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# DOWNTOWN ACTON BIA BOARD OF MANAGEMENT MINUTES

#### **Board of Management Monthly Meeting**

Wednesday March 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. Read by: Norman Paulsen

Attendance: Monica Galway: Chairperson – Profile Hair Salon, Mihael Albano – Ward 1 Town Councillor, Nicole Walker – Acton Optical, Norman Paulsen – Acton Motors, Patricia Daleman – Doane Grant Thornton LLP, Matthew Galliford – DABIA Coordinator

- 1.Chair's Welcome
- 2. Call to Order 7:05pm
- 3. Declaration of Pecuniary / Personal Conflict of Interest(s) None
- 4. Adoption of February 2025 Minutes 1st: Michael Albano, 2nd: Nicole Walker, All in favor: Yes
- 5. Motion to Approve March 2025 Agenda 1st: Nicole Walker, 2nd: Norman Paulsen, All in favor: Yes
- 6. Coordinator's Report and updates Matthew Galliford see attached below
- 7. Financial Reports Patricia Daleman
- 8. New Business:
  - Invitation to the Grand Opening of Cornerstone Copying & Printing March 22, 2025 10:00am at 56 Mill Street East, Unit 1.
  - Opportunity to purchase more Snowflake lights see coordinator's report
  - Flags and Banners for Downtown. Update
  - Planters: Update waiting on consultation / quote
  - Proposed updates our By-laws (2014) and outline a 3 year strategic plan. Work in progress
- 9. Motion to Adjourn 7:46pm

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday April 23, 2025 - 7:00 pm - DABIA Office 25 Mill St. E.

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

#### **Notes:**

- The Leaf banner outside of Timexx Barber Shop, 4 Mill Street East needs to be removed / replaced by owner.
- Wednesday May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025, 10:00am DABIA Garden beds clean up day.

# DOWNTOWN ACTON BIA BOARD OF MANAGEMENT AGENDA

# **Board of Management Monthly Meeting**

Wednesday March 19th, 2025 – 7:00pm

# **Coordinator's Report**

**Board of Management** – We received a letter of resignation form Chris Cambouris, Vice-Chairperson dated February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025, as he has sold his business and is no longer a DABIA Business member.

March 6, Kelly Fitzgerald has started on contract as the BIA Bookkeeping Assistant.

Coyote Carts - meet next week after March 24

**Flowers** – Meadowvale Garden Centre, Halton Garden Supply (formerly REDS) and Flower Shed have been requested for quotes to supply the hanging baskets and planter flowers. Teresa's Garden Centre may quote if they can get the 18" baskets. I am hoping to have all of the plants in place during the week of May 12<sup>th</sup>.

Flags / Banners – Kennedy Flags, ERIN getting quote – they want to meet after March 20<sup>th.</sup>
Without discount, flags are \$39.55 each x 30 flags = \$1186.50 + tax (pick-up)

Flags Unltd. are approx. \$23.00 each x 30 flags = \$690.00 (+ tax, s&h)

Canadiana Flags are \$39.98 each x 30 flags = \$1199.40 (+tax / s&h)

- BANNERS: I am submitting a Community Development Grant application to the Town to cover the banner expenses (purchase / install) as well as for other forecasted downtown events and tourism marketing.

#### **Outdoor Market**

- Market vendors are booking in. The market season has been shortened this year, June 5<sup>th</sup> to September 11<sup>th</sup> with a special event Thanksgiving Market on October 9<sup>th</sup> on Willow Street North. Market fees remained the same for this year. New this year there is an organic poultry vendor selling frozen products as well as ready-to-eat foods each week and a Reflexologist offering onsite sample treatments.

Market Buskers – Loonie Tunes duo is playing June 19<sup>th</sup>; they have distributed promo posters at gigs.

- Julia Godden not able to return has a residency (working in the Turf dept) gig at Whistler BC Golf & CC
- James Madio will be returning to play at the market.
- The Outdoor Market and BIA Office are part of the Halton Hills Discovery Pass program and Sticker Map tourism campaign as pickup and incentive locations.

- Jay Trout of Cogeco Halton News program has requested to come out to cover market, wants to interview market vendors regarding the Buy Canadian initiative and its challenges.

#### **Leathertown Festival**

- Vendors signing on has begun and payments are coming in. Fees for DABIA Business Members remain the same at \$40.00 for a booth, Vendor fees for 10x10 went up to \$90.00, 10x20 - \$160.00. Food Vendor fees for 10x10 went up to \$110.00, 10x20 - \$240.00. All electrical connections are \$65.00 each. I am limiting the quantity of "same type" of merchandise vendors to three of each and food vendors to two of each. We already have food trucks and new merchandise vendors registered.

The main stage midday and closing bands are booked as well as the professional stage. I am getting quotes for audio equipment and tech support. I am in talks with Ambition Performing Arts to perform at the opening of the day and potentially Special Olympics athletes to demonstrate as well. I am also working with a Renaissance Fair group to host an experience display booth and I'm going to Fanfest at the Library to recruit photo op characters, groups and vehicles for the festival streets.

#### Other Business

- The Visit Halton Hills Calendar has been updated with Market, LTF and Trick or Treat events.
- I gave an interview for a feature in Halton Hill Now Chamber of Commerce magazine about Downtown Acton, our events, and the Leathertown Festival. It will be distributed in Q2 2025.
- Scott Brooks is proposing a Time Capsule to commemorate the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Acton's founding. It is to be covered by a Vintage Acton application to the Community Development Grant program and will be buried for 25 years at Prospect Park. Scott is also looking at creating a tourism history Map or History of Events sign board for Tommy's Grill building to cover over the mismatched brick work near the front door.
- May 18 24 there will be a tourism event passing through town. I am focusing on having the downtown area clean and tidy for this and have arranged for a small team of volunteers to assist.
   Handbills will be removed from light posts, graffiti clean-up completed, windows washed, flowers in place etc.
- Optimist Club / Sarah Brophy-Platts office is hosting an Easter Egg Hunt at Park on Saturday April 19<sup>th</sup> from 10am until Noon. Does anyone want to be involved in helping at the event? Can the BIA give a prize for the Winner's basket? BIA BUCKS \$? \$25.00 most likely, no volunteers are available from the BIA on Easter weekend.
- Corner Stone Office Supplies has a Grand Opening on Saturday March 22, 10am 56 Mill Street East, Unit 1

- March 7<sup>th,</sup> I attended a CIP Cheque presentation at Smooth Solutions for their renovations.
- March 13<sup>th</sup> the Snowflake Lights came down, the parkette was returned to being just the shrubs and heart sculpture lit up.
- Downtown St Catherines has more Snowflake Lights available, 78 units as is at \$125.00 each if we want to consider buying more for our downtown area or holiday light display.
- March 26, I am meeting with Community Development staff only to present and discuss the preliminary details of our proposed Holiday Lights display at Prospect Park. This meeting will be the start of open communications between the Town and BIA and will be a further discussion at the annual "Walk Around" meeting TBD in early April.
- Downtown Acton BIA / Business Communication Survey Results: 72% prefer short weekly email updates. 20% liked a large email of upcoming events at the beginning of each month. 8% liked a large email re-cap at the end of each month.

Summary: Short updates will be sent out weekly with important Town Programs and information shared as needed.



# HERITAGE HALTON HILLS COMMITTEE

# **MINUTES**

Minutes of the Heritage Halton Hills Committee meeting held on Wednesday March 19, 2025, in the Esquesing Room at Town Hall, 1 Halton Hills Drive, Halton Hills, ON.

**Members Present:** Councillor C. Somerville (Virtual – departed 4:53 p.m.), Chair,

C. Donaldson, L. Quinlan, M. Rowe, Acting Chair, R. Denny,

A. Walker, T. Brown

Regrets:

**Staff Present:** B. Parker, Director Planning Policy, C. MacPherson, Heritage

and Development & Review Planner, A. Foster, Cultural Heritage

Assistant, R. Brown, Deputy Clerk - Administration

Others Present: S. Waters (Item 4b), D. Miller (Item 4b)

# 1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 4:30 p.m. by C. Somerville, Chair. C. Somerville requested that M. Rowe be the Acting Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

M. Rowe chaired the remainder of the meeting.

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

There were no disclosures of pecuniary or conflict of interest.

# 3. RECEIPT OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

# 3.a Minutes of the Heritage Halton Hills Committee Meeting held on February 19, 2025.

## Recommendation No. HHH-2025-0018

THAT the Minutes of the Heritage Halton Hills Committee Meeting held on February 19, 2025, be received.

**CARRIED** 

#### 4. SCHEDULED ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

# 4.a Research and Evaluation Report - 78 Main Street South (Georgetown)

A. Foster provided an overview of the research and evaluation report for the property located at 78 Main Street South. It meets 7 out of the 9 criteria for designation. It is a representative example of a vernacular building with Beaux Arts influences. It is associated with the Bennett Hotel, The Merchant's Bank, Bank of Montreal, Georgetown Municipal Council, and the Royal Bank. The property is contextually significant. The owner has requested designation. For these reasons staff recommend designation.

# Recommendation No. HHH-2025-0019

THAT Heritage Halton Hills recommend Council issue a Notice of Intention to Designate for the property at 78 Main Street South for designation under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

**CARRIED** 

# 4.b Research and Evaluation Report - 13802 Trafalgar Road (Ballinafad)

C. MacPherson provided an overview of the research and evaluation report for the property located at 13802 Trafalgar Road. It meets 6 out of the 9 criteria for designation. It is a rare, unique, and representative example of a c.1871 vernacular Ontario rural schoolhouse in the community of Ballinafad. It is associated with the early educational system in the community of Ballinafad and Stewart Bennet, former owner of Scotsdale Farm. The property is contextually significant. The owner is supportive of designation and was present at the meeting. For these reasons staff recommend designation.

# Recommendation No. HHH-2025-0020

THAT Heritage Halton Hills recommend Council issue a Notice of Intention to Designate for the property at 13802 Trafalgar Road for designation under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

**CARRIED** 

# 4.c Heritage Property Tax Refund Application Review

A. Foster advised that staff reviewed all of the applications to ensure that they met the criteria.

# Recommendation No. HHH-2025-0021

THAT Heritage Halton Hills recommend approval of the 2024 Heritage Property Tax Refund Applications for the following properties and that the applications be sent to Finance for processing:

- 1. 68 Bower Street
- 2. 69 Bower Street
- **3.** 76 Bower Street
- **4.** 77 Bower Street
- **5.** 81 Bower Street
- **6.** 88 Bower Street
- 7. 55 Mill Street East
- 8. 98 Church Street East
- 9. 29 Edith Street
- **10.** 16 George Street
- **11.** 8 James Street
- 12. 50-52 Main Street South
- 13. 49 Main Street South
- 14. 51 Main Street South
- 15. 26 Guelph Street
- **16.** 475 Guelph Street
- **17.** 499 Guelph Street

- 18. 401 Draper Street
- 19. 14 Queen Street
- 20. 20 Queen Street
- 21. 26 Queen Street
- 22. 402 Draper Street
- 23. 86 Main Street South
- **24.** 504 Main Street
- **25.** 515 Main Street
- **26.** 533 Main Street
- **27.** 586 Main Street
- **28.** 6 Prince Street
- 29. 14 Tweedle Street
- 30. 98 Confederation Street
- **31.** 15 Prince Street
- **32.** 519-523 Main Street
- 33. 9158 (9156) Trafalgar Road
- 34. 9722 Third Line
- 35. 14249 Tenth Line
- 36. 9924 Winston Churchill
- 37. 12438 Kirkpatrick Lane
- 38. 4 Stewarttown Road
- 39. 17 McNabb Street
- **40.** 9920 Regional Road 25
- **41.** 10 Noble Street
- **42.** 548 Main Street
- 43. 25 Mountain Street

CARRIED

# 4.d Information Item - 10948 Winston Churchill Boulevard (Halton Hills)

C. MacPherson advised that the owner of 10948 Winston Churchill Boulevard is requesting removal from the register. C, MacPherson provided the committee with some initial information about the property. The property has been listed since March 6, 2018. The house was built around 1885 by John Cooper, Baggage Master and switchman for Norval Station. It is an L-shaped Gothic Revival frame house with a potential settler cabin on the property. The yard was likely used for cattle before auctions and transport from Norval Station. It has contextual value (related to neighbouring c. 1880s Station homes and Cooper farm at Lot 16, Concession 1). Staff have indicated that the property likely meets 4 of the 9 criteria for designation.

Staff will keep the committee updated on this property and the request for removal from the register.

# 5. ITEMS TO BE SCHEDULED FOR NEXT MEETING

NIL

# 6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.



# COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT MINUTES

Minutes of the Committee of Adjustment hearing held on March 5, 2025, at 6 p.m. via Zoom.

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

Staff Present: Jessica Rahim, Senior Planner

Ruth Conard, Planner

Niloo Hodjati, Secretary-Treasurer, Committee of Adjustment & Consent Official

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

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

None.

#### 3. APPLICATIONS HEARD

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

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

#### a) Minor Variance D13VAR25.002H - 14177 Trafalgar Road

**Location:** 14177 Trafalgar Road, Town of Halton Hills (Esquesing), Regional Municipality of Halton

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

1. To permit the expansion of the retail use that legally existed on the effective date of

- the by-law from 200.6 sq m to permit a retail floor area of 290.8 sq m (as-built addition of 90.2 sq m).
- 2. To reduce the side yard setback from the minimum 15 m to permit a side yard setback of 2.2 m (greenhouse south).
- **3.** To reduce the side yard setback from the minimum 15 m to permit a side yard setback of 9.1 m (greenhouse north).

To accommodate the existing expansion of the retail garden centre, and the existing greenhouses.

Owner(s): Julia Lanz Holdings Incorporated, Barbara Duckitt, c/o Enzo Lanzarotta, Agent: Jason Gorman (Alex Burgos)

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

It was MOVED by Keith Medenblik, SECONDED, and CARRIED

THAT the application be approved, subject to condition.

The Committee considered the requested variance(s) to:

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

#### b) Minor Variance D13VAR25.003H - 35 Rosset Valley Court

**Location:** 35 Rosset Valley Court, Town of Halton Hills (Georgetown), Regional Municipality of Halton

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

1. To reduce the front yard soft landscaping from the minimum 40% (32.7 sq m) of the front yard area to permit 25.6% (20.9 sq m) of the front yard area.

To accommodate proposed additional parking for an Accessory Residential Unit.

Owner(s): Alexander Cadete

The Town Planner referenced a received objection from 31 Rosset Valley regarding matters including number of cars currently parked in driveway, loss of soft landscaping, drainage issues, snow storage and garage conversion. The Town Planner responded that Enforcement staff may be contacted about the number of vehicles, soft landscaping is already deficient because of a previous driveway widening; Engineering staff have

confirmed that grades show positive drainage to the road, and are satisfied that there is sufficient soft landscaping to accommodate snow; and that a portion of the garage was converted to living space, leaving enough room for a parking spot. The Town Planner noted no staff objections to approval, subject to condition. During Committee deliberations, the Planner shared her screen and showed the property on the Town's mapping program. The owner was present to speak to the application.

Committee deliberations included concerns regarding snow storage, the driveway becoming a dominant feature, and the size of the driveway/lot.

It was MOVED by Lloyd Hillier, SECONDED, and CARRIED

THAT the application be approved, subject to condition.

The Committee considered the requested variance(s) to:

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

# c) Minor Variance D13VAR25.004H – 95 Agnes Street

Location: 95 Agnes Street, Town of Halton Hills (Acton), Regional Municipality of Halton

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

- 1. To reduce the interior side yard setback from the minimum 1.2 m to permit an interior side yard setback of 0.37 m (sunroom addition).
- 2. To increase the encroachment of the roof overhang from the maximum 50% of the side yard setback (0.185 m from the side lot line) to permit a roof overhang encroachment of 100% (0 m from the side lot line).
- **3.** To reduce the front yard setback from the minimum 6 m to permit a front yard setback of 1.58 m (sunroom addition).
- **4.** To increase the driveway width from the maximum 7 m to permit a driveway width of 8.8 m.
- **5.** To increase the floor area of a detached garage from the maximum 40 square m to permit a floor area of 58 sq m (detached garage).
- **6.** To increase the height of a detached garage from the maximum 4.5 m to permit a height of 4.94 m (detached garage).
- **7.** To increase the height of an accessory structure from the maximum 3.5 m to permit a height of 4.7 m (accessory shed).
- **8.** To reduce the interior side yard setback for an accessory structure from the minimum 1 m to permit an interior side yard setback 0.83 m (accessory shed).

**9.** To increase the floor area of an accessory structure from the max 20 sq m to permit a floor area of 36 sq m (accessory shed).

To accommodate the existing sunroom addition (front of dwelling), the existing garage (proposed addition), and the existing 2 storey accessory shed.

Owner(s): Julian Lysak

The Town Planner verbally amended the report, correcting the characterization of the garage as existing, because it's under construction (addition). The Town Planner referenced a received objection from 50 Frederick Street regarding matters including the driveway widening, the proposed floor area and height of the garage, and responded that the driveway is within the limits of 95 Agnes and has been since 2002 when there were not setback requirements, and that the proposed garage addition is mostly towards the interior of the property. The Town Planner noted no staff objections to approval, subject to condition. The owner was present to speak to the application.

It was MOVED by Todd Jenney, SECONDED, and CARRIED

THAT the application be approved, subject to condition.

The Committee considered the requested variance(s) to:

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

#### d) Minor Variance D13VAR25.005H – 8218 Tenth Line

**Location:** 8218 Tenth Line, Town of Halton Hills (Premier Gateway), Regional Municipality of Halton

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

- **1.** To increase the height of an accessory structure from the maximum 5 m to permit a height of 5.74 m.
- 2. To increase the floor area of an individual accessory structure from the maximum 80 sq m to permit a floor area of 125 sq m.
- **3.** To increase the total floor area of all accessory structures from the maximum 120 sq m to permit a total floor area of 125 sq m.

To accommodate a proposed accessory structure (garage).

Owner(s): Joginder Singh & Tripatjit Sidhu, Agent: Peter Vozikas

The Town Planner noted no staff objections to approval, subject to condition. The agent was present and discussed the proposal.

It was MOVED by Todd Jenney, SECONDED, and CARRIED

THAT the application be approved, subject to conditions.

The Committee considered the requested variance(s) to:

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

# e) Minor Variance D13VAR25.006H – 112 Branigan Crescent

**Location:** 112 Branigan Crescent, Town of Halton Hills (Georgetown), Regional Municipality of Halton

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

1. To reduce the front yard landscaping from the minimum 40% (21.4 sq m) of the front yard area to permit a front yard landscaping of 37.65 % (20.15 sq m) of the front yard area.

To accommodate additional parking for a proposed Accessory Residential Unit.

Owner(s): Rohit Jain & Neha Agarwal, Agent: Shivang Tarika

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

It was MOVED by Todd Jenney, SECONDED, and CARRIED

THAT the application be approved, subject to condition.

The Committee considered the requested variance(s) to:

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

#### 4. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at approximately 6:45 p.m.



#### **Halton Hills Public Library Board Meeting**

Wednesday, January 22, 2025 Georgetown Branch 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

#### Minutes

Members Present: Betsy Cosper (Chair), Erica Daly, Christina da Rocha-Feeley (Vice Chair),

Councillor Bob Inglis, Jane Marshall, Keith Medenblik, Tamara Smith,

Alice Strachan, Lisa Teggart

Staff Present: Clare Hanman, Beverley King, Lori Mazza Brenton (Recorder), Lee Puddephatt,

Mary Querques

Regrets: Councillor Alex Hilson

#### 1.0 Call to Order

B. Cosper declared that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

#### 2.0 Land Acknowledgement

Councillor B. Inglis read an Indigenous Land Acknowledgment.

# 3.0 Approval of Agenda

B. King changed Item No. 11.1 from Month End Report – November 2024 to include Month End Report – Preliminary December 2024.

Moved By: J. Marshall

Seconded By: C. da Rocha-Feeley

THAT the agenda be approved.

### **CARRIED AS AMENDED**

#### 4.0 Disclosure of Pecuniary/Conflict of Interest

NIL

#### 5.0 Minutes of Previous Library Board and Sub-Committees Meetings

Moved By: E. Daly

Seconded By: K. Medenblik

THAT the following minutes are hereby approved:

**5.1** Minutes of the Library Board meeting held on November 27, 2024

#### **CARRIED AS AMENDED**



#### 6.0 Consent Agenda

Moved By: J. Marshall

Seconded By: C. da Rocha-Feeley

THAT the following Consent item from the January 22, 2025, Library Board meeting are hereby adopted.

#### 6.1 2025 HHPL Board Meeting Schedule

#### **CARRIED**

#### 7.0 Correspondence

NIL

#### 8.0 Presentation/Delegations

NII

#### 9.0 Business Arising

#### 9.1 2024-2026 HHPL Board Objectives – Metrics

- B. Cosper and C. da Rocha-Feeley proposed metrics for each of the Board's priorities.
- A subcommittee, including B. Cosper, C. da Rocha-Feeley, L. Teggart, and B. King, will
  revise the metrics based on the Board's feedback, update the objectives as needed,
  and add specific timing for their completion.
- A draft of the revised objectives will be provided to the Board before the March meeting.

Moved By: Councillor B. Inglis

Seconded By: T. Smith

THAT the 2024-2026 HHPL Board Objectives – Metrics be received.

#### **CARRIED**

# 9.2 Report No. LBD-2025-001 re: Policy Review: Resource Sharing, Collections Management, and Borrowing Policies –Second Review

The Resource Sharing Policy is being rescinded. The information contained in this
policy has been incorporated into the Collections Management Policy and Borrowing
Policy.

Moved By: K. Medenblik Seconded By: J. Marshall

THAT Report No. LBD-2025-001 dated January 17, 2025, regarding the Policy Review: Resource Sharing Policy, Collections Management Policy, Borrowing Policy – Second Review be received;

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AND FURTHER THAT the Board approves the elimination of the Resource Sharing Policy;

AND FURTHER THAT the Board approves the revisions to the Collections Management and Borrowing policies.

#### **CARRIED AS AMENDED**

#### 9.3 Report No. LBD-2025-002 re: Policy Review: Municipal By-law

- The existing by-law will be split into two: a simplified municipal by-law and a Boardgoverned procedural by-law, based on best-practice recommendations from the Ontario Library Service.
- The procedural by-law will be reviewed in the second year of the term, as requested by the Board.
- The revised by-law will be presented to the Board at the March meeting.

Moved By: L. Teggart Seconded By: T. Smith

THAT Report No. LBD-2025-002 dated January 17, 2025, regarding the Policy Review: Municipal By-law be received;

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

#### **CARRIED**

## 9.4 Report No. LBD-2025-003 re: Policy Review: Procedural By-law

- The procedural by-law will be updated to reflect recommendations from the Ontario Library Service.
- The Library Board will have its own procedural by-law, similar to the Town's Committees of Council Terms of Reference, in line with the Public Library Act, which gives the Board responsibility for governing its own meetings.
- Portions of the existing by-law will be removed and incorporated into governance policies, including a Board Succession Planning Policy and a Board Self-Evaluation Policy.
- Term limits, expanding definitions for clarity, and aligning the term length for Officiers of the Board to align with the Public Library Act were discussed.
- The revised by-law will be presented to the Board at the March meeting.

Moved By: E. Daly

Seconded By: C. da Rocha-Feeley



THAT Report No. LBD-2025-003 dated January 17, 2025, regarding the Policy Review: Procedural By-law be received;

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

#### **CARRIED**

#### 10.0 Updates – including Sub-committees

#### 10.1 Advocacy Committee

No update.

#### 10.2 Friends of the Library (FOL)

The Friends of the Library will meet on January 23.

#### 10.3 Council

Councillor B. Inglis reported that:

- The 2025 budget was passed in December.
- At the January 20 Council meeting:
  - A motion was approved, in alignment with other municipalities, requesting that the Federal Government redistribute Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities to support infrastructure funding.
  - A motion was approved rejecting any efforts by incoming President Trump to undermine Canada's sovereignty, affirming the Town's support of a free and independent Canada.
- Councillor A. Hilson is the Ontario Liberal candidate for Wellington—Halton Hills.
- Councillor J. Racinsky is running for the Ontario Progressive Conservative candidate for Wellington—Halton Hills.

#### 10.4 Community Connections

- J. Marshall shared that:
  - A friend's visitors, who are avid library users, were impressed with HHPL.
  - She enjoyed the library's TJ Klune event in January and hopes the library can continue to offer similar programming that attracts larger audiences.
- C. da Rocha-Feeley shared that her in-laws, who were visiting, love the library.

#### 10.5 Professional Associations

- B. Cosper reported that:
- Councillor A. Hilson has been elected as incoming President of the Ontario Library Boards' Association (OLBA). This will be officially announced at the OLBA AGM during the OLA SuperConference Library Board Trustee Boot Camp on February 1.



C. da Rocha-Feeley reported that:

 She is actively working on Board self-evaluation as part of an Ontario Library Service Board of Directors sub-committee.

## 11.0 Financial Report

#### 11.1 Month End Report – November 2024 and Preliminary December 2024

As of December 2024:

- Preliminary December year-end report shows the library is approximately 2.2% under budget.
- Total revenues and salaries, wages, and benefits are under budget while material and supplies are overspent for the period.

Moved By: J. Marshall Seconded By: T. Smith

THAT the financial month end report for November 2024 and the preliminary December 2024 be received.

#### **CARRIED**

#### 11.2 2025 Budget Discussion

- Library materials capital budget was cut by \$15,000.
- The 2025 budget process, challenges, and the impacts of the slower than expected growth for Vision Georgetown were discussed, with plans to improve the 2026 budget process.
- The library is collaborating on the design for a welcome desk in the Halton Hills Public Library and Cultural Centre lobby.
- Library staff are developing a customer satisfaction survey for the spring, with results expected in the fall.

#### 12.0 New Business

#### 12.1 Report No. LBD-2025-004 re: Integrated Library System Update

- Work is underway to upgrade the Integrated Library System (ILS) and patron interface: Sierra to Polaris and Encore to Vega.
- Polaris and Vega offer a suite of modules designed to enhance library functionality, including a mobile app, improved patron engagement, and better collection management.
- Once production begins, the system is expected to take four to six months to implement.

Moved By: A. Strachan Seconded By: J. Marshall

THAT Report No. LBD-2025-004 dated January 17, 2025, regarding the Integrated Library System Upgrade be received.



#### **CARRIED**

# 12.2 Report No. LBD-2025-005 re: Chief Librarian & CEO's Report – January 2025

- Recent media coverage highlights the growing demand for library collections, the challenges in meeting these needs, the rising costs of e-books, and the benefits of consortia purchasing.
- An Employment and Volunteer Fair will be held on February 28 and March 1.
- Staff will email the Board relevant events that will occur prior to the March meeting.

Moved By: K. Medenblik Seconded By: T. Smith

THAT Report No: LBD-2025-005 dated January 17, 2025, regarding the Chief Librarian & CEO's Report – January 2025 be received.

#### **CARRIED**

13.0	Health and Safety Report
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#### 14.0 Next Meeting: Board Workshop

February 26, 2025 7:00 p.m. Zoom

# 15.0 Adjournment

Moved By: A. Strachan Seconded By: E. Daly

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

#### **CARRIED**

The meeting adjourned at 9:16 p.m.

Signed:		Signed:	
	Betsy Cosper, Chair Halton Hills Public Library Board		Beverley King, Chief Librarian & CEO Halton Hills Public Library
APPROVED: DATED:			

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March 27, 2025

- AMO's Guidance Resources on Electricity Procurements.
- Progress in Asset Management: Growth webinar.
- Nominations open for Medal of Distinction in Public Administration.
- Register for AMO's Rural Healthy Democracy Forum June 11, 2025.
- Join your colleagues at the AMO 2025 Conference.
- Opportunity to showcase your products and services at AMO 2025 Conference.
- Impact of trades & tariffs on small urban municipalities OSUM Conference 2025.
- OSUM Sponsorship and Exhibit Hall opportunities Take advantage today.
- Managing Communications through Crisis: April 16 17.
- Human Rights-Based Approach to Municipal Planning: May 8 virtual workshop.
- Understanding Competing Human Rights: May 13 virtual workshop.
- Canoe webinar: A Tariff Update Session.
- Blog: 6 Reasons Why Municipal Software Platforms Should Work Together.
- Help homeowners save money through Sewer & Water Line Warranty Service.
- Group benefits webinar: April 1.
- Upcoming Net Zero Workshop registration now open.
- ASE: Here We Grow Again!
- Call for participation: Zoning Changes Solutions Lab.
- Ontario Geothermal Association conference.
- Careers.

#### **AMO Matters**

AMO has <u>developed resources</u> to help municipal decision makers considering electricity generation and storage projects protect residents, sensitive lands, and municipal finances while securing local benefits and supporting growth.

<u>Register</u> for the final asset management session on Growth on April 3 at 12 PM. There is still time to register to attend session 3, on Lifecycle & Financial Strategies, today at 12 PM.

### **Provincial Matters**

Nominations are open for the Lieutenant Governor's Medal of Distinction in Public Administration, Ontario's highest honour for public service. <u>Nominate a colleague</u> from your municipality by June 27,

#### **Education Opportunities**

Registration is now open for the AMO Rural Healthy Democracy Forum, in the Municipality of Mississippi Mills. Partnering with the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA), 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. Register today!

AMO 2025 is the premier opportunity to connect with your colleagues, provincial government, and municipal suppliers – all in support of your work as a locally elected official. <u>Register for AMO 2025</u> and book your accommodations today.

AMO has launched its Exhibitor and Sponsorship opportunities for the 2025 conference in the City of Ottawa August 17-20. Our event provides you exposure to over 3,000 of Ontario's municipal leaders representing Ontario's 444 municipalities and a \$68 billion sector. Both the Exhibit Hall and Sponsorship opportunities sell out fast. Click <a href="here">here</a> to download the Exhibitor Package and <a href="here">here</a> for the Sponsorship Package.

The OSUM Conference includes an important conversation on the impact of the trades and tariffs dispute.

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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.

Your community elected you to provide sound and confident leadership in the best interest of your community. During a crisis, this approach to leadership is critical. AMO's April workshop on <a href="Managing Communications through Crisis"><u>Managing Communications through Crisis</u></a> provides insight and tools to support in being this leader.

Explore how a human rights-based approach to municipal planning can enhance municipal decision-making, ensuring policies and services are inclusive, equitable, and legally sound. Register for the May 8 Human Rights Based Approach to Municipal Planning workshop.

AMO and Hicks Morley have developed training to support municipal elected officials and council in understanding their obligations related to human rights and understanding how to manage seemingly competing human rights. Register for this important Competing Rights May 13 workshop.

#### LAS

The <u>Canoe Procurement Group</u> is hosting a webinar <u>exclusively for Canoe members</u> on April 3 at 3:00pm EST. Staff will update on tariff changes and the impact they may have on the Canoe program. <u>Register</u> here.

Municipal technology improves resource management and enhances citizen services, but software and community development have their limits. Read the blog to explore potential solutions.

Learn about the advantages and cost savings opportunity with the LAS Group Benefits service. Our program partner, Mosey and Mosey, will also offer an update about what is driving the cost of employee group benefit plans. Attend live April 1 to ask questions.

LAS is hosting a workshop on Net Zero & Low Carbon Initiatives for your municipal buildings. <u>Join us in person</u> on May 14 at the <u>Coldstream Net Zero Fire Hall</u> or at our <u>virtual workshop</u> on June 18. Workshops qualify for a 75% IESO incentive. <u>Registration is now open</u>.

The LAS <u>Automated Speed Enforcement</u> program continues to grow! We are looking for a few municipalities ready to join our next intake with live cameras in September. <u>Contact Tanner</u> to learn more about this important community safety program.

# Municipal Wire\*

Smart Density has received funding from CMHC Solutions Lab to assist municipal planning teams in <u>updating zoning policies</u> to enable affordable housing development on faith-based properties. Contact <u>info@smartdensity.com</u> to access Solutions Lab support.

The Ontario Geothermal Association is hosting a <u>conference May 21-22</u> with sessions about municipal geothermal programs. Municipal delegates can receive 20% off registration with discount code AMO.

#### Careers

<u>Digital Communications & Marketing Coordinator - Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)</u>. Closing Date: March 28, 2025.

<u>Director of Finance and Administration - Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board</u>. Closing Date: April 4, 2025

Finance Coordinator - County of Lambton. Closing Date: April 6, 2025.

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March 13, 2025

- Apply for AMO Board of Directors Large Urban Caucus.
- Progress in Asset Management: Risk Assessment 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.
- Be an equity informed leader.
- Register today for the OSUM 2025 Conference hosted by the Town of Collingwood.
- OSUM Sponsorship and Exhibit Hall opportunities Take advantage today.
- Group benefits webinar April 1.
- Municipal series: Net Zero Planning & Low Carbon Initiatives webinar.
- Subscribe to the Canoe Trader Newsletter.
- BPS energy reporting season has begun.
- Flood safety.
- OBIAA launches Buy Local Toolkit.
- OPPI launches call for nominations for its Board of Directors.
- Seminar: Should municipalities be required to engage in heating planning?
- Careers.

#### **AMO Matters**

The AMO Board of Directors is <u>seeking applications</u> to fill one (1) vacant elected official position on the Large Urban Caucus. Applications close Wednesday, March 19.

AMO is hosting a webinar on asset management risk assessment on March 20 at 12 PM. This is part two of AMO's four-part webinar series on 2025 compliance. Register here.

AMO <u>has issued an RFP</u> 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

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AMO's new <u>Equity, Inclusion and Innovation Workshop for Municipal Leaders</u> will support you in making a real impact on your community and council. Through presentations, discussions, and interactive activities, elected officials will explore practical strategies to create more inclusive and equitable local governance and service delivery. Don't miss this important event on March 25, 12:00pm-3:00pm. Register today.

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.

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#### LAS

<u>Join our webinar to learn about trends</u> in municipal group benefits and the advantages and cost savings opportunity with the LAS Group Benefits Program through Mosey & Mosey. We encourage you to attend live if you would like to ask questions.

Have you made a commitment to net zero and don't know where to start? Join the IESO's guest speaker, our very own Christian Tham, in the next Municipal Series webinar on Friday, March 21 (rescheduled from January 31). Christian will lay out practical steps to take and provide real life examples to help you on your low carbon journey. Register today.

Did you know the <u>Canoe Procurement Group</u> has a monthly newsletter? <u>Click to subscribe</u> and stay up-to-date on program developments and exciting new offerings.

The BPS Energy Reporting season is officially underway. Municipalities must report their 2024 energy consumption by July 1 under <u>O.Reg 25/23</u>. Contact <u>bpssupport@ontario.ca</u> for more information. If you are an EPT subscriber, this information can be easily downloaded from our software and uploaded to the portal. If you also use our <u>natural gas</u> or <u>electricity</u> programs, this data has been automatically imported into EPT - no data entry required.

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

As the Province has faced considerable snowfall, there is an elevated risk of flooding in some communities. The Electrical Safety Authority has key messages regarding <u>Flood Safety</u> for communities and individuals so that they have the right information available in the event of a flooding event to keep residents safe.

The Ontario Business Improvement Area Association has <u>released a toolkit</u> to promote a national "Shop Main Street Canada, Support Local" initiative.

The Governance & Nominating Committee of the Ontario Professional Planners Institute invites individuals to step up and make a difference by serving on OPPI Council. Applications are due by March 31. For more information and how to apply, <u>click here</u>.

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?"

#### Careers

<u>Digital Communications & Marketing Coordinator - Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)</u>. Closing Date: March 28, 2025.

Chief Financial Officer & Director of Corporate Services - Town of Innisfil. Closing Date: March 28, 2025.

<u>Waste Reduction and Diversion Specialist – Bilingual - City of Greater Sudbury.</u> Closing Date: March 20, 2025.

<u>Licensed Mechanic - Town of Oakville</u>. Closing Date: March 20, 2025.

Clerk and Council Support Specialist - City of Peterborough. Closing Date: March 17, 2025.

<u>Elections Supervisor - City of Peterborough</u>. Closing Date: March 17, 2025.

Sr. Financial Analyst 2, Budgets - Region of Durham. Closing Date: March 30, 2025.

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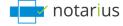














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March 19, 2025

Town of Halton Hills Sent via email - clerks@haltonhills.ca

Please be advised that the Council of the County of Lennox and Addington passed the following resolution at its Regular Meeting held March 19, 2025.

That the January 20, 2025 - resolution re: Sovereignty of Canada (Town of Halton Hills) be endorsed.

**CARRIED** 

(Signed) Warden Nathan Townend

I trust that County Council's support may be beneficial in your pursuit of this matter.

Sincerely,

Tracey McKenzie

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County Clerk

tmckenzie@lennox-addington.on.ca



# THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF LAURENTIAN HILLS

34465 HIGHWAY NO. 17, POINT ALEXANDER, R. R. # 1, DEEP RIVER, ONTARIO KOJ 1PO

March 24, 2025

The Right Honourable Mark Carney Office of the Prime Minister 80 Wellington Street Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2 PM@pm.gc.ca

Dear Prime Minister;

By their resolution attached the Council of the Town of Laurentian Hills does endorse the resolution from the Town of Fort Frances, Halton Hills rejecting any efforts President Trump or any others to undermine the sovereignty of Canada and stand united with Ontario Premier Ford and the Prime Minister for a Canada that remains strong, free, independent and characterized by peace, order and good government.

Yours truly,

Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk

cc Minister of Foreign Affairs melanie.joly@parl.gc.ca Premier Doug Ford doug.fordco@pc.ola.org Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade of Ontario vic.fedeli@pc.ola.org AMO amo@amo.on.ca FCM events@fcm.ca Town of Fort Frances cgreig@fortfrances.ca Halton Hills clerks@haltonhills.ca



# THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF LAURENTIAN HILLS

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Moved by:

Seconded by:

Resolution No. 34 -25

Date:

19 March 2025

# Be it Hereby Resolved That:

the resolution from the Town of Fort Frances, Halton Hills rejecting any efforts of the incoming President of the United States or any others to undermine the sovereignty of Canada and stand united with Ontario Premier Ford and the Prime Minister for a Canada that remains strong, free, independent and characterized by peace, order and good government be:

filed

endorsed

arried / Defeated



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March 17, 2025

The Right Honourable Mark Carney Prime Minister of Canada 80 Wellington Street Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2 Email: pm@pm.gc.ca

Subject: Support for Resolution No. 2025-0010 - Sovereignty of Canada

Dear Prime Minister Carney,

On behalf of the Council of the Town of Smooth Rock Falls, I am writing to formally express our support for Resolution No. 2025-0010, passed by the Council of the Town of Halton Hills on January 20, 2025, regarding the Sovereignty of Canada.

At its meeting on March 17, 2025, the Council of Smooth Rock falls reviewed the resolution and agreed that maintaining and upholding Canadian sovereignty is a matter of national significance. We recognize the importance of ensuring that municipal voices contribute to discussions on policies that impact the governance and autonomy of our nation.

As such, the Town of Smooth Rock Falls stands in support of the Town of Halton Hills in advocating for this matter. Please accept this letter and attached resolution as confirmation of our endorsement. We encourage other municipalities to consider the resolution and join in strengthening collective advocacy efforts.

Warm regards,

Nathalie Vachon Municipal Clerk

Town of Smooth Rock Falls

cc. The Honourable Melanie Joly, Minister of Foreign Affairs
Premier Doug Ford
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)
Town of Halton Hills

# CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HUDSON

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March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Town of Halton Hills 1 Halton Hills Drive Halton Hills, ON L7G 5G2

Your correspondence dated January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2025 was received by Hudson Township Council at their regular meeting of March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025 and the following resolution passed:

# Resolution 2025-050

That we, the Council of the Township of Hudson do hereby, support the Town of Halton Hills resolution regarding the sovereignty of Canada; and

Direct municipal staff to issue a copy of this resolution to the Town of Halton Hills. "CARRIED"

Yours Truly,

Krystle Seymour

Clerk-Treasurer

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March 11, 2025

Town of Halton Hills 1 Halton Hills Drive Halton Hills, ON L7G 5G2

Dear Town of Halton Hills:

# RE: Resolution Regarding the Sovereignty of Canada

Please be advised that at their regular meeting of February 3, 2025, Warwick Township Council passed the following motion:

THAT Warwick Township Council support and endorse correspondence item 02-20 from the Town of Halton Hills regarding the Sovereignty of Canada.

- Carried.

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

Kindest Regards,

Heather Willemse

**Acting Clerk** 

Township of Warwick

Heather Willemse

# The Corporation of the Municipality of Temagami

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March 19, 2025



Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Honourable Andrea Khanjin, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks
Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
Honourable Ted Arnott, MPP Wellington – Halton Hills

RE: Ontario Deposit Return Program

Please be advised that the Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Temagami, at their regular meeting on Thursday, March 13, 2025, received the attached Resolution from the Town of Halton Hills regarding their Resolution re Ontario Deposit Return Program. After considering said resolution, Council for the Municipality of Temagami passed a Resolution to express their support of the Town of Halton Hills Council's request.

Please see the enclosed resolution that has been endorsed by the Council of the Municipality of Temagami. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Yours truly,

Sabrina Pandolfo Municipal Clerk

Enc. Resolution from the Town of Halton Hills

cc.: Town of Halton Hills



# THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF TEMAGAMI Regular Council Meeting

Resolution Number:

25-069

Title:

Resolution from Other Municipalities

Date:

Thursday, March 13, 2025

MOVED BY:

J. Platts

SECONDED BY:

M. Youngs

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receive the attached resolution support requests from other Municipalities and hereby direct staff to send the requested letters of support.

#### **CARRIED**

Declaration of Conflict of Interest:

A true copy of the resolution by the Council of the Municipality of Temagami

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February 20, 2025

Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario Via Email

#### Re: Ontario Deposit Return Program

Please be advised that Council of the Town of Halton Hills at its meeting of Monday, February 10, 2025, adopted Resolution No. 2025-0025 regarding Support for the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury regarding Ontario Deposit Return Program.

Attached for your information is a copy of Resolution No. 2025-0025.

Respectfully,

Melissa Lawr, AMP

Deputy Clerk - Legislation

cc. Honourable Andrea Khanjin, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance

Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)

Honourable Ted Arnott, MPP Wellington - Halton Hills

Leaders of the Opposition Parties

All Municipalities in Ontario



# THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS

Resolution No.:

2025-0025

Title:

**Ontario Deposit Return Program** 

Date:

February 10, 2025

Moved by:

Councillor C. Somerville

Seconded by:

Councillor J. Fogal

Item No. 12.1

WHEREAS the Ontario Deposit Return Program has successfully incentivized the recycling of alcoholic beverage containers;

AND WHEREAS ON September 20, 2024 the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury issued a letter endorsing the expansion of the Ontario Deposit Return Program to include nonalcoholic beverage containers;

AND WHEREAS Halton Hills has always shown a leadership role in environmental matters including, passing in 2005, asking the province to create a deposit and return system for wine and liquor bottles;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Town of Halton Hills 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 Premier of Ontario, Doug Ford; Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, Andrea Khanjin; the Minister of Finance, Peter Bethlenfalvy; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); MPP Ted Arnott; Leaders of the Opposition Parties; and all Ontario Municipalities.

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#### Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury

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Phone: 905-775-5366 jleduc@townofbwg.com www.townofbwg.com

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



### Resolution of Council City Council Meeting

Title:

**Tariff Motion** 

Date:

February 24, 2025

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 Ontario is the number one or number two customer for at least seven US states including New York, Michigan, Ohio, Illinois, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, and Missouri, and 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, although currently subject to various trade agreements including the Canada-United States-Mexico Agreement 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 equipment, materials and supplies for both operating and capital infrastructure programs; and

Whereas there are trade barriers between Canadian provinces that add costs and create inefficiencies in the movement of goods.

Therefore, be it resolved that, the City of Peterborough supports Team Canada and 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 Commissioner of Finance and Corporate Support Services be directed to bring back a report detailing a temporary procurement policy that integrates and addresses these concerns to the greatest extent possible;

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
- John Beddows, Chair, Eastern Ontario Mayors' Caucus
- All provincial and territorial Premiers
- All local MPs and MPPs
- All Ontario Municipalities for their support.

The above resolution, adopted by City Council is forwarded for your information and action, as required. Thank you.

John Kennedy, City Cl



March 27, 2025

Right Hon. Mark Carney, Prime Minister of Canada Office of the Prime Minister 80 Wellington Street Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2 Media@pmo-cpm.gc.ca

Hon. Melanie Joly, Minister of Foreign Affairs 1109-225 Chabanel West Montréal, QC H2N 2C9 melanie.joly@parl.gc.ca

Hon. Nate Erskine-Smith, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities 1902 Danforth Avenue
Toronto, ON M4C 1J4
nathaniel.erskine-smith@parl.gc.ca

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

#### **Sent Via Email**

Re: Canadian and Ontario Governments' Negotiations with the USA on Trade Tariffs

Council of the Town of LaSalle, at its Regular Meeting held Tuesday, March 11, 2025, passed the following resolution:

#### 53/25

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Akpata Seconded by: Councillor Renaud

"That the request received from the Eastern Ontario Warden's Caucus, seeking support for the Canadian and Ontario Governments' negotiations with the United States Government on trade tariffs, be supported, and that copies of the support be sent to those listed in the correspondence."

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: (via email)

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 Municipalities





### BOX 238, MANITOWANING, ONT., P0P 1N0 (705) 859-3196 or 1-800-540-0179

Tuesday, March 18, 2025, 7:00 pm Agenda Item 6. J) Request for Support – US Tariffs, Buy Local

#### 058-03-2025 R. Maguire – J. Hooper

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of Assiginack, in response to foreign countries recent actions on tariffs to Canada, Council supports the Provincial and Federal Governments call to action of a "Canadian Business First" policy;

AND THAT Council recognizes there may be circumstances where this may not be possible; AND THAT in situations where Canadian goods are not available staff, our suppliers, and those held in contract with the Township will source from countries that do not have tariffs applied to Canada.

Carried



## THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MCGARRY P.O. BOX 99

VIRGINIATOWN, ON. P0K 1X0 705-634-2145, Fax 705-634-2700

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR:	SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR:	RESOLUTION # 80/2025
Louanne Caza	Louanne Caza	/
Elaine Fic	☐ Elaine Fic	DATE: March 11, 2025
Annie Keft	Annie Keft	
Francine Plante	Francine Plante	
Mayor Culhane	Mayor Culhane	

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 level 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 procurement 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 COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MCGARRY supports the Canadian and Ontario government 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 government remove any impediments to municipalities preferring Canadian companies and services for capital projects and other supplies;

AND THAT Canadians and Ontario government take action to remove trade barriers between provinces as a response to U.S. tariffs and supports Canadian businesses.

AND THAT the Canadians and Ontario government 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 government continues 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
- 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 Mayor's Caucus
- All regional, Members of Canadian Parliament
- All candidates running as Ontario members of Parliament
- All of Ontario's municipalities for their support

Recorded vote requested b	y	

	For	Against
Councillor Louanne Caza		
Councillor Elaine Fic		
Councillor Annie Keft		
Councillor Francine Plante		
Mayor Bonita Culhane		

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest *	

I declare this motion

☐ Carried	
□ Lost / Defeated	
□ Deferred to:	(enter date)
Because:	
☐ Referred to:	(enter body)
Expected response:	(enter date)

mita Culhane

Signature of Chair:

\*Disclosed his/her (their) interest(s), abstained from discussion and did not vote on this question.

March 5, 2025

#### ALL ONTARIO MUNICIPALITES

Re: Resolution regarding "Buy Local and Canadian"

At its regular meeting of Council held on March 5, 2025, the Township of Amaranth Council passed the following resolution:

Resolution #: 10

Moved by: B. Metzger Seconded by: G. Little

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

All Township residents be encouraged to "Buy Local and Canadian";

That a "Buy Local and Buy Canadian' approach for municipal procurement be implemented where feasible and in line with best value principles;

That staff be directed to review current procurement practices and identify opportunities to enhance local purchasing in response to recent U.S. tariffs and economic pressures; and

That staff be directed to prohibit procurement of U.S. goods and services where possible; and

That staff be directed to report back on any opportunities found to modify procurement policies and practices to support "Buy Local and Buy Canadian" where practical.

#### **CARRIED**

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

Yours truly,

Nicole Martin, Dipl. M.A.

CAO/Clerk

C: AMO



Town of Milton 150 Mary St. Milton, ON L9T 6Z5 905-878-7252 www.milton.ca

March 21, 2025 Sent via email

The Right Honourable Mark Carney
Prime Minister of Canada
House of Commons
Ottawa, ON

Dear Mr. Prime Minister:

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

At the Council meeting held on March 17, 2025, the Town of Milton Council adopted the following recommendations regarding the above referenced matter:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Yours sincerely,

Meaghen Reid Town Clerk CC: Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario

Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance

Hon. Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

All local Members of Parliament (MPs)

All local Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs)

Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)

Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)





OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

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Tel: (807) 625-2230 Fax: (807) 623-5468

Tuesday, March 25, 2025

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario premier@ontario.ca

Dear Honourable Doug Ford:

Re: Request for Redistribution Funding for Sustainable Infrastructure

Please be advised that the following resolution was adopted by Committee of the Whole at its meeting held on March 10, 2025 and subsequently ratified by City Council on March 24, 2025.

MOVED BY:

SECONDED BY:

Councillor Kristen Oliver Councillor Michael Zussino

"WITH RESPECT to the Memorandum from Councillor Kristen Oliver, Chair – Inter-Governmental Affairs Committee, dated February 11, 2025, we support, in principle, the request for redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and Goods and Services Tax to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding from the Province of Ontario;

AND THAT the City of Thunder Bay express its willingness to work collaboratively with the Province in an effort to realize any and all opportunities that may be available with respect to support for long term planning and sustainable infrastructure funding for municipalities in Ontario that result in overall community benefit;

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be provided to the Prime Minister of Canada, Premier of Ontario, the Ontario Minister of Finance, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, MP Thunder Bay-Rainy River, MP Thunder Bay - Superior North, MPP Thunder Bay - Atikokan, MPP Thunder Bay - Superior North, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all 444 municipalities in Ontario;

AND THAT any necessary by-laws be presented to City Council for ratification."

Result: CARRIED

Should you have any further questions relative to the above, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours very truly,

Dana Earle

Deputy City Clerk

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Cc:

Prime Minister of Canada,
Premier of Ontario,
Ontario Minister of Finance,
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing,
MP Thunder Bay-Rainy River,
MP Thunder Bay - Superior North,
MPP Thunder Bay - Atikokan,
MPP Thunder Bay - Superior North,
Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM),
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO),
all 444 municipalities in Ontario



### Resolution of Council City Council Meeting

Title:

Redistribution of Land Transfer Tax, Sustainable Infrastructure Funding

Date:

February 24, 2025

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

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

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

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

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

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

#### Now Therefore Be It Resolved:

- 1. That Council for the City of Peterborough respectfully 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 City of Peterborough 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
- 5. That copies of this resolution be forwarded to all Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

The above resolution, adopted by City Council is forwarded for your information and action, as required. Thank you.

John Kennedy, City Clerk



## BOX 238, MANITOWANING, ONT., P0P 1N0 (705) 859-3196 or 1-800-540-0179

Tuesday, March 18, 2025, 7:00 pm

a) Agenda Item 6. G) Request for Support – Municipality of Durham to Ban the Nazi Swastika

#### #055-03-2025 J. Hooper – R. Maguire

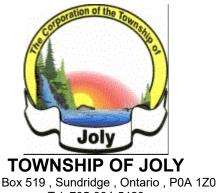
BE IT RESOLVED THAT we support the Region of Durham regarding the B'Nai Brith's call to the Government of Canada to pass legislation banning, with certain exceptions the public display of Nazi symbols and iconology.

**Carried** 

Certified True Copy

Clerk

Stasia Carr



P.O. Box 519, Sundridge, Ontario, P0A 1Z0 Tel: 705-384-5428

March 11, 2025

#### **RESOLUTION**

Resolution # 2025-0077

Agenda Item # 5.1 Blood Collection - No paid Plasma

Moved By: Bill Black

Seconded By: Tom Bryson

#### NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Council for the Corporation of the Township of Joly hereby, supports Member Motion Item 23.1 by Toronto and the City of Hamilton Public Heath Committee Report 24-005 (June 3, 2024).

WHEREAS Council for the Corporation of the Township of Joly expresses its opposition to the operation of private for-profit blood collection companies.

AND FURTHER Direct the Clerk to forward this resolution 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.

Carried

**Original Copy Signed** Mayor **Township of Joly** 



#### **PROCLAMATION**

# WORLD SICKLE CELL AWARENESS DAY, ONTARIO SICKLE CELL AWARENESS DAY JUNE 19, 2025

**WHEREAS** the World Health Organization (2006), the United Nations (2008) and the Government of Ontario (2021) have recognized Sickle Cell Disease (SCD) as a global and local public health priority and to raise awareness, designated the 19th day of June every year as World Sickle Cell Day (WSCD);

**AND WHEREAS** the Sickle Cell Awareness Group of Ontario (SCAGO) recognizes SCD as an increasingly important medical issue in the province;

AND WHEREAS out of the estimated 6,500 Canadians affected by SCD, 3,500 live in Ontario;

**AND WHEREAS** over 65% of babies born with the disease nationally are born in the province of Ontario;

**AND WHEREAS** through education and awareness programs, SCAGO is doing its part to reduce the stigma and discrimination faced by the families with children, youth and adults living with Sickle Cell Disease.

THEREFORE, I, Ann Lawlor, Mayor, of the Town of Halton Hills do hereby proclaim June 19, 2025 as World Sickle Cell Awareness Day, Ontario Sickle Cell Awareness Day.

Ann Lawlor

Mayor, Town of Halton Hills

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#### **PROCLAMATION**

#### **MENSTRUAL HEALTH DAY**

May 28, 2025

**WHEREAS** 1 in 4 Canadian menstruators (25%) have been forced to make the decision between purchasing menstrual products and purchasing other essentials such as food or rent within the last year. Today we recognize that this is an issue that exists in our community, throughout the province, and across the country;

**AND WHEREAS** Menstrual Health Day (MH Day) is a global day of action that was initiated by German non-profit WASH United in 2014 to raise awareness and change how the world perceives menstruation;

**AND WHEREAS** The date of May 28 was chosen to represent the average menstrual cycle, with the average duration of the cycle being 28 days while the average bleeding period is 5 days;

**AND WHEREAS** The Period Purse, a federally registered charity, strives to achieve menstrual equity by removing the stigma and barriers to education and access to period supplies in communities across Canada;

**AND WHEREAS** A Period Friendly Canada is a Canada where everyone can access the products, education and infrastructure they need to achieve menstrual health. Working together we can end the root causes of period poverty in our community;

**THEREFORE**, I, Ann Lawlor, Mayor, of the Town of Halton Hills do hereby proclaim may 28, 2025 as **Menstrual Health Day**.

Ann Lawlor

Mayor, Town of Halton Hills

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