillors to comply with the workplace violence and harassment policies, establish a process for removing individuals in substantiated cases of egregious violence or harassment, as well as

prevent officials whose seats have been vacated for such reasons from seeking immediate or subsequent re-election; and

WHEREAS the aforementioned elements are consistent with previously developed legislation, as well as current legislation tabled (Bill 207, Municipal Accountability and Integrity Act, 2024).

### NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- A. THAT the Corporation of the City of Brantford supports the call of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA), Ontario Municipal Administrators Association (OMAA), Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO), and more than 207 municipalities, for the Government of Ontario to introduce legislation to strengthen municipal Codes of Conduct and compliance with them in consultation with municipal governments; and
- B. THAT the legislation encompasses:
- Updating municipal Codes of Conduct to account for workplace safety and harassment:
- ii. Creating a flexible administrative penalty regime, adapted to the local economic and financial circumstances of municipalities across Ontario;
- iii. Increasing training of municipal Integrity Commissioners to enhance consistency of investigations and recommendations across the province;
- iv. Amending the Municipal Act, 2001 to require the establishment of a Board of Integrity Commissioners;
- v. Amending both, the Municipal Act, 2001, and the City of Toronto Act, 2006, to allow a Commissioner of the Board of Integrity Commissioners to make an application for judicial review to vacate a member's seat and impose prescribed penalties if the Commissioner is of the opinion that the member has made certain contraventions of the Code of Conduct;
- vi. Adding provisions to both Acts to allow the Commissioner to seek confirmation of certain determinations from a judge of the Superior Court;
- vii. Introducing provisions to prohibit a member who has been removed from office from running in the election for the remainder of the term and the subsequent term; and
  - C. THAT a copy of this resolution BE FORWARDED to the Premier of Ontario, Doug Ford; Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Paul Calandra; Attorney General, Doug Downey; Charmaine Williams, Associate Minister of Women's

Social and Economic Opportunity; Will Bouma, Member of Provincial Parliament; Larry Brock, Member of Parliament; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); and Ontario municipalities.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours truly,

Chris Gauthier

City Clerk, cgauthier@brantford.ca

cc Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Paul Calandra
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# TOWNSHIP OF RUSSELL

# **CERTIFIED RESOLUTION**

**Date:** August 26, 2024 Item(s) no.: 10 (ref. a)

**Subject:** Resolution to Support AMCTO Provincial Updates to the Municipal

**Elections Act** 

Moved by: <u>Jamie Laurin</u>

Seconded by: Lisa Deacon

WHEREAS elections rules need to be clear, supporting candidates and voters in their electoral participation and election administrators in running elections; and

WHEREAS legislation needs to strike the right balance between providing clear rules and frameworks to ensure the integrity of the electoral process; and

WHEREAS the legislation must also reduce administrative and operational burden for municipal staff ensuring that local election administrators can run elections in a way that responds to the unique circumstances of their local communities; and

WHEREAS the Municipal Elections Act, 1996 (MEA) will be 30 years old by the next municipal and school board elections in 2026; and

WHEREAS the MEA sets out the rules for local elections, the Assessment Act, 1990 and the Education Act, 1990 also contain provisions impacting local elections adding more places for voters, candidates, and administrators to look for the rules that bind the local democratic process in Ontario; and

WHEREAS with rules across three pieces of legislation, and the MEA containing a patchwork of clauses, there are interpretation challenges, inconsistencies, and gaps to fill; and

WHEREAS the Act can pose difficulties for voters, candidates, contributors and thirdparty advertisers to read, to interpret, to comply with and for election administrators to enforce; and

WHEREAS while local elections are run as efficiently and effectively as can be within the current legislative framework, modernization and continuous improvement is needed to ensure the Act is responsive to today's needs and tomorrow's challenges; and WHEREAS to keep public trust and improve safeguards the Act should be reviewed considering the ever-changing landscape which impacts elections administration including privacy, the threats of foreign interference, increased spread of mis/disinformation and the increased use of technologies like artificial intelligence and use of digital identities; and

WHEREAS the Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks, and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO) reviewed the Act and has provided several recommendations including modernizing the legislation, harmonizing rules, and streamlining and simplifying administration; and

WHERAS AMCTO put forward recommendations for amendments ahead of the 2026 elections and longer-term recommendations for amendments ahead of the 2030 elections; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of Russell calls for the Province to update the MEA with priority amendments as outlined by AMCTO before Summer 2025 and commence work to review and re-write the MEA with longer-term recommendations ahead of the 2030 elections; and be it further

RESOLVED that this resolution will be forwarded to all municipalities in Ontario for support and that each endorsement be then forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Minister of Education, the Minister of Public and Business Service Delivery, Minister of Finance, the Premier of Ontario, MPP of Glengarry-Prescott-Russell and AMCTO.

### **MOTION APPROVED**

I, Joanne Camiré Laflamme, Clerk of the Corporation of the Township of Russell, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the resolution adopted by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Russell on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of August 2024.

Joanne Camiré Laffamme

Clerk



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August 15, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau
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Via Email - justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca

# RE: Notice of Motion - Councillor Stedall - The Canada Community-Building Fund

Dear Prime Minister:

This letter will serve to advise that at a meeting of City of Quinte West Council held on August 14, 2024 Council passed the following resolution:

# Motion No 24-366 - Notice of Motion - Councillor Stedall - The Canada Community-Building Fund

Moved by Councillor Stedall Seconded by Councillor McCue

Whereas the City of Quinte West is entering into an agreement to receive Canada Community-Building Funds, which is administered by the Association of Ontario Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) on behalf of the Federal government;

And whereas the funding allocations are less that 2% year over year for the next 5 years;

And whereas the amounts allocated in the past 5 years were less than 2% year over year;

And whereas non-residential construction price inflation has risen by 29% since the end of 2020 and municipalities are facing soaring costs for infrastructure projects without a corresponding growth in revenue;

And whereas there is a requirement for municipalities to complete an asset management plan and a housing needs analysis;

And whereas both of these plans show the large funding gap between infrastructure and housing needs and funds available from property taxation;

And whereas The City of Quinte West has over \$1.5 billion in core infrastructure assets and, like other municipalities, its infrastructure is aging and in need of upgrades and replacement;

And whereas The City's Asset Management Plan requires \$37 million annually to maintain existing assets which, based on current available funding, is resulting in an annual infrastructure deficit of over \$17.1 million;

And whereas municipalities are facing a gap in federal infrastructure funding as the 10-year Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program has come to an end;

Now therefore be it resolved that the City of Quinte West calls on the Federal Government to provide a supplement to the allocations provided to municipalities under the AMO CBBF agreement for 2024 - 2028 for the same amount that was allocated, effectively doubling the allocation for those years;

And further that this resolution be forwarded to MFOA, AMO, MP Ryan Williams, and Federal Finance Minister Chrystia Freeland, and all Municipalities in Ontario. **Carried** 

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

Yours Truly,

CITY OF QUINTE WEST

Virginia LaTour, Deputy City Clerk

cc: Donna Herridge, Executive Director, MFOA
Colin Best, President, AMO
Ryan Williams, MP, Bay of Quinte
Hon. Chrystia Freeland, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance
All Municipalities of Ontario

# **Honourable Doug Ford**

August 19, 2024

Premier of Ontario Legislative Building, Queens Park Toronto, ON M7A 1A1 premier@ontario.ca

### **Standing Committee on Justice Policy**

Lorne Coe, Chair Whitney Block, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor 99 Wellesley Street West Toronto, ON N7A 1A2 Lorne.Coe@pc.ola.org

#### **BY EMAIL**

RE: Bill 173, Intimate Partner Violence Epidemic Act, 2024

Dear Honourable Doug Ford,

At its Regular Council Meeting held on August 12, 2024, Council passed a resolution regarding the importance of passing Bill 173, Intimate Partner Violence Epidemic Act, 2024 and the advancement of this bill as it requires the Government of Ontario to recognize that intimate partner violence is an epidemic in Ontario. Council noted that over 100 municipalities, police services and service providers across the province are declaring intimate partner violence as an epidemic. Council urges the Province to immediately pass Bill 173, Intimate Partner Epidemic Act, 2024 to recognize the pervasiveness and severity of the problem in an effort to stop the violence.

As a result of this discussion, Council passed the following resolution:

#### R24-08-350

Moved By Councillor Verbeek Seconded By Councillor McGuire-Blais

**That** in light of events locally and around the region, Council supports Bill 173, Intimate Partner Violence Epidemic Act, and urges the Province to immediately pass Bill 173 and declare at the provincial level that Intimate Partner Violence is an epidemic.

Carried

I trust you will find this satisfactory. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

Joseph Malandruccolo Director, Legal and legislative Services/Clerk <u>imalandruccolo@essex.ca</u>

**c.c.** Honourable Sylvia Jones, Minister, Ministry of Health

Anthony Leardi, MPP Essex

Lisa Gretzky, MPP Windsor West

Andrew Dowie, MPP Windsor-Tecumseh

Trevor Jones, MPP Chatham-Kent-Leamington

Marit Stiles, Leader, Official Opposition

County of Essex

Town of Amherstburg

Town of Kingsville

Municipality of Lakeshore

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#### TOWNSHIP OF RED ROCK

MOVED BY: $\mathcal{N}$	1601	DATE: AUGUST 12, 2024
SECONDED BY:	Smith	RES.NO:13

WHEREAS this council believes that the safety of our community and its protection from crime in all its forms is of utmost importance.

WHEREAS our taxpayer-funded judicial system exists to protect the public, who in return for their tax dollars are entitled to a system that works.

WHEREAS the number of charges laid for failure to comply with court orders – primarily failure to comply with the terms of a promise to appear, undertaking, recognizance, probation order, or peace bond – are steadily on the rise in the province of Ontario.

WHEREAS there has been a notable increase in the number of violent offences committed in the province of Ontario by individuals who are concurrently subject to release orders.

WHEREAS the Ontario justice system is backlogged, court systems under strain, and police and prosecutors overwhelmed by their caseloads.

WHEREAS we have seen a dramatic lowering of the threshold for release, resulting in violent, serious, or repeat offenders who should by rights have been reasonably detained in custody, released on supervision plans that are increasingly deficient.

WHEREAS the general sense among the criminal population is that breaching bail conditions will not result in much by way of consequence for the offender, as evidenced by a clear pattern province-wide of unjustifiable release, a pattern which is bound to continue given insufficient resources to conduct Crown bail reviews, surety bond estreatment hearings, and ensure the subsequent collection of surety bond funds after judgment.

WHEREAS a 'catch and release' system constitutes a failure of government to perform a core function of its existence, that being the protection of public.

WHEREAS the current hard drug crisis has contributed to a desperate criminal element that is exacting a significant financial and emotional toll on communities across Canada.

WHEREAS our police services are being demoralized by expending precious time and resources having to manage the repeated arrests of these habitual criminal offenders within a system that limits their ability to effectively protect the public.

AND WHEREAS this ineffective follow-through by our judicial system unfairly erodes the public's trust in our police services, who consequently become the target of frustrated and angry residents who feel they are no longer being protected from crime.

AND WHEREAS the increasing erosion of public faith and trust in our judicial system ultimately brings the administration of justice in the province of Ontario into disrepute and leads to a growing feeling amongst residents that they are no longer protected by a system perceived to prioritize the rights and freedoms of the criminal over the rights and safety of themselves and their families.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township of Red Rock send a letter to the Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada, the Honourable Arif Virani, Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada, Attorney General of Ontario Doug Downey, Ontario Solicitor General Michael Kerzner, the Honourable Doug Ford Priemer of Ontario, MP Patty Hajdu, MPP Lise Vaugeois, Staff Sergeant David Moscall, Nipigon OPP, all Ontario Police Associations and Police Departments, Ontario Provincial Police, all Ontario MPPs and MPs, and all municipalities throughout Ontario for their endorsement consideration, requesting additional funding in Ontario's legal system to support a meaningful resistance to the current "catch and release" practice, including hiring sufficient court staff, with a specific focus on additional assistant Crown Attorneys.

FOR: <u></u>

AGAINST:

MAYOR'S SIGNATURE



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August 14, 2024

NOMA P.O. Box 10308 Thunder Bay, Ontario P7B 6T8

To Whom It May Concern:

At the Township of Terrace Bay Regular Council Meeting held on August 6, 2024 the following resolution was passed.

**RE: NOMA Resolution - Support for OINP (Ontario Immigrant Nominee Program)** 

Resolution: 239-2024

Moved by: Councillor Adduono Seconded by: Councillor Dube

WHEREAS employers across Northern Ontario are experiencing a critical shortage of skilled workers, contributing to a shrinking labour market.

WHEREAS, the labour shortage is causing significant economic hardship for Northern Ontario communities, including reduced productivity and business closures; and

WHEREAS population and migration trends to 2021 suggest that Northern Ontario needs 100,000 newcomers by 2041 to sustain current population; and

WHEREAS the success of the federal Rural and Northern Immigration Pilot (RNIP) demonstrates the effectiveness of allocating nomination spots to address regional labour shortages in attracting newcomers to Northern Ontario; and

WHEREAS, the Ontario Immigrant Nominee Program has been expanded from 9,750 nominees in 2022 to a goal of 21,500 nominees in 2024;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY the COUNCIL of the Township of Terrace Bay

 Urges the Government of Ontario to address the critical labour market shortage in Northern Ontario by allocating 3,000 Ontario Immigrant Nominee Program spots to support the region's economic growth and development.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Copies of this resolution be forwarded to: the Ontario Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training & Skills Development; local Members of Provincial Parliament; the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association/Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities; and the Aguasabon and Thunder Bay Chambers of Commerce



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Sincerely,

Jon Hall

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CC:

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Premier Doug Ford premier@ontario.ca

Dear Mr. Ford,

At the Township of Terrace Bay Regular Council Meeting held August 6, 2024 the following resolution was passed.

RE: Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury Resolution: Ontario Long Service Medals

Resolution: 238-2024

Moved by: Councillor Adduono Seconded by: Council Dube

WHEREAS paramedics, firefighters and police officers are our Frontline heroes, regularly putting their own health and safety at risk to help others in need;

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire Services Long Service Medal was created in 1971 to honour firefighters who have served the public for twenty-five years or more and the Governor General's Fire Services Exemplary Service Medal was created in 1985 and 'honours members of a recognized Canadian fire service who have completed 20 years of service, ten years of which have been served in the performance of duties involving potential risks;

WHEREAS the Ontario Provincial Police Long Service and Good Conduct Medal honours OPP officers who have served for twenty years or more and the Governor General's Police Exemplary Service Medal, created in 1983, 'recognizes police officers who have served in an exemplary manner having completed 20 years of full-time service with one or more recognized Canadian police forces;

WHEREAS many non-OPP police services have similar local long-service medals within their forces, but there is not a province-wide long-service medal for non-OPP police officers;

WHEREAS the Governor General's Emergency Medical Services Exemplary Service Medal, created in 1994, recognizes 'professionals in the provision of pre-hospital emergency medical services to the public who completed 20 years of exemplary service, including at least 10 years in the performance of duties involving potential risk;

WHEREAS there is no province-wide long-service medal for paramedics in Ontario;

NOW THEREFORE, The Corporation of the Township of Terrace Bay:

1. Endorse the creation of a province-wide long-service medal for police and for paramedics, modelled after the existing such award for firefighters;



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- 2. In furtherance of this resolution, that the Mayor write to the Premier, Minister of Health, Solicitor General, Minister of Citizenship and our local MPP urging them to work collaboratively to create such awards; and
- 3. That a copy of this resolution be sent to all Ontario municipalities.

## Sincerely,

Jon Hall

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MPP – Thunder Bay Superior North – Lise Vaugeois – <a href="mailto:Lvaugeois-QP@ndp.on.ca">Lvaugeois-QP@ndp.on.ca</a>
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AMO 155 University Avenue, Suite 800 Toronto, Ontario M5H 3B7 OMA 150 Bloor Street West, Suite 900 Toronto, Ontario M5S 3C1

At the Township of Terrace Bay Regular Council Meeting held on Monday July 15, 2024, the following resolution of support was passed.

Re: AMO/OMA Joint Health Resolution MD Shortage in Ontario

Resolution 220-2024

Moved By: Councillor Johnson Seconded By: Councillor Dube

WHEREAS the state of health care in Ontario is in crisis, with 2.3 million Ontarians lacking access to a family doctor, emergency room closures across the province, patients being de-rostered and 40% of family doctors considering retirement over the next five years; and

WHEREAS it has becoming increasingly challenging to attract and retain an adequate healthcare workforce throughout the health sector across Ontario; and

WHEREAS the Northern Ontario School of Medicine University says communities in northern Ontario are short more than 350 physicians, including more than 200 family doctors; and half of the physicians working in northern Ontario expected to retire in the next five years; and

WHEREAS Ontario municipal governments play an integral role in the health care system through responsibilities in public health, long-term care, paramedicine, and other investments. WHEREAS the percentage of family physicians practicing comprehensive family medicine has declined from 77 in 2008 to 65 percent in 2022; and

WHEREAS per capita health-care spending in Ontario is the lowest of all provinces in Canada; and

WHEREAS a robust workforce developed through a provincial, sector-wide health human resources strategy would significantly improve access to health services across the province;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of The Township of Terrace Bay urge the Province of Ontario to recognize the physician shortage in the Township of Terrace Bay and Ontario, to fund health care appropriately and ensure every Ontarian has access to physician care.

Sincerely.

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MPP Lise Vaugeois LVaugeois-QP@ndp.on.ca

Dear Ms. Vaugeois,

At the Township of Terrace Bay Regular Council Meeting held on Monday July 15, 2024 the following resolution of support was passed.

Re: Municipality of Central Manitoulin Resolution - Public Health Phasing out Free Water Testing For Private Wells

Resolution: 219-2024

**Moved By: Councillor Dube** 

**Seconded By: Councillor Johnson** 

WHEREAS the Ontario Auditor General's annual report on public health from December 2023 indicates that Public Health Ontario is proposing the phasing-out of free provincial water testing services for private drinking water; and

WHEREAS free private drinking water testing services has played a pivotal role in safeguarding public health, particularly in rural communities, including the entire Township of Amaranth, that rely predominantly on private drinking water; and

WHEREAS the removal of free private drinking water testing could lead to a reduction in testing, potentially increasing the risk of waterborne diseases in these vulnerable populations; and Whereas the tragic events in Walkerton, Ontario underscored the critical importance of safe drinking water.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Township of Terrace Bay hereby requests that the Province reconsider and ultimately decide against the proposed phasing-out of free private drinking water testing services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this resolution be sent to all Ontario municipalities, the Minister of Environment Conservation and Parks, the Minister of Health, The Thunder Bay District Heath Unit, and MPP Lise Vaugeois.



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Sincerely,

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CC:

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