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**DOWNTOWN ACTON BIA
BOARD OF MANAGEMENT MINUTES**

Board of Management Monthly Meeting

Wednesday February 19th, 2025 – 7:00pm

DABIA Office: 25 Mill Street East, Acton Ontario L7J 1H1

Truth and Reconciliation Land Acknowledgement – Reading:

We would like to begin by acknowledging that the land on which we gather is part of the Treaty lands and Territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit.- [Chris Cambouris](#)

[Attendance: Monica Parker-Galway – Chairperson \(Profile Hair Salon\), Chris Cambouris – Vice-Chairperson \(Titan Tek Biz\), Michael Albano \(Ward 1 Councillor\), Patricia Daleman \(Doane Grant Thornton LLP\), Matthew Galliford \(DABIA Coordinator\)](#)

[Absent: Nicole Walker \(Acton Optical, with regrets and emailed notes\), Norman Paulsen \(Acton Motors\)](#)

1. Chair's Welcome

2. Call to Order [7:07pm](#)

3. Declaration of Pecuniary / Personal Conflict of Interest(s) [None](#)

4. Adoption of January 2025 Minutes [1st: Michael Albano, 2nd: Chris Cambouris, All in favor: Yes](#)

5. Motion to Approve February 2025 Agenda [1st: Chris Cambouris, 2nd: Michael Albano, All in favor: Yes](#)

6. Coordinator's Report and updates - Matthew Galliford [see attached](#)

7. Financial Reports – Patricia Daleman [KPMG 2024 BIA Audit has started as of February 18, 2025.](#)

- Discussion of Bookkeeping Assistance Interviews. Vote to hire a candidate.

[3 Bookkeepers interviewed on Tuesday February 18, 2025: Kelly Fitzgerald, Tracey Brake, Teresa Myers.](#)

[Monica has put forth a motion to offer a contract to Kelly Fitzgerald of two hours per month at a rate of \\$80.00 per hour \(+ HST if applicable\). Renewable annually with 60 days notice of cancellation from either part. Start date TBD.](#)

[1st: Chris Cambouris, 2nd: Michael Albano, All in favor: Yes](#)

8. New Business

- Flags and Banners for Downtown. We will need to purchase pole mounts for Main Street and Mill Street South for both flags and banners to extend our beautification. Do we want new banners for Downtown Acton? Seasonal? Generic? Art Banners?

[Banners: Contact Economic Development and Arts & Culture at Town of Halton Hills to see if there are any funds for new "Acton 200th" street pole banners. Design to be created by DABIA to celebrate Bi-Centennial. Addition of new hardware to poles and Town assets details to be discussed at Town / BIA Downtown Site Visit Walk-around in spring \(March?\) 2025.](#)

- Planters: New planters this year? If so they must be ready before May, we will have to install them.

[\(Proposed 4 square models for each corner to replace all existing and missing planters, approx. 30 units\). See examples attached to Coordinator's Report. Details to be discussed at Town / BIA Downtown Site Visit Walk-around in spring \(March?\) 2025.](#)

- Update our By-laws (2014 was last update) and solidify a 3 year strategic plan. Email current DABIA By-laws and other examples to the Board of Directors for reference & review to start creating a new proposed By-law to be presented at 2025 AGM for acceptance and vote. Strategic plan to be a work in progress with By-laws.

- BIA Board Membership: Retention and Recruitment of Board Members.

Internal DABIA discussion – Matthew to contact Valerie Petryniak, Clerk and Director of Legislative Services, Town of Halton Hills for more information and clarification of Municipal Act [2001,c.12,s.204 (12), (9)]

-Proposed new DABIA Logo for media and Town Initiatives use. See attached to Coordinator’s Report This logo is preferred to be used by media, such as Town of Halton Hills Sticker Map and other campaigns to represent Acton in place of the mis-representative cowboy hat logo used in 2024.

- Sea Can cleanout day in the spring: can we set a work bee day or do we hire a Junk Removal Company? Discussed, not fully decided. Matthew to get quotes on removal services and follow up. Suggestion has been made to offer the “junk” for free on social media but we would still have to move it to outside of the Sea Can and Works Yard perimeter for pickup.

-Genuweb BIA Website Maintenance Contract review Matthew has a 2:00pm video meeting with Andrea Dubrovsky of Genuweb on Thursday February 20, 2025, to discuss our DABIA Website and maintenance contract agreement.

-BIA Cell phone plan selection: Lucky Mobile, Virgin +, Fido plans compared. We have a handset. Lucky Mobile \$39.00 / 60gb (+5gb) Unltd. Canada, USA, International use Plan has been selected.

Monica put forth a motion to approve the purchase of a \$40.00 +/- mobile phone plan (approx. \$543.00 annually). 1st: Michael Albano, 2nd: Chris Cambouris, All in favor: Yes

9. Motion to Adjourn 9:02pm 1st: Patricia Daleman, 2nd: Michael Albano, All in favor: Yes

NEXT MEETING: **Wednesday March 19, 2025** - 7:00 pm - DABIA Office 25 Mill St. E.

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

Attachment: Coordinator’s Report January 19, 2025

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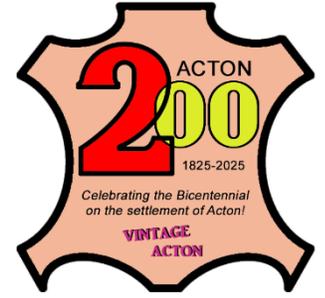
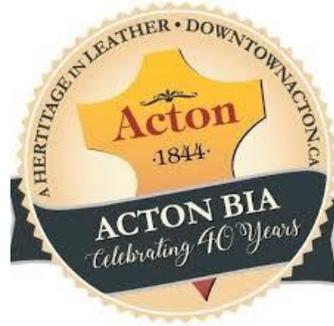
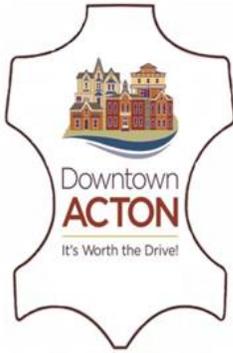
Coordinator's Report

- A Town Staff / BIA downtown Acton walkabout is to be scheduled for sometime in March to discuss 2025 plans, pole mounts (baskets, banners, flags), events and MOU agreements. Date TBD
- A floral planning map is underway to identify the locations of all (proposed) hanging baskets and planters in the downtown area
- I have reached out to HR Police to host a business crime prevention session. TBD.
- Leathertown Festival planning is running smoothly. The price adjusted applications will be launched online this week. Food Vendor applications will increase as follows: 10x10 food vendor – up to \$110.00 from \$100.00, 10x20 food vendor – up to \$240.00 from \$220.00. Retail vendors increase by \$10.00: 10x10 up to \$90.00, 10x20 up to \$160.00. BIA Business Members will remain at \$40.00 for 10x10 space. No discounts for church's community groups / organizations or fundraiser's without BIA Board approval.
- Acton Outdoor Market will run on Thursdays from June 5 to September 11, returning Thursday October 9th as a special event Thanksgiving Market. Total of 15 weeks + one event week. New vendors are already on board including an organic chicken products farm vendor, a produce vendor and a reflexology clinic. (all health board pending)
- Acton's 200th Anniversary: we will be featuring historic displays and sponsoring history tours / lectures throughout the year in partnership with Vintage Acton and the Town of Halton Hills departments.
- Proposed Acton media use logo – see attached image below
- Banners - see attached image examples below
- Flags – price / quality comparisons are underway between Flags Unlimited (approx. \$30 - \$50 ea.) and Canadiana Flags (approx. \$35 - \$50 ea.) suppliers. We require the additional grommet to the flags to hang on our mounts. Waiting on quotes.
- Planters – I have contacted Select Ornamental Precast, Acton for information about concrete planters. (see proposed image examples)



Proposed Logo for Media Use

Other Similar Acton Logos



Sample Banners:

Transparent Lily (Flags Unlimited)



Leafy Greens (Flags Unlimited)



IMPRINT NOW.ca – 2' x 4' pole banner UV Printed both sides with top and bottom pockets - **Custom Design**

Pole Banners

Price Chart

Size / Qty	1	2	10	25	50	100
3 ft x 2 ft	\$6.65	\$6.46	\$6.18	\$5.85	\$5.66	\$5.34
2 x 4 ft	\$9.76	\$9.48	\$9.09	\$8.60	\$8.29	\$7.81
3 x 4 ft	\$15.56	\$15.08	\$14.47	\$13.68	\$13.23	\$12.45
3 x 6 ft	\$23.34	\$22.64	\$21.71	\$20.53	\$19.84	\$18.65

2 x 4 ft

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2 x 4 ft

Total Qty: 30 | Price: \$536.70 – All Inclusive

-End of Report-

New Mississauga Official Plan 2051

City Wide

The City regularly reviews and updates its Official Plan with ideas and guidance from the community, and to be consistent with and conforming to provincial policies and plans. The City is now finalizing the review of the Official Plan and is seeking Council's adoption of the resulting new Mississauga Official Plan 2051 (MOP 2051).

File: CD.02-MIS (All Wards)

In Person And Virtual Statutory Public Meeting **Recommendation Report Notice**

Meeting Date and Time:

Monday, March 24, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

Meeting Place:

Mississauga Civic Centre, Council Chamber, 300 City Centre Drive

The City of Mississauga is presenting the proposed new Official Plan.

Meeting Details:

This meeting will be held in person and online. Advance registration is required to make a verbal submission at the meeting virtually. Advance registration is preferred to make a verbal submission at the meeting in person. The proceedings will be streamed live online for the public to view at the following link: <http://www.mississauga.ca/portal/cityhall/council-and-committee-videos>. If you wish to phone in to listen to the meeting only, please call 905-615-3200, ext. 5423 for instructions.

Options for participating in the meeting are outlined below.

Purpose of Meeting:

- To present the proposed Mississauga Official Plan 2051
- To seek Council permission to bring Mississauga Official Plan 2051 for adoption
- For people to ask questions and share their views

The report will be available on-line one week prior to the meeting at:
<http://www.mississauga.ca/portal/cityhall/planninganddevelopment>

For detailed information contact:

Ben Phillips at 905-615-3200 ext. 5881 or ben.phillips@mississauga.ca

If you would like to share your views and/or you wish to be notified of further meetings or be added to the mailing list, please contact the Planning and Building Department by Friday at 4:00 p.m. prior to the meeting date:

- by mail to 300 City Centre Drive, 6th floor, Mississauga ON L5B 3C1
- by email to application.info@mississauga.ca
- please include your name, your address, and application number or address of the property you are providing comments on

Written Comments:

In order to be received by Committee at the public meeting, written comments must be received no later than Friday at 4:00 p.m. prior to the meeting date. Submissions are accepted by email at deputations.presentations@mississauga.ca or by mailing the Planning and Development Committee, 300 City Centre Drive, 2nd Floor, Mississauga, ON L5B 3C1. Please include your name, your address, and application number or address of the property you are providing comments on. Written comments received before, during or after a public meeting but before a by-law is passed receive the same consideration as verbal comments made during a public meeting.

How to participate in a public meeting if you wish to make verbal submissions:

Participate Virtually

Advance registration is required to participate and/or make comment virtually at the public meeting. Please email deputations.presentations@mississauga.ca no later than Friday at 4:00 p.m. prior to the meeting date. Any materials you wish to show the Committee during your presentation must be provided as an attachment to the email. Links to cloud services will not be accepted. You will be provided with directions on how to participate from Clerks' staff.

Residents without access to the internet can participate and/or make comment in the meeting via telephone. To register, please call Angie Melo at 905-615-3200 ext. 5423 no later than Friday at

4:00 p.m. prior to the meeting date. You must provide your name, phone number, and application number if you wish to speak to the Committee. You will be provided with directions on how to participate from Clerks' staff.

Participate In Person

To make a verbal submission in person, advance registration is preferred. Please email deputations_presentations@mississauga.ca no later than Friday at 4:00 p.m. prior to the meeting date.

Background Studies:

The proposed new Official Plan is available for review at:
www.mississauga.ca/officialplan

The proposed new Official Plan covers all lands in the City.

Contact the city planner noted above for more information.

Notice of Decision:

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the City of Mississauga on the proposed Official Plan, you must make a written request to:

Ben Phillips, RPP
Executive Manager, Official Plan
City Planning Strategies Division
Planning and Building Department
Address: 300 City Centre Drive, 7th floor
Mississauga ON
L5B 3C1

Personal Information:

Individuals should be aware that any personal information in their verbal or written communication will become part of the public record, unless the individual expressly requests the City to remove the personal information. Questions about the collection of this information may be directed to application.info@mississauga.ca or in writing to the Planning and Building Department at 300 City Centre Drive, Mississauga ON L5B 3C1.

Date of Notice: February 27, 2025

CD.02-MIS



March 06, 2025

- AMO launches resources for Local Civic and Democratic Engagement.
- Progress in Asset Management: Achieving 2025 Compliance webinar.
- AMO RFP to provide services creating a Municipal Civility & Anti-Harassment Strategy.
- Join the AMO-OMAA discussion on the importance of the Mayor-CAO relationship.
- Plan your stay in Ottawa for AMO 2025.
- Save the date for AMO's Rural Healthy Democracy Forum - June 11, 2025.
- Book your AMO 2025 Conference hotel!
- Opportunity to showcase your products and services at AMO 2025 Conference.
- AMO Education - Educational workshops supporting your leadership.
- Register today for the OSUM 2025 Conference hosted by the Town of Collingwood.
- OSUM Sponsorship and Exhibit Hall opportunities - Take advantage today.
- Blog: Preparing Your Municipality for Compliance.
- Boost resilience with the All-Risk Municipal Grant.
- Seminar: Should municipalities be required to engage in heating planning?
- CCPPP P3 learning series on infrastructure procurement for municipalities.
- Careers.

AMO Matters

Through the work of AMO's [Healthy Democracy Project](#), AMO has launched two resources to support municipalities and AMO members in engaging with local schools and students and community. Developed in partnership and with our members in mind, please visit our [Civic Education Resources](#) page and our [Democratic Engagement Solutions Bank](#) to explore these resources.

AMO is delivering a 4-part webinar series to help municipalities advance their asset management programs. Part One, Proposed Levels of Service, will be live today March 6 at 12 PM. [Register now.](#)

AMO [has issued an RFP](#) to develop a comprehensive strategy that will enable AMO to support municipally elected officials and staff with the tools, resources, and education to foster civility and combat harassment in local communities. Deadline to submit proposals is March 20 at 4:00pm.

Education Opportunities

On March 19 from 11:00am - 12:00pm, AMO and OMAA are hosting a conversation that is a key ingredient to a successful, effective and high-performing municipality - the relationship between a Mayor and CAO. This virtual event includes a moderated discussion with an expert panel on the elements of a productive Mayor-CAO relationship. [For more information and to register click here.](#)

From outstanding educational programming, networking, the trade show and delegations, the AMO Annual Conference is a busy, event filled time for participants. For a change of pace delegates have an opportunity to explore the wonderful sites and sounds of the City of Ottawa in summer. [Ottawa Tourism has pulled together must sees, and great suggestions](#) on planning your visit. [Register for AMO 2025 today!](#)

AMO and the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA), are thrilled to announce the inaugural Rural Healthy Democracy Forum taking place in the scenic Municipality of Mississippi Mills. This full-day event will bring together municipal and sector leaders, academics and experts for insightful discussions on the state of democracy in rural Ontario. Save the date for June 11. Program and registration information coming soon.

You can now book your accommodations for the 2025 AMO Conference in Ottawa August 17-20. [Here is where you will want to click](#) for all the information you need and links to conference hotels.

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Join the 2025 OSUM Conference host the Town of Collingwood April 30-May 2 for compelling programming and opportunities to engage, network and address the issues top of mind for small urban leaders. [Registration is open](#) and you can [book your accommodations here](#).

The OSUM Annual Conference is a prime opportunity for locally elected officials to network, discuss critical social, economic and policy matters facing small urban communities. For exhibitors and sponsors, this conference provides access to local decision makers for a \$68b sector and for you to showcase your organization and services. [Both packages are available here](#).

LAS

Our Occupational Health & Safety Management service partner guest blogs this week. They [write about how the safety of municipal workers and the public](#) is a shared responsibility for leaders across Ontario municipalities.

Investing in Municipal Risk Resiliency - LAS and IPE are proud to promote the [All Risk Municipal Grant](#). This initiative recognizes and supports innovative risk management practices within Ontario municipalities.

Municipal Wire*

The Boltzman Institute is hosting a seminar at the University of Toronto on March 20 exploring the question "[Should Ontario municipalities be required to engage in heating planning?](#)"

Eager to learn about the latest advances in infrastructure procurement to help drive growth in your community? Join [P3s for Municipalities](#), a free webinar series. Explore hot topics with our experts.

Careers

[Deputy Fire Chief/Fire Prevention - Township of Woolwich](#). Closing Date: March 24, 2025.

[Supervisor of Utility, Revenue and Billing - City of Kawartha Lakes](#). Closing Date: March 19, 2025.

[Director, Corporate Services - Public Health Sudbury & Districts](#). Closing Date: April 6, 2025.

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- AMO Regional and Single-Tier caucus virtual meet-up - February 28.
- Survey on displacement and protecting affordable housing.
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The Regional and Single-Tier Caucus of the AMO Board is hosting a virtual meet-up on February 28 from 9:30am-11:00am. The meet up is an opportunity for members to connect and be brought up to date on AMO activities and advocacy. [Register today.](#)

Municipal Wire*

CP Planning, as part of collaborations with the City of Toronto and ULI Toronto, [launched a survey shaping strategies](#) to prevent housing displacement in Ontario communities. Survey closes February 28.

To commemorate World War II's 80th anniversary, the Canadian Fallen Heroes Foundation (CFHF) is offering to help municipalities wishing to honour their fallen soldiers. [Please consider joining this initiative.](#)

Eager to learn about the latest advances in infrastructure procurement to help drive growth in your community? Join [P3s for Municipalities](#), a FREE six-part webinar series. Explore hot topics with our experts.

Careers

[Chief Administrative Officer - Township of Hornepayne](#). Closing Date: March 21, 2025.

[Strategic Initiatives and Policy Specialist - City of Cambridge](#). Closing Date: March 7, 2025.

[Capital Works Technologist - Clearview Township](#). Closing Date: March 10, 2025.

[Commissioner of Corporate Services - Niagara Region](#). Closing Date: March 21, 2025.

[Finance Coordinator - City of Kawartha Lakes](#). Closing Date: March 9, 2025.

[Intermediate Planner, Heritage Services - City of Kingston](#). Closing Date: March 26, 2025

[Financial Analyst, Financial Planning - City of Kingston](#). Closing Date: March 19, 2025

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March 4, 2025

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau
Prime Minister of Canada
House of Commons
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau:

Re: City of Port Colborne Support the Town of Fort Frances Re: Sovereignty of Canada

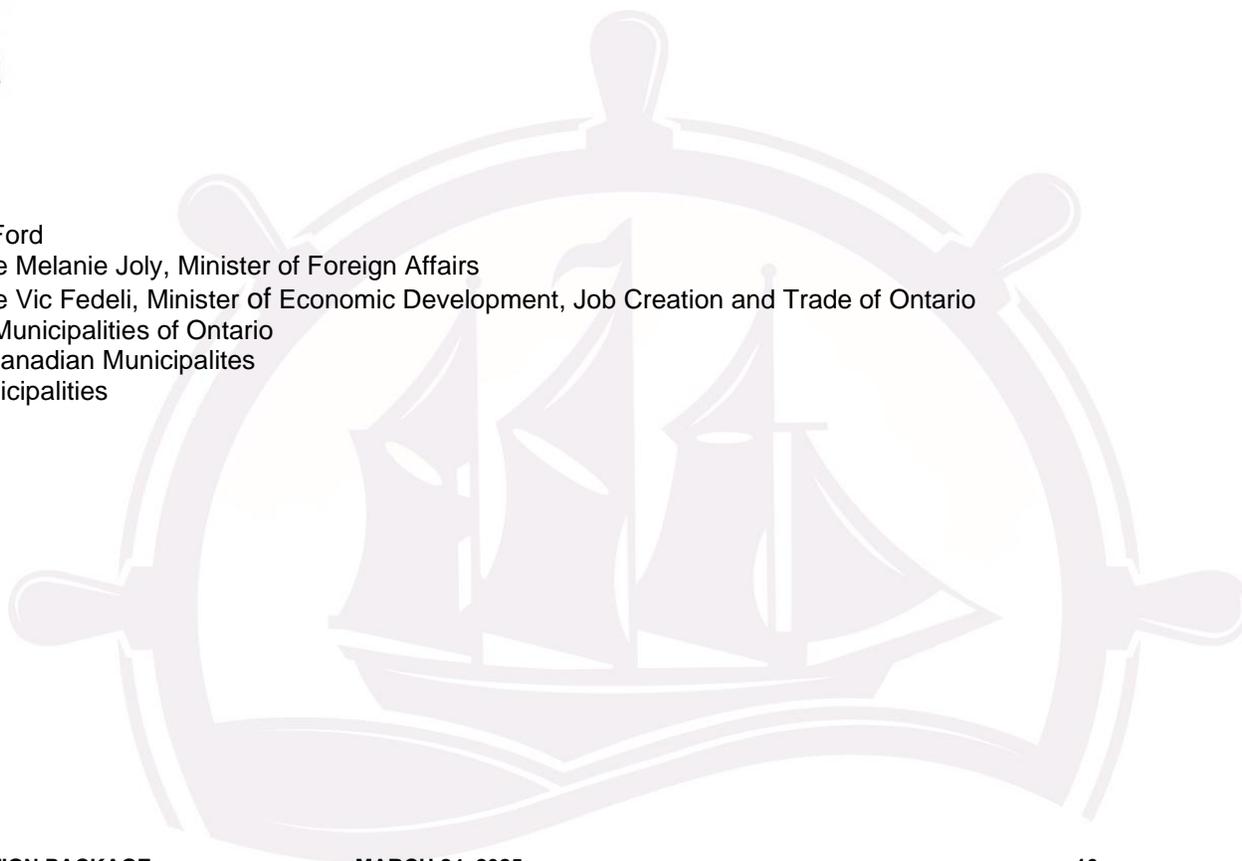
Please be advised that, at its meeting of February 25, 2025 the Council of The Corporation of the City of Port Colborne supported the resolution from the Town of Fort Frances, regarding the Sovereignty of Canada.

The correspondence is attached for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Charlotte Madden
City Clerk

Ec: Premier Doug Ford
The Honourable Melanie Joly, Minister of Foreign Affairs
The Honourable Vic Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade of Ontario
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
Federation of Canadian Municipalities
All Ontario Municipalities





FORTFRANCES

RESOLUTION OF COUNCIL

Monday, February 10, 2025

Oral Motion

“THAT Council supports the Town of Halton Hills Resolution No. 2025-0010 regarding the Sovereignty of Canada.”

Moved by Wendy Brunetta, Seconded by Steven Maki, Motion Carried by Council.

WHEREAS President Trump has suggested that with the use of “economic force” such as tariffs, Canada should become the 51st state of the United States, and further he suggests that many Canadians would agree;

AND WHEREAS Canada is a sovereign nation with a peaceful history of self-governance dating to its Confederation in 1867;

AND WHEREAS the Canadian identity is marked by a deep-rooted pride in its heritage and culture founded by French and British settlement, enriched by Indigenous culture and traditions, and by more than a century and a half of multicultural immigration;

AND WHEREAS Canada has significant global standing, consistently supporting its allies, including the United States, in global conflicts such as two world wars, and wars in Korea and Afghanistan; and in international coalitions and in being consistently recognized as among the top countries in the world for quality of life;

AND WHEREAS the shared history of the United States and Canada has been one of friendship, respect, and neighbourly relations;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Fort Frances categorically rejects any efforts by incoming President Trump or any others to undermine the sovereignty of Canada. We stand united with our Ontario Premier Doug Ford and our Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau for a Canada that remains strong, free, independent, and characterized by peace, order, and good government.

AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor prepare correspondence containing this resolution for circulation to the office of the American president through our Canadian diplomatic channels with copies to The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister, The Honourable Melanie Joly, Minister of Foreign Affairs, MP Michael Chong, Premier Doug Ford, The Honourable Vic Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade of Ontario, MPP Ted Arnott, Leaders of the Opposition Parties, AMO, FCM, and all municipalities in Ontario.

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March 4, 2025

Town of Halton Hills
1 Halton Hills Drive
Halton Hills, ON
L7G 5G2
Atten: Melissa Lawr, Deputy Clerk

Dear Ms. Lawr,

At the February 13, 2025, regular session of Council, the following was duly moved and seconded:

RESOLUTION-2025-043

Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek made a motion that the Municipality of Brooke-Alvinston supports the request from the Town of Halton Hills to reject any efforts by incoming President Trump or any others to undermine the sovereignty of Canada. We stand united with our Ontario Premier Doug Ford and our Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau for a Canada that remains strong, free, independent, and characterized by peace, order, and good government. Councillor Jenny Redick seconded the motion.

Carried

If you require further information, please contact me directly by phone or email jdenkers@brookealvinston.com.

Kind Regards,

Janet Denkers
Clerk-Administrator



Resolution Number 2025.05.02
Date: February 12, 2025

Moved by: C. Pemberton
Seconded by: A. Drouillard

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Dutton Dunwich supports the resolution from the Town of Halton Hills rejecting any efforts by President Trump or any others to undermine the sovereignty of Canada, and to stand united with Ontario Premier Doug Ford and Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau for a Canada that remains strong, free, independent, and characterized by peace, order, and good government; and THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Rob Flack - MPP, Karen Vecchio - MP, and the Town of Halton Hills.

Motion: CARRIED



February 25, 2025

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

Re: Sovereignty of Canada

Council of the Municipality of Neebing, reviewed correspondence from the Town of Halton Hills regarding the sovereignty of Canada.

At the meeting on February 5, 2025, the Council of the Municipality of Neebing carried the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports the correspondence from the Town of Halton Hills regarding the sovereignty of Canada.

For ease of reference, the correspondence from the Town of Halton Hills is appended to this letter.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Erika Kromm
Clerk Treasurer
(Resolution No. 2025-02-033)

Encl.

cc: Minister of Foreign Affairs, Melanie Joly
Ontario Premier, premier@ontario.ca
Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade of Ontario,
MEDJCT.Minister@ontario.ca
Town of Halton Hills, melissal@haltonhills.ca

January 29, 2025

All Municipalities in Ontario
Via Email

Re: Sovereignty of Canada

Please be advised that Council of the Town of Halton Hills at its meeting of Monday, January 20, 2025, adopted Resolution No. 2025-0010 regarding Sovereignty of Canada.

Attached for your information is a copy of Resolution No. 2025-0010.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "M. Lawr".

Melissa Lawr, AMP
Deputy Clerk – Legislation



THE CORPORATION
OF
THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS

Resolution No.: 2025-0010
Title: Sovereignty of Canada
Date: January 20, 2025
Moved by: Councillor D. Keene
Seconded by: Councillor J. Brass

Item No. 12.2

WHEREAS incoming President Trump has suggested that with the use of “economic force” such as tariffs, Canada should become the 51st state of the United States, and further he suggests that many Canadians would agree;

AND WHEREAS residents of our community, known as Canada’s Most Patriotic Town, have demonstrated passion for and loyalty to our nation by opposing past "Buy America" trade measures; by celebrating Canada's 150th anniversary by simultaneously flying over 57,000 Canadian flags and along with other activities, by annually hosting popular Canada Day festivities throughout our municipality; and

AND WHEREAS Canada is a sovereign nation with a peaceful history of self-governance dating to its Confederation in 1867; and

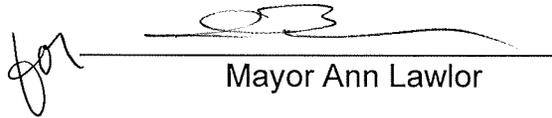
AND WHEREAS the Canadian identity is marked by a deep-rooted pride in its heritage and culture founded by French and British settlement, enriched by Indigenous culture and traditions and by more than a century and a half of multi-cultural immigration;

AND WHEREAS Canada has significant global standing, consistently supporting its allies, including the United States, in global conflicts such as two world wars, and wars in Korea and Afghanistan; and in international coalitions and in being consistently recognized as among the top countries in the world for quality of life;

AND WHEREAS the shared history of the United States and Canada has been one of friendship, respect and neighbourly relations;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Halton Hills categorically rejects any efforts by incoming President Trump or any others to undermine the sovereignty of Canada. We stand united with our Ontario Premier Doug Ford and our Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau for a Canada that remains strong, free, independent, and characterized by peace, order, and good government.

AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor prepare correspondence containing this resolution for circulation to the office of the American president through our Canadian diplomatic channels with copies to The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister, The Honourable Melanie Joly, Minister of Foreign Affairs, MP Michael Chong, Premier Doug Ford, The Honourable Vic Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade of Ontario, MPP Ted Arnott, Leaders of the Opposition Parties, AMO, FCM, and all municipalities in Ontario.


Mayor Ann Lawlor

Thursday, March 6, 2025

Melissa Lawr
Town of Halton Hills
1 Halton Hills Drive
Halton Hills, Ontario
L7G 5G2

SENT VIA EMAIL: melissal@haltonhills.ca

RE: Town of Halton Hills Resolution – Sovereignty of Canada

Dear M. Lawr,

Please be advised of the following motion passed at the Monday, February 24, 2025, Goderich Town Council Meeting:

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Noel

Seconded By: Councillor Petrie

That Goderich Town Council support the Town of Halton Hills resolution regarding support for Sovereignty in Canada.

CARRIED

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

Yours truly,



Andrea Fisher
Director of Legislative Services/Clerk
/ar

cc. The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister, Justin.Trudeau@parl.gc.ca
The Honourable Melanie Joly, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Melanie.Joly@parl.gc.ca
Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, premier@ontario.ca
MP Ben Lobb, Huron – Bruce, Ben.lobb@parl.gc.ca
MPP Lisa Thompson, Huron – Bruce, lisa.thompsonco@pc.ola.org

Township of Addington Highlands

February 21, 2025

Town of Halton Hills
1 Halton Hills Dr.
Halton Hills ON L7G 5G2
Email:

Re: Letter of Support – Sovereignty of Canada

To Whom It May Concern,

Please be advised that at their February 5, 2025, meeting, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Addington Highlands resolved to support the resolution from the Town of Halton Hills categorically rejecting any efforts by incoming President Trump or any others to undermine the sovereignty of Canada and standing united with Ontario Premier Doug Ford and Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau for a Canada that remains strong, free independent and characterized by peace, order and good government.

I trust you will find this letter of support satisfactory.

Sincerely,

Christine Reed

Christine Reed
CAO/Clerk-Treasurer

cc. Hon. Justin Trudeau – Prime Minister of Canada – pm@pm.gc.ca
Hon. Doug Ford – Premier of Ontario – premier@ontario.ca
Hon. Melanie Joly – Minister of Foreign Affairs – melanie.joly@parl.gc.ca
Shelby Kramp-Neuman – MP Hastings & Lennox and Addington – Shelby.kramp-nueman@parl.gc.ca
Hon. Vec Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development – MEDJCT.Minister@ontario.ca
Ric Bresee – MPP Hastings & Lennox and Addington – ric.bresee@pc.ola.org
Association of Municipalities of Ontario - resolutions@amo.on.ca
The Federation of Canadian Municipalities – resolutions@fcm.ca



February 28, 2025

The Honourable Arif Virani
Minister of Justice
House of Commons
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

Dear Minister Virani:

**RE: Motion regarding Protecting Canadian Values: Ban the
Nazi Swastika in Canada, Our File: C00**

Council of the Region of Durham, at its meeting held on February 26, 2025, adopted the following recommendations of the Committee of the Whole, as amended:

“Whereas in recent years, Nazi iconography has surfaced with alarming frequency in the public sphere, used by an increasing number of groups and individuals to promote hate and instill fear within Canadian society; and

Whereas since the atrocities of WWII, the Nazi swastika, also known as the hakenkreuze, has become universally synonymous with systematic violence, terror and hate. Its growing presence in our country poses a threat to every single Canadian citizen, undermining the core values of equality, diversity, and inclusion that define our nation, and

Whereas eighteen countries have already taken action to ban these symbols, it is imperative that Canada follow suit;

Therefore be it resolved, that Durham Region Council supports B’Nai Brith’s call to the Government of Canada to pass legislation banning, with exceptions for certain educational and artistic purposes, the public display of Nazi symbols and iconography, including the Nazi swastika (hakenkreuze). Specifically, demanding that the Government of Canada immediately:

1. Ban the Nazi swastika (hakenkreuze)

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

2. Ban all Nazi symbols and iconography

Durham Region Council agrees that the people of Canada are counting on the federal government to ensure a future free from hate, where every Canadian is protected, valued, and respected; and

That a copy of this motion is sent to all Canadian Municipalities.”

Alexander Harras

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

c: B'nai Brith Canada
All Canadian Municipalities

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

HELD
March 11th, 2025

2025-76

Moved by Councillor Trahan

Seconded by Councillor Kelly

WHEREAS Canada and the United States have a shared history of friendship, respect and neighbourly relations;

AND WHEREAS Canada is a sovereign nation with a peaceful history of self-governance dating to its Confederation in 1867;

AND WHEREAS the Canadian identity is marked by a deep-rooted pride in its heritage and culture founded by French and British settlement, enriched by Indigenous culture and traditions and by more than a century and a half of multi-cultural immigration;

AND WHEREAS Canada has significant global standing, consistently supporting its allies, including the United States, in global conflicts such as two world wars, and wars in Korea and Afghanistan; and in international coalitions and in being consistently recognized as among the top countries in the world for quality of life;

AND WHEREAS newly elected President Donald Trump has suggested that with the use of economic force such as tariffs, Canada should become the 51st state of the United States;

AND WHEREAS President Trump, has now imposed tariffs on imports from Canada that will have a significant detrimental impact on the economic stability in both countries;

AND WHEREAS federal and provincial leaders are encouraging Canadians to buy Canadian, at the same time as it seeks to remove inter-provincial trade barriers within Canada;

AND WHEREAS municipalities have significant purchasing power through capital and infrastructure programs and can assist in the effort to combat tariffs and support Canadian businesses by their procurement of Canadian products and services;

AND WHEREAS municipalities have traditionally been prevented by trade agreements and legislation from giving preference to the purchase of Canadian products and services;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Municipality of East Ferris categorically rejects any efforts by President Trump or any others to undermine the sovereignty of Canada, and we stand united with our provincial and federal leaders for a Canada that remains strong, free, independent, and characterized by peace, order, and good government;

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AND FURTHERMORE that Council endorses the federal and provincial call to action to buy Canadian and therefore remove any impediments to municipalities preferring to engage Canadian companies for products and services when appropriate and feasible;

AND FURTHERMORE that Council encourages the provincial and federal governments to remove trade barriers between provinces in support of Canadian businesses;

AND FURTHERMORE that the CAO be directed to prepare a report detailing a temporary purchasing policy that integrates and addresses these concerns;

AND FURTHERMORE that this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Ontario Premier Doug Ford, Nipissing-Timiskaming MP Anthony Rota, Nipissing MPP Vic Fedeli, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Rural Ontario Municipal Association, Ontario Good Roads Association, Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and all Ontario municipalities.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

CERTIFIED to be a true copy of
Resolution No. 2025-76 passed by the
Council of the Municipality of East Ferris
on the 11th day of March, 2025.



Kari Hanselman, Dipl. M.A.
Clerk

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SENT VIA EMAIL

February 25, 2025

Right Hon. Justin Trudeau (Prime Minister of Canada)
Hon. Melanie Joly, (Minister of Foreign Affairs),
Hon. Nate Erskine-Smith (Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities),
Hon. Doug Ford (Premier of Ontario and Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party),
Marit Stiles (Leader of the Ontario New Democratic Party),
Bonnie Crombie (Leader of the Ontario Liberal Party),
Mike Schreiner (Leader of the Ontario Green Party),
Ontario's Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade,
Ontario's Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing,
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John Beddows (Chair, Eastern Ontario Mayors' Caucus),
All regional Members of Canadian Parliament,
All candidates running as Ontario Members of Parliament,
All of Ontario Municipalities

Re: Correspondence, Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus 'Canadian and Ontario Governments Negotiations with the United States Government on Trade Tariffs'

At a meeting held on February 19, 2025 Northumberland County Council approved Council Resolution # 2025-02-19-134, adopting the below recommendation:

Moved by: Councillor Scott Jibb

Seconded by: Councillor John Logel

"That County Council support the correspondence from the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus (EOWC) regarding 'Canadian and Ontario Governments Negotiations with the United States Government on Trade Tariffs', and direct staff to send a copy of the resolution to:

- The Right Hon. Justin Trudeau (Prime Minister of Canada),
- Hon. Melanie Joly (Minister of Foreign Affairs),
- Hon. Nate Erskine-Smith (Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities),

- Hon. Doug Ford (Premier of Ontario and Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party),
- Marit Stiles (Leader of the Ontario New Democratic Party),
- Bonnie Crombie (Leader of the Ontario Liberal Party),
- Mike Schreiner (Leader of the Ontario Green Party),
- Ontario's Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade,
- Ontario's Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing,
- Rebecca Bligh (President, FCM and Councillor, City of Vancouver),
- Robin Jones (President, AMO and Mayor of Westport),
- Christa Lowry (Chair, Rural Ontario Municipal Association),
- Jeff Leal (Chair, Eastern Ontario Leadership Council),
- John Beddows (Chair, Eastern Ontario Mayors' Caucus),
- All regional Members of Canadian Parliament,
- All candidates running as Ontario Members of Parliament,
- All of Ontario's municipalities.

Council Resolution # 2025-02-19-134

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 S. Poph
 Seconded By J. Lejal

Agenda Item 8.a Resolution Number
 2025-02-19- 134

Council Date: February 19, 2025

"That County Council support the correspondence from the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus (EOWC) regarding 'Canadian and Ontario Governments Negotiations with the United States Government on Trade Tariffs', and direct staff to send a copy of the resolution to:

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Recorded Vote Requested by _____
 Councillor's Name

Carried 
 Warden's Signature

Deferred _____
 Warden's Signature

Defeated _____
 Warden's Signature

Resolution: EOWC Support of Canadian and Ontario Governments' Negotiations with the United States Government on Trade Tariffs

Moved by: Corinna Smith-Gatcke, Warden of the United Counties of Leeds & Grenville
Seconded by: Steve Ferguson, Vice-Chair, EOWC / Mayor of Prince Edward County

Whereas the Canadian government is currently in negotiations with the United States (U.S.) government on their proposed 25% tariffs on Canadian goods exported to the U.S.; and

Whereas Canada's Prime Minister and Ontario's Premier have outlined several plans to combat the impact that the proposed tariffs would have on Ontario which focus on strengthening trade between Ontario and the U.S. while bringing jobs back home for workers on both sides of the border; and

Whereas the Canadian government has also outlined several ways to address the current relationship with the U.S. including establishing the Council on Canada-U.S. relations to support the federal government as it negotiates with the U.S. on tariffs; and

Whereas trade between Ontario and the U.S. is very important to our residents and local economies, and requires all levels of government to work together in the best interest of those residents; and

Whereas according to data from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, across Ontario municipalities are expected to spend between \$250 and \$290 billion on infrastructure in the next 10 years; and

Whereas Ontario municipalities have traditionally treated trade partners equally and fairly in all procurements in accordance with our established international trade treaties; and

Whereas municipalities play a crucial role as part of the Team Canada approach to combat tariffs and support businesses in our procurement for capital and infrastructure programs; and

Whereas there are trade barriers between Canadian provinces and territories.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus supports the Canadian and Ontario governments on the measures they have put in-place in response to the proposed U.S. tariffs on Canadian goods and ask that they take any and all measures to protect the interests of Ontario in any upcoming trade negotiations, and ensure municipalities are part of the coordinated Team Canada approach;

And that the Canadian and Ontario governments remove any impediments to municipalities preferring Canadian companies and services for capital projects and other supplies;

And that the Canadian and Ontario governments take action to remove trade barriers between provinces as a response to U.S. tariffs and support Canadian businesses;

And that the Canadian and Ontario governments remove all legislative barriers that impact the ability to buy local, and indemnify municipalities should there be challenges to buying Canadian;

And that the Canadian and Ontario governments continue to invest in infrastructure to provide stability, jobs, and support our communities' social and economic prosperity over the long-term.

Be it further resolved, that copies of this motion be sent to:

- The Right Hon. Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada
- The Hon. Melanie Joly, Minister of Foreign Affairs
- The Hon. Nate Erskine-Smith, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities
- Doug Ford, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party
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- All of Ontario's municipalities for their support

Carried



Chair Bonnie Clark, EOWC

February 10, 2025

March 4, 2025

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

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

Via Email: premier@ontario.ca

Via Email: justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca

Re: Tariffs on Canadian Production

Council of the Town of LaSalle, at its Regular Meeting held Tuesday, February 25, 2025 passed the following resolution:

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Moved by: Deputy Mayor Akpata

Seconded by: Councillor Riccio-Spagnuolo

Whereas the recent threats of an imposition on tariffs on Canadian production will have a substantial effect on the items produced in the County of Essex and purchased in the Town of LaSalle;

And Whereas there has only been a 30-day reprieve granted;

And Whereas, a tariff on Canadian steel and aluminum has been threatened;

And Whereas, these tariffs were going to be applied by another country and therefore can be deemed as being external to the Province and Country;

And Whereas, the interprovincial trade has been deemed by the Canadian Federation of Independent Business (CFIB) to represent 18% of Canada's GDP.

And Whereas, the CFIP released a report that said removing interprovincial barriers could boost the economy by up to \$200 billion annually;

And Whereas, items produced, grown, and manufactured in Essex County are sent across Canada;

And Whereas, persons in the Town of LaSalle purchase goods manufactured in many provinces and from across the country, and these goods are in many cases subject to interprovincial barriers.

Be It Resolved that, the Town of LaSalle calls upon both the Provincial and Federal Governments to eliminate interprovincial trade barriers to ensure that items produced in the County of Essex and that Canadian items purchased in the Town of LaSalle are no longer subject to these interprovincial trade barriers.

Carried.

Please consider this letter as confirmation of the Town of LaSalle's support of the above matter.

Yours Truly,



Jennifer Astrologo
Director of Council Services/Clerk
Town of LaSalle
jastrologo@lasalle.ca

cc: Association of Municipalities of Ontario resolutions@amo.on.ca
All Ontario Municipalities

March 4, 2025

email: KStevenson@ptbocounty.ca

Keri Stevenson
Director of Legislative Services/Clerk
The County of Peterborough
470 Water Street
Peterborough, ON
K9H 3M3

Re: Support Resolution – U.S. Tariffs on Canada/Purchasing Policies

Dear Ms. Stevenson,

Please be advised that at its meeting held the 25th day of February 2025 the Council of the Township of Selwyn passed the following resolution:

Resolution No. 2025 – 033 – Support Resolution – U.S. Tariffs on Canada/Purchasing Policies

Councillor John Boyko – Councillor Brian Henry –

That the Township of Selwyn supports the County of Peterborough's Resolution No. 19-2025 which urges the federal and provincial governments to take all necessary actions to protect Ontario's interests in trade negotiations with the U.S. and investigate purchasing policies; and that this motion be copied to those included in the County's motion.

Carried.

I trust you find this in order. Please do not hesitate to contact the Selwyn Township Office if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Megin Hunter
Office Assistant / Reception

Encl.

cc: The Right Hon. Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada
The Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
The Hon. Melanie Joly, Minister of Foreign Affairs
The Hon. Vic Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade

The Hon. Nate Erskine-Smith, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities

The Hon. Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

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Jeff Leal, Chair, Eastern Ontario Leadership Council

John Beddows, Chair, Eastern Ontario Mayors' Caucus

All provincial and territorial Premiers

All local MPs and MPPs

All Ontario Municipalities for their support



Township of Central Frontenac

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March 6, 2025

The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier's Office, Room 281
Legislative Building, Queens Park,
Toronto, Ontario, M7A 1A1
Delivered via email: premier@ontario.ca

RE: U.S Tariffs on Canadian Goods.
Supporting the letter from Peterborough County dated February 5, 2025.

Please be advised that, at its regular meeting of Council held on February 11, 2025, The Corporation of the Township of Central Frontenac supported a resolution from Peterborough County, regarding U.S Tariffs on Canadian Goods.

The correspondence is attached for your consideration.

Motion #: 26-2025

THAT Council authorize staff to create a letter of support for the following correspondence received, #14 b;

AND FURTHER THAT the letters of support be sent to All Municipalities of Ontario, the Ontario Premier and the associated Provincial Ministers.

Kind Regards,

Cathy MacMunn AMCT ACST
Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk
cmacmunn@centralfrontenac.com

cc. 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, & All Municipalities of Ontario

CM/am

February 5, 2025

To Whom it May Concern,

Re: Proposed U.S. tariffs on Canadian Goods

Please note at their Regular meeting held on February 5, 2025, Peterborough County Council passed the following resolution:

Resolution No. 19-2025

Moved by Deputy Warden Senis

Seconded by Warden Clark

Whereas the federal government is currently in negotiations with the U.S. government on their proposed 25% tariffs on Canadian goods exported to the U.S.; and

Whereas Premier Doug Ford has outlined several plans to combat the impact the proposed tariffs would have on Ontario including Fortress Am-Can which focus on strengthening trade between Ontario and the U.S. while bringing good jobs back home for workers on both sides of the border; and

Whereas the federal government has also outlined several ways to address the current relationship with the U.S. including establishing the Council on Canada-U.S. relations to support the federal government as it negotiates with the U.S on tariffs; and

Whereas trade between Ontario and the United States is very important to our residents and local economies and requires all levels of government to work together in the best interest of those residents; and

Whereas according to data from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, across Ontario municipalities are expected to spend between \$250 and \$290 billion on infrastructure in the next 10 years; and

Whereas municipalities have traditionally treated all procurements from trade partners equally and fairly; and

Whereas municipalities can assist in the Team Canada effort to combat tariffs and support businesses in our procurement for capital and infrastructure programs; and

Whereas there are trade barriers between Canadian provinces.

Therefore, be it resolved that, the County of Peterborough supports the provincial and federal governments on the measures they have put in place in response to the proposed U.S. tariffs on Canadian goods and ask that they take any and all measures to protect the interests of Ontario in any upcoming trade negotiations;

And that federal and provincial governments remove any impediments to municipalities preferring Canadian companies and services for capital projects and other supplies;

And that the provincial and federal governments take action to remove trade barriers between provinces as a response to US tariffs and support Canadian businesses.

And that the CAO be directed to bring back a report detailing a temporary purchasing policy that integrates and addresses these concerns;

And that County Economic Development & Tourism Division be directed to implement a “Buy Local Peterborough County, Buy Canadian” campaign to encourage residents and businesses to purchase locally made and Canadian goods and services.

Be it further resolved, that copies of this motion be sent to:

- The Right Hon. Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada
- The Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
- The Hon. Melanie Joly, Minister of Foreign Affairs
- The Hon. Vic Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade
- The Hon. Nate Erskine-Smith, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities
- The Hon. Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
- Rebecca Bligh, President, FCM and Councillor, City of Vancouver

- Robin Jones, President, AMO and Mayor of Westport
- Bonnie Clark, Chair, Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus
- Jeff Leal, Chair, Eastern Ontario Leadership Council
- John Beddows, Chair, Eastern Ontario Mayors' Caucus
- All provincial and territorial Premiers.
- All local MPs and MPPs,
- All Ontario Municipalities for their support.

Carried

Should you have any questions or concerns please contact Kari Stevenson, Director of Legislative Services/Clerk at kstevenson@ptbocounty.ca.

Yours truly,

Holly Salisko
Administrative Services Assistant – Clerk's Division/Planning
hsalisko@ptbocounty.ca



RE: Negotiations on Trade Tarriffs

February 27, 2025

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

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau,

At the Council Meeting held on February 19, 2025, Limerick Township Council approved Council Resolution 008-2025, supporting the letter submitted by the Eastern Ontario Warden's Caucus regarding negotiations on Trade Tarriff's.

Motion008-2025

Moved by Councillor Shawn Pack
Seconded by Councillor Jan MacKillican

THAT Council for the Township of Limerick hereby supports the letter dated February 10, 2025 by the Eastern Ontario Warden's Caucus, regarding the Canadian and Ontario Governments' Negotiations with the United States Government on Trade Tarriffs;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to:

- The Right Hon. Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada
- The Hon. Melanie Joly, Minister of Foreign Affairs
- The Hon. Nate Erskine-Smith, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities
- Doug Ford, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party
- Marit Stiles, Leader of the Ontario New Democratic Party
- Bonnie Crombie, Leader of the Ontario Liberal Party
- Mike Schreiner, Leader of the Ontario Green Party
- Ontario's Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade
- Ontario's Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
- Rebecca Bligh, President, FCM and Councillor, City of Vancouver
- Robin Jones, President, AMO and Mayor of Westport
- Christa Lowry, Chair, Rural Ontario Municipal Association
- Jeff Leal, Chair, Eastern Ontario Leadership Council
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- All regional Members of Canadian Parliament
- All candidates running as Ontario Members of Parliament
- All of Ontario's municipalities for their support

Carried

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the undersigned at clerk@township.limerick.on.ca or by phone at 613-474-2863.

Sincerely,

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Resolution: EOWC Support of Canadian and Ontario Governments' Negotiations with the United States Government on Trade Tariffs

Moved by: Corinna Smith-Gatcke, Warden of the United Counties of Leeds & Grenville
Seconded by: Steve Ferguson, Vice-Chair, EOWC / Mayor of Prince Edward County

Whereas the Canadian government is currently in negotiations with the United States (U.S.) government on their proposed 25% tariffs on Canadian goods exported to the U.S.; and

Whereas Canada's Prime Minister and Ontario's Premier have outlined several plans to combat the impact that the proposed tariffs would have on Ontario which focus on strengthening trade between Ontario and the U.S. while bringing jobs back home for workers on both sides of the border; and

Whereas the Canadian government has also outlined several ways to address the current relationship with the U.S. including establishing the Council on Canada-U.S. relations to support the federal government as it negotiates with the U.S. on tariffs; and

Whereas trade between Ontario and the U.S. is very important to our residents and local economies, and requires all levels of government to work together in the best interest of those residents; and

Whereas according to data from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, across Ontario municipalities are expected to spend between \$250 and \$290 billion on infrastructure in the next 10 years; and

Whereas Ontario municipalities have traditionally treated trade partners equally and fairly in all procurements in accordance with our established international trade treaties; and

Whereas municipalities play a crucial role as part of the Team Canada approach to combat tariffs and support businesses in our procurement for capital and infrastructure programs; and

Whereas there are trade barriers between Canadian provinces and territories.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus supports the Canadian and Ontario governments on the measures they have put in-place in response to the proposed U.S. tariffs on Canadian goods and ask that they take any and all measures to protect the interests of Ontario in any upcoming trade negotiations, and ensure municipalities are part of the coordinated Team Canada approach;

And that the Canadian and Ontario governments remove any impediments to municipalities preferring Canadian companies and services for capital projects and other supplies;

And that the Canadian and Ontario governments take action to remove trade barriers between provinces as a response to U.S. tariffs and support Canadian businesses;

And that the Canadian and Ontario governments remove all legislative barriers that impact the ability to buy local, and indemnify municipalities should there be challenges to buying Canadian;

And that the Canadian and Ontario governments continue to invest in infrastructure to provide stability, jobs, and support our communities' social and economic prosperity over the long-term.

Be it further resolved, that copies of this motion be sent to:

- The Right Hon. Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada
- The Hon. Melanie Joly, Minister of Foreign Affairs
- The Hon. Nate Erskine-Smith, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities
- Doug Ford, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party
- Marit Stiles, Leader of the Ontario New Democratic Party
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- Mike Schreiner, Leader of the Ontario Green Party
- Ontario's Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade
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Carried



Chair Bonnie Clark, EOWC

February 10, 2025

Township of Champlain

Resolution
Regular Council Meeting

Agenda Number: 15.3.
Resolution Number 2025-071
Title: Canada Metal Processing Group - Announcement on steps to respond to U.S. tariff threats on the steel sector
Date: February 27, 2025

Moved By: Paul Emile Duval
Seconded By: Michel Lalonde

Whereas maintaining a healthy domestic steel manufacturing industry and its customer base, who transform steel into steel products, is critical to the economic stability of an independent and autonomous sovereign nation; and

Whereas Steel is a foundational industry to produce core products and infrastructure for essential industries e.g., defence, energy supply both fossil fuels and green energy, majority of industrial manufacturing e.g., automotive, transport, heavy equipment and essential for housing and infrastructure construction; and

Whereas the Heico Companies' Canada Metal Processing Group ("MPG Canada") operates three businesses (Ivaco Rolling Mills, Sivaco, and Infasco) over 6 manufacturing sites in Quebec and Ontario and employs approximately 1600 individuals. The organization operates a state-of-the-art electric arc furnace (EAF) steel plant and billet caster, a two-strand rod mill, a rod processing facility, two wire mills, a bolt manufacturing facility, a nut manufacturing facility and a steel fastener coating facility. MPG Canada strives to offer the best customer experience by delivering high-value and sustainably engineered steel products across North America; and

Whereas, in the face of U.S. tariff threats, and as the Canadian Steel Producer Association (CSPA) members have been advocating, MPG Canada calls on the Canadian government to be prepared to react quickly to safeguard the long-term viability of Canadian steel product manufacturers, and the collective job security of its employees.

Be it resolved that the Township of Champlain supports The Canada Metal Processing Group ("MPG Canada") in its request to the Canadian Government to immediately:

- Prepare to implement matching retaliatory tariff measures without any consultation delay;
- Provide support for workers and businesses during this economic crisis;
- Prevent the ever-increasing unfairly traded imports from other countries into Canada and protect the domestic industry by instituting broad Section 53 surtaxes, without any possible exemptions;
- Promote buying Canadian steel, with its much lower carbon intensity than imports; and
- Work in collaboration with the U.S. to create an aligned North American steel trade market for melted and poured North American steel.

Be it further resolved that this Resolution be circulated to:

- The Right Hon. Justin Trudeau (Prime Minister of Canada),
- The Hon. Melanie Joly (Minister of Foreign Affairs, Canada),
- The Hon. Nate Erskine-Smith (Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities, Canada),
- Premier of Ontario,
- Ontario's Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade,
- Ontario's Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing,
- Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM),
- Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO),

- Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA),
- Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus,
- The Hon. Francis Drouin, MP - Glengarry-Prescott-Russell,
- Member of Provincial Parliament, MPP – Glengarry-Prescott-Russell,
- The Canadian Steel Producer Association,• MPG Canada,
- The Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and
- All of Ontario's municipalities.

Carried

Certified True Copy of Resolution

Alison Collard, Clerk Date:

Canton de Champlain
Résolution
Réunion régulière du Conseil

No. du point à l'ordre du jour: 15.3.
No. du point 2025-071
Titre: Canada Metal Processing Group - Annonce des mesures à prendre pour répondre aux menaces tarifaires américaines sur le secteur de l'acier
Date: le 27 février 2025

Proposée par: Paul Emile Duval

Appuyée par: Michel Lalonde

Attendu que le maintien d'une industrie sidérurgique nationale saine et de sa clientèle, qui transforme l'acier en produits sidérurgiques, est essentiel à la stabilité économique d'une nation souveraine indépendante et autonome ; et

Attendu que l'acier est une industrie fondamentale pour la production de produits de base et d'infrastructures pour des industries essentielles telles que la défense, l'approvisionnement en énergie, qu'il s'agisse de combustibles fossiles ou d'énergie verte, la majorité des industries manufacturières telles que l'automobile, le transport, l'équipement lourd, ainsi que la construction de logements et d'infrastructures ; et

Attendu que le Groupe de transformation des métaux Canada (« MPG Canada ») de Heico Companies exploite trois entreprises (Ivaco Rolling Mills, Sivaco et Infasco) sur six sites de fabrication au Québec et en Ontario et qu'il emploie environ 1 600 personnes. L'organisation exploite une aciérie à four électrique à arc (FEA) ultramoderne et une coulée de billettes, un laminoir à barres à deux brins, une installation de traitement des barres, deux laminoirs à fil, une installation de fabrication de boulons, une installation de fabrication d'écrous et une installation de revêtement d'attaches en acier. MPG Canada s'efforce d'offrir la meilleure expérience à ses clients en livrant des produits sidérurgiques de grande valeur et de conception durable dans toute l'Amérique du Nord ; et

Attendu que, face aux menaces de tarifs américains, et comme les membres de l'Association canadienne des producteurs d'acier (ACPA) l'ont préconisé, MPG Canada demande au gouvernement canadien d'être prêt à réagir rapidement pour protéger la viabilité à long terme des fabricants canadiens de produits d'acier et la sécurité d'emploi collective de ses employés.

Qu'il soit résolu que le Canton de Champlain appuie le Canada Metal Processing Group (« MPG Canada ») dans sa demande au gouvernement canadien de réagir immédiatement :

- Se préparer à mettre en œuvre des mesures tarifaires de rétorsion correspondantes sans délai de consultation ;
- Soutenir les travailleurs et les entreprises pendant cette crise économique ;
- Empêcher l'augmentation constante des importations déloyales d'autres pays vers le Canada et protéger l'industrie nationale en instituant de larges surtaxes au titre de l'article 53, sans aucune exemption possible ;
- Promouvoir l'achat d'acier canadien, dont l'intensité en carbone est bien inférieure à celle des importations ; et
- Travailler en collaboration avec les États-Unis pour créer un marché nord-américain aligné pour l'acier nord-américain fondu et coulé.

De plus, qu'il soit résolu que la présente résolution soit diffusée auprès de :

- Le très honorable Justin Trudeau (Premier ministre du Canada),
- L'honorable Mélanie Joly (ministre des Affaires étrangères Canada),
- L'honorable Nate Erskine-Smith (ministre du Logement, de l'Infrastructure et des Collectivités Canada),
- le premier ministre de l'Ontario,
- Le ministre du Développement économique, de la Création d'emplois et du Commerce de l'Ontario,
- le ministre des Affaires municipales et du Logement de l'Ontario,

- Fédération canadienne des municipalités (FCM),
- Association des municipalités de l'Ontario (AMO),
- l'Association des municipalités rurales de l'Ontario (ROMA),
- le Caucus des gardiens de l'Est de l'Ontario,
- L'honorable Francis Drouin, député de Glengarry-Prescott-Russell,
- Membre du Parlement provincial, MPP - Glengarry-Prescott-Russell,
- L'Association canadienne des producteurs d'acier,
- MPG Canada,
- L'Association des municipalités de l'Ontario, et
- Toutes les municipalités de l'Ontario

Adoptée

Copie certifiée conforme

Alison Collard, greffière Date :

Source: Canada Metal Processing Group

February 24, 2025 10:32 ET

Canada Metal Processing Group announces steps to respond to U.S. tariff threats on steel sector

BROSSARD, Quebec, Feb. 24, 2025 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Canada Metal Processing Group (MPG Canada) and its subsidiaries, Ivaco Rolling Mills, Sivaco, and Infasco, are announcing the difficult but necessary steps to respond to the current challenging market environment and the threat of incoming tariffs from the United States on steel and steel derivatives. These measures will help maintain the majority of MPG Canada's footprint and workforce while reacting to the impact that these threats are already having on the company's demand for its products destined directly and indirectly, via our Canadian customers, to U.S. customers.

In light of lower anticipated demand and production volume, due to U.S. tariff threats and trade challenges in Canada with increasing imports, the measures include a workforce reduction of 140 production and office employees in Ontario and Quebec, implementation of cost savings actions, and the cancellation or pause of some projects. These steps will enable MPG Canada to remain competitive to service our customers and protect the business in the short-term.

"This was an extremely difficult decision for our company, and not one that was made lightly, but necessary for the business in the current environment," said MPG Canada President Matt Walker. "Our employees are the backbone of our operations. They work hard, day in and day out, to create steel products which are recognized for their quality and good customer service while being an integral part of the Canada-U.S. supply chain."

Soft market in 2024, weak North American macroeconomic demand linked to a U.S. election year, the increased challenge of unfair trade imports into Canada, and now the imminent threat of 25% U.S. tariffs on steel sector and 25% on all Canadian products into the U.S., are having serious impacts on the demand for MPG Canada products.

"While it is impossible at this juncture to predict how long these actions by the United States will last, the Canadian government must be prepared to react quickly to safeguard the long-term viability of Canadian steel product manufacturers, and the collective job security of our employees," said Walker. "Maintaining a healthy domestic steel manufacturing industry and their customer base, who transform steel to steel products, is critical to the economic stability of an independent and autonomous sovereign nation. Steel is a foundational industry to produce core products and infrastructure for essential industries e.g., defence, energy supply both fossil fuels and green energy, majority of industrial manufacturing e.g., automotive, transport, heavy equipment and essential for housing and infrastructure construction."

In the face of U.S. tariff threats, and as the Canadian Steel Producer Association (CSPA) members have been advocating, MPG Canada calls on the Canadian government to immediately:

- Prepare to implement matching retaliatory tariff measures without any consultation delay.
- Provide support for workers and businesses during this economic crisis.
- Prevent the ever-increasing unfairly traded imports from other countries into Canada and protect the domestic industry by instituting broad Section 53 surtaxes, without any possible exemptions.

- Promote buying Canadian steel, with its much lower carbon intensity than imports.
- Work in collaboration with the U.S. to create an aligned North American steel trade market for melted and poured North American steel

About Canada Metal Processing Group

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For media inquiries, please contact:

Frédéric Perron | Director, Marketing and Business Development
Canada Metal Processing Group, part of The Heico Companies
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Office of the City Clerk

March 6, 2025

Via email: valeriep@haltonhills.ca

Valerie Petryniak, Town Clerk
Town of Halton Hills
1 Halton Hills Drive
Halton Hills, ON L7G 5G2

Dear Valerie:

Re: Kingston City Council Meeting, March 4, 2025 – Resolution Number 2025-116; High Speed Rail Project

At the regular Council meeting on March 4, 2025, Council approved Resolution Number 2025-116 with respect to High Speed Rail Project as follows:

Whereas in 2017 senior officials from VIA Rail Canada asked communities along the Quebec-Windsor Corridor for their endorsement of VIA's proposed High Frequency Rail (HFR) project to support VIA's advocacy efforts with the federal government; and

Whereas the City supported VIA's HFR project with the understanding that although Kingston would not be a stop on the proposed line, it would become a VIA Rail Regional Hub in Eastern Ontario with increased service and more trains starting and ending in Kingston; and

Whereas under VIA Rail's Regional Hub Model smaller communities in Eastern Ontario would also benefit from additional service to support their towns and cities; and

Whereas on February 19, 2025 VIA Rail Canada and the federal government announced that they were no longer planning a VIA HFR but a new High Speed Rail project that would completely bypass Kingston; and

Whereas as one of the five busiest VIA stations in the country, VIA's change of direction disproportionately impacts the residents of Kingston and Eastern Ontario

The Corporation of the City of Kingston

216 Ontario Street, Kingston, ON K7L 2Z3

Phone: (613) 546-4291 extension 1207

cityclerk@cityofkingston.ca

who have been pushing for years for more convenient and reliable train service;
and

Whereas VIA Rail's recent decision to fundamentally change their plans for rail expansion after securing Kingston's endorsement is a breach of trust that undermines eight years of working with our community in a collaborative way;

Therefore Be It Resolved That the City of Kingston formally withdraw its support for the VIA Rail High Speed Rail proposal and request VIA to honour their original commitment to Kingston for a Regional Hub that will improve service and train frequency; and

That the City develop an advocacy approach in collaboration with Eastern Ontario Communities and others cities along the Quebec – Windsor corridor that will be negatively impacted by VIA's change of direction; and

That City Council request representatives from VIA Rail Canada to appear before Council to explain the change in their proposal and next steps for increased rail service in Kingston; and

That a copy of this motion be sent to Mario Peloquin, President and CEO of VIA Rail Canada, Martin Imbleau, President of VIA Rail HFR, The Honourable Anita Anand, M.P., P.C., Minister of Transport and Internal Trade, Mark Gerretsen, M.P. Kingston and the Islands, the Greater Kingston Chamber of Commerce, Tourism Kingston, Kingston Economic Development, Queen's University, CFB Kingston, St. Lawrence College, Kingston Health Sciences Centre, the Downtown Kingston BIA, the Ontario Big City Mayors' Caucus, the Eastern Ontario Mayors' Caucus, the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus, Josh Morgan, Mayor of London, Stephanie LaCoste, Mayor of Drummondville and other municipalities along the Quebec City – Windsor Corridor impacted by this announcement.

Yours sincerely,



Janet Jaynes
City Clerk
/nb

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MARKSTAY-WARREN

RESOLUTION

Agenda Item #13c

DATE: February 18, 2025

NO: 2025-RCM-09

MOVED BY: Rachelle Poirier

SECONDED BY: Francine Bérubé

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 further

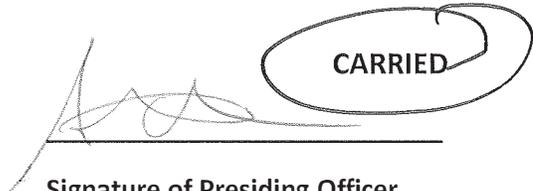
WHEREAS, a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents.

1. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE MUNICIPALITY OF MARKSTAY-WARREN COUNCIL** formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and
2. **THAT** Council for the Municipality of Markstay-Warren calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and
3. **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. **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
5. **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.

DEFEATED

Signature of Presiding Officer

 **CARRIED**

Signature of Presiding Officer

DIVISION VOTE

	Yea	Nay		Disclosure on Interest
Steven Olsen				
Rachelle Poirier				
Laura Schell				
Mark Corner				
Francine Bérubé				

16. Other Business

16.1 Member Motion - Councillor Cilevitz - Motion to Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz
Seconded by: Councillor DiPaola

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; and

Now Therefore Be It Resolved:

a) That Richmond Hill Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities;

- b) That Richmond Hill Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities;
- 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 and program delivery needs;
- d) That this initiative be in addition to the efforts made by OBCM and AMO in addressing the funding shortfall of municipalities in a targeted and individualized manner to ensure funding sources are sustainable for all services provided by municipalities including mental health and homelessness.
- e) That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister of Canada and local Members of Parliament (MPs), and to the Premier of Ontario, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs) following the Provincial Election on February 27, 2025
- f) 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 Unanimously



RE: Ontario Deposit Return Program

February 27, 2025

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

Dear Minister Khanjin,

At the Council Meeting held on February 19, 2025, Limerick Township Council approved Council Resolution 007-2025, supporting the letter submitted by Bradford West Gwillimbury regarding the Ontario Deposit Return Program.

Motion007-2025

Moved by Councillor Jan MacKillican
Seconded by Councillor Glenn Locke

THAT Council for the Township of Limerick hereby supports the letter dated September 20, 2024 by the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury, regarding the Ontario Deposit Return Program;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, Andrea Khanjin; The Minister of Finance, Peter Bethlenfalvy; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); our local MPP, Ric Bresee; and all Ontario Municipalities.

Carried

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the undersigned at clerk@township.limerick.on.ca or by phone at 613-474-2863.

Sincerely,

Victoria Tisdale

Clerk-Treasurer

Township of Limerick

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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



Northumberland County Council Resolution

SENT VIA EMAIL

January 31, 2025

Honourable Andrea Khanjin (Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks)
Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy (Minister of Finance)
Honourable David Piccini (Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development
and MPP for Northumberland Peterborough-South)
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
All Ontario Municipalities

Re: Correspondence, Municipality of St. Charles 'Deposit Return Program'

At a meeting held on January 22, 2025 Northumberland County Council approved Council Resolution # 2025-01-22-035, adopting the below recommendation from the January 6, 2025 Public Works Committee meeting:

Moved by: Councillor Mandy Martin
Seconded by: Councillor John Logel

"That the Public Works Committee, having considered correspondence from the Municipality of St. Charles regarding 'Deposit Return Program' recommend that County Council support this correspondence; and

Further That the Committee recommend that County Council direct staff to send a copy of this resolution to the Honourable Andrea Khanjin (Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks), the Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy (Minister of Finance), the Honourable David Piccini (Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development and MPP for Northumberland Peterborough-South), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all Ontario Municipalities."

Council Resolution # 2025-01-22-035

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 M. Martin
Seconded By J. Fogel

Agenda Resolution Number
Item 10 2025-01-22-035

Council Date: January 22, 2025

"That Council adopt all recommendations from the three Standing Committees, as contained within the Committee Minutes (meetings held January 6 and 8, 2025)."

Recorded Vote Requested by _____
Councillor's Name

Carried  _____
Warden's Signature

Deferred _____
Warden's Signature

Defeated _____
Warden's Signature



Public Works Committee Resolution

Committee Meeting Date: January 6, 2025

Agenda Item: 7.b

Resolution Number: 2025-01-06-004

Moved by: B. Ostrander

Seconded by: cl. Logel

Council Meeting Date: January 22, 2025

"That the Public Works Committee, having considered correspondence from the Municipality of St. Charles regarding 'Deposit Return Program' recommend that County Council support this correspondence; and

Further That the Committee recommend that County Council direct staff to send a copy of this resolution to the Honourable Andrea Khanjin (Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks), the Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy (Minister of Finance), the Honourable David Piccini (Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development and MPP for Northumberland Peterborough-South), 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

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

**Resolution
Regular Council Meeting**



Agenda Number: 15.2.
Resolution Number 25-054
Title: 25-R-22 Northern Highway Safety Plan
Date: Monday, February 24, 2025

Moved by: M. Lubbock
Seconded by: S. Cote

WHEREAS THE TransCanada Highway is the road system meant to move goods and people across the country, but it is no longer equipped to do that safety in Northern Ontario.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Coleman hereby support the Northern Highway Safety Plan proposed by MPP Guy Bourgouin, MPP Lise Vaugeois and MPP John Vanthof which includes the following;

Immediate Actions:

- Require all new drivers to be tested by MTO-certified inspectors instead of third-party companies.
- Return highway maintenance operations to the MTO while working with northern contractors.
- Increase staff at inspection sites, weigh scales, and OPP traffic enforcement.
- Expedite the 2+1 highway pilot project and use excavated material to build additional rest stops and parking areas.

Short-Term Improvements:

- Mandate snow tires for all passenger vehicles in Northern Ontario.
- Ensure driving schools comply with the MELT training system and improve MELT to include winter driving training.
- Address the abuse of “self-insurance provisions” and ensure fair payment for tow truck operators and service providers.
- Require all commercial vehicles to have dash cams.
- Increase the use of traffic cameras and photo radar to reduce speeding.
- Promote rail transport to reduce commercial truck traffic on northern highways.
- Upload connecting links back to the provincial highway system for consistent maintenance.
- Upgrade and expand rest stops with heated washrooms to meet traveler needs.
- Provide compensation to municipalities for damage to local roads caused by highway detours.

Long-Term Solutions:

- Widen and pave all shoulders on Highways 11 and 17.
- Convert Highways 11 and 17 into divided four-lane highways where possible or implement a continuous three-lane system if the 2+1 project proves successful.

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Transportation; the Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing; all Provincial Leaders; the Temiskaming Municipal Association; the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM); the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA); and all municipalities in Ontario.

CARRIED

Certified True Copy



Christopher W. Oslund
CAO/Clerk - Treasurer



January 24, 2025

MPP Guy Bourgouin *Mushkegowuk–James Bay*
MPP Lise Vaugeois *Thunder Bay–Superior North*
MPP John Vanthof *Timiskaming Cochrane*

NORTHERN HIGHWAY SAFETY PLAN

Introduction

Safety on the TransCanada Highways 11 and 17 continues to be the number one concern for most residents of Northern Ontario because they are our main streets. We use these highways to get to work, school, hockey, and medical appointments, but we share them with thousands of cross-country commercial trucks. As a result, Northern MPPs have had a lot to say over the years about the state of highways in the North and for good reason.

Years ago, the problem was proper and consistent winter maintenance. The Liberal government in power at the time claimed everything was fine, so MPP Vanthof's office created the Northern Road Report to show that it wasn't. The Minister of Transportation (MTO) demanded that the report be taken down, but in the end the Northern Road Report helped prove that even when contract requirements were being met, people were still being put at risk. As a result, the government of the day was forced to make changes to the system.

MPP Bourgouin introduced legislation to make maintenance standards the same across the TransCanada system, so that 11 north of North Bay would be maintained to the same standard as south. The legislation was defeated, but the government did create a separate standard for the northern portion of the TransCanada highway. MPP Bourgouin has also introduced other pieces of legislation regarding driver training and not being able to pass on double solid lines. This was defeated, but he remains committed to finding ways to solve safety issues the same as his fellow Northern MPPs. Similarly, MPP Vaugeois introduced a motion that driver testing be taken back by the MTO which would have been an effective way for the government to control the standard of drivers on the roads. All three members have been vocal in the legislature regarding highway safety throughout their careers.

We are once again facing a highway safety crisis, one that we believe requires a plan designed by Northerners for Northerners. It contains clear goals that we can push government of whatever stripe to implement for all our families.

Current Situation

Currently some poorly trained commercial vehicle drivers and the companies they work for are putting all other drivers at undue risk. Incidents have been easy to track on social media. Investigative reports on the problems in commercial truck training and licensing, and from the Auditor General of Ontario identified this problem as far back as 2018. We, Northern MPPs have mentioned this issue many times in the legislature. The response from the government has been that these are the safest roads in North America, and that they are looking into the matter.



January 25, 2025

MPP Guy Bourgouin *Mushkegowuk-James Bay*
MPP Lise Vaugeois *Thunder Bay-Superior North*
MPP John Vanthof *Timiskaming Cochrane*

Regardless of political stance, we hope that we can all agree that one of the basic jobs of any government is to ensure that people who are issued a driver's license are capable of safely driving the vehicle for which they are licensed. There are over a hundred companies in Ontario who recruit, train, and license their own drivers and they can issue Ontario licenses to them. These are among the worst offenders. Of course there are still good driving schools, and companies that provide excellent training programs to their new drivers, but not all of them. Change needs to happen in the immediate and long term, and we are proposing a plan to address these needs. First, there needs to be immediate action by the Ministry to ensure that only properly-trained drivers are graduating by appointing employees of the MTO to conduct driving tests for all new commercial vehicle drivers before they can receive a license.

Immediate Ask

- Have all new drivers tested by MTO certified inspectors, not third-party private companies. If their student drivers can't pass a legitimate road test, then these driving schools will be forced to change how they conduct business.

Short-Term

- Return the management of highway maintenance operations to the MTO, while working with contractors and providers throughout the North.
- Increase staffing at scales and inspection sites, as well as OPP Traffic enforcement to ensure the laws currently in place are being followed.
- Expedite the 2+1 pilot project and the construction of rest stops. Use the fill that is dug out to rebuild sections of the highway to create parking pull offs.

Medium-Term

- Make snow tires mandatory for all passenger vehicles registered in Northern Ontario.
- Ensure that driving schools comply with the current MELT training system.
- Reform issues within MELT itself and expand requirements to include winter driving training.
- Address the current abuse of "self insurance provisions" and ensure tow truck operators and other service providers can get paid for services from these schemes.
- Require that all commercial motor vehicles have dash cams.
- Increase the number of cameras and photo radar to slow down traffic.
- Emphasize rail to move goods so not as many loads must travel on the highway.
- Return connecting links to the provincial highway system so that maintenance is uniform.
- Better equip and increase the availability of rest stops with heated, maintained washrooms.
- Direct the cost of repairing damage to municipal roads caused by detour traffic from highway closures to the MTO.

Long-Term

- Widen and pave all shoulders on Highways 11 and 17.
- Make Highway 11 and 17 a divided four-lane highway wherever possible.
 - If the 2+1 pilot proves successful, a continuous three lane would be a good intermediate step. The TransCanada Highway is the road system meant to move goods and people



January 25, 2025

MPP Guy Bourgouin *Mushkegowuk-James Bay*
MPP Lise Vaugeois *Thunder Bay-Superior North*
MPP John Vanthof *Timiskaming Cochrane*

This plan is designed to be a living document. The goals here have been suggested by industry stakeholders, drivers, municipalities and others. We are open to suggestions, ideas, and constructive criticism. Please send us your comments. By working together, we are hoping to make the highway safer for all our families.

MPP Guy Bourgouin
MPP Lise Vaugeois
MPP John Vanthof



SEND A LETTER TO THE MINISTER

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February 26, 2025

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

EMAIL: Doug.fordco@pc.ola.org

Dear Premier Ford,

**RE: Requests the Province of Ontario Reconsider the Amendment of
Subsection 29(1.2) of the Ontario Heritage Act**

Please be advised that at its meeting of February 25, 2025, Council of the Town of Niagara on-the-Lake adopted the following resolution:

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That Niagara-on-the-Lake Town Council endorses the resolution from the Municipality of South Huron requesting the Province reconsider the amendment to Subsection 29(1.2) of the Ontario Heritage Act.
2. Be It Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Minister Premier Doug Ford, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism, local Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and MPP Thompson.
3. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

If you have any questions or require further information, please contact our office at 905-468-3266.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Grant Bivol', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Grant Bivol
Town Clerk

c.c. Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism Hon. Michael Ford - Michael.Ford@ontario.ca
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Hon. Paul Calandra - minister.mah@ontario.ca
The Association of Municipalities of Ontario - resolutions@amo.on.ca
All local Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs)
MPP Thompson - lisa.thompsonco@pc.ola.org
All 444 Municipalities of Ontario

March 6, 2025

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, P.C., M.P.
Prime Minister of Canada
Office of the Prime Minister
80 Wellington Street
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2
Justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca

Re: Carbon Tax

Dear Prime Minister,

At the meeting of Sarnia City Council held on March 3, 2025, the following resolution was adopted:

That given the advent of the US tariffs and the economic impact on Canadians it is even more critical at this time to petition our own Federal liberal government to put a stop the 20 percent increase to the carbon tax scheduled to be implemented April 1, 2025. The vast majority of Canadians do not support the carbon tax, and the timing could not be worse for the impact to our citizens; and

That the resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister, his Cabinet, Leaders of Opposition, our MP, and All Ontario Municipalities.

Your consideration of this matter is respectfully requested.

Yours sincerely,



Amy Burkhart
City Clerk

Cc: Cabinet Ministers
The Honourable Pierre Poilievre, M.P.
The Honourable Marilyn Gladu, M.P.
All Ontario Municipalities

March 12, 2025

VIA EMAIL

The Hon. Doug Ford
Legislative Building
Queen's Park
Toronto ON M7A 1A1
premier@ontario.ca

Dear Premier Ford

Re: Motion to Request Landlord Tenant Reforms

At its Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, March 4, 2025, the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury Council approved the following resolution:

Resolution 2025-79
Moved: Councillor Giordano
Seconded: Councillor Dykie

WHEREAS Ontario has expanded the accessory dwelling unit (ADU) framework to address the housing supply crisis, which includes the need to balance the interests of both tenants and small-scale landlords;

WHEREAS small-scale landlords may face financial strain when tenants withhold rent in bad faith, and delayed dispute resolution systems can result in undue hardship for landlords, while also affecting tenants' security and well-being;

WHEREAS it is crucial to support the development of legal ADUs and secondary rentals while ensuring tenants' rights are respected and upheld;

WHEREAS proposed reforms could include:

- Accelerating dispute resolution for ADUs and secondary rentals at the Landlord and Tenant Board (LTB) within 30 days, ensuring fairness for both tenants and landlords
- Introducing mediation services to resolve disputes quickly and amicably, reducing reliance on lengthy hearings
- Providing both landlords and tenants with enhanced tools for clear communication, such as standardized rental agreements and better screening practices

- Strengthening protections for tenants against unfair eviction while enforcing stricter penalties for tenants withholding rent in bad faith
- Ensuring law enforcement access to properties only under appropriate circumstances, respecting tenants' rights while supporting landlords in the resolution of unpaid rent issues
- Establishing a hardship relief fund for landlords impacted by unpaid rent, while ensuring tenants are also supported in cases of financial distress
- Offering free or low-cost legal assistance to both landlords and tenants to navigate disputes fairly.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury Council requests the provincial government to look at ways to implement these balanced reforms that protect both small-scale landlords and tenants, ensuring fairness in the rental market; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, our local Member of Provincial Parliament, President of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Attorney General, and all Ontario municipalities to support the creation of balanced protections for both landlords and tenants

CARRIED.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Regards,



Tara Reynolds
Clerk, Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury
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treynolds@townofbwg.com

CC: President of Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Robin Jones - resolutions@amo.on.ca
Hon. Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing - minister.mah@ontario.ca
Hon. Doug Downey, Attorney General - attorneygeneral@ontario.ca
All Ontario Municipalities



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February 5, 2025

The Honourable Sylvia Jones,
Minister of Health
5th Floor, 777 Bay St.
Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

RE: Paid-Plasma-Free Zone

Dear Hon. Sylvia Jones,

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting on February 5th, 2025, Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan passed the following resolution, supporting the resolution from the City of Toronto.

Resolution No: 2025-02-05-08
Moved by: Councillor Quade
Seconded by: Councillor Banks

"Be it resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan support the City of Toronto's resolution Declaring Toronto a Paid-Plasma-Free Zone.

And further that this resolution be forwarded to Canadian Blood Services, Minister of Health, MPP John Yakabuski, and all Municipalities in Ontario."

Carried.

Sincerely,

Tammy Thompson
Deputy Clerk
Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan

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Ref.: 24-MM23.1

(Sent by Email)

December 20, 2024

ALL ONTARIO MUNICIPALITIES:**Subject: Member Motion Item 23.1**
Declaring Toronto a Paid-Plasma-Free Zone - by Councillor Chris Moise,
seconded by Councillor Alejandra Bravo (Ward All)

City Council on November 13 and 14, 2024, adopted [Item MM23.1](#) and in doing so, has forward this item to Canadian Blood Services, federal, provincial and territorial Ministers of Health, Grifols Pharmaceuticals, and all Ontario Municipalities and requested that they support only voluntary blood and plasma collection, where donors do not receive payment for their blood or plasma.

Yours sincerely,

Niko Markakis, for

for City Clerk

S. Przewdziecki/mp

Attachment**Sent to: All Ontario Municipalities**
Chief Executive Officer, Canadian Blood Services
Chief Executive Officer, Grifols Canadac. **City Manager**

City Council

Member Motions - Meeting 23

MM23.1	ACTION	Adopted		Ward: All
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Declaring Toronto a Paid-Plasma-Free Zone - by Councillor Chris Moise, seconded by Councillor Alejandra Bravo

City Council Decision

City Council on November 13 and 14, 2024, adopted the following:

1. City Council express its opposition to the operation of private for-profit blood collection companies in the City.
2. City Council forward this item to Canadian Blood Services, federal, provincial and territorial Ministers of Health, Grifols Pharmaceuticals, and all Ontario Municipalities and request that they support only voluntary blood and plasma collection, where donors do not receive payment for their blood or plasma.

Summary

In the City of Toronto, we uphold the principle of voluntary blood and plasma donation, acknowledging its vital importance as a public good. Our commitment derives from the lessons of Canada's tainted blood crisis, which tragically claimed approximately 8,000 lives. The subsequent Royal Krever Commission urged a fully voluntary, non-payment oriented blood and plasma donation system.

Within our Ontario healthcare system, we perceive blood donations as a priceless public resource, underscoring the need to safeguard the integrity of the public, voluntary donor system.

The Voluntary Blood Donations Act of Ontario strengthens this stance, legislating against the payment of donors and prohibiting donors from receiving financial compensation for their blood or plasma.

Canada Blood Services plans to open five paid plasma clinics, including one in Toronto, by 2025. This issue needs immediate attention and action. The public health community has raised concerns about Grifols Pharmaceuticals' plans to open a Toronto clinic. It's vital we protect vulnerable residents from exploitation by for-profit plasma collection companies offering cash for blood-plasma, a predatory practice.

In bringing this motion forward, we strive to reinforce the principles of voluntary, non-remunerated blood and plasma donation, protecting both the integrity of Canada's public blood system and the dignity of blood donors.

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM23.1

<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2024/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-249600.pdf>

Attachment 1 - Resolution to Declare the City of Hamilton a "No Paid Plasma Zone"

<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2024/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-250144.pdf>

February 25, 2025

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
80 Wellington Street
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

Via email: premier@ontario.ca

At the regular meeting of Woodstock City Council held on February 20, 2025, the following resolution was passed:

“Whereas speeding, distracted driving, and impaired driving are among the leading causes of driving related collisions, injuries, and fatalities in Ontario; and,

Whereas municipalities are called upon to modify driver behaviour through expensive infrastructure and even more expensive policing; and,

Whereas infrastructure and policing are inherently limited in their effectiveness at reducing speed and distracted driving, and entirely ineffective at reducing impaired driving;

Therefore be it resolved that the City of Woodstock calls on the Provincial and Federal governments to do everything in their power to limit speeding, distracted driving , and impaired driving, and thereby reduce collisions, injuries, and fatalities in our communities; and,

That the City of Woodstock specifically requests that the Government of Ontario take action to implement the rural road safety program that Good Roads has committed to lead, which will allow Ontario's rural municipalities to make the critical investments needed to reduce the number of people being killed and seriously injured on Ontario's rural roads; and,

That City of Woodstock Staff work with Oxford County and all Oxford municipalities on the feasibility of implementing a long term Vision Zero Policy and the Good Roads Rural Road Safety strategy across all of Oxford; and,

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

FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to all Oxford police services boards, Safe

and Well Oxford, Good Roads, and all municipalities in Ontario requesting their support.”

Yours Truly,

Jeff Bunn
Manager, Legislative Services/ Deputy City Clerk
City of Woodstock

Cc.

The Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation - prabmeet.sarkaria@pc.ola.org

The Hon. Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure - kinga.surmaco@pc.ola.org

The Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture - minister.omafra@ontario.ca

Trevor Jones, Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response - trevor.jones3@ontario.ca

The Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health - sylvia.jones@ontario.ca

Woodstock Police Services - nnovacich@woodstockpolice.ca

Police Services Board - oapsb@oapsb.ca;

Safe and Well Oxford – safewelloxford@gmail.com

Good Roads - info@goodroads.ca

Association of Municipalities Ontario - amo@amo.on.ca

Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) - roma@roma.on.ca

And all municipalities in Ontario



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Item 14(a)

Date: February 19, 2025

29-02-2025

Moved by Katie Grigg

Seconded by *Crystal Fude*

WHEREAS speeding, distracted driving, and impaired driving are among the leading causes of driving related collisions, injuries, and fatalities in Ontario; and,

WHEREAS municipalities are called upon to modify driver behaviour through expensive infrastructure and even more expensive policing; and,

WHEREAS infrastructure and policing are inherently limited in their effectiveness at reducing speed and distracted driving, and entirely ineffective at reducing impaired driving;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Zorra Township calls on the Provincial and Federal governments to do everything in their power to limit speeding, distracted driving, and impaired driving, and thereby reduce collisions, injuries, and fatalities in our communities;

THAT the Township of Zorra specifically requests that the Government of Ontario take action to implement the rural road safety program that Good Roads has committed to lead, which will allow Ontario's rural municipalities to make the critical investments needed to reduce the number of people being killed and seriously injured on Ontario's rural roads; and

AND THAT Zorra Township Staff work with Oxford County and all Oxford municipalities on the feasibility of implementing a long term Vision Zero Policy and the Good Roads Rural Road Safety strategy across all of Oxford; and,

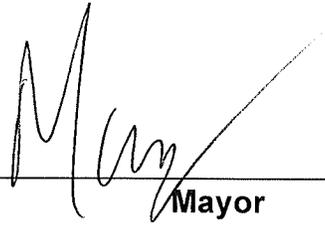
THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Ontario Premier, Ontario Minister of Transportation, Ontario Minister of Infrastructure, Ontario Minister of Agriculture, Ontario Minister of Rural Affairs, Ontario Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response, and Ontario Minister of Health,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

FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to all Oxford police services boards, Safe and Well Oxford, Good Roads, and all municipalities in Ontario requesting their support.

Carried Defeated Recorded Vote Deferred

Recorded Vote:

	Yea	Nay
Mayor Ryan		
Councillor Stewart		
Councillor Grigg		
Councillor Mitchell		
Councillor Finch		



Mayor

Good day,

Please be advised that Council of the Township of South Stormont passed the following resolution on December 18, 2024:

Resolution No.: 254/2024

Moved By: Councillor Reid McIntyre

Seconded by: Councillor Jennifer MacIsaac

**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 Township of South Stormont 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 Premier of Ontario and the Minister of Transportation.
Result: CARRIED**

Kind regards,



Ashley Sloan, AMP

Deputy Clerk

Marriage Officiant

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PROCLAMATION

SIKH HERITAGE MONTH

APRIL 2025

WHEREAS the month of April was proclaimed as Sikh Heritage Month by the legislature of Ontario in 2013 (Bill 52);

AND WHEREAS the Town of Halton Hills recognizes the important contributions that Sikh Canadians have made to Ontario's social, economic, political and cultural fabric;

AND WHEREAS Sikh Heritage Month is an opportunity to remember, celebrate and educate future generations about Sikh Canadians and the important role that they have played and continue to play in communities across Ontario;

THEREFORE, I, Ann Lawlor, Mayor, of the Town of Halton Hills do hereby proclaim April, 2025 as **Sikh Heritage Month**.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ann Lawlor".

Ann Lawlor
Mayor, Town of Halton Hills



PROCLAMATION

WORLD AUTISM DAY

APRIL 2, 2025

WHEREAS Autism impacts more than 135,000 individuals in Ontario, representing 1 in every 50 Canadian children and youth. It also influences their friends, families, and communities. It's crucial for us to raise awareness, and acceptance, provide support and promote a more inclusive society;

AND WHEREAS Autism is a diverse spectrum that varies widely among individuals. Each person's experience with autism can change over time. This evolving journey highlights the uniqueness of every autistic individual, emphasizing the need for understanding and support tailored to their specific needs;

AND WHEREAS Autism Ontario is devoted to raising public awareness about autism and addressing the everyday challenges faced by individuals with autism, their families, and the professionals who work alongside them. Autism Ontario urges everyone to recognize and celebrate the unique differences and needs of others, fostering an inclusive environment where all individuals can participate fully in activities and discussions. Together, a society that values and includes everyone can be created.

THEREFORE, I, Ann Lawlor, Mayor, of the Town of Halton Hills do hereby proclaim April 2, 2025 as **World Autism Day**.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ann Lawlor".

Ann Lawlor
Mayor, Town of Halton Hills