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March 1, 2021**

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**VIA EMAIL**

Office of the Regional Chair
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January 28, 2021

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, PC, MP, Prime Minister
The Honourable Doug Ford, MPP, Premier
The Honourable Catherine McKenna, Federal Minister of Infrastructure and Communities
The Honourable Laurie Scott, Provincial Minister of Infrastructure

Please be advised that at its meeting held Wednesday, January 20, 2021 the Council of the Regional Municipality of Halton adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION: Notice of Motion – Safe Restart

WHEREAS municipalities were able to fulfil their legislative requirement to run a balanced budget and support efforts to manage the COVID-19 pandemic response, through smart and difficult fiscal management coupled with Safe Restart Agreement funding;

WHEREAS The Financial Accountability Office (FAO) of Ontario confirmed that municipalities remained financially whole due to these combined efforts and also identified a substantial gap in municipal budgets for the 2021 municipal fiscal year;

WHEREAS the support of the Federal and Provincial governments is deeply appreciated.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT Halton Region urges the Federal and Provincial governments to work together to identify funds to help the municipal sector address this shortfall in 2021 and prepare for our economic recovery.

AND THAT the Regional Clerk circulate this resolution to the Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister; the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier; the Honourable Catherine McKenna, Federal Minister of Infrastructure and Communities; the Honourable Laurie Scott, Provincial Minister of Infrastructure; Halton Region MPs, MPPs, FCM, AMO, the City of Burlington, Towns of Halton Hills, Milton and Oakville.

Regional Municipality of Halton

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Sincerely,



Gary Carr
Regional Chair

- c. The Honourable Anita Anand, MP, Oakville
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 The Honourable Michael Chong, MP, Wellington-Halton Hills
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 Meaghen Reid, Town Clerk, Town of Milton
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 Valerie Petryniak, Town Clerk, Town of Halton Hills



The Regional Municipality of Halton

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS APPROVED BY REGIONAL COUNCIL AT ITS MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2021

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February 17, 2021

SUBJECT: COVID-19 emergency response verbal update (CSSRA-02-21)

Please be advised that at its meeting held Wednesday, February 3, 2021, the Council of the City of Burlington approved the following resolution:

Whereas the expansion of the Digital Mains Street (DMS) program in 2020 to include the DMS Future Proof components including DMS Labs, Transformation Teams and Community Collaboration projects administered through the Regional Innovation Centres (RICs) has been a critical support in helping businesses adopt new technology during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

Whereas these new DMS programs have helped both nurture new technology based businesses in our region such as LookLocal.ca, All Checked In and My Well Self while providing virtual hands on support and solutions for businesses to access new customers while managing new covid-19 health and safety measures; and

Whereas current funding for the DMS FutureProof programs ends in February 2021; and

Whereas our small business community faces ongoing barriers to technology adoption and lack of resources to implement these technologies that are necessary to remain competitive in light of COVID-19 impacts to their business; and

Whereas Canada's economy will rely on entrepreneurs in both the technology and the main street business sectors to drive economic recovery, job creation and economic growth; and

Whereas the DMS FutureProof program can continue providing virtual hands on support to small business to accelerate the adoption of both program offerings such as LookLocal.ca, All Checked In and My Well Self and develop new technology solutions that keep our businesses competitive.

Therefore be it resolved that:

City Council, in partnership with the Burlington Economic Recovery Network (BERN), Team Burlington and Haltech Regional Innovation Centre, call on the federal governments to:

- Work with the Regional Innovation Centres to renew and expand funding to the Digital Main Street Future Proof Program as soon as possible to help our businesses adopt new technologies to support their digital transformation and adapt their business model due to COVID-19;
- Explore opportunities to provide additional support to our main street business sector in adopting digital technologies and future proofing their business models; and
- Support Canada's technology sector to develop and bring to market new technologies that can support businesses in Canada and globally to adapt to the new business realities following the impacts of COVID-19 to both Business to Consumer (B2C) and Business to Business (B2B) business models.

Further be it resolved that:

The Mayor and Council representative on the BERN be directed to write a letter, jointly with BERN, Team Burlington members and Haltech, advocating the extension and expansion of the Digital Main Street Future Proof Program the Federal Minister of Economic Development and Official Languages and Minister of Small Business, Export Promotion and International Trade; and

The City Clerk be directed to send a copy of the letter and resolution, once approved, to:

- Burlington Members of Parliament including Minister Karina Gould, MP Pam Damoff and MP Adam Van Koeverden
- Burlington Members of Provincial Parliament including MPP Jane McKenna, MPP Effie Triantafilopoulos and MPP Pam Gill
- Halton Regional Council
- Members of the Towns of Milton, Halton Hills and Oakville Councils
- Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)
- Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)

- Ontario Big City Mayor's Caucus (OBCM)
- Mayors and Regional Chairs of Ontario (MARCO)
- GTHA Mayors and Chairs
- Ontario Chamber of Commerce (OCC)
- Milton Chamber of Commerce
- Halton Hills Chamber of Commerce
- Oakville Chamber of Commerce
- Team Burlington (Burlington Economic Development, Burlington Chamber of Commerce, Tourism Burlington, Burlington Downtown Business Association and Aldershot Village BIA)
- Burlington Economic Recovery Network (BERN)
- Haltech Regional Innovation Centre

If you have any questions, please contact me at extension 7702 or the e-mail address above.

Sincerely,



Kevin Arjoon
City Clerk



Burlington Economic Recovery Network (BERN)
414 Locust Street
Burlington, Ontario
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February 12, 2021

The Honourable Mélanie Joly
Minister of Economic Development and Official Languages' Office
235 Queen Street
Ottawa, Ontario
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Dear Minister Joly:

On February 3rd, 2021, City of Burlington Council passed the enclosed resolution calling for the Federal government to renew funding for the Digital Main Street (DMS) Future Proof program to support future proofing and digital adoption for local business.

The City of Burlington's fundamental priority throughout the COVID-19 pandemic has been to protect the health and safety of Burlington residents, employers and employees, and support our business community to survive the economic impacts of COVID-19 public health measures.

The members of Team Burlington (Burlington Economic Development, Burlington Chamber of Commerce, Tourism Burlington, Burlington Downtown Business Association and Aldershot Village BIA) came together to create the Burlington Economic Recovery Network (BERN) to engage our business community and ensure they are receiving the support they need during this challenging time. The City of Burlington are an integrated part of BERN including members of senior management, the Mayor and Ward 1 Councillor Kelvin Galbraith who brings his perspective as a business owner in Burlington. The need for digital transformation of business models has been accelerated by the COVID-19 pandemic, not just in our retail and main street business sectors but also in our manufacturing and more traditional industries. BERN and Team Burlington welcomed the development of the DMS Future Proof Program in 2020 to support businesses as they transformed their business model in light of the impacts of the pandemic and the acceleration of digital sales and servicing.

The expansion of the Digital Main Street (DMS) program in 2020 to include the DMS Future Proof components including DMS Labs, Transformation Teams and Community Collaboration projects administered through Communitech and other Regional Innovation Centres (RICs) has been a critical support in helping businesses adopt new technology during the COVID-19 pandemic. The support by the Federal government was announced in June 2020 with \$50M in funding from the Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario to support



Ontario businesses to Go Digital. These new DMS programs have helped both nurture new technology-based businesses in our region such as [LookLocal.ca](#) and [My Well Self](#), while providing virtual hands-on support and solutions for businesses to access new customers while managing COVID-19 health and safety measures.

Current funding for the [DMS Future Proof](#) program ends in February 2021 and our small business community faces ongoing barriers to technology adoption and a lack of resources to implement these technologies...resources that are necessary for them to remain competitive given the impacts of COVID-19. Canada's economy will rely on entrepreneurs in the technology, manufacturing and main street business sectors to drive economic recovery, job creation and economic growth. The [DMS FutureProof](#) program can continue providing virtual hands-on support to small business to accelerate the adoption of both program offerings such as [LookLocal.ca](#), [All Checked In](#) and [My Well Self](#) and develop new technology solutions that keep our businesses competitive.

At the February 3rd Burlington City Council meeting the enclosed resolution was passed, in partnership with the Burlington Economic Recovery Network (BERN), Team Burlington and Haltech Regional Innovation Centre, calling on the Federal government to:

- Work with the Regional Innovation Centres to renew and expand funding to the Digital Main Street Future Proof Program as soon as possible to help our businesses adopt new technologies to support their digital transformation and adapt their business model due to COVID-19.
- Explore opportunities to provide additional support to our main street business sector in adopting digital technologies and future proofing their business models.
- Support Canada's technology sector to develop and bring to market new technologies that can support businesses in Canada and globally to adapt to the new business realities following the impacts of COVID-19 to both Business to Consumer (B2C) and Business to Business (B2B) business models.

As we move through the pandemic, please know that the City of Burlington, Team Burlington and Haltech Regional Innovation Centre will continue to seek opportunities to work with you to help Burlington residents and businesses. Programs like [Digital Main Street Future Proof](#) support our local business community in both sustaining their business in the short term and also looking towards the future and ensuring Canadian businesses remain competitive globally. The Burlington and Halton Region business community have been leaders in the [DMS Future Proof](#) program including:

- 25% of DMS Labs projects have been in Burlington and Halton Region
- 18% of Transformation Teams projects have been in Burlington and Halton Region
- 3 Community Collaboration projects have been led by Haltech Regional Innovation Centre and Halton Region including and further projects are in development.



This is in addition to strong adoption of the Digital Main Street programs across Burlington and Halton Region including over 550 businesses supported by Digital Service Squads and over 400 businesses signed up for the ShopHere program.

Thank you in advance. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Burlington Economic Recovery Network's lead on this matter, Anita Cassidy, Executive Director, Burlington Economic Development, at Anita.Cassidy@burlington.ca or (905) 332-9415. It would be a pleasure to hear from you.

Sincerely,

Randall Smallbone
Chair
Burlington Economic
Recovery Network

Marianne Meed Ward
Mayor
City of Burlington

Jamie Barron
Chair
Haltech Regional
Innovation Centre

Cc:

Minister of Small Business, Export Promotion and International Trade
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February 9, 2021

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

Sent via email: premier@ontario.ca

**Re: Universal Paid Sick Days in Ontario
Our File 35.31.99**

Dear Premier Ford:

At its meeting held on February 1, 2021, St. Catharines City Council approved the following motion:

“WHEREAS workers in Ontario without paid sick leave often feel forced to work when unwell so they can feed and support their families and are at risk of losing a paycheque or even their jobs if they stay home; and

WHEREAS the Canada Recovery Sickness Benefit is temporary, not accessible to all and not usable for the crucial first few days of an illness; and

WHEREAS had legislated paid sick leave been in place before the global pandemic, lives would have been saved because infection rates would have been reduced; and

WHEREAS the lack of paid sick days has especially hurt Black, Indigenous, workers of colour, women and migrant workers who are over-represented in low-paying frontline jobs with few benefits and a reduced ability to work from home; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Medical Association, 11 GTHA Mayors and Chairs representing Ontario's largest municipalities, the editorial board of the Toronto Star, the Toronto Board of Health, the Decent Work and Health Network, the Ontario Nurses Association, and several other professional associations representing thousands of healthcare workers have all called on the provincial government to legislate paid sick days;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of St. Catharines endorses legislated sick leave and calls on the government of Ontario to permanently legislate universal paid sick days for all workers in Ontario during the pandemic and beyond, regardless of workplace size, type of work or immigration status; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this motion be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, Minister of Labour, all Regional MPPs, Niagara Region, and all Ontario Municipalities.”

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of the City Clerk at extension 1506.



Bonnie Nistico-Dunk, City Clerk
Legal and Clerks Services, Office of the City Clerk
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Cc Minister of Labour, Hon. Monte McNaughton, Minister.MLTSD@ontario.ca
Jennifer Stevens, MPP - St. Catharines, JStevens-CO@ndp.on.ca
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February 19, 2021

Via Email: sylvia.jones@pc.ola.org

The Honourable Sylvia Jones
Solicitor General
18th Floor – 25 Grosvenor St.
Toronto, ON M7A 1Y6

Dear Solicitor General Jones,

RE: Community Safety & Well-Being Plan – Extension Request

Please be advised that at their last regular meeting on February 17, 2021, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Perry supported the following resolution:

"Resolution #2021-67

***Moved by: Margaret Ann MacPhail
Seconded by: Paul Sowrey***

Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Perry hereby support the efforts being taken seeking an extension of the July 1, 2021 deadline to the Solicitor General for the submission of the Community Safety and Well-Being Plan.

Carried."

We appreciate your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Beth Morton
Clerk-Administrator

cc: Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services
All Ontario Municipalities

BM/ec

February 19, 2021

Via Email: premier@ontario.ca

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

Dear Premier Ford,

**RE: Request that the Province of Ontario Reverse Decision to
Close the Ontario Fire College Campus in Gravenhurst**

Please be advised that at their last regular meeting on February 17, 2021, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Perry supported the following resolution:

"Resolution #2021-69"

Moved by: Paul Sowrey

Seconded by: Margaret Ann MacPhail

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College Campus has been in operation in Gravenhurst since 1958; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College Campus is one of the primary sources of certified training for Ontario Firefighters; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College Campus has built a reputation of integrity, credibility, and reliability in providing some of the best training to our Fire Services within the Province of Ontario; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College Campus has been used to train and certify both Volunteer, Part-Time, and Career firefighters throughout Ontario; and

WHEREAS the Regional Training Centers are not all created equal and similar in function to the Ontario Fire College Campus; and

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WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College Campus gives Ontario Firefighters another option than Regional Training Centers to obtain National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) certifications; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College Campus is the most cost-effective method for municipalities to certify Firefighters to NFPA Standards in Ontario; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Government enacted and revoked O.Reg. 379/18: Firefighter Certification in 2018; and

WHEREAS when the Ontario Government revoked O.Reg. 379/18: Firefighter Certification, it was made known by the Office of the Solicitor General that the act would be amended and brought back in the future; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of Perry requests that the Province of Ontario reverse their decision to close the Ontario Fire College Campus in Gravenhurst as the OFC is one of the best and most cost-effective methods for municipalities to train their firefighters which assists us in protecting our residents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this Resolution is forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Sylvia Jones, Ontario Solicitor General, the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Ontario Fire Marshal Jon Pegg, and all municipalities within the Province of Ontario.

Carried."

Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



Beth Morton
Clerk-Administrator

BM/ec

cc: Honourable Sylvia Jones, Ontario Solicitor General
Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Ontario Fire Marshal Jon Pegg
Ontario Fire College – Gravenhurst Campus
All Ontario Municipalities
Township of Perry Fire Chief Dan Marshall

February 19, 2021

Via Email

The Honourable Ahmed Hussen
Minister of Families, Children and Social Development
House of Commons
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

Dear Honourable Minister,

**RE: Support the Town of Carleton Place resolution that the
Government of Ontario Prioritize Children and Childcare as
part of its Post Pandemic Recovery Plan**

Please be advised that at their last regularly scheduled meeting on February 17, 2021, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Perry supported the following resolution:

"Resolution #2021-71

Moved by: Paul Sowrey

Seconded by: Joe Lumley

Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Perry supports the resolution from the Town of Carleton Place requesting the Government of Ontario to:

- a. *prioritize children and childcare as part of its overall post pandemic recovery plan;*
- b. *develop, adequately fund and release publicly a comprehensive plan that can support facilities through the provision of licensed childcare and early learning education; and*
- c. *provide increased funding to childcare provides reflective of COVID-19 operating cost increases to ensure a safe reopening and long-term sustainability for the sector.*

Carried."

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Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Bmorton'.

Beth Morton
Clerk-Administrator

BM/ec

cc: The Honourable Stephen Lecce, Minister of Education
MP Scott Aitchison, Parry Sound-Muskoka
MPP Norm Miller, Parry Sound-Muskoka
Stacey Blair, Clerk, Town of Carleton Place
All Ontario Municipalities



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TOWNSHIP OF LAKE OF BAYS
1012 Dwight Beach Rd
Dwight, ON P0A 1H0

February 3, 2021

Via email: jrussell@mississippimills.ca

Municipality of Mississippi Mills
Attention: Jennifer Russell, Deputy Clerk
3131 Old Perth Road
PO Box 400
Almonte, ON K0A 1A0

Dear Ms. Russell:

RE: Correspondence – Request for Revisions to the Municipal Elections Act

On behalf of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays, please be advised that the above-noted correspondence was presented at the last regularly scheduled meeting on February 2, 2021, and the following resolution was passed.

“Resolution #8(a)/02/02/21

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays hereby supports the resolution from the Municipality of Mississippi Mills regarding support to amend the Municipal Elections Act to provide clearer, stronger wording, to assist municipal Clerks in addressing issues to allow for a more definitive decision to be made when adding names to the voters' list and to ensure that there is a clear and accessible way to report election fraud, dated January 18, 2021;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Municipality of Mississippi Mills, Premier Doug Ford, Norm Miller, M.P.P. for Parry Sound-Muskoka, all Ontario Municipalities and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

Carried.”

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our Municipal Office at 705-635-2272.

Sincerely,

Carrie Sykes, *Dipl. M.A., CMO, AOMC*,
Director of Corporate Services/Clerk.
CS/cw
Encl.

Copy to: Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Hon. Norm Miller, M.P.P. for Parry Sound-Muskoka
All Ontario Municipalities

Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Association of Municipalities of Ontario

**CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MISSISSIPPI MILLS**

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January 18, 2021

Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing17th Floor, 777 Bay Street

TORONTO, ON

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Attention: The Honourable Steve Clark

Re: Request for Revisions to Municipal Elections

Dear Minister Clark,

On October 20, 2020 the Council of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills passed a resolution in support of Wollaston Township to request the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to review the *Municipal Elections Act* and provide amendments to provide clearer, stronger wording, to assist municipal Clerks in addressing issues to allow for a more definitive decision to be made when adding names to the voters' list and to ensure that there is a clear and accessible way to report election fraud and that the rules described in the *Municipal Elections Act* are actually enforceable even if there is not a current case law.

A copy of the resolution is attached for your reference.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Russell".

Jennifer Russell

Deputy Clerk

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cc. Premier Doug Ford, Daryl Kramp, AMO and all Ontario Municipalities

Attachment: Resolution No. 421-20



COUNCIL RESOLUTION

October 20, 2020

Resolution No 421-20

Moved by Deputy Mayor Minnille

Seconded by Councillor Dalgity

CW148-20 Info List Item #6 - Request for Revisions to Municipal Elections

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills ask Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Hon. Steve Clark, to review the Municipal Elections Act and provide amendments to ensure that loopholes are closed on any pay to play schemes in rural communities where non-resident electors are permitted to participate in elections so that \$100.00 leases do not turn into ballots for garden sheds;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills ask the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Hon. Steve Clark, to review the Municipal Elections Act and provide amendments to provide clearer, stronger wording, to assist municipal Clerks in addressing issues to allow for a more definitive decision to be made when adding names to the voters' list;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills ask the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Hon. Steve Clark, to ensure that there is a clear and accessible way to report election fraud;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills ask the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Hon. Steve Clark, to ensure that the rules described in the Municipal Elections Act are actually enforceable even if there is not current case law;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that support for this resolution be sent to Premier Doug Ford, Daryl Kramp, M.P.P. for Hastings-Lennox and Addington, all Ontario Municipalities and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

I, Jennifer Russell, Deputy Clerk for the Corporation of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills, do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a resolution enacted by Council.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jennifer Russell', is written over a horizontal line.

Jennifer Russell, Deputy Clerk





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February 3, 2021

Via email: lglazier@westgrey.com

Municipality of West Grey
Attention: Lindsey Glazier, Legislative Coordinator
 402813 Grey Road 4
 RR 2
 Durham, ON
 N0G 1R0

Dear Ms. Glazier:

RE: Correspondence – Schedule 8 of the Provincial Budget Bill 229, Protect, Support and Recover from COVID-19 Act

On behalf of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays, please be advised that the above-noted correspondence was presented at the last regularly scheduled meeting on February 2, 2021, and the following was passed.

“Resolution #8(b)/02/02/21

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays hereby supports the resolution from the Municipality of West Grey requesting support to repeal Schedule 8 of Bill 229, Protect, Support and Recover from COVID-19 Act, 2020 (Endangered Species Act), dated January 13, 2021;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Municipality of West Grey, Premier Doug Ford, Minister of Finance, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, M.P.P of Parry Sound-Muskoka, all Ontario Municipalities and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

Carried.”

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our Municipal Office at 705-635-2272.

Sincerely,

Carrie Sykes, *Dipl. M.A., CMO, AOMC*,
 Director of Corporate Services/Clerk.
 CS/cw
 Encl.

Copy to: Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario	Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance
Hon. John Yakabuski, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry	Association of Municipalities of Ontario
Hon. Jeff Yurek, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks	All Ontario Municipalities
Hon. Norm Miller, M.P.P. for Parry Sound-Muskoka	



**Corporation of the
Municipality of West Grey**

402813 Grey Road 4
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519-369-2200

January 13, 2021

Re: Schedule 8 of the Provincial Budget Bill 229, Protect, Support and Recover from COVID-19 Act

WHEREAS the Ontario Government proposes amendments to the Crown Forest Sustainability Act in Schedule 8 of the Provincial Budget Bill 229, Protect, Support and Recover from COVID-19 Act (Budget Measures), 2020;

WHEREAS the Crown Forest Sustainability Act applies to almost two thirds of Ontario's land base which amounts to over 70 million hectares of land that is habitat for many species at risk;

WHEREAS Bill 229 schedule 8 amends the Crown Forest Sustainability Act in order to exempt all forestry operations from mandatory consideration of species at risk protection and recovery as mandated by the Endangered Species Act;

WHEREAS Bill 229 schedule 8 removes the ability to issue orders in circumstances when there is imminent danger to a species at risk;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT West Grey council requests the Province of Ontario repeal schedule 8 of Bill 229 and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to:

Premier Ford

Minister Philips, Minister of Finance

Minister Yakabuski, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry

Minister Yurek, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

MPP Bill Walker, Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound

MPP Ian Arthur, NDP Environment Critic

Grey County Council
Ontario municipalities
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
Conservation Ontario
Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority
Grey Sauble Conservation Authority

Respectfully,

Genevieve Scharback,
Director of Administration / Clerk
Municipality of West Grey

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February 3, 2021

Via email: TArbuckle@bracebridge.ca

Town of Bracebridge
Attention: Mayor Graydon Smith
1000 Taylor Court
Bracebridge, ON
P1L 1R6

Dear Mayor Smith:

RE: Correspondence – Request for Municipal Infrastructure Funding Opportunities

On behalf of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays, please be advised that the above-noted correspondence was presented at the last regularly scheduled meeting on February 2, 2021, and the following was passed.

“Resolution #8(d)/02/02/21

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays hereby supports the resolution from the Town of Bracebridge requesting the Federal and Provincial Governments provide immediate broad and substantial municipal Infrastructure Funding opportunities for well-planned, shovel-ready projects already prioritized under municipal asset management plans to provide immediate stimulus to the local, provincial and the federal economies in order to rebound from the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, dated January 22, 2021.

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Town of Bracebridge, the Right Honourable Prime Minister of Canada, the Federal Minister of Infrastructure and Communities, the Honourable Premier of Ontario, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Ontario Minister of Infrastructure, the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, the Local Member of Parliament, the Local Member of Provincial Parliament, and all Ontario Municipalities.

Carried.”

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Sincerely,

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Carrie Sykes, *Dipl. M.A., CMO, AOMC*,
Director of Corporate Services/Clerk.

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Copy to: Right Honourable Prime Minister of Canada
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Hon. Norm Miller, M.P.P. Parry Sound-Muskoka
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January 22, 2021

RE: Item for Discussion – Infrastructure Funding

At its meeting of January 20, 2021, the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Bracebridge ratified motion 21-GC-024, regarding Infrastructure Funding, as follows:

“WHEREAS the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) has reported that municipal governments own more of Ontario’s infrastructure than any other order of government, and most of it is essential to economic prosperity and quality of life;

AND WHEREAS municipalities deliver many of the services that are critical to residents in every community, and these services rely on well-planned, well-built and well-maintained infrastructure;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Provincial Government has stated that universal asset management will be the foundation of its municipal infrastructure strategy because effective asset management planning helps ensure that investments are made at the right time to minimize future repair and rehabilitation costs and maintain assets;

AND WHEREAS Federal and Provincial infrastructure funding models now contain requirements for recipients to demonstrate that comprehensive asset management planning principles are applied when making decisions regarding infrastructure investment;

AND WHEREAS infrastructure funding limits need to be large enough to support significant projects that have a lasting community impact over multiple generations;

AND WHEREAS targeted funding for critical infrastructure is inconsistent with the principle foundation of an asset management strategy which prioritizes needs over wants and has resulted in underfunding of the wide range of infrastructure that municipalities are responsible for maintaining, such as arenas and libraries;

AND WHEREAS the Community, Culture and Recreation Stream of the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program received demand of almost \$10 billion for a \$1 billion funding envelope;

AND WHEREAS broad eligibility for funding is more appropriate as municipalities best understand their infrastructure needs together with the needs of their community;

AND WHEREAS no and/or insufficient funding programs currently exist to fund the demonstrated need for the building, restoration and enhancement of community, culture and recreation assets;

AND WHEREAS funding the replacement of these needed capital assets is beyond the financial capacity of most communities;

AND WHEREAS the age of the Town of Bracebridge arena is greater than 70 years old, and the Library greater than 110 years old, requiring immediate replacement;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Bracebridge was recently denied any funding under the Community, Culture and Recreation stream of the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program, despite clearly meeting the tests of proper asset management and identifying needs over wants;

AND WHEREAS the economy of Ontario has been negatively impacted by the ongoing measures implemented to reduce the spread of COVID-19;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Bracebridge resolves as follows:

1. THAT the Federal and Provincial Governments provide immediate broad and substantial municipal funding opportunities for well-planned, shovel-ready projects already prioritized under municipal asset management plans to provide immediate stimulus to the local, provincial and the federal economies in order to rebound from the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.
2. AND THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Right Honourable Prime Minister of Canada; the Federal Minister of Infrastructure and Communities; the Honourable Premier of Ontario; the Ontario Minister of the Finance; the Ontario Minister of Infrastructure; the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM); the Local Member of Parliament (MP); the Local Member of Provincial Parliament (MPP); and all Municipalities in Ontario.

In accordance with Council's direction I am forwarding you a copy of the resolution for your attention.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can provide any additional clarification in this regard.

Yours truly,



Graydon Smith
Mayor



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February 3, 2021

Via email: asimonian@augusta.ca

Township of Augusta
Attention: Annette Simonian, Clerk
3560 County Road 26
Prescott, ON
K0E 1T0

Dear Ms. Simonian:

RE: Correspondence – Ontario Fire College

On behalf of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays, please be advised that the above-noted correspondence was presented at the last regularly scheduled meeting on February 2, 2021, and the following was passed.

“Resolution #8(f)/02/02/21

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays hereby supports the resolution from the Township of Augusta regarding their request for support for the Province of Ontario to reverse their decision to close the Ontario Fire College, dated January 25, 2021;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Township of Augusta, the Honourable Doug Ford Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Sylvia Jones; Ontario Solicitor General, the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Ontario Fire Marshal; Jon Pegg, and all Ontario Municipalities.

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Copy to: Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Hon. Sylvia Jones, Ontario Solicitor General
Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Jon Pegg, Ontario Fire Marshal
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TOWNSHIP OF AUGUSTAMoved By: TANYA HENRY

Date: January 25, 2021

Seconded By: JEFF SHAWENResolution No: 4

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College has been in existence since 1949; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College is one of the primary sources of certified training for Ontario Firefighters; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College has built a reputation of integrity, credibility, and reliability in providing some of the best training to our Fire Services within the Province of Ontario; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College has been used to train and certify both Volunteer, Part-Time and Career firefighters throughout Ontario; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College gives Ontario Firefighters another option other than Regional Training Centers to obtain National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) certifications; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College is the most cost-effective method to certify Firefighters to NFPA Standards in Ontario; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Government enacted and revoked O. Reg. 379/18: Firefighter Certification in 2018; and

WHEREAS when the Ontario Government revoked O. Reg. 379/18: Firefighter Certification, it was made known by the Office of the Solicitor General that the act would be amended and brought back in the future; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of Augusta requests that the Province of Ontario reverse their decision to close the Ontario Fire College as the OFC is one of the best and most cost-effective methods for municipalities to train their firefighters which assists us in protecting our residents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this Resolution is forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Sylvia Jones; Ontario Solicitor General, the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Ontario Fire Marshal; Jon Pegg, and all municipalities within the Province of Ontario.

RECORDED VOTE:

	FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Bowman	_____	_____
Councillor Henry	_____	_____
Mayor Malanka	_____	_____
Councillor Schapelhouman	_____	_____
Deputy Mayor Shaver	_____	_____

CARRIED: Daymond
MAYORDEFEATED: _____
MAYOR

Declaration of pecuniary interest by: _____

Nature of interest: _____

- ☐ Disclosed His/Her/Their Interest
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THE TOWNSHIP OF GEORGIAN BAY
Council

DATE: 9 February 2021

	YEA	NAY	
Councillor Bochek	_____	_____	MOVED BY: <u>Hazelton</u>
Councillor Cooper	_____	_____	
Councillor Douglas	_____	_____	SECONDED BY: <u>Jarvis</u>
Councillor Hazelton	_____	_____	
Councillor Jarvis	_____	_____	
Councillor Wiancko	_____	_____	
Mayor Koetsier	_____	_____	

DEFERRED _____ **CARRIED** X **DEFEATED** _____ **REFERRED** _____

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council send a letter of support to the Municipality of Charleton and Dack to immediately review the recommendations to investigate the unethical practice of preferred vendors who are paid substantial amounts over industry standards, despite COVID-19 delays, as insurance premiums will soon be out of reach for many communities;

AND THAT this motion be provided to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance, the Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General of Ontario and all other Ontario municipalities.



January 28, 2021

In This Issue

- Municipal Information & Data Analysis System (MIDAS).
- Book now for your 2021 Road/Sidewalk Assessment.
- Our Municipal Group Buying webinars are back!
- Peterborough County resolution concerning long-term care residents.
- AMONTario Climate Change & Asset Management Conference.
- Kraft Hockeyville nominations open: Deadline to submit your story is February 14.
- Careers: Town of Hawkesbury and City of Markham.

AMO Matters

406 of 444 municipalities in Ontario have now their 2019 Financial Information Returns (FIRs), and 444 have posted their 2018 FIRs, all available on [MIDAS](#). Access to MIDAS is free and available to all Ontario municipalities, creating opportunities to generate reports and compare data. Browse the [MIDAS brochure](#) to see what it can do for you. To get access, email midasadmin@amo.on.ca.

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Looking to improve your road assets in 2021? Join 93 other municipalities who have gotten a [road or sidewalk assessment](#) through LAS. Get the most from your budget dollars using objective information and state-of-the-art software. We're expecting a busy 2021, [contact us](#) today to receive a no-obligation quote.

Our popular bi-weekly webinar series is back this year! Keep your fleet in top shape with two new categories under our [Municipal Group Buying Program](#). Join us on [February 10 @ 10 am](#) to learn about Automotive Parts (with NAPA), and on [February 24 @ 10 am](#) for Fleet Upfitting (with Commercial Truck).

Municipal Wire*

The Peterborough County [resolution](#) requests the Province of Ontario to take immediate steps to reduce the number of positive COVID cases and to save lives in long-term care homes, including the deployment of rapid COVID testing and committing to vaccinating with the first dose, all residents of congregate senior living facilities by February 15, 2021.

[AMONTario's](#) Climate Change & Asset Management Conference will provide municipalities with tools to integrate climate change adaptation (resilience) and asset management planning. Starts on Feb. 22nd. [More information and registration here.](#)

The Township of Lucan, Ontario won the Kraft Hockeyville competition in 2018. The grand prize winner will have an opportunity to host an NHL preseason game and receive \$250,000 for arena upgrades. Three-runner up communities will get \$10,000 to purchase new hockey equipment for their minor hockey programs. To submit a nomination visit the Kraft Hockeyville website.

Careers

Chief Administrative Officer - Town of Hawkesbury / Directeur Général - La Ville de Hawkesbury. A complete description of the position can be found on the Town's website. Please send your résumé and a detailed cover letter before February 12, 2021, to the attention of Marie-Claude Morin (by email to Marie-Claude.Morin@alternativerh.com). THE FIRST INTERVIEWS WILL BE ON FEBRUARY 22 & 23, 2021. Please do not phone or come to the office without being contacted.

Director of Engineering - City of Markham. This is a unique opportunity to champion the City's engineering, transportation planning and overall development framework serving the current and future residents of the Markham community. For more information on this Director of Engineering position, and to apply online by Sunday, February 14, 2021, please visit City of Markham Employment.

Director of Environmental Services - City of Markham. A visionary leader, you welcome the opportunity to oversee the management of \$6.45 billion of City infrastructure. You are equally energized about acting as the champion of Markham's environmental strategies in waste management, environmental stewardship initiatives and public education. For more information on this pivotal role as Director of Environmental Services, and to apply online by Sunday, February 14, 2021, please visit City of Markham Employment.

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February 4, 2021

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- Report out on January 29, 2021 AMO Board meeting.
- AMO's submission to the Long-Term Care COVID-19 Commission.
- Maple Medical to help AMO members/communities by donating certified PPEs.
- Electrical Safety Authority warns of stockpiling material under overhead powerlines.
- Health & Safety and Training initiatives to support businesses during COVID-19.
- Managing COVID-19 testing and vaccination appointments online - webinar.
- Must-see Municipal Group Buying webinars.
- CNIB resources for blind or partially sighted pedestrian safety.
- ROI Knowledge Centre - Impact of COVID-19 on non-metro businesses.
- Careers: Muskoka District and City of Kitchener.

AMO Matters

AMO President Graydon Smith recaps the highlights of the January 29 AMO Board meeting.

AMO submitted final comments to the Long-Term Care COVID-19 Commission in January on behalf of municipal long-term care homes.

Maple Medical will donate 20 million certified 3 ply disposable face masks, over 100k bottles of sanitizer and disinfectant wipes to frontline workers and any low income/vulnerable individuals. For information email Savdah Manjra, VP Sales, or call 647.501.1553.

Provincial Matters

The Electrical Safety Authority (ESA) and electrical utilities have seen an increase of stockpiling of dirt and snow under overhead powerlines. Stockpiling of materials under overhead high voltage powerline or near transformer stations can create hazards to members of the public and workers using high reach equipment.

Eye on Events

On February 10, 4S Consulting Services Inc. is hosting an online panel with the Honourable Monte McNaughton, Minister of Labour, Training & Skills Development, the Chief Prevention Officer of Ontario, along with industry leaders, to discuss health and safety initiatives during the COVID-19 pandemic and some Ministry priorities and

initiatives for 2021. [Register here](#).

Municipalities and healthcare providers struggle to protect public safety while managing high volumes of COVID-19 testing and vaccination appointments. On February 25, [eSolutionsGroup](#) will discuss the challenges of handling unprecedented requirements and how [Appointment](#) can address the challenges while decreasing the administrative burden on staff. [Register now](#).

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Municipal Wire*

Blind pedestrian warning signs are used to enhance the safety of blind and partially sighted residents. However, more effective interventions may be available. Canadian National Institute for the Blind (CNIB) offers the [Clearing Our Path](#) resource on safety and encourages contacting them for more guidance.

Through its Focus On Rural Ontario series, the [Rural Ontario Institute Knowledge Centre](#) has released a [fact sheet](#) on the impact of COVID-19 on business closures in non-metro areas.

Careers

[Manager, Fleet Services - District of Muskoka](#). Reporting to the Director, Facilities and Support Services, the Manager is responsible for effectively managing, overseeing and recommending the administration, safe operation, efficient procurement, timely replacement, upgrade and repair of District Fleet related assets. Please review the "[How to Apply](#)" instructions to submit your application. Closing date: February 26, 2021 @ 12:00 NOON.

[Director, Equity, Anti-Racism and Indigenous Initiatives - City of Kitchener](#). The Director will provide the organization and City Council with exceptional leadership, expertise and senior-level competencies in issues including equity, anti-racism, inclusion and Indigenous reconciliation. To explore this opportunity further, please contact [Amanda Bugatto](#) or submit your resume and letter of interest online to [Odgers Berndtson Opportunities](#) by February 28, 2021.

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February 11, 2021

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- AMO electronic permitting platform survey.
- An opportunity to transform your meetings.
- Applications open for Ontario's New Skills Development Fund.
- Ontario helping keep seniors safe and connected during COVID-19.
- Healthy Communities Initiative.
- Managing COVID-19 testing and vaccination appointments online - webinar.
- Group Buying with LAS just got easier!
- Fleet upfitting with the Municipal Group Buying Program.
- FCM funding available for road/sidewalk assessments.
- AMONTario Climate Change & Asset Management Conference.
- Careers: Halton Hills, Toronto and Niagara Falls.

AMO Matters

AMO is seeking member feedback on electronic permitting (e-permitting) platforms. To help us with our research, we are asking for feedback from appropriate staff (Planners, Building Officials, IT, etc.). Please [fill out the survey](#).

Looking to go electronic with your meetings? AMO's meeting management partner, [eSCRIBE](#), is offering a no-commitment assessment of how your municipality can raise efficiency with your meetings and how you can leverage [Municipal Modernization Program funding](#) for eSCRIBE services.

Provincial Matters

The [Skills Development Fund](#) will support projects that address pandemic-induced barriers to hiring, training, and retaining workers. Municipalities are eligible to apply. Please submit proposals by February 28, 2021.

The \$4.5 million [Seniors Community Grant Program](#) will support over 180 projects led by non-profits, local services boards, and Indigenous groups this year. These projects will help seniors stay connected with their community during the pandemic.

Federal Matters

The Healthy Communities Initiative is a \$31 million dollar investment from the federal government to support a broad range of organizations, including municipal

governments, for projects that help communities with safe and vibrant public spaces, improving mobility options and providing innovative digital solutions to connect people and improve health. Organizations can apply up until March 9, 2021.

Eye on Events

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We've made it even easier to find the products and services you use everyday. Now you can browse for vendors and products in a searchable list on our Municipal Group Buying webpage. Don't forget to let us know if you'll be participating in the Program and post your Notice of Participation on your website. Contact us to get started.

LAS continues to host webinars under our Municipal Group Buying Program. Join us on February 24 @ 10am when we introduce one of our newest categories - Fleet Upfitting (with Commercial Truck Equipment Co.). If you need equipment for your heavy trucks, be sure to look here first. Watch for March webinars to be announced shortly.

FCM has reopened applications for its MAMP Program, which provides up to \$50,000 for asset management projects. Our Road & Sidewalk Assessment Service is a perfect fit, and is already booking for the summer 2021 season. Contact us to learn more, schedule an online meeting, or receive a no-obligation quote.

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Careers

Deputy Treasurer/Senior Manager, Accounting & Taxation - Town of Halton Hills. Posting 202107. Reports to: Director of Finance/Town Treasurer. For more information about this position, please visit Halton Hills Employment Opportunities. Applications are being accepted until February 19, 2021. Email: humanresources@haltonhills.ca.

Manager, Capital Delivery - City of Toronto. Division: Solid Waste Management Services (SWMS). Reports to: Director, Infrastructure & Resource Management. For more information on this and other opportunities with the City of Toronto, visit us online at Jobs at the City. To apply online, submit your resume, quoting Job ID 14697, by February 23, 2021.

Chief Administrative Officer - City of Niagara Falls. Niagara Falls is a fast-growing, dynamic, internationally renowned city with a prosperous business community. To explore this opportunity please apply via email by February 28th, 2021 to careers@waterhousesearch.ca quoting project NF-CAO. To speak to our Executive Recruiter please contact Jon Stungevicius at 416.214.9299 x1; or Amy Oliveira at 416.214.9299 x4.

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In This Issue

- An opportunity to transform your meetings.
- Healthy Communities Initiative.
- Managing COVID-19 testing and vaccination appointments online - webinar.
- Have you seen the new Energy Planning Tool?
- Municipal Group Buying webinar: Fleet Upfitting options.
- LAS Blog: Joint and Several Liability & Rising Municipal Insurance Costs.
- Now booking Virtual Energy Training for Spring '21.
- Energy Savings Success in LTC facilities!
- Nominations for the David C. Onley Award for Leadership in Accessibility.
- Careers: Toronto & Region Conservation Authority, Georgina and Tiny.

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The [Energy Planning Tool](#) helps you quickly and easily manage your energy portfolio, with automatic data entry for those buying electricity/natural gas through LAS. Complete your annual report in minutes instead of hours, and show your Council progress towards goals. Contact us to schedule a free web demo.

Municipalities require their fleets to do a lot of jobs. Now you can customize your trucks to meet your unique needs, and save time and money while doing it. [Join our webinar](#) February 24 at 10am to learn about NEW Fleet Upfitting options available through the [Municipal Group Buying Program](#). Check out our [Events](#) page for future bi-weekly webinars.

Is traditional joint and several liability insurance working for municipalities? Read more in the [LAS Blog](#) about other alternative options that should be available to struggling communities.

LAS offers safe and effective [Online Energy Training](#) sessions in partnership with Stephen Dixon. Book your spring session and learn how to save energy in a remote setting. IESO offers incentives up to 75%. Contact [Christian Tham](#) to learn about this exciting opportunity!

Our popular [Facility Lighting Service](#) has assisted several Long Term Care facilities to drastically cut energy use and save tens of thousands dollars in energy/maintenance costs. Read some of their stories in this informative [Case Study](#). Contact [Christian Tham](#) for a free proposal.

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Nominations are being accepted for the David C. Onley Award for Leadership in Accessibility. For more information on the awards and how to nominate an accessibility leader by February 26th, 2021, visit the Ontario [accessibility award website](#).

Careers

[Enforcement Officer, Enforcement and Compliance - Toronto and Region Conservation Authority](#) (TRCA). Number of Vacancies: 2. To apply to this posting, please visit [TRCA Employment Opportunities](#). Please submit your resume and cover letter quoting job posting TRCA-024-21 prior to midnight on February 26, 2021.

[Program Manager, Asset Management - Town of Georgina](#). Department: Operations and Infrastructure. Status: Temporary, Full Time (March 1, 2021 to March 1, 2023). Please submit a resume and cover letter, identifying the Job Title and ID# 2021.04T in the subject line. Please apply by visiting the Careers page - Current Opportunities on the [Town's website](#) by February 28, 2021 at 11:59 pm.

[Director of Finance/Treasurer - Township of Tiny](#). Reports to: Chief Administrative Officer. The Township is the most northerly township of Simcoe County in the Southern Georgian Bay region of Southern Ontario. Visit the [Township's website](#) for a detailed job description. Please apply by 12 noon, March 5, 2021 to: Township of Tiny, 420 Palm Beach Rd. W., Tiny, ON L0L 2L0; Attention: Human Resources Department.

Email: humanresources@tiny.ca.

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