

# Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin



## REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

Date: Nov 12, 2024 Time: 6:00 p.m.

1355 Peddlers Drive, Calvin, ON

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

### 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

### 3. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY OR CONFLICT OF INTEREST

### 4. APPROVAL OF SPECIAL AND REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF October 29, 2024

### 5. DELEGATIONS TO COUNCIL – None

### 6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS

- 6.1 Support for Resolution, Town of Blue Mountains-Establishment of an Ontario Rural Road Safety Program
- 6.2 Support for Resolution, Municipality of St. Charles and Municipality of Wawa-Support Ontario's Forest Sector

### 7. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES

- 7.1 North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit- Perspectives from Northern Ontario

### 8. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

- 8.1 Chief Building Inspector Report, October 2024

### 9. AGENCIES, BOARDS, COMMITTEES- Councillor Reports

- 9.1 North Bay Mattawa Conservation Authority – Councillor Moreton
- 9.2 East Nipissing Planning Board- Councillor Grant.
- 9.3 Physician Recruitment -Mayor Gould
- 9.4 OPP Detachment Board - Mayor Gould, Councillor Grant
- 9.5 Canadian Ecology Centre – Mayor Gould

### 10. CLOSED MEETING to discuss:

- Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal employees (s.239(2) (b))
- Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality (s. 239(2)(e))
- Advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose (s.239(2)(f))

### 11. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

### 12. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

### 13. ADJOURNMENT.



### Council Member's Declaration of Pecuniary or Conflict of Interest

Pursuant to Subsection 5.1, of the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*, R.S.O. 1990 and the Municipality of Calvin Code of Conduct (in force and effect on March 1, 2019), Council members must complete this form prior to the Council meeting at which they will be making a declaration of pecuniary or conflict of interest, direct or indirect. Each member who is declaring a pecuniary/conflict of interest shall read the statement at the appropriate time during the applicable meeting, then provide this written statement to the Clerk.

Declaration:

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (Print Full Name), declare a pecuniary/conflict of interest in Item \_\_\_\_\_ Item Title \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ Council agenda. \_\_\_\_\_ (Date of Council Meeting)

I am making this declaration because (General nature of pecuniary/conflict of interest): \_\_\_\_\_

I confirm that I will not vote on the matter, I will not take part in discussion on any question in respect of the matter, and I will not attempt in any way whether before, during or after the meeting to influence the voting on any such question.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk's Acknowledgement:

Received on \_\_\_\_\_ (Date) by \_\_\_\_\_ (Print Name)

Signature of Clerk or Designate \_\_\_\_\_



**Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin**  
**MINUTES of Special Meeting of Council – Casselholme**  
**October 29, 2024, 5:00 p.m. Council Chambers**

**In attendance:** Mayor Gould, Councillors Grant, Latimer, Manson, Moreton; **Staff:** CAO Maitland, Administrative Assistant Araujo

**Guests:** Casselholme Staff: William Brooks, Angie Punnett and Dave Smits.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**Resolution Number:** 2024-355  
**Moved By:** Councillor Moreton  
**Seconded By:** Councillor Grant  
Now THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this October 29, 2024, Special Meeting of Council be called to order @ 5:01 p.m. and note quorum has been achieved.  
**Result: Carried**

**2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**Resolution Number:** 2024-356  
**Moved By:** Councillor Moreton  
**Seconded By:** Councillor Grant  
Now THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin hereby approves the agenda as circulated.  
**Result: Carried**

**3. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY OR CONFLICT OF INTEREST - NONE**

**4. CASSELLHOLME PRESENTATION**

**Resolution Number:** 2024-357  
**Moved By:** Councillor Moreton  
**Seconded By:** Councillor Manson  
Now THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin has received and accepts the Casselholme presentation.  
**Result: Carried**

**5. Confirmatory By-Law**

**By-Law # 2024-62 Resolution Number:** 2024-358  
**Moved By:** Councillor Manson  
**Seconded By:** Councillor Moreton  
Now THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 2024- being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of Council be approved.  
**Result: Carried**

**12. Adjournment**

**Resolution Number:** 2024-359  
**Moved By:** Councillor Latimer  
**Seconded By:** Councillor Manson  
Now THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin now be adjourned @ 5:55 p.m.  
**Result: Carried**





**Attendance:** Mayor Gould, Councillors Grant, Latimer, Manson and Moreton, CAO Mattiand, Fire Chief Labreche, Public Works Carr, CEMC Daniel, Administrative Assistant Araujo (clerking meeting)

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**Moved By:** Councillor Manson

**Resolution Number: 2024-360**  
**Seconded By:** Councillor Grant

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** this October 29, 2024, Regular Meeting of Council be called to order @ 6:15 p.m. and note quorum has been achieved.

**Result: Carried**

**2. Approve Agenda**

**Moved By:** Councillor Moreton

**Resolution Number: 2024-361**  
**Seconded By:** Councillor Manson

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin hereby approves the agenda as circulated.

**Result: Carried**

**3. Declarations of Disqualifying Interest (Pecuniary)**

3.1 Councillor Grant, 8.6 Beaver Management, Reason: works for a company that provides these services  
3.2 Councillor Grant 8.5 Road Use Agreements, Reason: to avoid any conflict on existing agreements with family members.

**4. Approve Minutes**

**Moved By:** Councillor Moreton

**Resolution Number: 2024-362**  
**Seconded By:** Councillor Latimer

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the minutes for the Regular Council Meeting of October 15, 2024, be approved as presented and circulated.

**Result: Carried**

**5. Delegations-None**



**Result: Carried**

Now THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin has received and accepts the Fire Chief report.

**Moved By:** Councillor Moreton  
**Seconded By:** Councillor Latimer

**Resolution Number: 2024-365**

**7.2.1 To Accept the Fire Chief Report**

**7.2 Fire Chief Report**

**Result: Carried**

Now THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin receive and accept the CAO report dated October 21, 2024, titled, INFORMATION: 2025 Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF) 2025 allocation.

**Moved By:** Councillor Grant  
**Seconded By:** Councillor Moreton

**Resolution Number: 2024-364**

**7.1.1 To Accept the CAO Report**

**7.1 CAO Report INFORMATION: 2025 Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF) 2025 allocation.**

**7. Administrative Matters**

**Result: Carried**

And that items #7 & 9 brought forward to the next regular meeting of Council

1. Ontario Forest Industries Association's 2025 Ontario Budget.
2. News Release-Ontario Government is proposing restrictions/changes.  
Link: <https://news.ontario.ca/en/release/1005176/ontario-fighting-gridlock-and-making-life-easier-for-drivers?s=09>
3. Concerns with the Transport and Deposition of Naturally Occurring Radioactive Material (NORM) at the Agnew Lake Tailings Management Area (ALMA).
4. AMO Land Use Planning Training for Elected Officials.
5. North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit -Sept 25, 2024, Approved Minutes
6. Municipality of St. Charles, Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan, Municipality of Callendar- Urging the Government to Promptly Resume Tax Assessment Cycle.
7. Support for Resolution, Municipality of St. Charles and Municipality of Wawa-Support Ontario's Forest Sector.
8. Support for Resolution, Municipality of St. Charles and the City of St. Catharines-Green Roads Pilot Project.
9. Support for Resolution, Town of Blue Mountains-Establishment of an Ontario Rural Road Safety Program.

**Correspondence for Information:**

Now THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin hereby receive the Consent Agenda items as follows,

**Moved By:** Councillor Manson  
**Seconded By:** Councillor Moreton  
**Resolution Number: 2024-363**

**6. Consent Agenda Items for Information Purposes**

That Mayor Gould will represent the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin at this service, and that Staff be instructed to purchase a wreath from the Mattawa Legion at a cost of under \$110.

**Secended By:** Councillor Moreton

**Resolution Number: 2024-366**

**7.3.1 Moved By:** Councillor Manson

**7.3 Mattawa Legion Remembrance Day Service**

That the motion presented be amended to read Mayor Gould will represent the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin at this service, and that Staff be instructed to purchase a wreath from the Mattawa Legion at a cost of **approximately \$110**.

**Secended By:** Councillor Manson

**Resolution Number: 2024-367**

**Moved By:** Mayor Gould

**7.3.2**

**Result: Amend request**

**Result: Carried**

**8. Business Arising from Previous Council Meetings -None**

**8.1 Support Kettle Creek Conservation Authority RE: Phasing out free water testing - No Action**

**8.2 CAO Report-Bonfield Public Library Services Agreement**

**8.2.1 To Accept the CAO Report**

**Resolution Number: 2024-368**

**Secended By:** Councillor Moreton

**Moved By:** Councillor Grant

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin has received and accepts the CAO Report titled, Follow up: Bonfield Public Library Services Agreement.

**Result: Carried**

**8.2.2 By-Law 2024-63 Bonfield Public Library Services Agreement--Resolution Number: 2024-369**

**Moved By:** Councillor Moreton

**Secended By:** Councillor Manson

Whereas by Resolution 2024-328, Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin directed staff to enter into an Agreement with the Bonfield Public Library for the 2025 fiscal year and request from the Province that as a result of the Agreement, Ontario Library Service Grant funds be directed to the Bonfield Public Library,

And whereas, the granting of these funds is conditional upon Ontario Library Services (OLS) receiving and accepting a fully executed Library Service Agreement between the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin and the Bonfield Public Library for the balance of 2024-25 fiscal year, and for the 2025-26 fiscal year, with renewal and cancellation options, effective the date it is fully executed by both parties,

That Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin hereby accept the CAO's recommendation to enter into a library services agreement with the Bonfield Public Library, the terms and conditions outlined in the Agreement presented to Council this 29<sup>th</sup> day of October 2024 and attached hereto.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin hereby approves this By-Law 2024-63 to be read, enacted and passed this 29<sup>th</sup> day of October 2024.

1. That the Mayor and CAO are designated as the Signing Officers and are

authorized to execute on behalf of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin.



That the motion presented to be amended to read: Whereas Emergency Management Ontario will be hosting a half-day, regional tabletop exercise one which requires the participation of all personnel who work in the office.

Moved By: Councillor Grant  
Seconded By: Councillor Moreton

**8.4.2.1. Resolution Number: 2024-372**

**8.4.2 Emergency Management Ontario and Annual Tabletop Exercise-Training Date**

**Result: Carried**

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin has received and accepts the CAO Report titled Emergency Management Ontario and Annual Tabletop Exercise.

Moved By: Councillor Grant  
Seconded By: Councillor Moreton

**8.4.1 To Accept the CAO Report Resolution Number: 2024-371**

**8.4 CAO Report-Emergency Management Ontario and Annual Tabletop Exercise**

**Result: Carried**

Now therefore be it resolved that Council accepts the revised budget as notional recognizing there may be additional costs to support unforeseen expenses such as insurance. Staff is directed to pay levies charged to the Municipality including its share of any amendments to the budget presented.

And whereas our CAO has confirmed this to be the case with our insurer,

And whereas since receipt of this correspondence, it has been brought to the Board's attention that the Board must obtain its own liability insurance policy, one which would cover elected Officials who represent their Councils on this Board, an expense not considered in this revised budget,

Whereas Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin received correspondence dated Oct 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024, from the Mattawa Police Services Board, correspondence which includes the Board's revised 2024-25 budget and work plan,

Moved By: Councillor Grant  
Seconded By: Councillor Manson

**Resolution Number: 2024-370**

**8.3 Mattawa Police Services Board-Revised 2024-25 Budget and Workplan**

**Result: Carried**

2. That the attached Agreement be hereto and form part and parcel of this By-Law.
3. That any other By-law inconsistent with this By-Law is hereby repealed.
4. This By-Law shall be enacted and in effect upon the signing thereof.



AND WHEREAS in the absence of a Public Works Superintendent the time allowed to produce such guidelines was extended into October 2024;

WHEREAS resolution 2024-98, passed and carried at the Council meeting on March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024 resolved that in the absence of any process, policy or by-law that outline the circumstances under which Council will receive or consider requests for seasonal road use or maintenance agreements for municipal roads not maintained all year long by the Municipality, that staff be directed to research and bring forth to Council before August 2024, guidelines and policies which would establish formal processes and conditions under which the Council might consider such requests, it is understood this research will be comprehensive and will necessitate staff collaboration with our insurer, planner of record and legal department,

Moved By: Councillor Moreton  
Seconded By: Councillor Manson

**8.5.3. Revised Recommendation**  
Resolution Number: 2024- 376

To amend the resolution to remove confusing wording in the motion presented from Municipality of Calvin to remove the language to allow road use agreements--to-- Municipality of Calvin to allow road use agreements.

Moved By: Councillor Moreton  
Seconded By: Councillor Manson

**8.5.2. Recommendations**  
Resolution Number: 2024- 375

Result: Carried  
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin has received and accepts the Public Works Superintendent Report titled, Road Use Agreements.

Moved By: Councillor Manson  
Seconded By: Councillor Latimer

**8.5.1 To Accept the Public Works Superintendent Report**  
Resolution Number: 2024- 374

**8.5 Public Works Superintendent Report-Road Use Agreements**

Result : Carried as Amended from full day to half day

Whereas Emergency Management Ontario will be facilitating a full day, regional table top exercise, one which requires the participation of all personnel who work in the office,  
And whereas there will be no backup for this staff to attend to telephones or in-person visitors,  
Now therefore it be resolved, that once Emergency Management Ontario confirms the training date, that public notice be posted to notify residents of the office closure on the training date.

Moved By: Councillor Grant  
Seconded By: Councillor Moreton

**8.4.2.2**  
Resolution Number: 2024- 373

Result: Carried

**Result: Carried**

has received and accepts the Public Works Superintendent Report titled, Beaver Management. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin

Seconded By: Councillor Latimer

Resolution Number: 2024- 377

Moved By: Councillor Moreton

8.6.1 To Accept the Report

Councillor Grant having declared a conflict left the meeting

8.6 Public Works Superintendent Report-Beaver Management

**Result: Carried as amended**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Council of the Municipality of Calvin accepts this recommendation.

AND FURTHERMORE, the Council directs staff to seek cost/benefit analysis of assuming the "seasonal roads" that have residential development for year-round maintenance;

AND FURTHERMORE, that existing road use agreements be amended to provide less exposure of risk to the Municipality and be reviewed by the Municipal Lawyer;

roads;

road use agreements for providing future residential development on seasonal, unassumed or private Official Plan and the Comprehensive Zoning By-Law 2022-19 for the Municipality of Calvin that allows Amendment and an Official Plan amendment to remove language in the East Nipissing Planning Board THEREFORE, the Public Works Superintendent recommends to Council to apply for a Zoning

Municipality of Calvin;

AND WHEREAS mention for exceptions of road use agreements in the Official Plan and Zoning By-Law creates ambiguity for the East Nipissing Planning Board, the Chief Building Official and the Council of the

round by a public authority;

AND WHEREAS the Zoning By-Law 2022-19 and the East Nipissing Planning Board Official Plan provides direction that shall not permit residential development on a street that is not maintained year-

AND WHEREAS the Public Works Superintendent in collaboration with the CAO has investigated the issuance of road use maintenance agreements on seasonal roads,



**8.6.2 Recommendations**

**Moved By:** Councillor Moreton

**Seconded By:** Councillor Manson

WHEREAS the Public Works Superintendent discussed the need for the need for a Beaver Dam and Nuisance Beaver By-Law at the Council meeting on September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024;

AND WHEREAS the Public Works Superintendent with consultation of the CAO, has prepared a draft By-Law for the purpose of discussion for Council and that changes were made as a result of that discussion;

AND FURTHERMORE, the Public Works Superintendent recommends to Council to adopt the By-Law and that the By-Law be forwarded to Provincial Offences Office for approval of set fines.

**Result: Carried**

**8.6.3 By-Law 2024-64 Management of Beavers and Beaver Dam Policy**

**Resolution Number: 2024- 379**

**Moved By:** Councillor Moreton

**Seconded By:** Councillor Latimer

WHEREAS pursuant to Section 10(1) and 10(2) of the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended, the "Municipal Act" authorizes a single-tiered municipality to provide any service or thing that the municipality considers necessary or desirable for the public, and a single tiered municipality may pass by-laws respecting the following matters; Public Assets of the municipality acquired for the purpose of exercising its authority under this act or any other act, the health and safety and well being of persons, protection of property including consumer protection and animals;

AND WHEREAS Sections 8(3)(4) and 31(1) of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act, 1997, S.O. 1997,c.41, as amended, authorizes a person or the agent of a person, to damage or destroy a beaver dam to protect the person's property, and if a person believes on reasonable grounds that wildlife is damaging or is about to damage the person's property, the person may, on the person's land, (a) harass the wildlife for the purpose of deterring it from damaging the person's property; or (b) capture or kill the wildlife. 1997, c.41, s.31(1);

AND WHEREAS Section 80(1)(2) of the Drainage Act, TR.S.O. 1990, cD.17 as amended from time to time, beaver dams constructed on private property and the damage they may cause due to flooding, breaches and related hazards to drainage are the responsibility of the private property owner;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin believes it to be in the public interest to regulate and control flooding that may be caused by beaver dams in order to protect public infrastructure and the health and safety of the public;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin hereby approves this By-Law 2024- 64 to be read, enacted and passed this 29<sup>th</sup> day of October 2024.

1. That the Mayor and CAO are designated as the Signing Officers and are authorized to execute on behalf of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin.
2. That the attached Agreement be hereto and form part and parcel of this By-Law.



**Results: Carried**

**8.8.1 To Accept the CAO/CEMC Report**  
 Moved By: Councillor Grant  
 Secoded By: Councillor Manson  
 Resolution Number: 2024-381

Now THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin has received and accepts the CAO/Community Emergency Management Coordinator (CEMC) report to Council – Emergency Management Program Committee & Municipal Emergency Control Group Update, dated October 23, 2024, as presented.

**8.8 CAO/Community Emergency Management Coordinator (CEMC) report to Council – Emergency Management Program Committee & Municipal Emergency Control Group Updates**

**Result: Carried**

WHEREAS during the Regular Meeting on September 24, 2024, Council received, discussed and considered the CAO and Chief Building Official Reports relating to building inspection fees, an amendment to By-Law 2019-027, AND WHEREAS Council decided during this meeting to increase the fees by 5% rounded to the nearest \$5 except for new buildings and building without a permit by Resolution 2024-325, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council has received the Draft By-Law with the agreed fee increase, approves the changes, and directs staff to proceed as previously directed to promote a public consultation regarding the proposed revised building inspection service fees.

**Secoded By: Councillor Moreton**

**Moved By: Councillor Manson**

**Resolution Number: 2024-380**

**8.7 Amendment to By-Law 2019-027 Building Procedures, Permits and Fees**

**Councillor Grant returned to the meeting**

**Result: Carried**

3. That any other By-law inconsistent with this By-Law is hereby repealed.
4. This By-Law shall be enacted and in effect upon the signing thereof.

Moved By: Councillor Moreton

Resolution Number: 2024-384

8.8.4

Submitted by: Julie Daniel, CEMC

Donna Maitland, CAO

And furthermore, that 1355 Peddlers Dr. be named as the Municipality of Calvin's Emergency Operations Centre and as the Emergency Reception Area.

- Fire Chief (backup: Deputy Fire Chief)
  - Public Works Supervisor (backup: Associate to the Public Works Supervisor)
  - Deputy Clerk acting as Scribe (backup: Landfill Attendant D. Albright)
  - Administration Assistant acting as Finance Coordinator (backup: Landfill Attendant D. Albright)
  - Clerk)
  - Municipal Labourer acting as Emergency Information Officer (EIO) (J. Daniel) - (backup: Deputy CAO acting as Emergency Operation Centre (EOC) Commander (backup: CEMC)
  - CEMC (backup: citizen W. Moreton)
  - Head of Council (backup: Deputy Mayor)
- And furthermore, that the following be named to the Emergency Management Control Group (MECG):

And that the CEMC act as the Chairperson for this committee (backup: CAO).

- Head of Council
  - Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)
  - Community Emergency Management Coordinator (CEMC)
  - Public Works Supervisor
  - Fire Chief
- Now THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT That Council for the corporation of the Municipality of Calvin designate the following persons/positions, to the Emergency Management Program Committee (EMPC):

Moved By: Councillor Moreton

Resolution Number: 2024-383

8.8.3 EMPC Designations

Result: Carried

And furthermore, that the Mayor action the communication of this item to neighboring municipality(ies).  
Calvin dedicated to these committees and to the Municipality of Calvin,

Now THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin accept the Emergency Management Program Committee's recommendation that the Municipality of Calvin have its own emergency management plan, planning committee and control group with persons employed by

Moved By: Councillor Moreton

Resolution Number: 2024-382

8.8.2 EMP Committee Recommendation

- Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal employees (s.239(2)(b)).
- Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality (s. 239 (2) (d))

That Council for the Municipality of Calvin return to Open Session at 9:26 p.m. and report that it received and discussed information of the following nature:

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT,**

**Moved by:** Councillor Manson

**Resolution Number: 2024-386**

**10.2- Return to Open Session**

**Result: Carried**

- Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal employees (s.239(2)(b)).
- Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality (s. 239 (2) (d))

Pursuant to s.239 of the Municipal Act, 2001 to discuss;

Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin hereby move into closed session at 8:26 p.m. to discuss,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT,**

**Moved by:** Councillor Moreton

**Resolution Number: 2024-385**

**10.1- Move into Closed Session**

**10. Closed Meeting**

- 9.1 North Bay Mattawa Conservation Authority**  
Board Member-Councillor Moreton.
- 9.2 East Nipissing Planning Board**  
Board Member-Councillor Grant.
- 9.3 Physician Recruitment**  
Board Member-Mayor Gould.
- 9.4 OPP Detachment Board**  
Board Member-Councillor Grant.

**Result: Carried**

That the verbal report presented by the CEMC provided new information impacting the motion therefore should be amended to read: **And furthermore**, that 1355 Peddler Dr. be named as the Municipality of Calvin's Emergency Operations Centre and as the Emergency Reception Area, and the Canadian Ecology Centre will be the alternate location for both as well as an emergency evacuation centre.



**12. Adjournment**  
 Resolution Number: 2024-388  
 Moved By: Councillor Moreton  
 Secoded By: Councillor Manson  
 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin now be adjourned @ 9:27 p.m.  
 Result: Carried

**11. Confirmatory By-Law**  
 By-Law # 2024-65  
 Moved By: Councillor Moreton  
 Secoded By: Councillor Manson  
 Resolution Number: 2024-387  
 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 2024-65 being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of Council be approved.  
 Result: Carried

Result: Carried

# Good Roads

**From:** Scott Butler <scott@goodroads.ca>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 9, 2024 12:07 PM  
**To:** Town Clerk <townclerk@thebluemountains.ca>  
**Subject:** Establishment of an Ontario Rural Road Safety Program

Wednesday, October 09, 2024

To: Town of The Blue Mountains Head of Council and Council Members

Sent via email to: townclerk@thebluemountains.ca

**Subject: Establishment of an Ontario Rural Road Safety Program**

Too many Ontarians are being seriously injured or killed on our roads. In 2023, there were 616 people killed and 36,090 people injured. The number of fatalities is up nearly 20% in the last ten years.

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

At the same time, municipal insurance premiums continue to increase. With no plausible reform being considered for joint and several liability, municipalities need to find innovative means for managing risk, particularly on their roadways. To deal with this crisis, Good Roads has designed a multifaceted rural road safety program and have been in discussions with the Ministry of Transportation to fund it. The program would target a municipality's most dangerous roads, perform road safety audits, and install modern safety infrastructure that prevents serious injuries and save lives. This program is designed to be cost effective while also providing rural municipalities with a direct means for addressing risk associated with their roadways.

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

Good Roads is seeking support to address these preventable tragedies.

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

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

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

AND WHEREAS, rural, northern, and remote municipalities are fiscally strained by maintaining

extensive road networks on a smaller tax base;

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

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

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

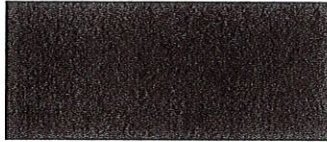
FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Hon. Prabmeet

Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, Hon. King Surma, Minister of Infrastructure, Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture, Hon. Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs, Hon. Trevor Jones, Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response, and Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, and Good Roads; and

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

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

Sincerely,



Antoine Boucher

President

Good Roads Board of Directors

Executive Director

Scott R. Butler





The Town of The Blue Mountains  
Council Meeting

Scott R. Butler, Executive Director, Ontario Good Roads Association and Antoine Boucher, President, Ontario Good Roads Board of Directors  
Monday, October 21, 2024

Date:

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay  
Seconded by: Councillor Maxwell

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the correspondence of Scott R. Butler, Executive Director, Ontario Good Roads Association and Antoine Boucher, President, Ontario Good Roads Board of Directors Re: Request for Council Consideration of Support for Resolution regarding the Establishment of an Ontario Rural Road Safety Program;

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

AND WHEREAS, despite only having 17% of the population, 55% of the road fatalities occur on rural roads; AND WHEREAS, rural, northern, and remote municipalities are fiscally strained by maintaining extensive road networks on a smaller tax base;

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

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

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

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

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

YES: 6 NO: 0 CONFLICT: 0 ABSENT: 1

The motion is Carried

YES: 6

Mayor Matrosovs Councillor Ardiel Councillor Hope Councillor Maxwell  
Councillor McKinlay Councillor Porter

NO: 0

CONFLICT: 0  
ABSENT: 1

Deputy Mayor Bordignon



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June 19, 2024

The Hon. Graydon Smith  
Minister of Natural Resources  
Whitney Block  
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The Hon. Nolan Quinn  
Associate Minister of Forestry  
Whitney Block  
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Submitted via email.

**Re: Immediate Action Needed To Support Ontario's Forest Sector**

Minister Graydon Smith and Associate Minister Nolan Quinn,

Congratulations on your recent appointments within Premier Doug Ford's Cabinet. The Ontario Forest Industries Association (OFIA) looks forward to our productive and continued work together.

Over the last six months, three of Ontario's six pulp and paper mills have permanently closed or idled. Adding to the issue was the closure of a critical softwood pulp market in Quebec. As you know, these facilities served as important consumers of solid-wood byproducts from Ontario sawmills.

The OFIA appreciates the many opportunities we have had to speak with you and senior leadership within Ontario's Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) and Premier's Office. This includes in-person meetings with members of OFIA's Board Executive Committee on January 19<sup>th</sup>, March 19<sup>th</sup>, and May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024. During these meetings, the OFIA presented short and long-term actions Ontario could take to address the regional chip and pulpwood market crisis endorsed by the OFIA membership (incl.).

The industry eagerly anticipates government action on this matter, as operating conditions for many have continued to worsen over the past six months. Combined with weak markets for some finished products, many companies struggle to continue their operations. We are now facing an unprecedented challenge in the sector, which could have negative and long-lasting implications for northern and rural communities across Ontario.

Without immediate action in response to OFIA recommendations and, critically, the vetting of potential solutions through the industry to ensure programs truly meet the sector's needs, we fear Ontario could face further curtailments, job losses, and lost economic opportunity.

The OFIA is ready to work with the Ontario government to set the forest products sector on a long-term and stable path towards economic development and prosperity. This includes our



vision of a *Forest Energy Directive* to develop bioheat, district heating, liquid fuels, renewable gases, biocarbon, and electricity generation projects, supporting Ontario's massive forecasted growth in non-emitting energy demands.

We urge you and your colleagues to continue supporting all measures targeting the immediate challenges the Ontario forest sector faces and look forward to future discussions with you.

Sincerely,



Ian Dunn, R.P.F.

President & CEO

Ontario Forest Industries Association

Cell: 647-297-3827

Incl. March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Slide Deck – Summary of Input from the Membership – OFIA Meeting  
with the Hon. Graydon Smith

May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Slide Deck – Ontario Forest Energy Directive

CC

The Hon. Caroline Mulroney, President of the Treasury Board

The Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance

The Hon. Vic Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade

The Hon. Greg Rickford, Minister of Northern Development and Indigenous Affairs

The Hon. George Pirie, Minister of Mines

The Hon. Steven Lecce, Minister of Energy and Electrification

The Hon. Sam Oosterhoff, Associate Minister of Energy Intensive Industries

The Hon. Todd Smith, Minister of Education

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

MPP John Yakabuski, Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Energy

MPP Kevin Holland, Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Mines

Deputy Minister Drew Vanderduin, Ministry of Natural Resources

OFIA Membership



The Corporation of the Municipality of St. Charles  
RESOLUTION PAGE

Regular Meeting of Council



Agenda Number: 8.6

Resolution Number 2024-367

Title: Resolution Stemming from August 14, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council - Item 7.1  
- Correspondence #10

Date:

October 16, 2024

Moved by:

Councillor Pothier

Seconded by:

Councillor Lafframboise

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of St-Charles hereby supports Resolution #RC24168 passed by the Municipality of Wawa, regarding Immediate Action Needed to Support Ontario's Forest Sector;  
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Premier Doug Ford; the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, Graydon Smith; the Minister of Northern Development, Greg Rickford; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); our local Member of Provincial Parliament (MPP); and all Ontario Municipalities.

CARRIED

*[Handwritten signature]*  
MAYOR

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION



Tuesday, July 23, 2024

Resolution # RC24168	Moved by: <i>M. Hatfield</i>
Meeting Order: 11	Seconded by: <i>Cathy Cannon</i>

WHEREAS Council of the Municipality of Wawa received correspondence from the Ontario Forest Industries Association dated June 19, 2024 regarding Immediate Action Needed to Support Ontario's Forest Sector;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa does hereby receive and support the correspondence dated June 19, 2024 from the Ontario Forest Industries Association and urges the Ontario government support all measures targeting the immediate challenges the Ontario Forest sector faces.

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

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof.

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

Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_

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





October 10, 2024

RECEIVED  
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By name

SENT ELECTRONICALLY

Dr. Kieran Moore  
Chief Medical Officer of Health and Assistant Deputy Minister  
College Park, 5<sup>th</sup> Flr, 777 Bay St.  
Toronto, Ontario M7A 2J3  
The Honourable Sylvia Jones  
Minister of Health / Deputy Premier  
777 Bay Street, College Park, 5th Floor  
Toronto, Ontario M7A 2J3  
Dear Dr. Moore, and Minister Jones,

**Re: Perspectives from Northern Ontario for the Public Health Funding Review**

As its meeting on September 25, 2024, the Board of Health for the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit carried the following resolution #BOH/2024/09/05:

*Whereas, the Office of the Chief Medical Officer of Health and the Ministry of Health are undertaking a review of the funding approach for local public health agencies; and*

*Whereas, many factors such as the geography, dispersed population, and less robust infrastructure and service availability in northern Ontario drive up the cost of delivering public health services; and*

*Whereas, residents of northern Ontario in general have poorer health outcomes compared to their southern counterparts, including a more than 50% higher average avoidable mortality rate, and a 300% higher rate of opioid-related deaths; and*

*Whereas, the Perspectives from Northern Ontario on the Public Health Funding Review letter outlines many of the equity considerations related to the funding approach for local public health agencies in northern Ontario;*

*Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Board of Health for the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit endorses the aforementioned letter; and*

*Furthermore Be It Resolved, that copies of this resolution and the letter be sent to the Dr. Kieran Moore (Chief Medical Officer of Health), the Honourable Sylvia Jones (Ontario Minister of Health), Elizabeth Walker (Executive Lead, Office of the Chief Medical Officer of Health), Boards of Health of Ontario, the Honourable Vic Fedeli (MPP,*

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*Nipissing), the Honourable Graydon Smith (MPP, Muskoka-Parry Sound), and the Honourable John Vanthof (MPP, Timiskaming-Cochrane), Association of Municipalities of Ontario, The District of Parry Sound Municipal Association, and member municipalities.*

Sincerely,

*[Signature]*  
Rick Champagne (Oct 29, 2024 14:03 EDT)

Rick Champagne  
Chairperson, Board of Health

Carol Zimbalati, M.D., CCFP, MPH  
Medical Officer of Health/Executive Officer

*[Signature]*  
Dr. Carol Zimbalati (Oct 9, 2024 10:22 EDT)

Enclosure: Perspectives from Northern Ontario for the Public Health Funding Review

Copy to:

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Vic Fedeli, MPP, Nipissing  
Graydon Smith, MPP, Muskoka-Parry Sound  
John Vanthof, MPP, Timiskaming-Cochrane  
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August 16, 2024

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**To:** Kieran Moore  
Chief Medical Officer of Health & Assistant Deputy Minister

**From:** Medical Officers of Health  
for the 7 Northern Ontario Local Public Health Agencies

**Subject:** Perspectives from Northern Ontario for the Public Health Funding Review

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We are writing to you as the seven local public health agencies in Northern Ontario to share some perspectives unique to the North regarding the current Public Health Funding review. Before we outline our perspectives, we do wish to note our support of the government undertaking a funding review. It has been our perspective, and that of the local health field, that a funding approach that enables stable and predictable funding is needed so that we can adequately plan and deliver our services.

We understand that the provincial government is quite concerned by the difference in per capita funding between local public health agencies. We agree, this is something needing to be addressed, but that the goal should not be *equal* (per capita) funding across local public health agencies, but rather *equitable* funding which accounts for the circumstances of each health unit.

The following are some equity considerations that can strengthen and improve the validity of the funding approach for public health in Northern Ontario.

For clarity, our comments are intended to relate only to the base funding grants; we do not intend to make comment on the Unorganized Territories Fund, which we believe requires its own review (we welcome the opportunity for further discussion of this at a future date).

## Considerations for Funding Public Health in Ontario

### 1. Geography

Northern Ontario has much larger service areas than in the rest of the province. Northern Ontario spans 90% of Ontario's land mass, but has only a minority of the province's population. [1] That has major implications in terms of service delivery:



<sup>1</sup> While it may be argued that the Unorganized Territories Grant accounts for serving this population, and this does not impact the broader funding approach, we highlight (1) that some fly-in/boat-in communities are organized municipalities (e.g. Moosonee), and (2) in 2008, when local public health associations were asked to account for their true costs of delivering services to unorganized territories, it was concluded that costs were 99% higher than what the Unorganized Territory Grant provided [15], and so the cost-shared budget heavily supported delivery of services to these communities. Since 2008, the Unorganized Territory Fund has increased 41.3% [15] while cumulative CPI in Ontario has increased 47.1% [16], implying that the role of cost-shared funding has increased since then, especially after accounting for population growth.

- departments operating them. Larger municipalities enjoy economies of scale smaller plants benefiting the size of the municipalities without large public works well, even where a community may be on municipally treated water, these are conduct inspections as well as to transport well water samples to the lab. As regular inspections. This adds significant costs to our budgets to travel to and communities have a plethora of small drinking water systems that do need treatment plants that aren't inspected by local public health, northern a municipality in southern Ontario that may have a few large municipal water inspecting small drinking water systems and private drinking water testing. Unlike as compared to the rest of the province, we are much more involved with example, since much more of our populations are living in rural and remote areas Our rural geography impacts the nature of services we must deliver as well. For

  - only 2 or 3 fixed locations might be need.

advantage of the economies of scale possible in a southern Ontario city where communities. These clinics will ultimately serve fewer people and cannot take account the lack of public transportation in and between most northern plan, organize, travel, set-up, and deliver clinics in many locations, taking into vaccination program, for example, a northern local public health agency must unorganized territories, as well as First Nations communities, if delivering a Northern Ontario, we have 142 municipalities plus many other communities in scale. That means we must plan and organize a service many times over. In area, we do not benefit from the population density that facilitates economies of Since the populations we serve in Northern Ontario are distributed over a large

    - increases our travel costs.<sup>1</sup>

in many cases is not just by car, but by charter flight or boat. This further
    - Given some of our communities are very remote and inaccessible by roads, travel pressures have exacerbated these costs.
    - Our staff must travel long distances to deliver service. That has implications in both transportation costs as well as opportunity costs of staff time. Inflationary



- from running large plants that foster expertise and sophistication, and comparably lower maintenance costs. Most northern Ontario municipalities don't enjoy these economies of scale, resulting in more common problems and interruptions to operations, and so more involvement by public health to assess risk, monitor water quality, and issue boil water advisories, and drinking water advisories.
- Technology, which may sometimes allow bridging distance through virtual delivery of services, is often not possible in Ontario's North or is very expensive to support. In 2023, the Canadian Government-sponsored Northern Ontario Broadband Report [2] found that only 26% of Northern Ontario communities met the standard of 50% of the population of the community having 10/50 Mbps internet speed. In many communities, and particularly spaces between them, mobile phone service is also spotty. The residents we serve in Northern Ontario therefore frequently do not have the ability to be served virtually.

## 2. Breadth, Diversity, and Complexity of Populations and Partners

The vast land area of the North also brings with it greater diversity in a few different dimensions:

- The North has 32% (142/444) of Ontario municipalities, but only 20.5% (7/34) of Ontario's health units.
- The North has 107 of the 134 First Nations Communities in Ontario (80%), and 78% of the on reserve population in Ontario (recognizing that the Census is an undercount of Indigenous population, so these numbers may underrepresent the true number). [3] Alongside these populations are Band Councils and Indigenous organizations with whom we engage to ensure we can provide services in a way that is welcome and meaningful, while navigating complex jurisdictional ambiguity.

- People in the North have much lower socio-economic standing. Between 2009 and 2018 Northern Ontario had an annual average of GDP growth [1] of 0.1% compared to 1.7% for Ontario as a whole [4]. Other social determinants of health track similarly in Northern Ontario, and so health outcomes are worse. For example, in 2021 if looking at Mortality from Avoidable Causes [5], the Northern health units had an average avoidable mortality of 323 deaths per 100,000 versus 204 for the rest of Ontario. In fact, the seven Northern health units rank in the top 8 health units for avoidable mortality, and occupy all of the top six positions. Worse social determinants of health put a greater burden on Northern local

- For Indigenous populations in particular, in Ontario the median income for First Nations people living on reserve is \$32,400, \$44,000 for those living off reserve, and \$50,400 for non-Indigenous people. [6] Similarly, "Low income" status is more prevalent among Indigenous people who live on reserve (33.7%) and off reserve (16.9%) compared to non-Indigenous people (9.9%). [7] With 78% of the on reserve Indigenous population of Ontario, this is a significant pressure on Northern local public health budgets.
- Northern Ontario has disproportionately more Francophones and French Designated Areas (Figure 1), legally obligating more resources be devoted to translation and to ensuring provision of French-language services. Public Health must also engage with Francophone communities and organizations who are numerous across the large Northern geography.

**Map highlighting the French Designated Areas in Ontario**

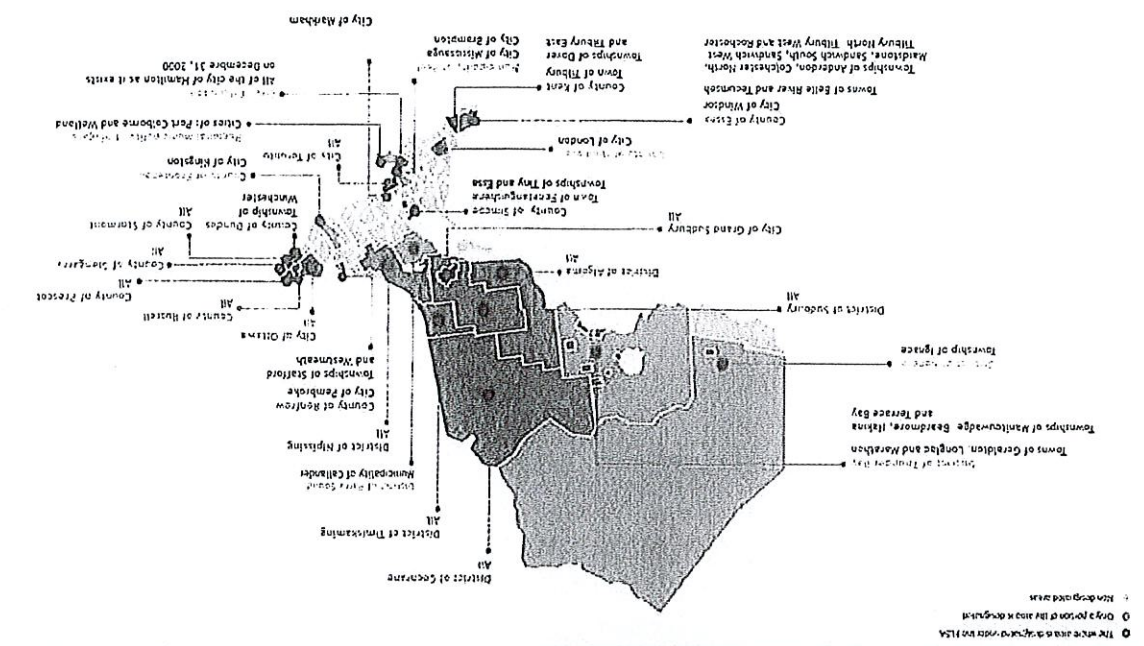


Figure 1. Designated French Language Areas in Ontario. [8]



Northern Ontario is unfortunately lacking in health and dental care capacity. According to Ontario's Health Care Experience Survey for December 2019 (most recent results available) [9], 6.7% of Ontarians lacked a primary care provider, but that increased to 11.7% of residents of the North West LHIN and 11.8% of the North East LHIN. The Northern Sub-region reached as high as 29.0% of residents lacking a primary care provider.

In part, this is a function of primary care providers delivering acute care in much of Northern Ontario. In the North, family physicians routinely cover emergency departments, handle most obstetrics, are the primary surgical assists, and support long-term care, often working at multiple sites in a week.

It often falls to local public health to fill the gaps in primary care. For example, looking at the Fall 2023/24 COVID-19 vaccination program, pharmacies did not have the capacity to provide vaccinations in the North to the extent they did in the rest of the province (44.7% of vaccinations delivered by pharmacies in the North compared to 73.9% of vaccinations province-wide). Northern Public Health units filled that gap, delivering 43.2% of COVID-19 vaccinations as compared to 15.7% Ontario-wide. Indeed, the six public health units with the lowest pharmacy delivery were all in Northern Ontario, and all 7 Northern Ontario PHUs were in the bottom 10 PHUs for pharmacy share of COVID-19 vaccinations. Despite the lack of pharmacy participation, Northern local public health agencies achieved above average vaccination coverage (17.9% to provincial average of 15.8%) through our efforts.

### 3. Health Care Gaps

The implication of this breadth and diversity of our populations and our partners is that it multiplies our workload: we have more municipal, Indigenous, and other partners with whom to engage; and we must meet people where they are with respect to language, Indigenous status, and social determinants of health, and invest in mitigating these. These are challenges not experienced as acutely in other parts of the province.

In addition, when attempting to work upstream, the complex patchwork of partners, many of whom are not well-funded, pose challenges to building coherent coalitions to advance advocacy or policy change for improvement of upstream health determinants.



Similar gaps in primary health care capacity impact other program areas such as child health programming, sexual health programming, infectious disease programming, and rabies post-exposure prophylaxis.

Gaps in primary care can also increase rapidly with the closure of a single clinic or provider group. For example, in 2024, Sault Ste Marie experienced a dramatic announcement that 10,000 patients (8% of the entire health unit's population) would be de-rostered from their primary healthcare provider due to one provider group having difficulty recruiting primary care providers to replace retirements. [12]

There is also a lack of specialists in the North. Ontario's Health Care Experience Survey [9] shows that 65.2% of Ontarians must wait longer than 30 days for specialist care. However, that increases to 72.3% of residents in the North West LHIN and 73.8% of those in the North East LHIN. These specialist care gaps create particular challenges for public health follow-up. For example, in the follow-up and care of tuberculosis clients or syphilis infections, both of which have increased incidence since the pandemic, most Northern communities do not have infectious disease specialists to oversee care, and primary care providers lack experience with these diseases. It falls on public health, who has some expertise from following all cases of these infections, to guide the health care system in care of such clients. This is not the norm in the rest of Ontario where greater clinical expertise exists.

Public Health Unit	Proportion of Vaccines Delivered by Pharmacy	Proportion of Vaccines Delivered by Primary Care	Proportion of Vaccines Delivered by Public Health	Proportion of Coverage Achieved
Ontario	73.9%	4.4%	15.7%	15.8%
Northern PHUs	44.7%	5.4%	43.2%	17.9%
Porcupine	21.2%	2.2%	66.0%	13.3%
Northwestern	16.2%	3.4%	71.8%	17.0%
Timiskaming	24.0%	12.3%	57.9%	17.2%
Algoma	65.4%	10.0%	18.6%	19.6%
Thunder Bay District	39.7%	8.5%	44.2%	19.9%
North Bay Parry Sound	48.8%	2.0%	43.8%	19.2%
Sudbury & Districts	54.8%	2.6%	36.9%	17.1%

Table 1 Fall 2023/24 COVID-19 Vaccination Delivery [10][11]

#### 4. Municipal Capacity

Just as local public health agencies struggle with the lack of economies of scale when delivering services to rural and remote populations, it should be observed that municipalities experience these same challenges with their services. Adding in the relatively lower economic opportunities in the North, Northern municipalities therefore have property tax bases that are very stretched. This makes it comparatively difficult for them to contribute to cost-shared funding of local public health. This should be considered in the obligation placed on municipalities in a new funding approach.

We believe all of the above make it more costly to deliver local public health in Northern Ontario, and that needs to be taken into account in the new funding approach.

We also wish to make a couple of comments on measures and metrics which may seem sensible to apply in the funding approach, but which have weaknesses when used for Northern geographies.

### Cautions on Applying Measures in Northern Ontario

#### 1. Census Undercounting of Indigenous Populations

It is known that many Indigenous people do not complete the Canadian Census, and so the Census's counts for Indigenous population are significant undercounts throughout Northern Ontario. [12]

For example, the Health Counts Kenora project (Our Health Counts - WNHAC) used a respondent driven sampling approach and demonstrated that 76.9% of Indigenous people in the City of Kenora did not complete the 2016 census [7]. Using a conservative approach, "the Canadian Census undercounts Indigenous adults and children living in Kenora by at least 2.6 to 4.0 times." The 2016 Canadian Census reports that 3,155 Indigenous people lived in the City of Kenora; the 2021 Census reported 3,595. Both Thunder Bay and Timmins have also conducted similar counts and found significant undercounts.

As a population known to experience disproportionate health inequities, it is important that any new funding approach factor in the undercount of Indigenous peoples in the Census, and that this undercount is of a population that deserves disproportionate public health resources invested to address their health inequities.



In particular, as a new funding approach attempts to account better for population growth over time, it needs to be addressed that Northern Ontario is seeing significant growth in populations not well captured by the Census, such as Indigenous, anabaptist, and newcomer populations.

## 2. Inapplicability of ON-Marg in low population areas

The Ontario Marginalization Index is based on analysis at the Census dissemination area. Unfortunately, for much of Northern Ontario, there isn't sufficient population to have data for dissemination areas. For example, in Northwestern health unit, of 229 constituent dissemination areas, 101 (44%) have no data. Therefore, these areas are ignored in ON-Marg calculations. These areas that are excluded from ON-Marg calculations have many First Nation communities with low socioeconomic status and high deprivation, and so their exclusion has the impact of skewing ON-Marg metrics for Northern Ontario to appear less marginalized than is the reality.

Where dissemination areas do have data, that data is not always reliable. For example, on First Nations communities, the Low Income Measure input to ON-Marg has a flag of caution on interpretation, which means that the material deprivation dimension of ON-Marg should similarly be used in caution when looking at First Nations communities. The Northern public health units share land with 107 of the 134 First Nation communities in Ontario.

We appreciate that designing a funding approach for a diverse and complex group of local public health agencies is no easy task.

At its core, our fundamental message is that if a funding approach is to truly advance health outcomes and health equity across the province, health equity must be foundational in its design, and not be simply a variable included amongst many others. Metrics like per capita funding are attractive for their simplicity and ease of understanding. But that clarity in fact masks the complexities of serving Ontarians who are not uniform statistical units, but who live within diverse social contexts defined by countless inequities. We seek a funding approach that delivers not *equal* per capita funding, but *equitable* per capita funding.

We thank you for the consideration of the issues raised in this letter as you undertake the challenge of developing an *equitable* funding approach.

We would be very pleased to meet in the near future to discuss our perspectives further, and how we can support your team as the funding review proceeds.

And we look forward to there being an opportunity to review a funding proposal in the coming months before a final version is submitted for government approval.

Sincerely,

Lianne Catton  
*Lianne Catton*  
(Aug 21, 2024 09:39 EDT)

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Medical Officer of Health & CEO, Porcupine  
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Fiona Kouyoumdjian, Associate Chief Medical Officer of Health

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# Building Report

October 2024

October 02: - Submitted September building report to MPAC, CMHC, StatsCan.  
- Emails and phone calls.  
- Submitted September building report to council.  
- Inspection reports from previous week  
- Travelled to 1251 Homestead Rd. for inspection

October 04: - Call from property owner asking about building garage

October 07: - Text for property owner wanting inspection.

October 09: - Travelled to 1226 Peaceful Lane for inspection.  
- Meeting with staff about building fees  
- Met with contractor and discussed changes to plans.  
- Emails and phone calls.  
- Went over building bylaw.

October 11: - Call from property owner, wants information from building file.


October 16: - Emails and phone calls.  
- Inspection report from Oct 09 inspection  
- Travelled to 8863 Hwy 17 for inspection, then travelled to Lot 2 Con 1 for inspection.  
- Copy of building file for owner.

October 21: - Call from property owner wanting an inspection.

October 23: - Phone calls and emails.  
- Travelled to 743 Brule Rd. for site visit.  
- Reviewed building bylaw.  
- Closed permit 13-2023.  
- Reviewed old files.

October 28: - Call from person asking about two properties for sale in Calvin.

October 30: - OBQA Training course in Gravenhurst for the 2,100 code changes starting Jan. 01, 2025

  
Shane Conrad CBO



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EAST NIPISSING PLANNING BOARD

September 30, 2024

Meeting held at Mattawan Municipal Hall 7 pm

Present: Michelle Lahaye, Chairperson

Don Lemaire

Jason Belanger

Keith Dillabough

Dean Grant

JoAnne Montreuil, Secretary Treasurer

Absent: Richard Gould

Public in attendance:

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by Chairperson Michelle Lahaye.

The Land Acknowledgement was read by Chairperson Michelle Lahaye

Motion 2024-067

Moved by Keith Dillabough, Seconded by Don Lemaire, that the agenda for the September 30, 2024

meeting be approved as circulated.

Carried.

Motion 2024-068

Moved by Dean Grant, Seconded by Jason Belanger that the Minutes of the meeting of August 26,

2024 be approved as circulated.

Carried.

Motion 2024-069

Moved by Don Lemaire, Seconded by Dean Grant that the attached expenses for the months of

August and September 2024 be accepted as paid.

Carried.

Motion 2024-070

Moved by Keith Dillabough, Seconded by Jason Belanger that the September 30, 2024 meeting be

adjourned at 7:15 pm. Date of next meeting October 28, 2024 at 7 pm at the Municipality of

Mattawan Hall.

Carried.

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AGENDA

EAST NIPSSING PLANNING BOARD

October 28, 2024 at 7 pm

Municipality of Mattawan Hall

Call To Order

Land Acknowledgement

Attendance

Disclosure of pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof

Approval of October 28, 2024 agenda

Minutes of September 30, 2024 meeting

Old Business

Fitzmaurice File 2024-11 – update from Papineau-Cameron representative and review comments and set conditions

New Business

McNamara File 2024-14

Calvin Representative

Planning Board Insurance

Board Business

Expenses for October 2024

Adjourn

Date of next meeting

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CALVIN

BYLAW NUMBER 2024-\_\_\_\_\_

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 are 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 Regular Council meeting of October 29, 2024, excluding Closed Meeting Agendas and Closed Meeting Minutes.

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 2024-\_\_\_\_\_ this 29th Day of October 2024.

MAJOR	CAO
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