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COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT MINUTES

Minutes of the Committee of Adjustment hearing held on **December 4, 2024**, at 6 p.m. via Zoom.

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

Regrets: Jane Watson

Staff Present: Greg Macdonald, Senior Planner
Niloo Hodjati, Secretary-Treasurer, Committee of Adjustment & Consent Official

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY/CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Lloyd Hillier declared a pecuniary/conflict of interest regarding item 3 (c) because he is a member of a church affiliated with the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, and he also knows the Church representatives. He did not participate in the discussion or vote.

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 Minor Variance D13VAR24.026H – 14 Gamble Street**

Location: 14 Gamble Street, 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 lot coverage from the maximum 15% (127.69 sq m) to permit a lot coverage of 29.7% (252.6 sq m).

To accommodate a proposed new dwelling.

Owner(s): Eden Oak (Creditview Heights) Inc., Romas Kartavicius, **Agent:** Arnold Foster LLP, Herbert Arnold

The Town Planner stated that after a previously approved Minor Variance, it was determined that the lot area had been calculated/surveyed incorrectly, and noted no staff objections to approval, subject to condition. The owner and agent were present to speak to the application.

It was MOVED by Lloyd Hillier, 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.

b) Minor Variance D13VAR24.027H – 6 Victoria Street

Location: 6 Victoria Street, Town of Halton Hills (Georgetown), Regional Municipality of Halton

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

1. To reduce the front yard setback from the minimum 6 m to permit a 4.26 m front yard setback to the proposed second storey addition.
2. To reduce the interior side yard setback from the minimum 1.8 m to permit a 1.1 m side yard setback to the proposed second storey addition.

To accommodate a proposed second storey addition over an existing one-storey portion of the single detached dwelling.

Owner(s): Dean Dieleman, **Agent:** Matthews Design & Drafting, Doug Matthews / Bethany VanRavens

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

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.

c) Minor Variance D13VAR24.028H – 13619 Highway 7

Location: 13619 Highway 7, Town of Halton Hills (Esquesing), Regional Municipality of Halton

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

1. To permit a portion of the existing floor area to be used as a Day Nursery use, accessory to the existing Place of Worship.

To accommodate a proposed Day Nursery use, accessory to the existing Place of Worship, (within the existing building).

Owner(s): The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, Craig Burton, **Agent:** Georgetown Christian Fellowship, Terry Talbot

The Town Planner referenced the current Zoning By-law's discrepancies related to places of worship and accessory day nurseries, advised that the issues will be addressed, and noted no staff objections to approval. 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.

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 6:25 p.m.

MEETING NOTES

ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting notes of the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting held on Wednesday November 27, 2024, Via Zoom.

Members Present: Councillor M. Albano, Chair, J. Bray, J. Pearce, L. McKenzie

Regrets: Councillor D. Keene, S. Calvert, W. Farrow-Reed

Staff Present: S. Howard, Director of Recreation Services, M. Roj, Traffic Coordinator, E. Kaiser, Manager of Economic Development and Innovation, R. Brown, Deputy Clerk - Administration

1. CALL TO ORDER

Councillor M. Albano, Chair called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Due to a lack of quorum the committee proceeded with the presentations but did not make any decisions.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY/CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of pecuniary and/or conflict of interest.

3. RECEIPT OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Due to lack of quorum the Minutes of the Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting held on June 26, 2024, will be added to the next agenda for receipt by the committee.

4. SCHEDULED ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

4.a Inclusive Recreation

S. Howard, Director of Recreation Services, made a presentation to the committee regarding Inclusive Recreation.

S. Howard advised the committee that goal 2 of the Recreation and Parks Strategic Action Plan is to increase inclusion and access to recreation for populations that face constraints to participation. As part of the Town's initiatives to promote inclusion and access are levels of support, professional instructors and inclusion facilitators, recreation partners, financial assistance and access to resources.

Recreation and Parks is experiencing increased demand for one-on-one support for camps, more supports in aquatics and with an aging population more adult participants requiring additional supports for Town offered programs. To assist with this recreation staff, work with community groups and leverage services available in the community as well as increasing internal resources such as staff and programming to meet the demands.

Recreation and Parks staff will continue to respond to the demands with dedicated inclusion resources and looking at best Canadian practices in Inclusive Recreation to model Town programming.

4.b Accessible Signals Update

M. Roj, Traffic Coordinator, made a presentation to the committee regarding Accessible Signals. M. Roj noted that three projects were completed in 2024. Signals were updated at the following locations:

- Mountainview Road South & Barber Drive
- Guelph Street & Mountainview Road
- Main Street North & Moore Park Crescent

Part of updating and improving accessible signals is the installation of tactile surfaces, this became a requirement in 2016. M. Roj provided an overview of how the signals and tactile plates work and noted that the Town commenced the Accessible Pedestrian Push Button project in 2006 and with the installation of the above signals the implementation of the initial project is complete. Traffic will continue to install new sidewalk platforms with tactile plates in 2025 at the signalized intersections.

M. Roj offered to do an in-person demonstration at a future meeting.

4.c John Elliott Theatre (JET) Hearing Loop Update

This item will be moved to a future meeting.

4.d Accessibility CIP - Application

E. Kaiser, Manager of Economic Development and Innovation, made a presentation to the committee regarding an Accessibility Application through the Community Improvement Plan project for King's Cove Medical Clinic and IDA Pharmacy.

E. Kaiser advised the committee that the King Cove Medical Clinic & IDA Pharmacy are looking to add an accessible door to the main door of the clinic and to create an accessible washroom. The fund will match 50% of the project up to a maximum of \$5,000. The proposed project will cost roughly \$11,875 + HST and therefore would be eligible for the maximum amount of \$5,000.

Staff requested feedback from the committee about the application to assist staff in ensuring the application meets the accessibility requirements.

L. McKenzie noted that the application did not include grab bars or the height of the toilet. L. McKenzie advised staff that for a washroom to be truly accessible the toilet height must be a minimum of 19" and a maximum of 21" and the washroom needs to have grab bars on either side of the toilet.

E. Kaiser noted the information provided by L. McKenzie and will ensure that these are included in the specifications of the washroom project prior to providing the funds.

4.e 2025 Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting Dates

R. Brown, Committee Clerk, provided the committee with the 2025 Committee Meeting dates.

Wednesday, February 26, 2025

Wednesday, May 28, 2025

Wednesday, September 24, 2025

Wednesday, November 26, 2025

5. ITEMS TO BE SCHEDULED FOR NEXT MEETING

NIL

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.



HERITAGE HALTON HILLS COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Minutes of the Heritage Halton Hills Committee meeting held on Wednesday November 20, 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, M. Rowe, R. Denny, A. Walker

Regrets: T. Brown

Staff Present: L. Loney, Manager of Heritage Planning, L. Bateson, Senior Administrative & Heritage Planning Coordinator, C. MacPherson, A. Foster, Cultural Heritage Assistant, C. MacPherson, Heritage and Development Review Planner, R. Brown, Deputy Clerk - Administration

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair, Councillor C. Somerville called the meeting to order at 4:31p.m.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY/CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of pecuniary or conflict of interest.

3. CLOSED SESSION

Recommendation No. HHH-2024-0058

THAT the Heritage Halton Hills Committee convene in Closed Session for a Verbal Update by staff regarding the security of the property of the municipality or local board.

CARRIED

Committee convened into Closed Session at 4:32 p.m.

Committee reconvened into Open Session at 4:42 p.m.

Recommendation No. HHH-2024-0059

THAT the Heritage Halton Hills Committee receive the information contained within the Confidential Minutes dated November 20, 2024, with respect to the confidential verbal update by staff regarding the security of the property of the municipality or local board.

CARRIED

Confidential Minutes of the Heritage Halton Hills Committee Meeting dated November 20, 2024 are on file in the Clerk's Office.

4. RECEIPT OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

4.a Minutes of the Heritage Halton Hills Committee Meeting held on October 16, 2024.

Recommendation No. HHH-2024-0060

THAT the Heritage Halton Hills Committee Meeting Minutes dated October 16, 2024, be received.

CARRIED

5. SCHEDULED ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

5.a Research and Evaluation report - 10295 10 Side Road - Stewart's Castle (Scotch Block)

A. Foster provided an overview of the research and evaluation report. The property located at 10295 10 Side Road, Scotch Block meets 4 out of the 9 criteria for designation. It is a representative example of Georgian architecture in rural Scotch Block. The property is associated with the Stewart, Huffman, Seynuck, and Howitt families. It has contextual value as it serves to define and maintain the early-nineteenth-century agricultural character of the Scotch Block. The owners are supportive of designation.

Recommendation No. HHH-2024-0061

THAT Heritage Halton Hills recommend Council issue a Notice of Intention to Designate for the property at 10295 10 Side Road (Scotch Block) for designation under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

CARRIED

5.b Research and Evaluation Report - 12 and 14 Adamson Street North - Noble-Pomeroy House (Norval)

A. Foster provided an overview of the research and evaluation report. The property located at 12 and 14 Adamson Street North, Norval meets 4 out of the 9 criteria for designation. It is a representative example of a Gothic Revival workers residence in the community of Norval. The property is associated with the Noble and Pomeroy families, and Norval Mills and serves to define and maintain the early-19th-century character of Norval.

Recommendation No. HHH-2024-0062

THAT Heritage Halton Hills recommend Council issue a Notice of Intention to Designate for the property at 12 and 14 Adamson Street North (Norval) for designation under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

CARRIED

5.c Research and Evaluation Report - 15 Mountain Street - Frances Williams House (Glen Williams)

A. Foster provided an overview of the research and evaluation report. The property located at 15 Mountain Street, Glen Williams meets 5 out of the 9 criteria for designation. It is a representative example of Georgian architecture in Glen Williams. The property is associated with Jacob, Charles, and Frances Williams, as well as Jack Thompson and aerospace engineers Thomas Earl and Arthur Bragg-Smith. The owners are supportive of designation.

Recommendation No. HHH-2024-0063

THAT Heritage Halton Hills recommend Council issue a Notice of Intention to Designate for the property at 15 Mountain Street (Glen Williams) for designation under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

CARRIED

5.d Research and Evaluation Report - 8 Albert Street - Gibbons-Ross House (Georgetown)

C. MacPherson provided an overview of the research and evaluation report. The property located at 8 Albert Street, Georgetown meets 4 out of the 9 criteria for designation. It is a representative example of a late Edwardian residence. It is associated with John Joseph Gibbons and William James Ross. The property has contextual value as it serves to define the late-nineteenth and early-twentieth-century character of Albert Street, surrounding the former Grand Trunk Railway Station in Georgetown.

Recommendation No. HHH-2024-0064

THAT Heritage Halton Hills recommend Council issue a Notice of Intention to Designate for the property at 8 Albert Street (Georgetown) for designation under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

CARRIED

5.e 2025 Heritage Halton Hills Meeting Dates

The Heritage Halton Hills Committee Meeting dates for 2025 are as follows:

Wednesday, January 15, 2025

Wednesday, February 19, 2025

Wednesday, March 19, 2025

Wednesday, April 16, 2025

Wednesday, May 21, 2025

Wednesday, June 18, 2025

Wednesday, July 16, 2025 (Tentative)

Wednesday, August 20, 2025 (Tentative)

Wednesday, September 17, 2025

Wednesday, October 15, 2025

Wednesday, November 19, 2025

Wednesday, December 10, 2025

6. ITEMS TO BE SCHEDULED FOR NEXT MEETING

R. Denny asked if there was any place for the Roles of Honour' from local churches to be preserved and displayed when churches in the community close. To be looked into by staff and discussed at a future meeting

R. Denny asked if there is a checklist or criteria that can be referred to for those that apply for the Heritage Property Grant Program. L. Loney advised that it is on her to-do list and will report back at a future meeting.

L. Loney announced that this was the last meeting for staff member L. Bateson as she is retiring in December. L. Loney thanked L. Bateson for all her hard work and dedication to the committee over the years and wished her all the best in her retirement.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m.



COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT MINUTES

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

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

Staff Present: John McMulkin, Senior Planner
Ruth Conard, 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 order of the listed applications as shown on the agenda was altered to address attendance.

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 D13VAR24.023H – 14097 Sixth Line**

Location: 14097 Sixth Line, Town of Halton Hills (Esquesing), 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 80 sq m to permit a floor area of 198 sq m.
2. To increase the total floor area of all accessory structures from the maximum 120 sq m to permit a total floor area of 216 sq m.

To accommodate an existing addition to the accessory structure.

Owner(s): Rui and Natalie Botelho, **Agent:** John Kozen

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.

c) Minor Variance D13VAR24.025H – 9 Ostrander Boulevard

Location: 9 Ostrander Boulevard, Town of Halton Hills (Georgetown), 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 54 sq m.
2. To reduce the interior side yard setback from the minimum 1 m to permit an interior side yard setback of 0.48 m.

To accommodate the conversion of the existing garage into an additional residential unit.

Owner(s): Olivier & Brenda Lorraine Gysel, **Agent:** Matthews Design & Drafting, Doug Matthews / Bethany VanRavens

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 Jane Watson, 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.

b) Minor Variance D13VAR24.024H – 216 Guelph Street

Location: 216 Guelph Street, Town of Halton Hills (Georgetown), Regional Municipality of Halton

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

1. To reduce the parking spaces from the minimum 32, to permit 23 parking spaces.

To accommodate the proposed drive-thru for a restaurant.

Owner(s): GG Garage LTD., Gino Gaudio, **Agent:** KALP Architect Inc., Laxman Patel

The Town Planner referenced a received objection from 87 Prince Charles Drive regarding matters including traffic, noise, lighting, fencing, and garbage enclosures. Responded that the matters raised in the objection would typically be reviewed and addressed through the Site Plan application process, but that in accordance with the provisions of the Ontario Planning Act, the proposal is exempt from Site Plan, and that there is no basis for the Committee's inclusion of such matters as conditions. Stated that fencing and garbage standards are regulated by the Town's Property Standards By-law; the variance is re-establishing a drive-thru, and noted no staff objections to approval, subject to conditions. The owner and agent were present to speak to the application.

Committee deliberation included: clarification regarding fencing, and noting that the referenced matters in the objection are outside of their jurisdiction.

It was MOVED by Keith Medenblik, 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.

4. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at approximately 6:25 p.m.

Halton Hills Public Library Board Meeting

Wednesday, October 23, 2024

Georgetown Branch

7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Minutes

Members Present: Betsy Cosper (Chair), Christina da Rocha-Feeley (Vice Chair), Councillor Alex Hilson, Councillor Bob Inglis, Tamara Smith, Alice Strachan, Lisa Teggart

Staff Present: Beverley King, Lori Mazza Brenton (Recorder), Lee Puddephatt, Mary Querques

Regrets: Erica Daly, Jane Marshall, Keith Medenblik

1.0 Call to Order

B. Cosper declared that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

2.0 Land Acknowledgement

Councillor A. Hilson read an Indigenous Land Acknowledgment.

3.0 Approval of Agenda

Moved By: A. Strachan

Seconded By: Councillor B. Inglis

THAT the agenda be approved.

CARRIED

4.0 Disclosure of Pecuniary/Conflict of Interest

NIL

5.0 Minutes of Previous Library Board and Sub-Committees Meetings

Moved By: Councillor A. Hilson

Seconded By: T. Smith

THAT the following minutes are hereby approved:

5.1 Minutes of the Library Board meeting held on October 2, 2024

5.2 Confidential minutes of the Library Board meeting held on October 2, 2024

CARRIED AS AMENDED

6.0 Consent Agenda

Moved By: A. Strachan

Seconded By: C. da Rocha-Feeley

THAT the following Consent items from the October 23, 2024 Library Board meeting are hereby adopted.

6.1 Report No. LBD-2024-037 re: Chief Librarian & CEO Report – September 2024

6.2 Report No. LBD-2024-036 re: 2024 Q2 Metrics

6.3 Caledon Public Library – October 3, 2024 Presentation: Intellectual Freedom and Libraries in a Time of Polarization: What are Boards to Do?

CARRIED

7.0 Correspondence

NIL

8.0 Presentation/Delegations

8.1 HHPL Board Objectives (Refer to Item No. 9.1, Report No. LBD-2024-039 re: HHPL Board Objectives)

- A. Strachan led a brainstorming workshop on the Board's objectives for the remainder of their term.
- Objectives are informed by HHPL's Strategic Plan.
- The Board supports measuring achievements where possible, even if not all objectives are quantifiable.
- Board members who missed the workshop can provide feedback.

9.0 Business Arising

9.1 Report No. LBD-2024-039 re: HHPL Board Objectives

- This report accompanied the Board Objectives workshop (Item No. 8.1).
- The Board Objectives are developed to support HHPL's mission, vision, and values and advance the strategic priorities and goals of the 2023-2027 Strategic Plan.

Moved By: Councillor A. Hilson

Seconded By: T. Smith

THAT Report No. LBD-2024-039 dated October 18, 2024, regarding the Halton Hills Public Library Board Objectives be received.

CARRIED

9.2 Report No. LBD-2024-034 re: Board By-laws – First Review

- B. King presented a draft of the proposed updated by-laws.
- The Town Clerk recommended updates to ensure that the governance framework is current and comprehensive.
- Proposed amendments include:
 - Shortening the municipal by-law to be more general and incorporating governance policies to manage detailed content that is subject to change.
 - Clear guidelines on the Board’s composition.
 - Statement on the ideal representation of the Board as it relates to diversity and expertise.
 - Acknowledging that the Public Library Act supersedes the municipal by-law.
- Staff will provide a revised version of the by-law and a draft procedural by-law in January 2025.

Moved By: A. Strachan

Seconded By: C. da Rocha-Feeley

THAT Report No. LBD-2024-034 dated September 26, 2024, regarding the Board By-laws – First Review be received;

AND FURTHER THAT the Halton Hills Public Library Board direct staff to revise the proposed by-laws based on the feedback received during the first review process and bring the revised by-law back to the Board for a second review.

CARRIED

10.0 Updates – including Sub-committees

10.1 Advocacy Committee

- The committee has not met. They have a tentative meeting scheduled for November 1 to review the Board Objectives.

10.2 Friends of the Library (FOL)

L. Teggart reported that:

- The Friends met on October 17.
- The updated by-laws have been filed.
- Pop-up book sales have ended for this year. The Friends thank the community for their support and encourage residents to follow them on social media.
- A fall newsletter was sent out recently and another will be sent in the spring.
- The Friends will meet next on November 28.

10.3 Council

Councillor A. Hilson reported that:

- A consultant will be making recommendations for the Town’s Official Plan process.
- A feasibility review for 30 km/hour zones was conducted. Staff are recommending this be approved in school zones and community safety zones.

- B. Cospers and B. King will present HHPL's 2023 Annual Report at the October 28 Council meeting.

Councillor B. Inglis reported that:

- Residents are encouraged to attend the ward meetings to provide input on the budget.
- The fireworks ban will be determined at the October 28 Council meeting.
- B. King presented HHPL's Business Plan at the October 21 Council workshop.

10.4 Community Connections

- Board members shared recent community connections.

10.5 Professional Associations

C. da Rocha-Feeley reported that:

- The Ontario Library Service's Public Library Board Virtual Conference is on October 24.
- The Board Assembly's next meeting is on October 26.

11.0 Financial Report

11.1 Month End Report – September 2024

As of September 2024:

- Total revenues are under budget by approximately 17%.
- Salaries, wages, and benefits are under budget by 7%.
- Materials and supplies are over budget by approximately 23%.
- The library is under budget by approximately 4.9%.

Moved By: Councillor A. Hilson

Seconded By: L. Teggart

THAT the financial month end report for September 2024 be received.

CARRIED

11.2 Report No. LBD-2024-040 re: 2023 Audited Financial Statements

- The 2023 audited financial statements are submitted to the Ministry of Tourism, Culture, and Gaming as part of the Annual Library Survey.
- The Ministry provides the Public Library Operating Grant.
- Documented Board approval of the audited year-end financial statements is a requirement of the Annual Library Survey submission.

Moved By: Councillor A. Hilson

Seconded By: A. Strachan

THAT Report No. LBD-2024-040 dated October 18, 2024, regarding the 2023 Audited Financial Statements be received;

AND FURTHER THAT the Library Board accepts the 2023 Audited Financial Statements as presented.

CARRIED

12.0 New Business

12.1 Report No. LBD-2024-041 re: Proposed 2025 Closure Schedule

- B. King presented the proposed 2025 closure schedule, noting that the library will be open special hours on Family Day and closed on November 10 for Staff Development Day.

Moved By: L. Teggart

Seconded By: Councillor A. Hilson

THAT Report No. LBD-2024-041 dated October 18, 2024, regarding the Proposed 2025 Closure Schedule be received;

AND FURTHER THAT the Halton Hills Public Library Board approves the 2025 Closure Schedule.

CARRIED

12.2 Report No. LBD-2024-042 re: Proposed 2025 Board Meeting Schedule

- The Library Board meets on the fourth Wednesday of the month.
- The February meeting of the Board will be a professional development workshop.
- The Board requested that the April, May, and October meetings be held at the Acton Branch.

Moved By: A. Strachan

Seconded By: T. Smith

THAT Report No. LBD-2024-042 dated October 18, 2024, regarding the Proposed 2025 Board Meeting Schedule be received;

AND FURTHER THAT the Halton Hills Public Library Board approves the 2025 Board Meeting Schedule.

CARRIED AS AMENDED

12.3 Report No. LBD-2024-043 re: Policy Review: Occupational Health and Safety – First Review

- The Occupational Health and Safety Policy was reviewed and updated to improve clarity.

Moved By: Councillor B. Inglis

Seconded By: A. Strachan

THAT Report No. LBD-2024-043 dated October 18, 2024, regarding the Policy Review: Occupational Health and Safety be received;

AND FURTHER THAT the Halton Hills Public Library Board direct staff to make any proposed changes and bring the revised policy back to the Board for a second review and approval.

CARRIED

12.4 Report No. LBD-2024-044 re: Chief Librarian & CEO's Report – October 2024

- The Ontario Library Service Virtual Conference is on October 24 from 6-9 p.m.
- The library card campaign is increasing awareness among families and youth.
- The Town received a grant from Nature Canada to pilot the installation of bird decals at the Acton Branch, with a "Learn About Birds" event on October 26.
- On October 26, HHPL will host a themed storytime and craft session before Masquerade on Main.
- HHPL's annual Winter Wonder event is on November 30.
- The Reading Buddies program is returning in November and volunteers with experience working with children are being recruited.

Moved By: Councillor A. Hilson
Seconded By: T. Smith

THAT Report No: LBD-2024-044 dated October 18, 2024, regarding the Chief Librarian & CEO's Report – October 2024 be received.

CARRIED

13.0 Health and Safety Report
NIL

14.0 Next Meeting
November 27, 2024
7:00 p.m.
Georgetown Branch, Boardroom

15.0 Adjournment

Moved By: A. Strachan
Seconded By: L. Teggart

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Signed: _____
Betsy Cosper, Chair
Halton Hills Public Library Board

Signed: _____
Beverley King, Chief Librarian & CEO
Halton Hills Public Library

APPROVED: November 27, 2024
DATED: November 27, 2024

Attendees: Derek Smith, Cheryl Discenza, Rob Chlebowski, Sandy Mackenzie, Councillor Ron Norris, Drew Pullman

Regrets: Ansub Shafique, Erin Burke

Staff: Maureen Turner, Sara Boyd

Guests:

1. Call to Order at 5:07pm by Derek Smith
2. Declaration of Quorum – Yes there was quorum
3. Approval of Agenda – Approved the Agenda
 - Motion: To approve the agenda as presented**
 - Moved by: Drew Pullman
 - Seconded by: Cheryl Discenza
 - Carried
4. Declaration of Interest – There was none
5. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes for June 2024
 - Motion to accept minutes of June 2024, as presented.**
 - Moved by: Rob Chlebowski
 - Seconded by: Derek Smith
 - Carried
6. Correspondence
 - Back and forth with the Town regarding bike locker in Church Street parking lot being used as a home. Bike locker was removed. We are happy with this result. Would like other lockers removed from BIA.
 -
7. Financial Report – Ansub Shafique
 - a) Treasurer’s Report - No Report
8. Manager’s Report: Maureen
 - We are moving ahead with the holiday décor from Classic Displays
 - We are also looking at replacing benches and garbage bins. Maureen to reach out to Public Works regarding having them installed next year
 - Bike locker was removed from parking lot, and new concrete applied. Could we move a large flower planter to this spot instead?
 - Legion is putting up Remembrance Day banners on Main Street. We will put up nicer banners when those come down. Could we have banners made to go along Mill Street and Guelph Street? Maureen to send out RFP
 - Car show was a success and under budget. Things to improve: Should end earlier, sound system is not sufficient, awards for each decade

- Mike Farrugia will be stepping back next year, but others have stepped forward to help with Car Show
- Downtown Restaurants are interested in having street patios. Maureen to introduce Owners to Erin Kaiser at the town to talk about next steps
- Maureen met with Zack from Visit Stratford to discuss their AI Fresco program where food/drink can be purchased to go and alcohol can be consumed in designated areas. The program is very successful. Board is interested, Maureen to look into costs
- Jake's summer student term is over, he continued to help put with events

9. Business Arising

- a) We continue to get complaints regarding Amico workers parking in areas they have been asked not to park in. We agree Amico is trying their hardest and the employees are the ones who are not listening
- b) We have chosen not to collaborate with Bell as they have chosen not to sponsor our events

10. Council Update – Councillor Ron Norris

- Ron commended Drew for his presentation to Council regarding our MOU. Said he would be meeting with Damian the following Thursday

11. Committee updates

- a) Marketing and Events N/A
- b) Farmers Market N/A
- c) Beautification – Maureen and Drew to meet with Public works to discuss garbage cans and benches

12. New Business

- a) Car Show budget – Under budget, board was pleased.
- b) Masquerade – New Time. We will move forward with a later time and different format to see how well it goes. Need to figure out if this event is something we continue to do. Send out survey to businesses to get their thoughts
- c) Date Your Downtown. Sara presented an idea for social media where people share their favourite businesses downtown as thought it is a dating app. Board approved.
- d) New Treasurer: Jillan Croft – Move to bring Jillian Croft on as treasurer: Rob Chlebowski
- e) Seconded by Derek Smith - Ron to take to council for approval
- f) Homelessness/Guelph Bylaw – Do we need a bylaw like Guelph's before we have the same issue? Board agrees we do. Ron to take to Council
- g) 2025 Event Dates. All Dates approved. Maureen to add to calendar. Add security cameras and sound system to next years priorities

13. Next Meeting: Tuesday October 22, 2024

14. Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn meeting.
- Moved by: Councillor Ron Norris
- Seconded by: Rob Cheblowski
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The Honorable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1
Via email premier@ontario.ca

The Honorable Michael Parsa
Minister of Children, Community and Social Services
438 University Ave.
Toronto, ON M5G 2K8
Via email MinisterMCCSS@ontario.ca

Dear The Honorable Doug Ford and The Honorable Michael Parsa,

I am writing on behalf of Woodstock City Council to express the urgent and pressing need for adequate and sustainable funding for the Children's Aid Society of Oxford County and other child welfare agencies throughout Ontario. These organizations play a vital role in safeguarding and enhancing the health, well-being, and safety of our children, youth, and families and deserves appropriate support and attention from our elected officials.

Our community, like many across the province, relies on the Children's Aid Society and other child welfare agencies to not only protect children and youth from abuse or neglect, but provide critical crisis intervention, early intervention, and preventative services. Their work ensures children receive necessary care at the most crucial times, close to their own homes, allowing families to remain intact and thrive together.

The lack of access to healthcare, mental health supports, poverty reduction initiatives and affordable housing is taking a toll on families and caregivers. These systemic shortfalls propel child welfare agencies into roles they were never intended to assume, filling gaps in services to ensure the well-being of children, youth, and families.

Without sufficient financial backing, these agencies are strained to a breaking point. They operate without the ability to deny families the services they desperately need. They cannot turn clients away, manage waitlists, or declare services unavailable. Yet, even with remarkable community partnerships, these agencies lack the means to expedite or ensure access to necessary treatments for those in their care.

The repercussions of this funding deficit extends well beyond individual families, affecting the community at large. Our local Children's Aid Society is supporting an ever-increasing number of youth exhibiting complex behaviors. These challenges translate into higher intervention costs, increases costs for and pressure on police and emergency service providers.

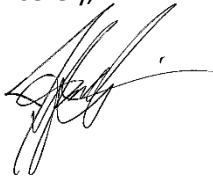
The lack of access to critical early intervention services is correlating to a distressing rise in youth homelessness. The financial sustainability and stability of the child welfare sector can no longer be deferred

for debate. It is imperative the funding formula is updated to prioritize trauma-informed, culturally relevant and proactive care.

On behalf of Woodstock City Council, I urge the province to prioritize and support the financial needs of these vital agencies. All levels of government must work together to improve upstream intervention and support to prevent the tragic outcomes we are seeing as a result of inadequate funding.

Thank you for considering this urgent matter that affects our community and its future generations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jerry Acchione', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mayor Jerry Acchione
City of Woodstock

Cc:

The Honourable Ernie Hardeman, Oxford MPP - ernie.hardemanco@pc.ola.org

Safe and Well Oxford - safewelloxford@gmail.com

Children's Aid Society Oxford County - info@casoxford.on.ca



December 12, 2024

- Get access to MIDAS!
- Integrated Energy Resource Plan Consultation.
- Climate Ready Infrastructure Service (CRIS) registration now open.
- Intake announcement - Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund.
- ROMA Program - So many great concurrent sessions!
- ROMA Pre-conference workshop January 18 - Two Keys to Municipal Success.
- AMO is here to support your leadership - 2025 Workshops.
- Now available - On-demand municipal investment training.
- Blog: LAS' 2024 Year End Message.
- Plan your purchases with Canoe.
- Careers.

AMO Matters

MIDAS - the [Municipal Information & Data Analysis System](#) - provides access to the Financial Information Returns (FIRs) data to all Ontario municipalities. MIDAS converts FIR data into meaningful reports. For access, municipal elected officials and municipal staff can email MIDASAdmin@amo.on.ca.

Provincial Matters

The Ministry of Energy and Electrification is [seeking comments](#) to inform the development of a provincial energy plan to guide the transition to a clean, reliable, affordable energy supply. Comments are due December 13.

Federal Matters

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One of the broad themes for 2024 was learning how the municipal sector, and LAS specifically, can help solve big problems. [Read more about LAS activities and outcomes](#) for 2024 and our future areas of focus.

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Careers

[Regional Directors, \(Central Region and West Region\)](#) - Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services. Closing Date: December 20, 2024.

[Secretary-Treasurer, Committee of Adjustment - City of Hamilton](#). Closing Date: January 15, 2025

[Growth Management Services Coordinator - King Township](#). Closing Date: January 3, 2025.

[Manager, Cybersecurity and Risk - City of Windsor](#). Closing Date: December 20, 2024.

[Fire Inspector - City of Kingston](#). Closing Date: January 2, 2025.

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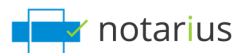
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- The NWMO announces future site for Canada's deep geological repository.
- Webinar on risk management for Battery Energy Storage Systems.
- Careers.

AMO Matters

AMO President Robin Jones [provides highlights](#) from the November 29 Board meeting, including an update on AMO's provincial election strategy and continued advocacy for a Social and Economic Prosperity Review.

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The [Nuclear Waste Management Organization](#) has selected Wabigoon Lake Ojibway Nation (WLON) and the Township of Ignace as the host communities for the future site for Canada's deep geological repository for used nuclear fuel.

Energy Storage Canada and Marsh are hosting [a webinar](#) on risk identification and management for battery energy storage system (BESS) projects on December 9, 10:00 am.

Careers

[Director, Laboratory Services Branch - Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks](#). Closing Date: December 20, 2024.

[Municipal Planner - City of Temiskaming Shores](#). Closing Date: December 29, 2024.

[Administrator, Pioneer Ridge - City of Thunder Bay](#). Closing Date: December 27, 2024.

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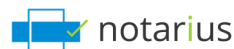
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November 28, 2024

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- *HSC's 2025 Regeneration Forum: Levelling Up - Transforming Housing*.
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AMO Matters

AMO and Eastern Ontario Regional Network (EORN) are [hosting a webinar](#) on December 3 to introduce a template to help small/medium municipalities negotiate broadband projects with Internet Service Providers.

Provincial Matters

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Municipal leaders are juggling a myriad of pressing issues. Amidst these, food waste management might seem like just another item on a long list of concerns. However, it's a critical issue that intersects with many broader municipal priorities. Read more [here](#).

Municipal Wire*

[HSC's 2025 Regeneration Forum: Levelling Up - New Approaches to Transform Housing](#) is showcasing strategies to sustain and grow the community housing sector. Dive into finance, scale, and development on February 27-28 in Toronto.

Careers

[Building Engineer/Architect - City of Windsor](#). Closing Date: December 12, 2024

[Fire Chief / Chief Building Official - Township of Dubreuilville](#). Closing Date: December 18, 2024

[Municipal Integrity Commissioner - County of Prince Edward](#). Closing Date: December 9, 2024

[Manager, Communications & Public Relations - City of Thunder Bay](#). Closing Date: December 22, 2024

[Manager, Strategic Project Management Office - Ontario Securities Commission](#). Closing Date: December 6, 2024

[Chief Administrative Officer - City of Greater Sudbury](#). Closing Date: December 20, 2024.

[Fleet Data Analyst - Town of Oakville](#). Closing Date: December 9, 2024.

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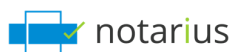
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December 13, 2024

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Samantha Yew, City Clerk, City of Burlington
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Meaghen Reid, Director, Legislative & Legal Services/Town Clerk, Town of Milton
Vicki Tytaneck, Town Clerk, Town of Oakville

Please be advised that at its meeting held on December 11, 2024, the Council of The Regional Municipality of Halton adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION: FN-33-24 – Interim Regional Property Tax Requisition for 2025

1. THAT Regional Council authorize an Interim Regional Property Tax Levy to be requisitioned from the Local Municipalities for the year 2025 in the amount of 50% of the amount levied for the General and Special Purposes for 2025, as set out in Report No. FN-33-24 re: “Interim Regional Property Tax Requisition for 2025”.
2. THAT the Director of Legal Services be authorized to prepare the appropriate by-law.
3. THAT a copy of Report No. FN-33-24 be forwarded to the City of Burlington, the Town of Halton Hills, the Town of Milton and the Town of Oakville for their information.

Please find attached a copy of the above-noted report and associated by-law for your information. If you have any questions, please contact me at the email address below.

Sincerely,



Graham Milne
Regional Clerk
Graham.Milne@halton.ca

Report To:	Regional Chair and Members of Regional Council
From:	Cyndy Winslow, Commissioner, Finance and Regional Treasurer
Date:	December 11, 2024
Report No.:	FN-33-24
Re:	Interim Regional Property Tax Requisition for 2025

Recommendation

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Report

Executive Summary

- This report sets out the interim Regional property tax levy for 2025.
- The amount collected through the interim Regional property tax levy is equal to 50% of the taxes raised in 2024.
- The interim Regional property tax levy is collected by the Local Municipalities in February and April, and remitted to the Region in March and May

Background

Municipalities levy property taxes to meet their financial requirements on a calendar year basis. However, for numerous reasons, such as the timing of receipt of the final tax assessment roll, approval of municipal budgets, and receipt of the provincial education tax rates and provincial property tax policies, most municipalities finalize their annual tax rates mid-way through their operating cycle. To allow for a municipality's need to secure funds through tax collection before their tax rates are finalized, Section 316(1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, permits upper-tier municipalities (Halton Region) to pass an interim Regional property tax levy by-law. This legislation allows the Region to

requisition taxes from each of the lower-tier municipalities (Local Municipalities) on an interim basis up to an amount equal to 50% of the taxes collected in the previous year. Under Ontario’s property tax collection system, Local Municipalities collect property taxes for regional, local and school board purposes. In Halton, the four Local Municipalities collect taxes in four installments, two interim levies (February and April) and two final levies (June and September) which are then distributed to the Region and School Boards. Through the provisions of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, amounts collected on the interim levies will raise funds up to an amount equal to 50% of the taxes raised in 2024.

Discussion

The 2024 final Regional property tax requisition as detailed in Schedule A to By-law No. 10-24 is \$525,734,316. The interim Regional property tax requisition as authorized through this report is apportioned to the Local Municipalities as follows:

2025 Interim Regional Property Tax Requisition*			
	General & Police Purposes	Special Purposes (Waste Management)	Total
City of Burlington	\$ 78,742,911.50	\$ 663,805.00	\$ 79,406,716.50
Town of Halton Hills	23,600,879.50	204,609.50	23,805,489.00
Town of Milton	45,837,498.50	203,885.50	46,041,384.00
Town of Oakville	112,875,624.50	738,228.00	113,613,852.50
Total	\$ 261,056,914.00	\$ 1,810,528.00	\$ 262,867,442.00

* There is a difference of \$284.00 between 50% of the 2024 Regional property tax requisition in Schedule A and the 2025 Interim Regional Property Tax Requisition due to the rounding of the interim taxes to 2 decimal places

The interim requisition comprises \$261,056,914.00 for general Regional and Police purposes and \$1,810,528.00 for area-specific waste management programs. As reported in FN-11-24 re: “2024 Tax Policy”, for the 2024 taxation year, Regional General Services now includes basic waste, recycling and organics. The balance of Waste Management Services is the Enhanced Waste which is calculated on an area rating specific to each local municipality under Section 326 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* as service levels vary by local municipality. In Halton Region, Enhanced Waste services are provided to urban properties in the City of Burlington, the Town of Halton Hills, the Town of Milton, and the Town of Oakville. Rural properties do not receive these services.

The payment dates for the Regional requisition from the Local Municipalities are set to generally coincide with the planned collection dates for the interim tax instalments by the Local Municipalities. The due dates for the 2025 interim Regional property tax levy

will be Monday March 3, 2025 and Thursday May 1, 2025. The interim Regional property tax levy by-law will come into effect on January 1st, 2025.

The tax levy approved in the 2025 Budget and Business Plan will be incorporated into the final tax rates for 2025 and reflected on the two final bills, which will be established through the 2025 Tax Policy process and presented to Regional Council in April 2025.

Financial/Program Implications

Approval of the 2025 interim Regional property tax levy by-law ensures that the property tax revenues necessary to support Regional services, including Police, are collected and remitted on a timely basis to facilitate cash flow requirements.

Respectfully submitted by,

Debbie Symons
Director, Budgets and Tax Policy

Cyndy Winslow
Commissioner, Finance and
Regional Treasurer

Approved by,

Jane MacCaskill
Chief Administrative Officer

If you have any questions about the content of this report, please contact:
Debbie Symons, Director, Budgets and Tax Policy

Attachments:
None

Additional Information:

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None

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HALTON

BY-LAW NO. 52-24

A BY-LAW TO PROVIDE FOR AN INTERIM REGIONAL PROPERTY TAX REQUISITION FOR THE YEAR 2025.

WHEREAS pursuant to subsection 316 (1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended (the “Municipal Act, 2001”), the Council of The Regional Municipality of Halton (“Regional Council”), before the adoption of estimates for the year, may by by-law requisition from each of its Local Municipalities (namely, the City of Burlington, the Town of Halton Hills, the Town of Milton and the Town of Oakville) a sum not exceeding fifty per cent (50%) of the amount that, in the rating by-laws of The Regional Municipality of Halton (“Halton Region”) for the previous year, was estimated to be raised in the particular Local Municipality, as adjusted by the provisions of subsections 316 (1) (b) and (c);

AND WHEREAS subsections 316 (2), (3), (4) and (5) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* apply with necessary modifications to the amount requisitioned;

AND WHEREAS Regional Council is desirous of imposing such an Interim Regional Property Tax Requisition on the dates and in the amounts set out below.


NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HALTON HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. THAT an Interim Regional Property Tax Requisition for 2025 be imposed against each of the Local Municipalities in an amount equal to fifty per cent (50%) of the levy made by Regional Council against the said Local Municipalities for General Purposes and for Special Purposes in the year 2024.
2. THAT the Interim Regional Property Tax Requisition for General Purposes and for Special Purposes be apportioned among the Local Municipalities as follows:

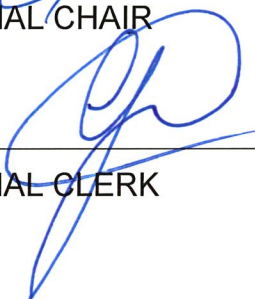
2025 Interim Regional Property Tax Requisition			
	General Region & Police Purposes	Special Purposes (Waste Management)	Total
City of Burlington	\$ 78,742,911.50	\$ 663,805.00	\$ 79,406,716.50
Town of Halton Hills	23,600,879.50	204,609.50	23,805,489.00
Town of Milton	45,837,498.50	203,885.50	46,041,384.00
Town of Oakville	112,875,624.50	738,228.00	113,613,852.50
Total	\$ 261,056,914.00	\$ 1,810,528.00	\$ 262,867,442.00

3. THAT one-half of the Interim Regional Property Tax Requisition for General purposes and for Special Purposes be due and payable from each Local Municipality on the 3rd day of March, 2025 and the balance of the Interim Regional Property Tax Requisition for General Purposes and for Special Purposes be due and payable on the 1st day of May, 2025.
4. THAT interest on amounts not paid by each Local Municipality on the due dates will be charged at a rate equal to the prime rate charged by the Regional Corporation's bankers, provided, however, that this is not to exceed the rate authorized to be charged by subsection 316(5) of the Municipal Act, 2001.
5. THAT the Regional Treasurer is authorized and directed to serve personally, or to mail or cause to be mailed, notices of this requisition and the amounts apportioned, to the Treasurers of the Local Municipalities.
6. THAT this By-law comes into force on the 1st day of January, 2025.

READ and PASSED this 11th day of December, 2024.



REGIONAL CHAIR



REGIONAL CLERK

Report No. FN-33-24

VIA EMAIL

December 5, 2024

Corporate Services Department
Legal Services
Office of the Regional Clerk
1151 Bronte Road
Oakville, ON L6M 3L1

Samantha Yew, City Clerk, City of Burlington
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Pam Damoff, Member of Parliament - Oakville-North Burlington
Michael Chong, Member of Parliament - Wellington-Halton Hills
Carole Saab, Chief Executive Officer, Federation of Canadian Municipalities
Chandra Sharma, President & CEO/Secretary-Treasurer, Conservation Halton

Please be advised that at its meeting held on November 20, 2024, the Council of The Regional Municipality of Halton adopted the following resolution:

THAT Halton Regional Council supports seeking leave to appeal to the Supreme Court of Canada in respect of the Federal Court of Appeal's decision regarding CN's approvals obtained from the Federal Government;

THAT staff be authorized to take whatever actions are required to satisfy this direction;

THAT staff be authorized to take the additional actions discussed in closed session;

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Local Municipalities, Halton MPs, Federation of Canadian Municipalities and Conservation Halton for their information.

If you have any questions, please contact me at the email address below.

Sincerely,



Graham Milne
Regional Clerk
Graham.Milne@halton.ca

November 27, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau
Prime Minister of Canada

Delivered by email
justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca

The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario

premier@ontario.ca

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau and Premier Ford:

**Re: Town of Aurora Council Resolution of November 26, 2024
Member Motion 8.9.1 - Mayor Mrakas; Re: Request the Redistribution of the
Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable
Infrastructure Funding**

Please be advised that this matter was considered by Council at its meeting held on November 26, 2024, and in this regard, Council adopted the following resolution:

Whereas municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development; and

Whereas the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment; and

Whereas the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and

Whereas the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and

Whereas redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and

Whereas a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure

initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

- 1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That Aurora Town Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and**
- 2. Be It Further Resolved That Aurora Town Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and**
- 3. Be It Further Resolved That this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and**
- 4. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and**
- 5. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.**

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

Sincerely,



Ishita Soneji
Deputy Town Clerk
The Corporation of the Town of Aurora

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Attachment (Council meeting extract)

Copy: Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Ontario Minister of Finance
Hon. Paul Calandra, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Leah Taylor Roy, MP Aurora—Oak Ridges—Richmond Hill
Tony Van Bynen, MP Newmarket—Aurora
Dawn Gallagher Murphy, MPP Newmarket—Aurora
Hon. Michael Parsa, MPP Aurora—Oak Ridges—Richmond Hill
All Ontario Municipalities
Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)

8. Committee of the Whole Meeting Report of November 5, 2024

Moved by Councillor Weese

Seconded by Councillor Thompson

That the Committee of the Whole Meeting Report of November 5, 2024, be received and the recommendations carried by the Committee approved, with the exception of sub-items 8.5.4, 8.8.1, and 8.8.3, which were discussed and voted on separately as recorded below.

Yeas (7): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

Carried (7 to 0)

8.9 Member Motions

8.9.1 Mayor Mrakas; Re: Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding

Whereas municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development; and

Whereas the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment; and

Whereas the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and

Whereas the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and

Whereas redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and

sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and

Whereas a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That Aurora Town Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and
2. Be It Further Resolved That Aurora Town Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and
3. Be It Further Resolved That this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and
4. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and
5. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

Carried

November 29, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister

Sent via email: justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca

Dear Honourable Justin Trudeau,

Please be advised that Brantford City Council at its meeting held November 26, 2024 adopted the following:

12.2.9 Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding

WHEREAS municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development; and

WHEREAS the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment; and

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and

WHEREAS the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and

WHEREAS redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and

WHEREAS a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- A. THAT Brantford City Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and

- B. THAT Brantford City Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and
- C. THAT this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and
- D. THAT copies of this resolution BE FORWARDED to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Larry Brock - Member of Parliament (MP) and Will Bouma - Members of Provincial Parliament (MPP); and
- E. THAT copies of this resolution BE FORWARDED to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours truly,



Chris Gauthier
City Clerk, cgauthier@brantford.ca

cc Premier Doug Ford
Ontario Minister of Finance
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Member of Parliament (MP) Larry Brock
Member of Provincial Parliament (MPP) Will Bouma
Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
Ontario Municipalities

MUNICIPALITY OF PORT HOPE
RESOLUTION

Date: 17 December 2024

252 - 2024

MOVED BY: Deputy Mayor Hollaway Wadhvani

SECONDED BY: Councillor Tans

WHEREAS municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development; and

WHEREAS the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment; and

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and

WHEREAS the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and

WHEREAS redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and

WHEREAS a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipality of Port Hope Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Municipality of Port Hope Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.



Mayor Olena Hankivsky

The Corporation of the Municipality of St. Charles
RESOLUTION PAGE



Regular Meeting of Council

Agenda Number: 8.5.
Resolution Number 2024-406
Title: Resolution Requesting the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding (Fair Share)
Date: November 20, 2024

Moved by: Councillor Loftus
Seconded by: Councillor Lachance

WHEREAS municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development;

AND WHEREAS the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment;

AND WHEREAS the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities;

AND WHEREAS the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs;

AND WHEREAS redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers;

AND WHEREAS a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

1. **NOW THEREFORE BE IN HEREBY RESOLVED THAT** Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of St.-Charles formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and,
2. **BE IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of St.-Charles calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and,
3. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and,

4. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and,
5. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

CARRIED


MAYOR



November 28, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau
Office of the Prime Minister
80 Wellington Street
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau:

RE: Motion Requesting the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding, Our File: C00

Council of the Region of Durham, at its meeting held on November 27, 2024, passed the following resolution:

Whereas municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development;

Whereas the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment;

Whereas the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities;

Whereas the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs;

Whereas redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers;

Whereas a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

If you require this information in an accessible format, please call 1-800-372-1102 extension 2097.

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That The Regional Municipality of Durham Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities;
2. Be It Further Resolved That The Regional Municipality of Durham Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities;
3. Be It Further Resolved That this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs;
4. Be It Further Resolved That the province be reminded it has been asked by AMO and municipalities to develop a new and comprehensive funding arrangement with municipalities including the housing affordability taskforce recommendations;
5. Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and
6. Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

Alexander Harras

Alexander Harras, M.P.A.
Director of Legislative Services & Regional Clerk
AH/tf

- c: Hon. D. Ford, Premier, Province of Ontario
Hon. P. Bethlenfalvy, Ontario Minister of Finance, MPP,
Pickering/Uxbridge
Hon. P. Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Hon. M. Holland, MP, Ajax
J. Jivani, MP, Durham
J. Schmale, MP, Haliburton/Kawartha Lakes/Brock
P. Lawrence, MP, Northumberland/Peterborough South
C. Carrie, MP, Oshawa
J. O'Connell, MP, Pickering/Uxbridge
R. Turnbull, MP, Whitby
P. Barnes, MPP, Ajax
L. Coe, MPP, Whitby
J. French, MPP, Oshawa
Hon. T. McCarthy, MPP, Durham
Hon. D. Piccini, MPP, Northumberland/Peterborough South
L. Scott, MPP, Haliburton/Kawartha Lakes/Brock
Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
All Ontario Municipalities
A. Burgess, Director, Communications and Engagement
B. Hannelas, Manager, Corporate Initiatives and Government
Relations



The Corporation of the Town of Cobourg

Resolution

Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada
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Justin.Trudeau@parl.gc.ca

December 6, 2024

RE: Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding

Please be advised that the Town of Cobourg Council, at its meeting held on November 20, 2024, passed the following resolution:

WHEREAS municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development; and

WHEREAS the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment; and

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and

WHEREAS the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and

WHEREAS redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and

WHEREAS a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Cobourg Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and



The Corporation of the Town of Cobourg

Resolution

FURTHER THAT the Town of Cobourg Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and

FURTHER THAT this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and

FURTHER THAT copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and

FURTHER THAT copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

Sincerely,

Kristina Lepik
Deputy Clerk/Manager, Legislative Services

cc. Honourable, Doug Ford Premier of Ontario;
Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance;
Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing;
Honourable Philip Lawrence, Northumberland – Peterborough South MP;
Honourable David Piccini, Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills
Development and Northumberland – Peterborough South MPP; and
All Ontario Municipalities



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December 24, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau
Prime Minister of Canada
Office of the Prime Minister
80 Wellington Street
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

Sent by email to: justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca

**Re: Council Resolution Regarding Requesting the Redistribution of
Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable
Infrastructure Funding**

At its regular meeting of Council held on December 4, 2024, the Township of Amaranth Council passed the following motion:

Resolution #: 5

Moved by: B. Metzger

Seconded by: A. Stirk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Whereas municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development; and

Whereas the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment; and

Whereas the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and

Whereas the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and

Whereas redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and

Whereas a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

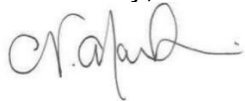
Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That Township of Amaranth Council formally requests

1. The Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding
2. Be It Further Resolved That the Township of Amaranth Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and
3. Be It Further Resolved That this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and
4. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and
5. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

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

Corporation of The Township of Stone Mills

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December 19, 2024

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau
Office of the Prime Minister
80 Wellington Street
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

Sent by Email

RE: Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Stone Mills at its meeting on December 16, 2024, adopted the following resolution,

Moved by Councillor McDonald
Seconded by Councillor Woodcock

That the correspondence from the Town of Aurora be received and the following motion be adopted,

Whereas municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development; and
Whereas the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment; and

Whereas the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and

Whereas the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and

Whereas redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and

Whereas a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That Township of Stone Mills Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and

Be It Further Resolved That Township of Stone Mills Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and

Be It Further Resolved That this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local

governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and

Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and

Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

Carried.

If you require anything further, please contact the undersigned.



Brandi Teeple

Township Clerk

Township of Stone Mills

Phone: 613 378-2475 ext. 225

Email: bteeple@stonemills.com

cc. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario

Peter Bethlenfalvy Ontario Minister of Finance

Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Ric Bresee, MPP Hastings-Lennox and Addington

Shelby Kramp-Neuman MP Hastings-Lennox and Addington

All Ontario municipalities

Federation of Canadian Municipalities

Association of Municipalities of Ontario

Good day Elected Official,

For many years, we have advocated for our fair share of funding from both Provincial and Federal governments. Through FCM and AMO, we've pushed for reforms and for sustainable, predictable funding for municipal infrastructure. With both Provincial and Federal elections approaching, I believe it's time for us to unite and propose a solution for municipalities' fair share.

As we're asked to meet growth targets, our municipalities urgently need predictable, long-term funding to support critical infrastructure, including roads, bridges, and public transit. We need all levels of government to collaborate on a solution that doesn't rely solely on property taxes to fund essential infrastructure in our communities. That's why we're calling on the Province to allocate a portion of the Land Transfer Tax, and on the Federal Government to allocate a portion of the GST from new home sales—no new taxes, just a fair distribution of our own funds for our communities!

Bellow is a Motion I respectfully ask you to bring forward at your council.

This motion ensures that we have the resources to build and maintain the infrastructure that keeps our municipalities running smoothly, without increasing property taxes.

Please consider adding this Motion to your Council agendas. It is essential that our collective voices are heard. Local governments deserve predictable, long-term funding to support critical infrastructure. Together, we can build a brighter future for all Ontarians.

Motion: Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST

to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding

Whereas municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges,

public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to

community well-being and economic development; and

Whereas the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user

fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment;

and

Whereas the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on

property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and

Whereas the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and

Whereas redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and

Whereas a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That _____Municipality_____ Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and

2. Be It Further Resolved That _____Municipality_____ Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and

3. Be It Further Resolved That this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST

should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and

4. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and

5. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

Regards,

Tom Mrakas

Mayor Town of Aurora

416-543-1624



Sent Via Email to: Justin.Trudeau@parl.gc.ca

December 19, 2024

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau
Office of the Prime Minister
80 Wellington Street
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

RE: Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Scugog at its regular meeting on December 16, 2024, passed the following motion supporting the resolution from the Town of Aurora regarding the Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding:

Moved by Regional Councillor McDougall

Seconded by Councillor Rock

That Correspondence received from the Town of Aurora regarding Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding - November 5, 2024, be endorsed.

Carried

Attached please find a copy of the Town of Aurora correspondence dated November 5, 2024.

If you require anything further, please contact the undersigned.

Yours Sincerely,



Blair Labelle
Director of Corporate Services / Clerk
/am

Enclosure

CC Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Peter Bethlenfalvy Ontario Minister of Finance
Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Todd McCarthy, MPP Durham
Jamil Jivani MP Durham
All Ontario Municipalities
Federation of Canadian Municipalities
Association of Municipalities of Ontario

Re: Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding

To: Members of Council

From: Mayor Tom Mrakas

Date: November 5, 2024

Whereas municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development; and

Whereas the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment; and

Whereas the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and

Whereas the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and

Whereas redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and

Whereas a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That Aurora Town Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and

2. Be It Further Resolved That Aurora Town Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and
3. Be It Further Resolved That this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and
4. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and
5. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.



The Corporation of the
**Township
of
Uxbridge**

In The Regional Municipality of Durham

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SENT VIA EMAIL

December 18, 2024

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau
Office of the Prime Minister
80 Wellington Street
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2
justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca

**RE: REQUESTING THE REDISTRIBUTION OF THE PROVINCIAL LAND TRANSFER
TAX AND GST TO MUNICIPALITIES FOR SUSTAINABLE INFRASTRUCTURE
FUNDING
TOWNSHIP FILE: A-00G**

Please be advised that during the regular meeting of Council of December 9, 2024, the following motion was carried:

WHEREAS municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development;

WHEREAS the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment;

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities;

WHEREAS the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs;

WHEREAS redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers;

initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT The Township of Uxbridge Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities;

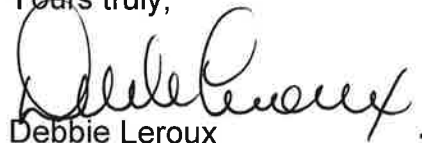
AND THAT the Township of Uxbridge Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities;

AND THAT this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs;

That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs);

AND THAT copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

Yours truly,



Debbie Leroux

Director of Legislative Services/Clerk

cc: Premier Doug Ford Premier Doug Ford (premier@ontario.ca)
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing (minister.mah@ontario.ca)
Minister of Finance (minister.fin@ontario.ca)
MP Jennifer O'Connell (jennifer.oconnell@parl.gc.ca)
MPP Peter Bethlenfalvy (Peter.Bethlenfalvy@pc.ola.org)
FCM (info@fcm.ca)
AMO (info@fcm.ca)
All Ontario Municipalities

TOWNSHIP OF CHAMPLAIN

RESOLUTION
REGULAR MEETING

Agenda Number: 15.1.
Resolution Number 2024-416
Title: Good Roads - Establishment of an Ontario Rural Road Safety Program
Date: November 28, 2024

Moved By: Gérard Miner
Seconded By: Peter Barton

WHEREAS official statistics from the Government of Ontario confirm that rural roads are inherently more dangerous than other roads;

AND WHEREAS, despite only having 17% of the population, 55% of the road fatalities occur on rural roads;

AND WHEREAS, rural, northern, and remote municipalities are fiscally strained by maintaining extensive road networks on a smaller tax base;

AND WHEREAS, preventing crashes reduces the burden on Ontario's already strained rural strained health care system;

AND WHEREAS, roadway collisions and associated lawsuits are significant factors in runaway municipal insurance premiums. Preventing crashes can have a significant impact in improving municipal risk profiles;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of Champlain requests that the Government of Ontario take action to implement the rural road safety program that Good Roads has committed to lead. It will allow Ontario's rural municipalities to make the critical investments needed to reduce the high number of people being killed and seriously injured on Ontario's rural roads; and

FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, Hon. King Surma, Minister of Infrastructure, Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture, Hon. Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs, Hon. Trevor Jones, Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response, and Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, and Good Roads; and

FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario requesting their support

Certified True Copy of Resolution

CARRIED

Alison Collard, Clerk Date:



Sent Via Email

December 5, 2024

Good Roads
Scott Butler
Executive Director
1525 Cornwall Road, Unit 22
Oakville, ON L6J 0B2

Attention: Scott Butler

Scott Butler:

Re: Establishment of an Ontario Rural Road Safety Program

Please be informed that at its regular meeting of November 27, 2024, Lambton County Council supported correspondence # PW 11-11-24 dated October 29, 2024. For your information, the following resolution was passed:

#1: White/Case: That County Council adopt the resolution in correspondence PW 11-11-24 as follows:

WHEREAS official statistics from the Government of Ontario confirm that rural roads are inherently more dangerous than other roads;

AND WHEREAS, despite only having 17% of the population, 55% of the road fatalities occur on rural roads;

AND WHEREAS, rural, northern, and remote municipalities are fiscally strained by maintaining extensive road networks on a smaller tax base;

AND WHEREAS, preventing crashes reduces the burden on Ontario's already strained rural strained health care system;

AND WHEREAS, roadway collisions and associated lawsuits are significant factors in runaway municipal insurance premiums. Preventing crashes can have a significant impact in improving municipal risk profiles;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the County of Lambton requests that the Government of Ontario take action to implement the rural road safety program that Good Roads has committed to lead. It will allow Ontario's rural municipalities to make the critical investments needed to reduce the high number of people being killed and seriously injured on Ontario's rural roads; and

FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, Hon. Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure, Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture, Hon. Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs, Hon. Trevor Jones, Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response, and Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, and Good Roads; and

FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario requesting their support.

Carried.

Sincerely,



Jason Cole, P.Eng.
General Manager, Infrastructure & Development Services

Encl # PW 11-11-24

cc: Lianne Rood, M.P. Lambton-Kent-Middlesex Riding
Bob Bailey, M.P.P. Sarnia-Lambton Riding
Marilyn Gladu, M.P. Sarnia-Lambton Riding
The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation
Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure
Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture
Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs
Trevor Jones, Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response
Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health
All municipalities in Ontario

From: Scott Butler <scott@goodroads.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, October 29, 2024 6:28 PM
To: Stephane Thiffeault <Stephane.Thiffeault@county-lambton.on.ca>
Subject: establishment of an Ontario Rural Road Safety Program

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Wednesday, October 09, 2024

To: County of Lambton Head of Council and Council Members

Sent via email to: stephane.thiffeault@county-lambton.on.ca

Subject: Establishment of an Ontario Rural Road Safety Program

Too many Ontarians are being seriously injured or killed on our roads.

In 2023, there were 616 people killed and 36,090 people injured. The number of fatalities is up nearly 20% in the last ten years.

In 2021, the most recent year of complete data from MTO's *Ontario Road Safety Annual Report* (ORSAR), there were 561 fatalities – 426 of which occurred on municipal roads. While rural Ontario only represents 17% of the province's population, 55% of these deaths occurred on rural roads. By any measure, Ontario's rural roads are disproportionately more dangerous.

At the same time, municipal insurance premiums continue to increase. With no plausible reform being considered for joint and several liability, municipalities need to find innovative means for managing risk, particularly on their roadways,

To deal with this crisis, Good Roads has designed a multifaceted rural road safety program and have been in discussions with the Ministry of Transportation to fund it. The program would target a municipality's most dangerous roads, perform road safety audits, and install modern safety infrastructure that prevents serious injuries and save lives. This program is designed to be cost effective while also providing rural municipalities with a direct means for addressing risk associated with their roadways.

Good Roads has proposed leading a five-year \$183 million program that leverages our 131 years of municipal road expertise and our industry partnerships to quickly put in place the solutions that will address some of Ontario's most dangerous roads.

Good Roads is seeking support to address these preventable tragedies.

If the County of Lambton would be interested in pursuing this, a Council resolution similar to the example below should be adopted and sent to the Premier and the Minister of Transportation:

WHEREAS official statistics from the Government of Ontario confirm that rural roads are inherently more dangerous than other

roads;

AND WHEREAS, despite only having 17% of the population, 55% of the road fatalities occur on rural roads;

AND WHEREAS, rural, northern, and remote municipalities are fiscally strained by maintaining extensive road networks on a smaller tax base;

AND WHEREAS, preventing crashes reduces the burden on Ontario's already strained rural strained health care system;

AND WHEREAS, roadway collisions and associated lawsuits are significant factors in runaway municipal insurance premiums. Preventing crashes can have a significant impact in improving municipal risk profiles;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the County of Lambton requests that the Government of Ontario take action to implement the rural road safety program that Good Roads has committed to lead. It will allow Ontario's rural municipalities to make the critical investments needed to reduce the high number of people being killed and seriously injured on Ontario's rural roads; and

FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, Hon. Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure, Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture, Hon. Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs, Hon. Trevor Jones, Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response, and Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, and Good Roads; and

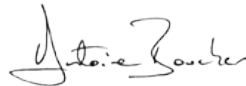
FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario requesting their support.

If you have any questions regarding this initiative please contact Thomas Barakat, Good Roads' Manager of Public Policy & Government Relations, at thomas@goodroads.ca at your convenience.

Sincerely,



Scott R. Butler
Executive Director



Antoine Boucher
President
Good Roads Board of Directors



The Municipality of Dysart et al

Regular Council Resolution

Tuesday, November 26, 2024

Motion #24-455

Moved by Pat Casey

Seconded by Carm Sawyer

Whereas official statistics from the Government of Ontario confirm that rural roads are inherently more dangerous than other roads;

And whereas, despite only having 17% of the population, 55% of the road fatalities occur on rural roads;

And whereas, rural, northern, and remote municipalities are fiscally strained by maintaining extensive road networks on a smaller tax base;

And whereas, preventing crashes reduces the burden on Ontario's already strained rural strained health care system;

And whereas, roadway collisions and associated lawsuits are significant factors in runaway municipal insurance premiums. Preventing crashes can have a significant impact in improving municipal risk profiles;

Therefore be it resolved that the Municipality of Dysart et al requests that the Government of Ontario take action to implement the rural road safety program that Good Roads has committed to lead. It will allow Ontario's rural municipalities to make the critical investments needed to reduce the high number of people being killed and seriously injured on Ontario's rural roads; and

Further that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier, the Ontario Minister of Transportation, the Ontario Minister of Infrastructure, the Ontario Minister of Agriculture, the Ontario Minister of Rural Affairs, the Ontario Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response, and the Ontario Minister of Health, and Good Roads; and

Further that this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario requesting their support.

Carried

Defeated

Deferred

Walt McKechnie, Deputy Mayor

Mallory Bishop, Clerk

December 4, 2024

Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Premier's Office
Room 281
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto, Ontario
M7A 1A1
Premier@ontario.ca

Hon. Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation
Ministry of Transportation
777 Bay Street, 5th Floor
Toronto, Ontario
M7A 1Z8
Prabmeet.Sarkaria@pc.ola.org

Dear Premier Ford and the Honourable Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria,

At the December 3, 2024, Town of South Bruce Peninsula Council meeting, the following resolution was passed:

Whereas rural, northern, and remote municipalities are fiscally strained by maintaining extensive road networks on a smaller tax base;

And whereas preventing crashes reduces the burden on Ontario's already strained rural health care system;

And whereas roadway collisions and associated lawsuits are significant factors in runaway municipal insurance premiums; preventing car crashes can have a significant impact in improving municipal risk profiles;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Town of South Bruce Peninsula requests that the Government of Ontario take action to implement the rural road safety program that Good Roads has committed to lead;

And further that this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario requesting their support, as well as the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario and the Honourable Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation.

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

Yours truly,

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

Brianna Collins, P.Eng.
Director of Public Works

Cc: Ontario Municipalities
Scott R. Butler, Executive Director, Good Roads
Antoine Boucher, President, Good Roads Board of Directors

TOWNSHIP OF CHAMPLAIN

RESOLUTION
REGULAR MEETING

Agenda Number: 11.1.
Resolution Number 2024-401
Title: OPP Billing
Date: November 28, 2024

Moved By: Gérard Miner
Seconded By: Paul Emile Duval

WHEREAS it is apparent that the Ontario Government has overlooked the needs of Ontario's rural municipalities; and

WHEREAS Ontario's rural municipalities face insurmountable challenges to fund both upfront investments and ongoing maintenance of their capital assets including roads, water/ wastewater and municipally owned buildings including recreational facilities, libraries and other tangible capital assets; and

WHEREAS municipalities across Ontario are facing significant increases in policing costs in 2025 after the Ontario Police Association and Province ratified a four-year collective agreement for uniform and civilian employees; and

WHEREAS an increase of 14.74% in OPP billing one year, which is a \$188,772 (roughly 2.36% tax increase) for Champlain Township is something never projected;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT The Township of Champlain call on the Ontario Government to immediately implement sustainable funding for rural municipalities by reabsorbing the cost of the Ontario Provincial Police Force back into the provincial budget with no cost recovery to municipalities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the OPP Billing Model be referred to the Auditor General for review; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council direct Staff to circulate this resolution to Premier Doug Ford (premier@ontario.ca), Minister of Solicitor General, Minister of Finance, and to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (amo@amo.on.ca) and all Municipalities in Ontario.

CARRIED

Certified True Copy of Resolution

Alison Collard, Clerk Date:

CANTON DE CHAMPLAIN
RÉSOLUTION
REGULAR MEETING

No. du point à l'ordre du jour: 11.1.
No. du point 2024-401
Titre: Facturation du PPO
Date: le 28 novembre 2024

Proposée par: Gérard Miner
Appuyée par: Paul Emile Duval

ATTENDU QU'il est évident que le gouvernement de l'Ontario a négligé les besoins des municipalités rurales de l'Ontario ; et

ATTENDU QUE les municipalités rurales de l'Ontario sont confrontées à des défis insurmontables pour financer à la fois les investissements initiaux et l'entretien continu de leurs immobilisations, notamment les routes, l'eau et les eaux usées, ainsi que les bâtiments appartenant à la municipalité, y compris les installations récréatives, les bibliothèques et d'autres immobilisations corporelles ; et

ATTENDU QUE les municipalités de l'Ontario sont confrontées à des augmentations importantes des coûts de maintien de l'ordre en 2025, après que l'Association de la police de l'Ontario et la province ont ratifié une convention collective de quatre ans pour les employés en uniforme et les employés civils ; et

ATTENDU QU'une augmentation de 14,74 % de la facturation de la PPO en un an, soit 188 772 \$ (environ 2,36 % d'augmentation des taxes) pour le canton de Champlain, est quelque chose qui n'a jamais été prévu ;

QU'IL SOIT RÉSOLU QUE le Canton de Champlain demande au gouvernement de l'Ontario de mettre en œuvre immédiatement un financement durable pour les municipalités rurales en réabsorbant le coût de la Police provinciale de l'Ontario dans le budget provincial, sans recouvrement des coûts pour les municipalités ; et

DE PLUS, QU'IL SOIT RÉSOLU QUE le modèle de facturation de la Police provinciale de l'Ontario soit soumis à l'examen du vérificateur général ; et

DE PLUS, QU'IL SOIT RÉSOLU QUE le Conseil demande au personnel de faire circuler cette résolution au premier ministre Doug Ford (premier@ontario.ca), au ministre du Solliciteur général, au ministre des Finances, à l'Association des municipalités de l'Ontario (amo@amo.on.ca) et à toutes les municipalités de l'Ontario.

ADOPTÉE

Copie certifiée conforme

Alison Collard, greffière Date :



29 November 2024

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

RE: Resolution - Support for Provincial Absorption of OPP Costs

Dear Premier Ford,

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lanark Highlands passed the following resolution at their regular meeting held November 26th, 2024:

Moved by Councillor Kelso

Seconded by Reeve McLaren

THAT, the Council of the Township of Lanark Highlands expresses its support for the resolution from the Town of Midland, advocating for the full absorption of Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) costs into the provincial budget, eliminating cost recovery from municipalities;

AND THAT, a copy of this resolution be circulated to the Premier of Ontario, the Ministry of the Solicitor General, the Ministry of Finance, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all municipalities across Ontario for their information and consideration.

Resolved

Sincerely,

Nicole Guthrie
Clerk

Encls.

c.c. The Solicitor General
Minister of Finance
Association of Municipalities
All Ontario Municipalities

THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWN OF MIDLAND



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info@midland.ca

November 7, 2024

Premier Ford
Legislative Building
Queen's Park
Toronto ON M7A 1A1

Via email: premier@ontario.ca

Dear Premier Ford:

Re: Sustainable Funding for Small Urban Municipalities

At its November 6, 2024 Regular Council Meeting the Council for the Town of Midland passed the following Resolution:

WHEREAS it is apparent that the Ontario Government has overlooked the needs of Ontario's small urban municipalities; and

WHEREAS Ontario's small urban municipalities face insurmountable challenges to fund both upfront investments and ongoing maintenance of their capital assets including roads, water/ wastewater and municipally owned buildings including recreational facilities, libraries and other tangible capital assets; and

WHEREAS an increase of 26% one year, which is a million dollars (roughly 4% tax increase) for Midland and is something never projected;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT The Town of Midland call on the Ontario Government to immediately implement sustainable funding for small urban municipalities by reabsorbing the cost of the Ontario Provincial Police Force back into the provincial budget with no cost recovery to municipalities; and

FURTHER THAT the OPP Billing Model be referred to the Auditor General for review; and

FURTHER THAT Council direct Staff to circulate this resolution to Premier Doug Ford (premier@ontario.ca), Minister of Solicitor General, Minister of Finance, and to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (amo@amo.on.ca) and all Municipalities in Ontario.

Thank you.

Yours very truly,

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MIDLAND

Sherri Edgar

Sherri Edgar, AMCT
Municipal Clerk
Ext. 2210

cc.

MPP, Simcoe North, Jill Dunlop jill.dunlopco@pc.ola.org
Minister of the Solicitor General, Sylvia Jones sylvia.jones@pc.ola.org
Minister of Finance, Peter Bethlenfalvy peter.bethlenfalvyco@pc.ola.org
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All Municipalities in Ontario



THE CORPORATION OF THE **TOWN OF COBALT**

December 11, 2024

Hon. Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building, Room 28, Queen's Park
Toronto, Ontario
M7A 1A1

Sent Via Email: Premier@ontario.ca

Please be advised that at the Regular Meeting of Council on December 10, 2024, the Town of Cobalt adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION No. 2024-217

MOVED BY: Councillor Starchuk

SECONDED BY: Councillor Lafleur

WHEREAS the assessment cycle is an essential process for maintaining the fairness and predictability of property taxes in our province;

AND WHEREAS the pause in the reassessment cycle has created uncertainty and instability in the property taxation, impacting both residential and commercial property owners;

AND WHEREAS the government has delayed an assessment update again in 2024, resulting in Ontario's municipalities continuing to calculate property taxes using 2016 property values;

AND WHEREAS both current and outdated assessments are inaccurate, increase volatility, and are not transparent;

AND WHEREAS frequent and accurate reassessments are necessary to stabilize property taxes and provide predictability for property owners, residents, and businesses alike;

AND WHEREAS the staff at the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation would benefit from further skill enhancement and training in assessments, recognizing the importance of ensuring accurate evaluations for 100% of our municipality;

AND WHEREAS the pause in the reassessment cycle has created uncertainty and instability in the property taxation, impacting both residential and commercial property owners;

AND WHEREAS the Government has announced a review of the property assessment and taxation system with a focus on fairness, equity, and economic competitiveness, and therefore further deferring new property assessment;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Cobalt hereby calls upon the Premier to promptly resume the assessment cycle to ensure the stability and predictability of property taxes while the Government conducts its review of the property assessment and taxation system, or respond with an alternative method for every municipality in Ontario to achieve fair taxation;

AND FURTHER THAT all Municipalities in Ontario and their constituents are encouraged to apply pressure to the Premier, daily, weekly, and monthly, to resolve the situation before it causes undo stress to everyone in the Municipality;

AND FINALLY THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier, the relevant provincial authorities, the Association of Municipality in Ontario, the Rural Ontario Municipalities Association, the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation, and all the municipalities in Ontario for their consideration, to make proper changes as quickly and efficiently as possible.

CARRIED

Kind Regards,



Steven Dalley
Town Manager, Clerk/Treasurer
Tel: (705) 679-8877
Email: sdalley@cobalt.ca

cc: Association of Municipalities in Ontario
Rural Ontario Municipalities Association
Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities
Municipalities Property Assessment Corporation
All Ontario Municipalities

**CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF NORTH GLENGARRY**

Council Meeting

Resolution # 8

Date: October 28, 2024

Moved By: Carma Williams

Seconded By: Jamie MacDonald

WHEREAS the assessment cycle is an essential process for maintaining the fairness and predictability of property taxes in our province and;

WHEREAS the pause in the reassessment cycle has created uncertainty and instability in property taxation, impacting both residential and commercial property owners and;

WHEREAS the government has delayed an assessment update again in 2024, resulting in Ontario's municipalities continuing to calculate property taxes using 2016 property values and;

WHEREAS both current and outdated assessments are inaccurate, increase volatility, and are not transparent and;

WHEREAS frequent and accurate reassessments are necessary to stabilize property taxes and provide predictability for property owners, residents, and businesses alike and;

WHEREAS the staff at the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation would benefit from further skills enhancement and training in assessments, recognizing the importance of ensuring accurate evaluations for 100% of our municipality and;

WHEREAS the Government has announced a review of the property assessment and taxation system with a focus on fairness, equity, and economic competitiveness, and therefore further deferring new property assessment and;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of North Glengarry hereby calls upon the Premier to promptly resume the assessment cycle to ensure the stability and predictability of property taxes while the Government conducts its review of the property assessment and taxation system, or respond with an alternative method for every municipality in Ontario to achieve fair taxation and;

**CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF NORTH GLENGARRY**

Council Meeting

Resolution #

Date: October 28, 2024

FURTHERMORE, THAT all Municipalities in Ontario and their constituents are encouraged to apply pressure to the Premier, daily, weekly, and monthly, to resolve the situation before it causes undo stress to everyone in the Municipality and;

FINALLY RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier Doug Ford, the Association of Municipality in Ontario, the Rural Ontario Municipalities Association, the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation, and all municipalities in Ontario for their consideration, to make proper changes as quickly and efficiently as possible.

CARRIED

DEFEATED

DEFERRED



MAYOR / DEPUTY MAYOR

	YEA	NEA
Deputy Mayor: Carma Williams	_____	_____
Councillor: Jacques Massie	_____	_____
Councillor: Brian Caddell	_____	_____
Councillor: Jeff Manley	_____	_____
Councillor: Michael Madden	_____	_____
Councillor: Gary Martin	_____	_____
Mayor: Jamie MacDonald	_____	_____

Council Meeting

Motion # 12/11/24 - 02
Title: Property Taxation Implications Related to Non-Market Valuation of Electricity Industry Properties, CAO General-2024-33
Date: Wednesday, December 11, 2024

Moved by: Rory Cavanagh
Seconded by: Beth Blackwell

Whereas the Municipality of Kincardine is a proud host community of the Bruce Nuclear Generating Site where Bruce Power generates 30% of Ontario's electricity needs; and

Whereas two decades ago the Province of Ontario adopted a property tax assessment model that continues to apply to Ontario's nuclear generation facilities; and

Whereas the Province assessment model includes non-market property valuation for electricity generating properties; and

Whereas the Municipality of Kincardine undertook a study in 2024 which has shown that the Provincial assessment model is compromising fairness and shifting the tax burden away from the electricity industry properties and onto the broader property tax base within the host community; and

Whereas the study demonstrated that this is primarily attributable to the assessed value of the subject properties being held almost static over several reassessment cycles, resulting from the Provincially prescribed rules for electricity generating, transmission and distribution properties; and

Whereas the Provincial model results in a disparity between the continuously updated market values assigned to the majority of properties and the static, non-market-based formula applied to electricity industry properties means that the tax burden shifts onto non-industry taxpayers; and

Now Therefore be it Resolved That municipal staff be directed to send communication to the Premier of Ontario, Minister of Energy and Electrification, the Minister of Finance, and the local MPP, to request that the Province undertake an immediate review and update the property tax assessment model for Ontario's nuclear generation facilities and other properties within the electricity industry, and copy the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all Ontario Municipalities.

Carried.

Jennifer Lawrie

Clerk



Northumberland County Council Resolution

SENT VIA EMAIL

November 28, 2024

Honourable Doug Ford (Premier of Ontario)
Honourable Sylvia Jones (Deputy Premier and Minister of Health)
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
All Ontario Municipalities

Re: Correspondence, 'Support for Family Physicians'

At a meeting held on November 20, 2024 Northumberland County Council approved Council Resolution # 2024-11-20-828, adopting the below recommendation from the November 5, 2024 Community Health Committee meeting:

Moved by: Deputy Warden Olena Hankivsky
Seconded by: Councillor Scott Jibb

"**That** the Corporate Support Committee having considered the correspondence from the City of Stratford regarding 'Support for Family Physicians' recommend that County Council support the correspondence and direct staff to send a copy of this resolution to the Honourable Doug Ford (Premier of Ontario), the Honourable Sylvia Jones (Deputy Premier and Minister of Health), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all Ontario Municipalities."

Council Resolution # 2024-11-20-828

Carried

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at matherm@northumberland.ca or by telephone at 905-372-3329 ext. 2238.

Sincerely,
Maddison Mather



Manager of Legislative Services / Clerk
Northumberland County

Council Resolution

Moved By O. Hurlinsky
 Seconded By S. Sibb

Agenda Item 10 Resolution Number
 2024-11-20- 828

Council Date: November 20, 2024

"That Council adopt all recommendations from the five Standing Committees, as contained within the Committee Minutes (meetings held November 4, 5 and 6, 2024), with the exception of the following items (referenced from the Standing Committee Minutes), that will be held for discussion:

Committee Name	Item #	Description	Held By
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Finance & Audit Committee,	Item 5.a	'Delegation 'Art Gallery of Northumberland' – held by Warden Ostrander	
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And Further That the items listed above and held for separate discussion each require a separate resolution."

Recorded Vote Requested by _____
 Councillor's Name

Carried [Signature]
 Warden's Signature

Deferred _____
 Warden's Signature

Defeated _____
 Warden's Signature

Community Health Committee Resolution

Committee Meeting Date: November 5, 2024

Agenda Item: 7.a

Resolution Number: 2024-11-05- 710

Moved by: B. Ostrander

Seconded by: O. Hankivsky

Council Meeting Date: November 20, 2024

"That the Corporate Support Committee having considered the correspondence from the City of Stratford regarding 'Support for Family Physicians' recommend that County Council support the correspondence and direct staff to send a copy of this resolution to the Honourable Doug Ford (Premier of Ontario), the Honourable Sylvia Jones (Deputy Premier and Minister of Health), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all Ontario Municipalities."

Carried 
Committee Chair's Signature

Defeated _____
Committee Chair's Signature

Deferred _____
Committee Chair's Signature



City of Stratford, Corporate Services Department

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September 13, 2024

Sent via email – councilmeeting@toronto.ca

John D. Elvidge,
City Clerk
City of Toronto

Re: Resolution Regarding Requesting the Province to Support Family Physicians

We acknowledge receipt of your correspondence dated July 31, 2024, regarding the above-mentioned matter.

The said correspondence was provided to Stratford City Council for their information as part of the September 9, 2024, Council meeting Consent Agenda (CA-2024-140). Council adopted the following resolution:

THAT CA-2024-140, being a resolution from The City of Toronto regarding Provincial Support for Family Physicians, be endorsed.

Sincerely,

T. Dafoe

Tatiana Dafoe Clerk

/mf

cc: Hon. Mark Holland, Minister of Health
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
All Ontario municipalities

City Council

Member Motions - Meeting 19

MM19.5	ACTION	Adopted		Ward: All
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Requesting the Province to Support Family Physicians - by Councillor Dianne Saxe, seconded by Councillor Mike Colle

City Council Decision

City Council on June 26 and 27, 2024, adopted the following:

1. City Council request the Minister of Health to take immediate action to:
 - a. properly compensate family physicians with appropriate fee increases; and
 - b. reduce the administrative burden that the Province places on family doctors so they have more time to see their patients.
2. City Council forward City Council’s decision to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Health, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and the municipal Clerks of Ontario's municipalities.
3. City Council request a direct response from the Minister of Health within 30 days.

Summary

On May 13, 2024, the City of Belleville set a good example by passing a resolution calling upon the provincial government to improve compensation and reduce administrative burden for Ontario’s family physicians. Toronto should do the same.

The Province of Ontario is responsible for providing quality health care to all residents of Ontario. Family medicine is the backbone of the healthcare system and providing timely access to a primary health care provider for everyone in Ontario, is essential and should be a top Provincial Government priority. Instead, the shortage of family physicians has reached a crisis point.

Millions of Ontario residents, and hundreds of thousands of Torontonians, do not have a family doctor. Studies show that patients without a primary care provider have poorer health outcomes while costing the health care system more. Meanwhile, hospitals, emergency rooms and clinics are overloaded by residents’ unmet health care needs.

The Province of Ontario could address this issue quickly and efficiently by paying fair wages to family physicians and by lessening the undue administrative burden this provincial government imposes on family doctors.

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM19.5

(<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2024/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-246768.pdf>)

The Corporation of the Municipality of St. Charles
RESOLUTION PAGE



Regular Meeting of Council

Agenda Number: 8.2.
Resolution Number 2024-403
Title: Resolution Stemming from October 16, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council - Item 8.1 - Correspondence #4
Date: November 20, 2024

Moved by: Councillor Loftus
Seconded by: Councillor Lachance

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of St.-Charles hereby supports the letter dated September 20, 2024 by the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury, regarding the Ontario Deposit Return Program;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, Andrea Khanjin; the Minister of Finance, Peter Bethlenfalvy; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); our local Member of Provincial Parliament (MPP); and all Ontario Municipalities.

CARRIED


MAYOR

September 20, 2024

BY E-MAIL

Hon. Andrea Khanjin, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks
5th Floor
777 Bay St.
Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

Dear Minister Khanjin:

Ontario Deposit Return Program

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to formally address the recent discussions surrounding the Ontario Deposit Return Program, particularly regarding our community residents asking us about the recycling of nonalcoholic beverage plastics.

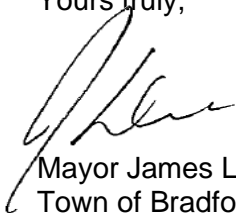
Whereas the Ontario Deposit Return Program has successfully incentivized the recycling of alcoholic beverage containers, resulting in the removal of over 204,000 tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions, we recognize the potential for similar success with nonalcoholic beverages.

The Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks highlighted in their June 2023 letter that they are considering the adoption of a deposit-and-return system for nonalcoholic beverages. This initiative presents a unique opportunity to further promote recycling, reduce litter, and encourage sustainable practices among consumers.

Therefore, I am proud to announce that our Council endorses the expansion of the Ontario Deposit Return Program to include nonalcoholic beverage containers. We believe that this expansion will not only enhance environmental stewardship but also foster a culture of sustainability within our community.

We encourage all stakeholders to support this initiative and work collaboratively towards its implementation. Together, we can make a significant impact on our environment and set a positive example for future generations.

Yours truly,



Mayor James Leduc
Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury

CC:

Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance
Hon. Caroline Mulroney, Member of Provincial Parliament for York-Simcoe
MPP Sandy Shaw, Opposition Environment, Conservation and Parks Critic
Ontario's Municipal Councils and Conservation Authorities

The Corporation of the Municipality of St. Charles
RESOLUTION PAGE



Regular Meeting of Council

Agenda Number: 8.3.
Resolution Number 2024-404
Title: Resolution Stemming from October 16, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council - Item 8.1 - Correspondence #7
Date: November 20, 2024

Moved by: Councillor Laframboise
Seconded by: Councillor Pothier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of St.-Charles hereby supports Resolution #C-2024-09-16 passed by Tay Valley Township, regarding Public Sector Salary Disclosure; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, Doug Ford; the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Paul Calandra; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); our local Member of Provincial Parliament (MPP); and all Ontario Municipalities.

CARRIED


MAYOR



September 25, 2024

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

Sent by Email

Dear: Honourable Doug Ford

RE: Public Sector Salary Disclosure

The Council of the Corporation of Tay Valley Township at its meeting held on September 24th, 2024 adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #C-2024-09-16

MOVED BY: Greg Hallam
SECONDED BY: Wayne Baker

“THAT, the Council of the Corporation of Tay Valley Township support the Township of Stirling-Rawdon’s resolution regarding Public Sector Salary Disclosure;

THAT, the Public Sector Salary Disclosure Act be updated to reflect the inflation rates since 1996;

THAT, the Act be further updated so that the inflation rate is applied each year to the requirement to report public salaries;

AND THAT, this resolution be sent to the Province of Ontario Premier's Office, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all Ontario Municipalities.”

ADOPTED

Tay Valley Township
217 Harper Road, Tay Valley, Ontario K7H 3C6
www.tayvalleytwp.ca
Phone: 613-267-5353 or 800-810-0161 Fax: 613-264-8516

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at (613) 267-5353 ext. 130 or deputyclerk@tayvalleytwp.ca

Sincerely,



Aaron Watt, Deputy Clerk

Cc: Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
All Ontario Municipalities



The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

Tuesday, December 10, 2024

Resolution # RC24282	Meeting Order: 5
Moved by: <i>Joseph Opato</i>	Seconded by: <i>M Hatfield</i>

RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa does hereby receive and support the resolution dated November 19, 2024 from the Township of Terrace Bay regarding Ambulance Shortages and Healthcare System Issues;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be shared with Minister Sylvia Jones, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all Ontario municipalities.

RESOLUTION RESULT		RECORDED VOTE		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CARRIED	MAYOR AND COUNCIL	YES	NO
<input type="checkbox"/>	DEFEATED	Mitch Hatfield		
<input type="checkbox"/>	TABLED	Cathy Cannon		
<input type="checkbox"/>	RECORDED VOTE (SEE RIGHT)	Melanie Pilon		
<input type="checkbox"/>	PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARED	Jim Hoffmann		
<input type="checkbox"/>	WITHDRAWN	Joseph Opato		

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof.

Disclosed the pecuniary interest and general name thereof and abstained from the discussion, vote and influence.

Clerk: _____

MAYOR - MELANIE PILON	CLERK - MAURY O'NEILL
<i>M. Pilon</i>	<i>Maury O'Neill</i>

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The Corporation of the Township of Terrace Bay

P.O. Box 40, 1 Selkirk Avenue, Terrace Bay, ON, P0T 2W0
Phone: (807) 825-3315 Fax: (807) 825-9576

November 19, 2024

Minister of Health Sylvia Jones
sylvia.jones@ontario.ca

Dear Minister Jones,

At the Township of Terrace Bay Regular Council Meeting held on Monday September 16, 2024, the following resolution was put forth by Councillor Chris Dube and was passed.

Re: Ambulance Shortages and Healthcare System Issues

Resolution 266-2024

Moved by: Councillor Johnson

Seconded by: Councillor Dube

WHEREAS, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Terrace Bay is gravely concerned about the ongoing shortages and staffing challenges facing Superior North EMS (SNEMS);

WHEREAS, the provincial funding for ambulance services, currently at 50%, along with the city's 50% contribution, has been falling short, leading to financial strain on municipalities and regional partners, including the City of Thunder Bay;

WHEREAS, the rolling shortages of paramedics and EMS personnel in the region present a significant risk to public safety and healthcare services in northern communities, which are disproportionately affected by the province-wide shortage of paramedics;

WHEREAS, recruitment and retention issues, including insufficient wages and benefits, lack of mental health supports, frequent exposure to traumatic experiences, and inadequate recovery time between work periods, are causing high turnover rates and burnout among EMS workers;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Honorable Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, be requested to take immediate action to address the funding shortfalls and structural challenges in the delivery of EMS services in northern communities, including:

1. Increasing provincial funding to support EMS services and reduce the financial burden on municipalities;
2. Implementing incentives such as "learn and stay" grants to encourage paramedics to live and work in northern Ontario;
3. Enhancing support systems for EMS workers, including improved wages, benefits, and mental health resources.



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AND THAT, this resolution be forwarded to Minister Sylvia Jones, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all Ontario municipalities.

Sincerely,

J. Hall
Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk

CC:
AMO
All Ontario Municipalities



The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

Tuesday, December 10, 2024

Resolution # RC24283	Meeting Order: 6
Moved by: <i>M Hatfield</i>	Seconded by: <i>J Opato</i>

RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa does hereby receive and support the resolution dated November 19, 2024 from the Township of Terrace Bay regarding Billy Bishop Airport;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this Resolution be shared with Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA), Hon. Anita Anand, President of the Treasury Board and Minister of Transport, Mayor Olivia Chow, Toronto City, Hon. Soraya Martinez Ferrada, Minister of Tourism, Hon. François-Philippe Champagne, Minister of Innovation, Science and Industry, Hon. Arun Thangaraj, Deputy Minister of Transport Canada, John D. Elvidge, City of Toronto – Clerk, Paul Johnson, City of Toronto - City Manager, Jag Sharma, City of Toronto - Deputy City Manager, RJ Steenstra, President and CEO - Ports Toronto, Sandra Pupatello, Chair of Board of Directors - Ports Toronto, Neil Pakey, President and CEO - Nieuport Aviation, Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, Hon. Vic Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade, MP Patty Hajdu - Thunder Bay - Superior North, MP Marcus Powlowski – Thunder Bay-Rainy River, MP Eric Melillo – Kenora, MPP Greg Rickford, (Kenora – Rainy River), MPP Kevin Holland, (Thunder Bay - Atikokan), MPP Lise Vaugeois, (Thunder Bay - Superior North), and all NOMA member municipalities - CAOs and Clerks.

RESOLUTION RESULT		RECORDED VOTE	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CARRIED	MAYOR AND COUNCIL	YES NO
<input type="checkbox"/>	DEFEATED	Mitch Hatfield	
<input type="checkbox"/>	TABLED	Cathy Cannon	
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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
<i>M. Pilon</i>	<i>Maury O'Neill</i>

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November 19, 2024

Honorable Anita Anand,
President of the Treasury Board and Minister of Transportation
House of Commons
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6
Via Email: Anita.anand@parl.gc.ca

Her Worship Mayor Olivia Chow
Office of the Mayor
City Hall, 2nd Floor
100 Queen St. W.
Toronto, ON M5H 2N2
Via Email: mayor_chow@toronto.ca

Dear Minister Anand and Mayor Chow,

At the Township of Terrace Bay Regular Council Meeting held on Monday October 21, 2024 the following resolution of support was passed.

Re: NOMA Letter re Billy Bishop Airport Support

Resolution 293-2024

Moved By: Councillor St. Louis

Seconded By: Councillor Adduono

WHEREAS Billy Bishop Airport serves more than 2 million passengers per year, making it the 9th-busiest airport in Canada, 5th-busiest serving the US market, 3rd busiest airport in Ontario, and making it a critical component of the national and regional air transportation system; and

WHEREAS the airport provides daily connections to the North with service to Thunder Bay, Sault Ste. Marie, Timmins and Sudbury, and enables access to many other neighbouring communities;

and WHEREAS Billy Bishop Airport is a critical access point for Northern communities for economic opportunities, tourism, social connectivity and critical medical care located in downtown Toronto;

WHEREAS the airport operates under a Tripartite Agreement among the City of Toronto, Transport Canada and PortsToronto, and that agreement is set to expire in 2033; and

WHEREAS the airport is seeking to secure its long-term future through a process to modernize and extend the Tripartite Agreement to drive sustainable growth and enhanced access and connections for passengers and the communities it connects to;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association is seeking urgent action from the City of Toronto, PortsToronto and Transport Canada to commence a process and conclude it by the end of 2025 to modernize the current Tripartite Agreement and secure the future of Billy Bishop Airport.



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AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT a copy of this motion be sent to Hon. Anita Anand - President of the Treasury Board and Minister of Transport, Mayor Olivia Chow – Toronto City, Hon. Soraya Martinez Ferrada - Minister of Tourism, Government of Canada, Hon. François-Philippe Champagne - Minister of Innovation, Science and Industry - Government of Canada, Hon. Arun Thangaraj - Deputy Minister of Transport Canada - Government of Canada, John D. Elvidge - City of Toronto – Clerk, Paul Johnson - City of Toronto - City Manager, Jag Sharma - City of Toronto - Deputy City Manager, RJ Steenstra - President and CEO - Ports Toronto, Sandra Papatello – Chair of Board of Directors - Ports Toronto, Neil Pakey - President and CEO - Nieuport Aviation, Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria - Minister of Transportation - Government of Ontario, Hon. Vic Fedeli - Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade - Government of Ontario, MP Patty Hajdu (Thunder Bay - Superior North), MP Marcus Powlowski – Thunder Bay-Rainy River, MP Eric Melillo – Kenora, MPP Greg Rickford, (Kenora – Rainy River), MPP Kevin Holland, (Thunder Bay - Atikokan), MPP Lise Vaugeois, (Thunder Bay - Superior North), and all NOMA member municipalities - CAOs and Clerks.

Sincerely,

J. Hall
Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk

CC:

Minister of Tourism – Soraya Martinez Ferrada Soraya.martinezferrada@parl.gc.ca
Minister of Innovation, Science and Industry – Francois-Philippe Champagne francois-philippe.champagne@parl.gc.ca
Deputy Minister of Transport Canada – Arun Thangaraj arun.thangaraj@tc.gc.ca
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October 7, 2024

Honourable Anita Anand
President of the Treasury Board and Minister of Transport
House of Commons
Ottawa, ON, K1A 0A6
Via Email: Anita.Anand@parl.gc.ca

Her Worship Mayor Olivia Chow
Office of the Mayor
City Hall, 2nd Floor
100 Queen St. W.
Toronto, ON M5H 2N2
Via Email: mayor_chow@toronto.ca

Re: The Future for Billy Bishop Airport Requires Urgent Action and a Modern Governing Agreement

Dear Minister Anand and Mayor Chow,

I am writing to you to express my support for the sustained operation and development of Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport. As the President of the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association, I am extremely concerned to learn that the Tripartite Agreement that governs operations at the Airport expires in 2033 – less than 9 years from now.

Billy Bishop Airport provides a critical service and point of connection for the North. Many of my community members rely on Billy Bishop airport to visit family, connect through to other destinations for work, travel and tourism or to access critical medical services, the convenience and ease of Billy Bishop Airport cannot be matched. It has been reported widely that Northern Ontario communities have experience drastic reductions in air service coming out of the COVID pandemic. Reliable air connectivity available through Billy Bishop Airport is an important economic and social lifeline for my community.

We were pleased to see the Federal Government's investment in a US Customs and Border Patrol preclearance facility, which is expected to open in 2025. This is welcomed news for communities in Northwestern Ontario as it will enable more and better connections through Billy Bishop Airport and amplify the airport's already strong economic contribution. We viewed this investment in the airports long term future as recognition of the very important role the airport has come to play for the communities it connects including Northwestern Ontario – very much at odds with an agreement that expires in a matter of years.

To that end, we would implore you, as signatories to the Tripartite Agreement, to commence a process to modernize the Tripartite Agreement and secure the long-term future of Canada's 9th-busiest airport and 3rd-busiest in Ontario. My community members rely on this service, and we

want to see even more connections and expanded services to the North. As elected leaders, we have a responsibility to think past our own front doors, reflect the needs of all of our constituents and those beyond our communities who are impacted by our decisions. Certainty about the airport's long-term future should not be something we as leaders should need to think long about. **The time is now for the parties of the agreement to move forward with urgency to ensure this vital piece of transportation infrastructure and the important connections it facilitates are sustained.**

Sincerely,



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