



Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin
Regular Council Meeting
Agenda
April 11, 2023, 7 p.m.
Council Chambers

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. WRITTEN DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST/ CONFLICT OF INTEREST

3. DECLARATION OF OFFICE - COUNCILLOR JOHN MANSON

4. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

March 28, 2023

January 10, 2023

Nov 25, 2022

Nov 15, 2022

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

5.1 Renewal of Dog Pound Agreement - Township of Bonfield - Deferred

5.2 CAO/Clerk Position Update

5.3 Fire Chief Posting Update

6. DELAGATIONS –None

7. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

7.1 CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

-North Bay Parry Sound Health Unit – Think You'll Win? The Odds of Winning Big

-Federation of Canadian Municipalities 2023 Annual Conference

-AMO Training – Navigating Conflict Relationships as Elected Officials

-AMO Training – Land Use Planning for Election Officials

7.2 BY-LAWS - None

8. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

8.1 Treasurer Report (Leanne Crozier)

8.2 Public Works Department Report

8.3 Building Code Official Report

8.4 Fire Department Report (Councillor Moreton)

8.5 North Bay Mattawa Conservation Authority (Councillor Moreton)

8.6 Other External Committee Reports

8.7 Papineau-Cameron Resolution 2023-038 Construction Funding Subsidy (CFS) Ministry of Long Term Care

9. CLOSED SESSION

Council will move into Closed Session

in accordance with paragraph 239(3) of the Municipal Act, to discuss an ongoing early-mid 2022 investigation by the Ontario Ombudsman and,

in accordance with paragraph 239 (1) (f) to discuss advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose

10. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION - BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION

11. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

12. ADJOURNMENT

DECLARATION OF OFFICE

(Section 232 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*)

I JOHN MANSON, having been elected or appointed to the office
(name of person)

of COUNCILLOR
(name of office)

in the municipality of CALVIN
(name of municipality)

do solemnly promise and declare that:

1. I will truly, faithfully and impartially exercise this office to the best of my knowledge and ability.
2. I have not received and will not receive any payment or reward, or promise thereof, for the exercise of this office in a biased, corrupt or any improper manner.
3. I will disclose any pecuniary interest, direct or indirect, in accordance with the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*.
4. I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles the Third.

And I make this solemn promise and declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath.

Declared before me at the)	_____
at the <u>DISTRICT OF</u>)	signature of declarant
<u>NIPISSING</u>)	
_____)	
on <u>APRIL 11, 2023</u>)	
_____)	

Commissioner for taking Affidavits



Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin

Regular Council Meeting

Minutes

Tuesday, March 28, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. - 10:08 p.m.

Council Chambers

In attendance: Mayor Gould, Councillors Grant, Latimer, Moreton, Interim Clerk Donna Maitland

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gould called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Quorum was achieved.

2. BY-LAW TO APPOINT CLERK PRO-TEMPORE 2023-012

Moved By: Councillor Moreton

Seconded By: Councillor Latimer

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin directs as follows:

1. That Donna Maitland is hereby appointed as the Interim Municipal Clerk for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin;
2. That the powers and duties of the Municipal Clerk shall be those powers and duties of the Clerk as set out in the Municipal Act and every other Act;
3. That this by-law takes effect on this day, the final day of its passing.”

Result: Carried

3. WRITTEN DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST/ CONFLICT OF INTEREST

declared as follows:

3.1 Councillor Grant – Out of an abundance of caution: Item 7.1 Repeal of By-law 2020-108 a Policy for the Covid 19 Municipal Operations and Services Re-opening Plan

3.2 Councillor Moreton – Spouse is employed by Councillor Candidate Maxwell: Item 5 Filling of a Vacant Council Seat

4. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES DATED MARCH 14, 2023

Resolution Number: 2023-067

Moved By: Councillor Grant

Seconded By: Councillor Latimer

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The minutes of the previous meeting dated March 14, 2023 and March 17, 2023 be approved as circulated.

Result: Carried

5. FILLING OF A VACANT COUNCIL SEAT

5.1 Process and Election

Councillor Moreton having declared a conflict of interest for this item left the Council table and did not participate in any way during this item of the agenda.

5.2 Mayor Gould provided an overview of the process and introduced the candidates.

5.3 **Resolution Number 2023-068** resolution for consideration of Candidates

Moved by: Councillor Latimer

Seconded by: Councillor Grant

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The following candidates, who have signified in writing their interest in being appointed to the

(1) Councillor position be considered for appointment to fill such a vacancy:

- Sandy Cross
- John Manson
- Dan Maxwell
- Jeremy Rodgers
- Christine Shippam

Result: Carried

5.3.1 Candidates' each addressed Council and Responded to 4 Questions posed to them by the Clerk.

5.3.2 Recorded Vote

Councillor Voting	Candidate Cross	Candidate Manson	Candidate Maxwell	Candidate Rodgers	Candidate Shippam
Mayor Gould		x			
Councillor Grant		x			
Councillor Latimer					
Councillor Moreton					

5.3.3 **Resolution to Appoint Councillor Resolution Number: 2023-069**

Moved By: Councillor Grant

Seconded By: Councillor Latimer

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

John Manson (Candidate) be appointed as Councillor for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin for the remainder of the 4 year term of Council.

The Clerk will administer the Declaration of Office required by subsection 232(1) of the Municipal Act 2021, before or at the April 11th, 2023 Regular Meeting of Council where the by-law is enacted by Council, or as directed by Council.

Recorded Vote:

Member of Council	In Favour	Opposed
Mayor Gould	x	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Grant	x	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Latimer	x	<input type="checkbox"/>

Result: Carried**Councillor Moreton re-joined the meeting.**

5.4 By-law to enact the Appointment of Councillor (deferred to next meeting)

6. ACTION LETTERS

6.1 CONSENT APPLICATION East Nipissing Planning Board 2023-01 Jason Lambert and Parshin Missaghi

Resolution Number: 2023-070**Moved By: Councillor Latimer****Seconded By: Councillor Grant****NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

The Clerk be directed, on behalf of Council, to submit the following comments to the East Nipissing Ferris Planning Board.

With respect to Application for Consent No: 2023-01, Applicant Jason Lambert Meindersma and Parshin Missaghi, has been filed with the East Nipissing Planning Board on land known as 0 Suzanne Road, Part of Lot 11 Concession 6, Municipality of Calvin for the purpose of creating one residential lot of approximately 5 acres,

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Municipality of Calvin resolves that:

1. The East Nipissing Planning Board gives provisional consent to this application
2. The Property Owner provide 2 hard copies and 1 digital copy of the survey for the new residential lot to the Municipality
3. The 5% Cash in Lieu shall apply to the new lot and is payable by the Property Owner to the Municipality in full, as a requirement of the consent
4. It is recommended that the Roads Superintendent must meet with the Property Owner and agree upon an entrance location and the permit fee must be paid
5. The Roads Superintendent must provide to the Property Owner a written report to show the entrance is agreed upon.

Result: Carried**7. BY-LAWS**

7.1 Repeal of By-law 2020-108 a Policy for the Covid 19 Municipal Operations and Services Re-opening Plan **By-law Number 2023-013**

Councillor Grant having declared a conflict of interest with this agenda item left Council Table and did not participate during its discussion.

Moved By: Councillor Moreton
Seconded By: Councillor Latimer

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Whereas by virtue of Resolution Number 2023-053 adopted on March 14, 2023, whereby the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin declared the Covid-19 State of Emergence ended,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT a by-law to repeal by-law 20210-018 Policy for the Covid-19 Municipal Operations, and Services Re-Opening Plan attached hereto, be READ, **PASSED AND NUMBERED 2023-013**

AND THAT said by-law be signed by the Mayor and Clerk and sealed with the Seal of the Corporation.

Result: Carried

Councillor Grant re-joined the meeting.

7.2 Renewal of Dog Pound Agreement - Township of Bonfield - Deferred

Resolution Number: 2023-071

Moved By: Councillor Moreton
Seconded By: Councillor Latimer

THAT Council directs the Clerk to obtain more information for inclusion in the Dog Pound Agreement with the Municipality of Bonfield,

AND that Council's consideration of the renewal of the Dog Pound Agreement be deferred until such time as this informed is received and presented.

Result: Carried

7.3 Renewal of Fire Services to Residents of the Townships of Lauder and Boulter

By-law Number: 2023-014

Moved By: Councillor Moreton
Seconded By: Councillor Latimer

WHEREAS the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin established By-Law No 565 to enter into an agreement with the Residents in the designated area of the unincorporated townships of Lauder and Boulter for the provision of fire protection services,

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin and the Residents of the unincorporated townships of Lauder and Boulter's annual agreement for fire protection services expired on Dec 31, 2022

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Council of the Municipality of Calvin ratifies the attached agreement for the period of Jan 01, 2023 until Dec 31, 2023 inclusive, as follows:

- 1) That the Mayor and Clerk are designated as the Signing Officers and are authorized to execute an agreement on behalf of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin.

2) That the “Agreement between the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin and the Residents of Lauder and Boulter” be hereto attached and form part and parcel of this by-law as Schedule “A”

This agreement shall be enacted and in effect upon the signing thereof.

Result: Carried

7.4 Renewal of Fire Services to the Canadian Ecology Centre By-law 2023-015

Moved By: Councillor Moreton

Seconded By: Councillor Latimer

WHEREAS the Municipal Act S.O.2001, c. 25 authorizes municipalities to enter into an agreement,

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin deems it advisable to enter into an agreement with the Canadian Ecology Centre for the use of certain firefighting services and equipment of Calvin within the described fire area of the Canadian Ecology Centre,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Council of the Municipality of Calvin ratifies the attached agreement as follows:

- 1) That the Mayor and Clerk are designated as the Signing Officers and are authorized to execute an agreement on behalf of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin.
- 2) That the “Agreement between the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin and the Canadian Ecology Centre” be hereto attached and form part and parcel of this by-law as Schedule “A”

This agreement shall be enacted and in effect upon the signing thereof.

Result: Carried

8. CLOSED SESSION Resolution Number: 2023-072

Moved By: Councillor Grant

Seconded By: Councillor Latimer

WHEAREAS Council will discuss confidential human resource matters, pursuant to section 239(2)(b) and to deal with a personal matter about an identifiable individual, including municipal employees, and matters pursuant to section 239(2)(d) labour relations or employee negotiations,

NOW IT THEREFORE BE RESOLVED THAT Council move into Closed Session at 8:55 p.m.

Result: Carried

9. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION Resolution Number: 2023-073

Moved By: Councillor Grant

Seconded By: Councillor Latimer

WHEAREAS Council moved into Closed Session to discuss confidential human resource matters, pursuant to section 239(2)(b) and

to deal with a personal matter about an identifiable individual, including municipal employees, and matters pursuant to section 239(2)(d) labour relations or employee negotiations,

Council directs the Clerk to:

- post the Fire Chief position
- inform the employees of temporary reporting instructions
- continue negotiations associated with the CAO/Clerk position
- meet with legal Council to provide required information.

NOW IT THEREFORE BE RESOLVED THAT Council return to Open Session at 8:55 p.m.

Result: Carried

10. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW Number: 2023-016

Resolution Number: 2023-074

Moved By: Councillor Grant

Seconded By: Councillor Latimer

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

By-Law #2023-016 being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of Council's Regular Meeting held Tuesday, March 28th, 2023, be read and adopted.

Result: Carried

11. ADJOURNMENT Resolution Number: 2023-075

Moved By: Councillor Latimer

Seconded By: Councillor Moreton

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

That Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin adjourns this meeting on March 28, 2023 at 10:08 p. m.

Result: Carried

OPEN MINUTES

**Regular Meeting of Council
Municipality of Calvin
DATE: January 10, 2023
TIME: 7:00 pm
In Person**

ATTENDANCE

Council: Mayor Gould
Councillor Grant
Councillor Latimer
Councillor Moreton

Absent: NIL

Staff: Teresa Scroope Clerk Pro Tempore
Sandra Carmichael-Corporate Services Assistant

Residence: 8

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Mayor Gould called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution 2022-375

Moved By: Councillor Moreton

Seconded By: Councillor Grant

Results: Carried

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin hereby approve the agenda as circulated.”

3. Written Disclosure of Disqualifying Interest (Pecuniary)

4. Approval of Minutes

Resolution 2022-376

Moved By: Councillor Grant

Seconded By: Councillor Moreton

Results: Carried

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

“Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin hereby approve the Open Meeting Minutes for the Special Council Meeting held on Dec 9 2022 3:30 pm, the Closed Meeting Minutes Dec 9 2022 3:30 Meeting and the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of Dec 20 2022 to be hereby adopted and signed as circulated.

5. Presentation-North Bay Mattawa Conservation Authority- Councillor Moreton: Bill 23

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

“BE IT RESOVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin hereby accepts and approves the Municipality Organizational Chart as circulated, to be read and considered as possible reporting structure to be decided at a future council meeting.

6.3.5) Municipal Clerk/CAO Position

Resolution 2022-382

Moved by: Councillor Moreton

Seconded by: Councillor Grant

Results: Carried

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

“Council for the Corporation of Calvin Township is in agreement recommending that the attached proposal for Municipal Clerk/CAO position be distributed for the advertisement on the Municipal Website in addition the World Wide Websites suitable to attract candidates for the possible consideration effective this day January 10 2023”

7.1) East Nipissing Planning Board

Resolution 2022-383

Moved by: Councillor Moreton

Seconded by: Councillor Grant

Results: Carried

WHEREAS Council has received the Invoice for 2022 levy for the East Nipissing Planning Board;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves payment as requested.

7.2 VS Municipal Solutions

Resolution 2022-384

Moved by: Councillor Moreton

Seconded by: Councillor Latimer

Results: Carried.

WHEREAS Council has received and reviewed VS Municipal Solutions Services information package which would support Daily Operations, Training for Staff and Municipal Growth on an as needed temporary basis ;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves of VS Municipal Solutions Services Information package and will provide direction to Office Staff in regard to the possibility of using the services.

7.3) Board of Health Appointment-North Bay Parry Sound Health Unit

Resolution 2022-385

Moved By: Councillor Moreton

Seconded By: Councillor Latimer

WHEREAS Council has received communication advising of the Board of Health Appointment;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin acknowledges the newly appointed Board of Health member for the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit as the Nipissing District/East Municipal Representative for the 2022-2026.

8.) Confirmatory By-Law 2022-078

Resolution 2022-386

Moved By: Councillor Latimer

Seconded By: Councillor Grant

Results: Carried

6.1) Legislative Matters-Consent Agenda

Resolution 2022-377

Moved By: Councillor Moreton

Seconded By: Councillor Latimer

Results: Carried

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin hereby receive the Consent Agenda Items of January 10, 2023 as circulated, less any items requested for separate review and discussion.”

6.2) Bylaws for Consideration-Nil

6.3.1) Financial Report from Treasurer

Resolution 2022-378

Moved By: Councillor Moreton

Seconded By: Councillor Latimer

Results: Carried

WHEREAS Council has received a staff report from the Clerk Treasurer noting per Resolution 2022-363 as adopted requesting additional information as presented in the previous staff report regarding auditing services for the 2022 calendar year.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED That:

“The Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin Township is satisfied with the report and the information provided by the Treasurer to council for further clarification”.

6.3.2) Building Reports from Shane Conrad

Resolution 2022-379

Moved By: Councillor Moreton

Seconded By: Councillor Latimer

Results: Carried

WHEREAS Council has received Year End Report 2021, Monthly Report's for September, October, November and December 2022; and the Year End Report for 2022

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves reports as submitted by the Chief Building Official.

6.3.3) Integrity Commissioner Services

Resolution 2022-380

Moved By: Councillor Latimer

Seconded By: Councillor Grant

Results: Carried

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED That:

“Council for the Corporation of Calvin Township is in agreement recommending that the attached proposal for Municipal Integrity Commissioner Services be distributed for advertisement on the Municipal Website in addition to the World Wide Websites suitable to attract candidates for possible consideration affective this day January 10, 2023”.

6.3.4) Municipal Organizational Chart

Resolution 2022-373

Moved By: Councillor Moreton

Seconded By: Councillor Latimer

Results: Carried

“By-Law No. 2022-078 being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of the Regular Meeting of Council held, December 20, 2022 be read and adopted.”

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9. Adjournment

Resolution 2022-377

Moved By: Councillor Latimer

Seconded By: Councillor Moreton

Results: Carried

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

“That Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin adjourns this meeting on January 10 2023 at 8:20 pm.”

Mayor –Richard Gould

Clerk-Teresa Scroope



Calvin

November 25, 2022 - Special Council Meeting - 10:00 AM (In Person)

1 Call To Order

Delegation of the Power of the Clerk

2 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

3 Purpose

4 Closed Session

4.1 Move into Closed Session

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin do hereby move into closed session to receive education and training on the roles and responsibilities of members of Council, their obligations under the *Municipal Act* and other legislation, as well as discretionary municipal services pursuant to section 239 (3.1) which provides that a meeting of Council or local board or of a committee of either of them may be closed to the public if the following conditions are both satisfied:

1. The meeting is held for the purpose of educating or training the members,
2. At the meeting, no member discusses or otherwise deals with any matter in a way that materially advances the business or decision-making of the council, local board or committee.

4.2 Return to Open Session and Report on the Nature of the Discussion

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

"Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin hereby move back into the open session at _____ P.M. and report that _____
"

5 Special Business

5.1 Ad Hoc Working Groups

5.1.1 Code of Conduct Working Group

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

"Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin hereby establishes the Ad Hoc Code of Conduct Working Group and appoints Councillors Grant and Moreton to this working group.

And further that the purpose of this working group is to research municipal codes of conducts and inquiry processes and make recommendations to Council regarding a new Code of Conduct for the Municipality of Calvin.”

5.1.2 Municipal Planning Working Group

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

“Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin hereby establishes the Ad Hoc Municipal Planning Working Group and appoints Councillors Adams and Latimer and Municipal Administrator Jacob Grove to this working group.

And further that the purpose of this working group is to consider options for recruiting a municipal clerk as well as to evaluate the existing organizational structure/operation and make recommendations to Council.”

5.2 Bank Signing Authorities for the Municipality

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

“Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin hereby receives resolution 2022-347 for information and authorizes a corporate credit card for the Municipality with a spending limit of \$5,000.”

✍ Resolution Authorizing Amendment to Bank Signing Authority

6 **Confirmatory Bylaw**

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

“Bylaw 2022-067 being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of Council, its Special Meeting of November 25, 2022, be read and adopted.”

✍ Bylaw 2022-067

7 **Adjournment**

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

“The Special Council Meeting of November 25, 2022, be adjourned at XX:XX P.M..”

DELEGATION OF THE POWER OF THE CLERK

Municipal Act, 2001, Section 228(4)

Pursuant to Section 228(4) of the *Municipal Act* S.O. 2001 the Clerk of a municipality may delegate, in writing to any person, other than a member of Council, any of the Clerk's powers and duties under this and any other *Act*.

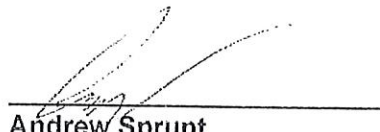
I, **Peggy Young-Lovelace**, Interim Municipal Clerk, for the Municipality of Calvin, hereby delegate to **Andrew Sprunt** the authority to undertake and execute any of the powers and duties of the Municipal Clerk as cited under the *Municipal Act, 2001* and any other *Act*, for the Special Council Meeting of Council November 25, 2022.


Peggy Young-Lovelace
Interim Municipal Clerk

I, **Andrew Sprunt** swear and solemnly affirm that I will administer the delegated powers and duties of the Municipal Clerk as required, to the best of my ability and perform all the duties required by law without partiality.

Declared before me this 25th day of November 2022


Commissioner of Oaths


Andrew Sprunt



CALVIN

1355 Peddlers Drive, R.R.#2, Mattawa, Ontario, P0H 1V0
Tel: 705-744-2700

November 8, 2022

RESOLUTION

Agenda Item # 7.4.4 Amendment to Bylaw 2022-039 Being a Bylaw to Authorize Bank Signing Authority

Resolution # 2022-347

Moved By : Sandy Cross

Seconded By : Christine Shippam

Bylaw 2022-039 was adopted June 14, 2022, authorizing certain persons to have signing authority on behalf of the municipal corporation with the bank; Subsequent to the 2022 municipal election and internal organizational changes, amendments are required to Schedules A and B; Bylaw 2022-039 contemplates alterations to Schedules A and B being approved by resolution; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin hereby amends Schedule A of Bylaw 2022-039 to read: The following individuals have signing authority for the purposes of this bylaw:

1. Member of Council
 1. Mayor Richard Gould
 2. Councillor Debbie Adams
 3. Councillor Dean Grant
 4. Councillor Robert Latimer
 5. Councillor Bill Moreton

And further amends Schedule B of Bylaw 2022-039 to read:
The following individuals have signing authority for the purposes of this bylaw:

1. Statutory Officer or Administrative Employee
 1. Treasurer
 2. Clerk
 3. Deputy Clerk
 4. Deputy Treasurer
 5. Municipal Administrator

Recorded Vote Requested By : _____

Name	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Bart Castelijns	✓			
Christine Shippam	✓			
Ian Pennell	✓			
Sandy Cross	✓			

Carried

Mayor
Calvin

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CALVIN

BYLAW NUMBER 2022-067

BEING A BYLAW TO CONFIRM THE PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

Legal Authority

Scope of Powers

Section 8(1) of the *Municipal Act*, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25, ("*Municipal Act*") as amended, provides that the powers of a municipality shall be interpreted broadly so as to confer broad authority on municipalities to enable them to govern their affairs as they consider appropriate, and to enhance their ability to respond to municipal issues.

Powers of a Natural Person

Section 9 of the *Municipal Act* provides that a municipality has the capacity, rights, powers and privileges of a natural person for the purpose of exercising its authority under this or any other Act.

Powers Exercised by Council

Section 5 (1) of the *Municipal Act* provides that the powers of a municipality shall be exercised by its Council

Powers Exercised by By-law

Section 5(3) of the *Municipal Act* provides that a municipal power, including a municipality's capacity, rights, powers and privileges under section 9, shall be exercised by bylaw unless the municipality is specifically authorized to do otherwise.

Preamble

Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin ("Council") acknowledges that many of the decisions it makes during a meeting of Council, regular, special, or otherwise, are done by resolution. Section 5 (3) requires that Council exercise their powers by Bylaw.

Council further acknowledges that the passing of resolutions is more expedient than adopting Bylaws for each decision.

Decision

Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin decides it in the best interest of the Corporation to confirm its decisions by way of Confirmatory Bylaw.

Direction

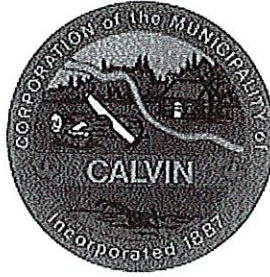
NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin directs as follows:

1. The Confirmatory Period of this By-Law shall be for the Special Council Meeting of November 22, 2022.
2. All By-Laws passed by the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin during the period mentioned in Section 1 are hereby ratified and confirmed.
3. All resolutions passed by the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin during the period mentioned in Section 1 are hereby ratified and confirmed.
4. All other proceedings, decisions, and directives of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin during the period mentioned in Section 1 are hereby ratified and confirmed.
5. This Bylaw takes effect on the day of its final passing.

Read and adopted by Resolution 2022-365 this 25th Day of November 2022.

Mayor

Municipal Clerk



Calvin
Meeting Minutes
Inaugural Council Meeting November 15, 2022 - 07:00 PM
Council Chambers

Attendance:

Council: Mayor Gould
Councillor Adams
Councillor Grant
Councillor Latimer
Others: Councillor Elect Moreton (Electronically)
Elections Clerk
Staff: Jacob Grove, Municipal Administrator
Peggy Young-Lovelace, Interim Municipal Clerk

Members of the Public

1 Call To Order

The Elections Clerk, Barbara Major called the meeting to order at 7:04 P.M..

2 Declarations of Elected Office

MAYOR

- Richard Gould

COUNCILLORS

- Debra Adams
- William Moreton

- Dean Grant
- Robert (Kim) Latimer

Councillor Elect Moreton attended the meeting electronically (Zoom). The Election Clerk declared that Councillor Elect Moreton could not be sworn in as a Councillor because those in attendance were unable to see him.

3 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None were disclosed.

4 Comments By Incoming Mayor Richard Gould

Comments as provided by Mayor Gould:

Good evening. It is wonderful to see you all here tonight and I would like to thank Jacob Grove, Penny Young Lovelace and Barbara Major for organizing this evening. I would also like to thank the previous council for their contributions. Although we may not have shared the same philosophy, I know in my heart, that their efforts were based on a desire to serve the community.

We now have an entirely new council and we all have much to learn, but I know that these new council members are also here because of an honest desire to serve and to leave Calvin a better place. Moving forward we have many challenges to face, but make no mistake, we have an excellent council. Debbie Adams will not tolerate any nonsense and she will be quick to make sure council is not fooled by those pretending to have good intentions. Bill Moreton will be the calming voice and will keep us on balance. Dean Grant will be the voice of idealism and will push us forward. And Robert Latimer will be the realist making sure we avoid hasty and ill-thought-out policies. Together this council has the expertise and skill to take control of the township.

This entire council has been given a clear mandate. In the recent elections across Ontario, the average voter turnout was 36%, but in Calvin it was over 54%. This should tell everyone here that there are expectations. We have an obligation to answer to the citizens who have shown us their confidence and their support.

It would be easy to fall into the old habits of poor communication and keeping things status quo. But most of the newly elected councillors have stated that they would work toward in-person meetings, public involvement better communication. If we don't do this, we will not fix the division, anger and hatred that has become all too common in Calvin. Some have suggested that social media is the creator of hatred and division. I don't believe this to be true. I believe hatred is a human condition that comes from people feeling isolated, disenfranchised, and alienated. And this often comes from lack of communication. It's true that social media allows hatred to be spread more easily, but hatred can be spread putting letters into people's mailboxes, by making disparaging comments out in public, or even flipping the bird to people as they pass or drive by in vehicles. My beloved Granny, born and raised in Belfast, Ireland told me how destructive this tribalism and hatred for one or another group can be. All of this must stop. Inuendo, accusation and revenge must be a thing of the past. Social media is a place to tell people about a missing dog, a community event, or a road hazard. Mail is for greeting cards and sharing information. And a hand gesture is for waving hello to a neighbour as they pass. I have no doubt that one day I will see on social media a caricature of a fuddy duddy mayor with the label mayor Gouldfinger . . . and that is alright, as long as it is not done in hatred. In the new year I hope to set up office hours in the township office to meet members of the public and hear their concerns. There may be people who will not like the

decisions of council, but in advance we will always be willing to listen with an open ear. However, if someone comes to me with hatred in their heart looking for revenge or retribution, they will find that I am not sympathetic.

We have a great staff to work with. Our roads have always been top notch and our fire department is staffed by hard working and dedicated volunteers. And finally, our admin department and public works have been working very hard given the turmoil and disruption they have faced. We applaud all the efforts of staff.

We all must learn to work together, so that we can face new challenges of the future. The deteriorating hydro electric delivery systems, global warming and the changes being introduced by the federal and provincial governments, poor internet and cell phone coverage, a lack of commercial services, increased costs of downloaded government programs, and even Cassellholme are all items we will have to deal with. I would hope that before the end of this year, as we work on uniting the township, all members of council will work on a council term plan. Early in the new year we will come up with a long-term plan of what we hope to accomplish. In the coming weeks, I ask each councillor to create a list of some of the things they want to see happen during their term in office. We will then have an open meeting with the public to gain input. And then we will move forward.

Finally, I want to repeat something one of our constituents said to me. I was speaking with Ted Myers and he told me he supported the idea of bringing an end to the division in the township. He suggested that if we really want to be successful at ending hatred and vengeance, we have to make decisions just 18 inches away from our heads – we have to start making decisions also based on our hearts.

So, lets work heart and soul, with openness and dedication and make this a memorable four-year term. Thank you for your involvement.

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Approval of Agenda

Resolution No: 2022-355

Moved By: Councillor Latimer

Seconded By: Councillor Grant

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

"Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin hereby adopts the Agenda as presented."

CARRIED

6

Appointment of Deputy Mayor

Resolution No: 2022-356

Moved By: Councillor Grant

Seconded By: Councillor Latimer

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

"Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin hereby appoints Debra Adams as Deputy Mayor for the Municipality of Calvin, for the term of Council, to act in place of the Mayor/Head of Council, to preside at meetings when the Mayor/Head of Council is absent or refuses to act or the office is vacant, and shall have all of the powers and duties of the Mayor/Head of Council."

CARRIED

7 Appointment of Council Members to Committees

Resolution No: 2022-357

Moved By: Councillor Adams

Seconded By: Councillor Grant

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES BE APPROVED FOR THE TERM OF COUNCIL OR UNTIL SUCH TIME AS COUNCIL MAKES ANOTHER APPOINTMENT:

East Nipissing Planning Board (2 appointees): Mayor Gould and Councillor Grant;

North Bay-Mattawa Conservation Authority and Source Protection Authority: Councillor (1 appointee) Councillor Moreton;

Voyageur Multi-Use Trail System Authority (1 appointee) : Councillor Adams;

Committee of Adjustment: Mayor Gould, Councillors Adams, Moreton, Grant and Latimer.

CARRIED

8 Confirmatory Bylaw

Resolution No: 2022-358

Moved By: Councillor Adams

Seconded By: Councillor Grant

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

"Bylaw 2022-067 being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of Council, its Inaugural Meeting of November 15, 2022 be read and adopted."

CARRIED

9 Adjournment

Resolution No: 2022-359

Moved By: Councillor Latimer

Seconded By: Councillor Adams

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

"The Inaugural Council Meeting of November 15, 2022, be adjourned at 7:33 P.M.."

CARRIED

9.1 Social to follow

Mayor

Municipal Clerk

7.1 CONSENT AGENDA

NEWS RELEASE

For immediate release: March 16, 2023

Think You'll Win? Know The Odds of Winning Big

NORTH BAY, ON – The North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit (Health Unit) and the Community Counselling Centre of Nipissing are relaunching *Think You'll Win?* a gambling harm reduction campaign that adds perspective to the odds of winning big. The campaign features four new scenarios that may seem unbelievable, but are statistically more likely to happen than winning big.

- Think You'll win big at roulette? You're more likely to have royal ancestry.
- Think you'll pick a perfect ½ bracket? You're more likely to have quintuplets.
- Think you'll win the next bingo round? It's more likely a player shares your birthday.
- Think you'll win at online slots? You're more likely to crack a code on the first try.

"The original campaign's lighthearted approach resonated with the community, so we expanded the campaign to highlight the odds of other forms of gambling, such as bingo and sports-betting," says Justine Mallah, Community Health Promoter at the Health Unit and Co-chair of the Gambling Harm Reduction Partnership. "Being informed about odds and how the game works before you bet are important steps to safer gambling."

Research shows that people with mistaken beliefs about the odds of winning are more likely to face gambling harms.

"Many people believe inaccurate information about gambling and odds," says Mallah. "Gambling is not a money-maker, and it is far less likely that you will win big, than you may think. For instance, think you'll win at online slots? You're more likely to crack a 4-digit code on the first try."

The rise of online gambling during COVID-19 and the relaxing of laws around sports betting sparked the campaign's expansion.

"Increased access to gambling is linked with increased risk of gambling harms to individuals and the community," Mallah adds. "Gambling for fun is not a problem, but when used as a tool for income, to pay off bills or to win back money, for example, it is a problem."

Problem gambling can affect anyone no matter their socioeconomic status. People with moderate or severe problem gambling and those close to them are more likely than the general population to experience other negative health and social impacts. The impact of problem gambling on community well-being is far reaching, with higher rates of depression, suicide, substance use disorders, homelessness, criminality and being victims or perpetrators of domestic and inter-partner violence, according to the data.

Unsure about your gambling habits? Ask yourself these questions:

- Have you needed to gamble with larger amounts of money to get the same feeling of excitement?
- Have you often gambled longer, with more money, or more frequently than you intended to?
- Have you made attempts to either cut down, control, or stop gambling?

Answered yes to any of these questions? Help is available. Call ConnexOntario at 1-866-531-2600 to get connected to a counselling service in your area.

For more information, call the Health Unit at 1-800-563-2808, or learn more at myhealthunit.ca/gambling. To access support now, call the Community Counselling Centre of Nipissing at 705-472-6515.

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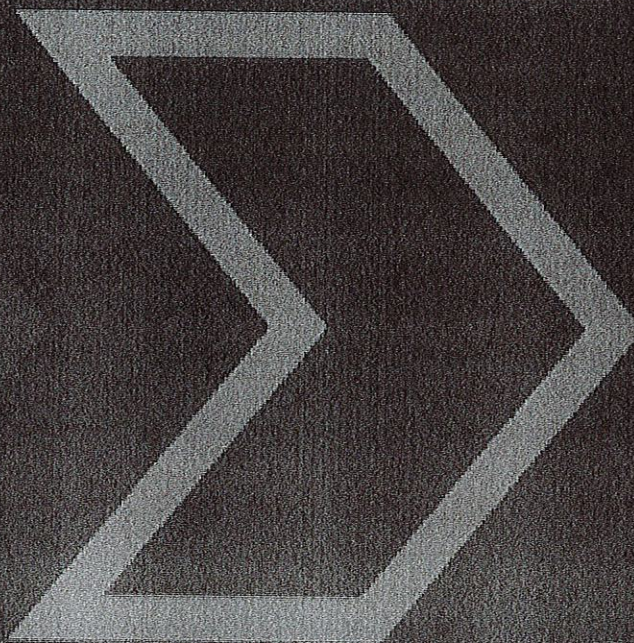
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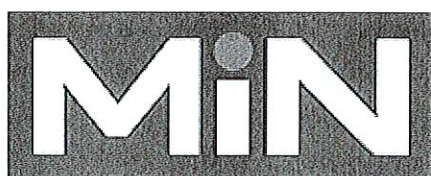
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- Daily breakfasts, refreshment breaks and lunches
- The Host City's Welcome Reception and the closing dinner event*
- Other networking opportunities
- Voting in FCM Board elections (accredited FCM Member - Elected Official delegates only)**
- Conference delegate bag
- Access to the event app

***Except for students.** Tickets for social events and companion tours MUST be purchased separately.

Companions

Your registration gets you access to:

- Trade Show Opening Reception
- Access to the trade show on Friday and Saturday from 9-11 a.m. only
- Option to access companion tours (tickets purchased separately)
- Option to attend Host City's Welcome Reception (tickets purchased separately)
- Option to attend closing dinner event (tickets purchased separately)

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MEMBER	Early Bird	Regular
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Municipal / Affiliate		
• Elected official or staff	\$985	\$1,161
NON-MEMBER		
Municipal		
• Elected official or staff	\$1,161	\$1,375
Provincial / Federal / Territorial government		
• Elected representative or staff	\$1,161	\$1,375
Exhibitor / Sponsor / Corporate partner		
<i>(Only current registered exhibitors / sponsors are eligible for these fees)</i>	\$748	\$875
Students	\$226	\$226
Important: must be full-time student and show proof of current enrollment (student ID) to		

MEMBER	Early Bird	Regular
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register. Contact registration to provide proof and get your access code to register.		
HOST CITY SOCIAL EVENTS		
Host City's Welcome Reception	\$74	\$74
Host City Reception and Closing Dinner	\$174	\$174

**13% HST will be added to your registration fee.*

Registered delegate's rights and privileges

Delegates may substitute another person from their organization to attend in their place up to 24 hours before the start of the conference. To substitute a new named delegate for a registered delegate, please **send FCM an email** to request a substitution. If a registered delegate is unable to find a substitute to take his or her place, the cancellation policy applies.

Limited registration

Registration for study tours and companion tours is limited and will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Early-bird registration

Early-bird registration ends Friday, **April 21, 2023 (11:59 p.m. EDT)**.

Payments

Registration fees must be paid in full by credit card (VISA, MasterCard or American Express) at the time of registration.

Carbon offset fees

In keeping with FCM's efforts to reduce the environmental impact of its events, all registrations automatically include an optional carbon offset fee to offset greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from air travel to the conference. The fee is calculated based on a return flight from the most populous city in your province to Toronto. 100% of this fee will be paid to Carbonzero and invested in a Canadian project that permanently retires GHG emissions. The fee is optional and should you wish to opt out, simply remove the check mark from your selections during the registration process. You will also be able to remove it by editing your selections before completing the payment.

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In keeping with the GST/HST place-of-supply rule, registration fees are taxed based on the location where the conference is held. In 2023, the conference is being held in the province of Ontario with a hybrid component; therefore, two tax rules must be adhered to. For in-person delegates, the applicable 13% HST will be applied to your registration fee. For virtual attendees, the taxes that will be applied to your registration fee will be determined by your home province or territory. Each municipality is entitled to claim the applicable input tax credit (ITC).

Registration confirmation

An email confirmation will be sent once registration has been completed and fully paid online. From your attendee profile, you will be able to modify your registration, add tickets to social events, add a companion and print a copy of your registration invoice.

Cancellation policy

Cancelling registration

If you need to cancel your registration for the Conference, you must do so in writing by **sending us an email**. Cancellation requests will **NOT** be accepted by any other means. Cancellation fees will be applied to conference registration, companion tours and social events.

Refund schedule and policy

The amount of your refund will depend on when we receive your notice of cancellation. Please consult this schedule for refund amounts:

Notice of cancellation received	Refund
By April 21 (11:59 p.m. ET)	100%
Between April 22 and May 12 (11:59 p.m. ET)	50%
On or after May 13	No refund

For cancellations received before April 22, refunds will be credited to you on the original credit card used for payment. The following information will appear on the credit card statement once the refund is completed: FCM-FED CND MUN.

After May 13, refunds will be considered for medical or personal emergencies only. Please **send us an email** to request a refund due to an emergency. For medical emergencies, you must attach a letter from your doctor. The deadline to submit these requests is June 19, 2023.

We do not issue a refund or credit for portions of the conference which you did not attend. In-person delegates who do not attend meals or social events included in the registration fee will not receive a refund equivalent to the cost of the event, even if they were not in attendance for this portion of the conference.

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ONLINE TRAINING

March 10, 2023

AMO Training: Navigating Conflict Relationships as an Elected Official

This training is an opportunity to gain skills in building collaborative relationships and negotiating difficult ones in your role as an elected municipal official.

Elected officials run for municipal office for a variety of reasons which include providing leadership, stewardship and improving their local communities.

However, municipal life is very much a people-oriented business. Elected representatives must engage in and build a wide variety of relationships including with

constituents, municipal staff, other elected officials, other orders of government and community organizations to name a few.

Not all relationships are smooth sailing and conflicts are inevitable. Sometimes the waters become choppy especially when navigating challenging relationships and conflict situations.

Having conflict-free and collaborative relationships can play a significant role in helping locally elected officials carry out their collective responsibilities as decision-makers of their communities.

During this 2-part virtual, interactive workshop, we will explore the constructs, traps and pitfalls of conflict relationships, why relationships may go wrong and how to approach, plan and execute relationships successfully using practical tips, tools and real-world examples.

Who Should Attend?

Locally elected municipal representatives.

Learning Objectives:

- The typical patterns of behaviour that give rise to creating “conflict traps” and how to escape from them
- The secrets of neuroscience and how this knowledge can give us a heads-up on what we should do in the moment
- Understanding conflict styles and how these can create obstacles or pave the way toward collaboration
- The importance of moving from a position-based to an interest-based approach in order to create a win-win, value-add relationship
- The roles of empathy and assertiveness in relationship formation
- Learning effective and practical communication tools, which include:
 - Avoiding communication blockers
 - First words to use
 - The difference between Acknowledging vs. Agreeing
 - A simple, yet powerful 4-step technique to assist in having better and more collaborative conversations

Dates:

This is a two-day workshop running from 10:00am -12:30pm each day.

June 14 - 15, 2023

Registration:

- Registration Fee*: \$200 + HST
- Limited to 20 participants (first come, first served)

- ****A cancellation fee of \$75 applies.****

[Click here to learn more and register!](#)

Session Facilitator: Sharad Kerur



Sharad Kerur created and leads Resolution Pathways as its CEO which assists people and organizations to resolve conflicts.

Sharad has a Bachelor of Commerce (Honours) and Master of Industrial Relations from Queen's University, with a focus on negotiation theory and alternative dispute resolution methods.

For over 30 years, Sharad held senior level positions in the union and association sectors. His most recent positions was Executive Director of the Ontario Non-Profit Housing Association (ONPHA), Canada's largest non-profit housing association. As a result, he has a strong grasp on the "business" of non-profit organizations and associations, as well as real-world experience in both negotiation and mediation.

Sharad also obtained a Certificate in Mediating Disputes and a Certificate in Negotiating Difficult Conversations from the Harvard Negotiation Institute (Harvard Law School) and also holds a Certificate in Dispute Resolution and an Advanced Certificate in Dispute Resolution, both from the University of York (located in Toronto).

Sharad holds a Q.Med (Qualified Mediator) designation from the ADR Institute of Ontario, is an accredited C.C.Med (Chartered Community Mediator) from the Ontario Community Mediation Coalition, is a CINERGY® Certified Conflict Management Coach, and is a Certified Workplace Fairness Analyst as accredited by the Workplace Fairness Institute of Canada.

He has also obtained a Certificate in Civil Procedures for Non-Lawyer Mediators from the ADR institute of Ontario.

Currently he is on the Community Mediation Roster and Associate Mediation Roster with St. Stephen's Community House (Conflict Resolution & Training), where he has also served as an instructor in their mediation and conflict resolution training programs and the mediation roster for the Office of the Independent Police Review Director (OIPRD).

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ONLINE TRAINING

March 9, 2023

AMO Land Use Planning Training for Elected Officials

AMO has developed two land use planning training sessions to support elected officials in understanding your roles and responsibilities on land use planning and decision making.

If you are new to the world of land use planning and municipal governance, we recommend both courses to ensure a strong foundation for strategic decision making.

1. *Foundations in Planning for Elected Officials*

Foundations in Planning for Elected Officials provides an interactive and engaging session that familiarizes participants with legislation, processes and provides real life examples to give a deep understanding and insight into important planning matters.

Participants will learn and understand:

- The need and importance of planning
- The planning hierarchy (policy, legislation, regulations etc.)

- The process and timelines of planning.

This half day session will walk you through important elements such as:

- Committee of Adjustment application
- The Community Planning Permit System
- Ministers Zoning Orders.
- Zoning applications using a planners report that deals with an official plan amendment
- Zoning amendments
- Site plans
- and so much more

Foundations in Planning for Elected Officials prepares participants for AMO's 2.0 planning training: Advanced Land Use Planning a Deeper Dive.

Register [here](#).

2. *Advanced Land Use Planning – A Deeper Dive*

AMO's land use planning 2.0 training is designed to support Ontario's elected officials in the strategic decision making and management of the many facets of land use planning.

Land Use Planning - A Deeper Dive, will develop your skill on addressing complex planning matters that rely on political acuity and provide you with skill to apply this to the planning challenges you face at the local level. Building on our **Foundations in Planning for Elected Officials**, this course strategically examines the planning process and the complexities that people can bring to the process. Over three hours, participants will engage in case studies and real-life examples that are examined through instructor lead instruction and group discussion.

For more information and to register, click [here](#).

AMO's training is offered in a virtual environment and designed for elected officials.

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Subject: Resolution Declaring Intimate Partner Violence and Violence Against Women an Epidemic

Good afternoon,

Please be advised that at their meeting of March 7, 2023, the Council of the Town of Carleton Place passed the following motion:

Lanark County Interval House and Community Support

Motion No. 04-134-04

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Tennant

Seconded by: Councillor Comley

THAT the Town of Carleton Place recognizes the issues of violence in rural communities as serious to the health and wellness of local families; and

THAT the Town of Carleton Place recognizes the rural Renfrew County inquest as important to all rural communities; and

THAT based on the statistics of 4815 crisis calls and service provision to 527 women and children in our local community, the Council of the Town of Carleton Place declares IPV (intimate partner violence)/VAW (violence against women) an epidemic as per recommendation #1 of the Renfrew County jury recommendations; and

THAT this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

CARRIED

Kind Regards,
Stacey Blair, B.A., Dipl. M.A.

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March 10, 2023

Good day,

Ontario is taking continued action to streamline and modernize its almost 50-year-old environmental assessment (EA) process that is not reflective of best practices, unnecessarily burdensome and costly. We are proposing sensible, practical changes that would continue to provide strong environmental oversight while reducing delays to get shovels in the ground on projects that matter most to Ontario communities.

Today, on behalf of the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, I am writing to let you know about our latest efforts to modernize the environmental assessment (EA) program in Ontario.

As the next step in this work, we are seeking your feedback on the following postings:

- [Moving to a project list approach under the Environmental Assessment Act](#)
- [Evaluating municipal class environmental assessment requirements for infrastructure projects](#)
- [Improving timelines for comprehensive environmental assessments](#)

Please note: we are seeking comments on these postings by May 9, 2023.

If you have any questions or comments about the postings, you may contact the Environmental Assessment Modernization Team at: EAModernization.MECP@ontario.ca.

We value your feedback and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "A. Cross".

Annamaria Cross
Director, Environmental Assessment Modernization Branch
Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks