

# The Corporation of the TOWNSHIP OF BALDWIN

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DATE: May 10, 2021

MOTION NO.: 21- 36

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT**: Council supports all the correspondence pertaining to the Fire College closure from the following municipalities:

Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal Municipality of Learnington Corporation of the Township of Hornepayne Corporation of the Township of Brock Howick Township Town of Caledon Township of Hudson The Town of Cochrane Municipality of Calvin Municipality of South Dundas

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#### **Cindy Pigeau**

From: Sent: To: Subject: AMO Communications <Communicate@amo.on.ca> Thursday, May 20, 2021 4:41 PM Cindy Pigeau AMO Policy Update - New Provincial COVID-19 Plan, Federal COVID-19 Support Ask, Social Assistance Recovery and Renewal Vision, and Ombudsman's Report on Ambulance Complaints

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May 20, 2021

# AMO Policy Update – New Provincial COVID-19 Plan, Federal COVID-19 Support Ask, Social Assistance Recovery and Renewal Vision, and Ombudsman's Report on Ambulance Complaints

New Provincial COVID-19 Plan

Today the Province <u>announced</u> plans to gradually reopen using a three-step plan, provided there is alignment with projected vaccination rates and public health advice. The following summarizes these changes, but encourage members to refer to its <u>Roadmap to Reopen</u> for more details:

- **Step One** An initial focus on resuming outdoor activities with smaller crowds where the risk of transmission is lower and permitting retail with restrictions. This includes allowing outdoor gatherings of up to 10 people, outdoor dining with up to four people per table and non-essential retail at 15 per cent capacity.
- Step Two Further expanding outdoor activities and resuming limited indoor services with small numbers of people where face coverings are worn. This includes outdoor gatherings of up to 25 people, outdoor sports and leagues, personal care services where face coverings can be worn and with capacity limits, as well as indoor religious services, rites, or ceremony gatherings at 15 per cent capacity.
- **Step Three** Expanding access to indoor settings, with restrictions, including where there are larger numbers of people and where face coverings can't always be worn. This includes indoor sports and recreational fitness, indoor

dining, museums, art galleries and libraries, and casinos and bingo halls, with capacity limits.

Each stage will last for at least 21 days before the Province contemplates moving to the next stage. The Province expects to enter Step 1 around the week of June 14<sup>th</sup> based on current projections.

Effective May 22, 2021 at 12:01a.m., the Province will also open amenities including golf courses and driving ranges, soccer and other sports fields, tennis and basketball courts, and skate parks. No outdoor sports or recreational classes are permitted. Outdoor limits for social gatherings and organized public events will be expanded to five people, which will allow these amenities to be used for up to five people, including with members of different households. All other public health and workplace safety measures under the provincewide emergency brake will remain in effect.

#### Federal COVID-19 Support Ask for Ontario Municipal Governments

AMO President Graydon Smith recently <u>wrote to Prime Minister Trudeau</u> seeking a federal contribution to the 2021 municipal operating funds to match the 2021 \$500 million provincial funding. This is required as Ontario municipal governments continue to face pressures due to COVID-19 response, reduced revenues, and economic recovery efforts. The 2020 Federal-Provincial Safe Restart Agreement Fund was a model of all orders of government partnership and supported municipalities to stay financially whole in the first year of the COVID-19 pandemic.

This ask was made with the recognition that the recent federal Budget made a very important infrastructure investment with the additional \$2.2 billion in the Canada Community-Building Fund (formerly known as the Federal Gas Tax Fund), which goes to assisting economic recovery.

# Social Assistance Recovery and Renewal Vision: Changes to the Municipal Delivery Role

The provincial government, in partnership with municipal governments and District Social Service Administration Boards, is taking steps to implement a new vision for Social Assistance Recovery and Renewal. This will involve a significant functional realignment of the provincial and municipal delivery roles. AMO is supportive of the proposed transformation with the right conditions in place and committed to working to co-design the new social assistance program. More information and detailed analysis are found in this <u>AMO Briefing Note</u>.

#### **Ombudsman's Report on Ambulance Complaint System**

The Ontario Ombudsman, Paul Dube, has released a <u>report</u> today on the Ministry of Health's investigation process regarding land ambulance complaints.

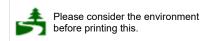
His investigation concluded that "the Ministry of Health's administrative process for investigating and overseeing patient complaints and incident reports about ambulance

services is unreasonable and wrong under the *Ombudsman Act*". His report makes <u>53</u> recommendations to address these serious issues.

As land ambulance is a co-funded system comprised of 52 municipal/DSSAB paramedic services with the Ministry of Health, it is expected that the Ministry will be involving AMO and the Ontario Association of Paramedic Chiefs along with other key partners to work together on an approach to consider the Ombudsman's recommendations shortly.

AMO's <u>COVID-19 Resources</u> page is being updated continually so you can find critical information in one place. Please send any of your municipally related pandemic questions to <u>covid19@amo.on.ca</u>.

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May 21, 2021

Hon. Patty Hajdu Minister of Health Brooke Claxton Building, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor 0916A Ottawa, ON K1A 0K9 hcminister.ministresc@canada.ca

Dear Minister Hajdu:

#### Re: Endorsement of 988 Suicide and Crisis Prevention Hotline Initiative

At its Regular meeting held on May 17, 2021, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Owen Sound considered the above noted matter and passed Resolution No. R-210517-009 as follows:

R-210517-009

"WHEREAS the Federal government has passed a motion to adopt 988, a National three-digit suicide and crisis hotline; and

WHEREAS the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has increased the demand for suicide prevention services by 200%; and

WHEREAS existing suicide prevention hotlines require the user to remember a 10- digit number and go through directories or be placed on hold;

THEEFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT City Council endorses the 988 crisis line initiative to ensure critical barriers are removed to those in a crisis and seeking help; and

THAT a letter demonstrating City Council's support be sent to the Honourable Patty Hajdu, Federal Minister of Health, the Honorable Alex Ruff MP Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound, the Honourable Bill Walker MPP Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound, Ian Scott Chairperson and Chief Executive Officer, Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications and all municipalities in Ontario." If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Jamie Eckenswiller, AMP Deputy Clerk City of Owen Sound

cc. Hon. Alex Ruff, MP Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound
 Hon. Bill Walker, MPP Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound
 Ian Scott, Chairperson and CEO, Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications
 Commission
 All Ontario Municipalities



Sent via email only clerk@calvintownship.ca

May 21, 2021

Ms. Cindy Pigeau, Clerk-Treasurer Municipality of Calvin 1355 Peddlers Drive, R.R. #2 Mattawa, ON P0H 1V0

Dear Ms. Pigeau:

#### Re: Resolution Support – Fire Department

The following is a true copy of a resolution passed by Council at their regular meeting held on May 20, 2021 regarding the above noted matter.

#### **Copy of Resolution:**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Liz Danielsen Seconded by: Councillor Lisa Barry Be It Resolved That Council supports the Municipality of Calvin's resolution requesting the Federal and Provincial Governments include apparatuses, training, equipment and structures for fire departments as eligible categories for further infrastructure programs;

And further a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Minister of Infrastructure and the local MP. **Carried** 

If you have any questions please contact me.

Yours truly,

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Dawn Newhook Municipal Clerk

Cc: Honourable Premier of Ontario, Doug Ford Honourable Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Steve Clark Honourable Minister of Infrastructure Laurie Scott Member of Parliament Jamie Schmale

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May 21, 2021

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario Legislative Building, Queen's Park Toronto, ON M7A 1Y7 Sent via E-mail: premier@ontario.ca

Dear Premier Ford:

#### Re: Resolution – Source Water Protection Legislation

Please be advised that, at its meeting of May 10, 2021, the Council of The Corporation of the City of Port Colborne resolved as follows:

That correspondence from the Town of Fort Erie regarding Source Water Protection Legislation, be supported.

A copy of the above noted resolution is enclosed for your reference. Your favourable consideration of this request is respectfully requested.

Sincerely,

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Amber LaPointe City Clerk

Honourable Jeff Yurek, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks ec: Jeff Burch, MPP, Niagara Centre Sam Oosterhoff, MPP, Niagara West Jennifer Stevens, MPP, St. Catharines Wayne Gates, MPP, Niagara Falls Ontario Conservation and all Ontario Conservation Authorities: kgavine@conservationontario.ca; bhorner@abca.ca; kfurlanetto@crca.ca; generalmanager@catfishcreek.ca; @cloca.com; mvytvytskyy@hrca.on.ca; deb.martindowns@cvc.ca; tim.pidduck@crowevalley.com; tbyrne@erca.org; Ilaliberte@grca.on.ca; karmstrong@grandriver.ca; t.lanthier@greysauble.on.ca; Lisa.Burnside@conservationhamilton.ca; mmajchrowski@kawarthaconservation.com; elizabeth@kettlecreekconservation.on.ca;.cullen@lsrca.on.ca; tammy@lakeheadca.com; jmaxwell@lprca.on.ca; mark.peacock@ltvca.ca; kelly.vandettte@ltc.on.ca; beard@mvca.on.ca; David.Vallier@mattagamiregion.ca; smcintyre@mvc.on.ca; csharma@npca.ca; carl.jorgensen@conservationsudbury.ca;

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# **Community Services**

Legislative Services

April 27, 2021 File #120203 Sent via email: premier@ontario.ca

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

Honourable and Dear Sir:

#### Re: Province Investigating and Updating Source Water Protection Legislation

Please be advised the Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie at its meeting of April 26, 2021 passed the following resolution:

Whereas the Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie passed a resolution on October 21st, 2019 identifying that 1,100 private water wells were in operation in the Town of Fort Erie, of which 75% were used for domestic purposes including human and livestock consumption, and

Whereas the Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie further identified in that resolution that Council requires the protection of water in the aquifer supplying water to those wells from contamination as the result of any remediation of Pit One owned by the Port Colborne Quarries in the City of Port Colborne, and further

Whereas Report No. PDS-23-2021, approved by Council on March 22, 2021, identified that while the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority, The Regional Municipality of Niagara and Local Area Municipalities work together to protect source water, these plans do not generally apply to private servicing, and

Whereas Report No. PDS-23-2021 further identified efforts undertaken by the Town of Fort Erie through available provincial planning policy, regulation and legislation to protect source water within the Town of Fort Erie without any explicit ability to designate source water protection for private services, and

Whereas on July 28, 2010, through Resolution 64/292, the United Nations General Assembly explicitly recognized the human right to water and sanitation and acknowledged that clean drinking water and sanitation are essential to the realization of all human rights, and

Mailing Address:

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Whereas it would be desirable to ensure that those in our community who rely on wells and other private servicing for clean drinking water are afforded the same source water protection as municipal drinking water systems;

#### Now therefore it be resolved,

That: The Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie recognizes and acknowledges that clean drinking water and sanitation are basic human rights and essential to the realization of all human rights, and further

That: The Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie requests that the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks consider legislative changes that would permit the expansion of source water protection to aguifers and private services, and further

That: This resolution be circulated to The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Jeff Yurek, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, Wayne Gates, MPP Niagara Falls, Jeff Burch, MPP Niagara Centre, Jennifer Stevens, MPP St. Catharines and Sam Oosterhoff, MPP Niagara West, and further

That: This resolution be circulated to all Conservation Authorities and Municipalities in Ontario for their endorsement and support.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours very truly,

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DATE: May 25, 2021	RE	SOLUTION NUMBER:	2021-114
MOVED BY: ADAMS	SEC	CONDED BY: NEAU	LT
THAT Council is in agreeme	nt to recommend th	ne following police serv	ice boards:
Group A – Mattawa, Mattav	wan, Papineau-Cam	eron, Calvin (East)	
Group B – Bonfield, East Fer	rris, Chisholm (Centi	ral)	
Group C – Powassan, Nipissi	ing (West)		
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Mayor Robert Corriveau			
Deputy Mayor Shelley Belanger			
Councillor Richard Grenier			
Councillor Wendy Adams			

### THE CORPORATION TOWN OF MATTAWA

Date: TUESDAY, MAY 25<sup>TH</sup>, 2021

Resolution Number: 21-43

Moved by: Councillor D. Sarrazin Seconded by: Councillor L. Ross

**Resolution:** 

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa support a proposal for the OPP Detachment Board Framework with Option 1 being Group A: Mattawa, Mattawan, Papineau-Cameron, Calvin and Bonfield, Group B: East Ferris, Chisholm, Powassan and Nipissing.

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** Council authorize staff to submit the proposal to the Office of the Solicitor General digital form by the deadline of Monday, June 7, 2021.

Recorded Vote Requeste	ed by:	MAYOR		
Mayor Backer Councillor Sarrazin Councillor Larose Councillor Thibert Councillor Mick Councillor Ross Councillor Jones	Yea Nay	Deferred Tabled Lost Carried Declaration of Pecuniary Interest:  Disclosed his/her/their interest(s), vacated he/her/their seat(s), abstained from discussion and did not vote		



## Township of The Archipelago

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May 21, 2021

21-092

#### Moved by Councillor Emery Seconded by Councillor Sheard

#### RE: Bill 228 - Banning unencapsulated Polystyrene Foam

**WHEREAS** unencapsulated expanded and extruded polystyrene foam (PS foam) is a common and economical product used for dock flotation; and

**WHEREAS** unencapsulated PS foam, when used as floatation, deteriorates and breaks down through exposure to water, sunlight and chemicals (gasoline, oil & other contaminants), as well as from animals and physical impacts from boats and other debris; and

WHEREAS the environmental impacts associated with the breakdown of unencapsulated PS foam are significant. PS foam is one of the top items of debris found on shorelines, beaches, and surface water around the world. Widespread and global contamination has resulted in PS foam being found in the gut contents of wildlife, including in the Great Lakes - St. Lawrence River Basin. PS foam causes adverse effects to wildlife when ingested. Laboratory experiments show negative impacts of PS foam on feeding behaviour, growth, hepatosomatic index (HSI), and reproduction. Under certain conditions, PS foam leaches known toxics styrene and benzene. Floating particles of PS foam also has aesthetic impacts on shorelines and waterways; and

**AND WHEREAS** there is no Federal legislation in Canada regulating the use of unencapsulated expanded polystyrene foam (EPS) for docks to date. However, on May 13, 2021, the Province of Ontario passed *Bill 228: Keeping Polystyrene Out of Ontario's Lakes and Rivers Act*, to regulate and control its use for floats; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiative (Cities Initiative) recognizes the need for PS foam to be encapsulated when used for flotation; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Cities Initiative and its members call on the Federal Government of Canada (Ministries of Fisheries and the Environment) the Province of Ontario (Ministry of Natural Resources & Forestry, Ministry of Environment, Conservation & Parks), the Province of Quebec, The United States (U.S.) Federal Government, and the U.S. States of New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin and Minnesota to work in collaboration with each other to enact laws which:

- ban unencapsulated polystyrene (PS) products in all new and replacement public and private floating facilities across the Great Lakes Region and the coasts of Canada and the United Sates;
- 2. find common standards of defining encapsulation with the goal of zero emissions of PS foam;
- require the timely transition to approved encapsulated PS products, for all public and private floating facilities currently using unencapsulated PS foam; and
- 4. require the proper disposal of all unencapsulated expanded polystyrene (EPS) products currently being used for dock flotation.

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that Council for the Corporation of the Township of The Archipelago directs its staff to submit this resolution to the Great Lakes St. Lawrence Cities Initiative; and forward this resolution to all municipalities in the Great Lakes watershed and to Federal and Provincial Representatives.

Carried.



## Township of The Archipelago

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May 21, 2021

21-091

Moved by Councillor Andrews Seconded by Councillor Manners

#### RE: <u>Bill 279 – Environmental Protection Amendment Act (Microplastics Filters</u> for Washing Machines), 2021

**WHEREAS** microfibers are human-made strands less than 5mm composed of either synthetic or natural materials. Microfibers are shed through the wear and tear of textiles through the laundering process;

**WHEREAS** billions of microfibers are released into the Great Lakes daily from machine laundering of clothes. Studies have found a single load of laundry can release up to millions of microfibers into washing machine effluent, which flows to the wastewater treatment plant. Wastewater treatment can capture up to 99% of microfibers in sewage sludge, but microfibers are still released into aquatic ecosystems through treated effluent. Billions of microfibers are released into the aquatic ecosystem daily in the Great Lakes basin, either directly via treated final effluent, or indirectly as runoff from land-application of treated sewage sludge; and

**WHEREAS** microfiber contamination is widespread: Worldwide and local studies have shown microfibers present in commercial fish, Great Lakes fish (including Lake Trout, Rainbow smelt, Brown bullhead, etc.), honey, salt, Great Lakes beer, tap water, bottled water and much more; and

**WHEREAS** microfibers are the most prevalent type of microplastics in the environment and have been found in surface water, soil, biota, and atmospheric samples; and

**WHEREAS** a 2014 surface water study in Lake Erie, Lake Ontario, and their tributaries measured micoplastics at abundances between 90,000 and 6.7 million particles per square kilometer. These levels of microplastics are similar to or exceed concentrations found in ocean gyres like the "Great Pacific Garbage Patch; and

WHEREAS microplastics do not biodegrade; and

**WHEREAS** chemicals such dyes and flame retardants are added to textiles during manufacturing. Textiles can also absorb chemicals from their environment after manufacturing. Some of these chemicals are toxic, and harmful chemical compounds can be released into the environment via leaching from microfibers; and

**WHEREAS** a growing body of research shows that the effects of microplastics on animal life are far-reaching. Researchers have investigated the impacts of microplastics on gene expression, individual cells, survival, and reproduction. Mounting evidence shows that negative impacts can include decreased feeding and growth, endocrine disruption,

decreased fertility, and other lethal and sub-lethal effects. Some of these effects are due to ingestion stress (physical blockage), but many of the risks to ecosystems are associated with the chemicals in the plastic. Studies have shown that chemicals transfer to fish when they consume microplastics. When these fish end up on our dinner plates, we potentially increase the burden of hazardous chemicals in our bodies; and

**WHEREAS** a recent set of laundering experiments in the laboratory; have shown that an external filter can capture an average of 87% of fibres by count and 80% by weight before they go down the drain (McIlwraith et al. 2019). On a wider scale and in real-life context, Georgian Bay Forever, the University of Toronto and the Town of Parry Sound are completing a study that is measuring the effect that about 100 filters in households has on reducing microfibre pollution in the effluent of a wastewater treatment plant. The results of this study are to be released in August; and

**WHEREAS** add-on filters cost approximately \$180-220 CDN to purchase and install, which is prohibitive for the average household. Accordingly, voluntary adoption rates are low; and

**WHEREAS** France has passed legislation (France 2020-105, Article 79) that requires future washing machines sold to have filters. California has introduced a bill (California AB 622), and Ontario has tabled Private Member's Bill 279 to prohibit sales of washing machines without a filter of mesh size 100 microns or smaller. Companies such as Arclik have manufactured washing machines with filters built directly into them;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Great Lakes St. Lawrence Cities Initiative (Cities Initiative) recognizes that to date the largest documented source of environmental microfibers is washing machines, and that findings indicate washing machine filters mitigate the majority of fibres shed during machine washing; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Cities Initiative recognizes the need to require future sales of washing machines to include filters with a maximum mesh size of 100 microns; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Cities Initiative and its members call on the Ontario government to pass Bill 279, and to call on the Canadian and U.S. government to create appropriate regulatory measures to the same effect; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that until households can only buy new laundry machines outfitted with <100 micron filters, the Cities Initiative and its members call on provincial, state and federal governments to provide funding and education to help constituents reduce microfiber waste.

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that Council for the Corporation of the Township of The Archipelago directs its staff to submit this resolution to the Great Lakes St. Lawrence Cities Initiative; and forward this resolution to all municipalities in the Great Lakes watershed and to Federal and Provincial Representatives.

Carried.



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#### **CLERKS DEPARTMENT**

May 26, 2021

Hon. Patty Hajdu Minister of Health Brooke Claxton Building 16<sup>th</sup> Floor 0916A Ottawa, ON K1A 0K9

hcminister.ministresc@canada.ca

Dear Minister Hajdu:

Re: Endorsement of 988 Suicide and Crisis Prevention Hotline Initiative

This is to confirm that at the May 25, 2021 Council Meeting the following resolution was adopted with respect to the above noted matter:

WHEREAS the Federal government has passed a motion to adopt 988, a National three-digit suicide and crisis hotline; and

WHEREAS the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has increased the demand for suicide prevention services by 200%; and

WHEREAS existing suicide prevention hotlines require the user to remember a 10-digit number and go through directories or be placed on hold;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Township Council endorses the 988 crisis line initiative to ensure critical barriers are removed to those in a crisis and seeking help; and

THAT, a letter demonstrating Township of West Lincoln Council's support be sent to the Honourable Patty Hajdu, Federal Minister of Health, the Honorable Dean Allison MP Niagara West, the Honourable Sam Oosterhoff MPP Niagara West, Ian Scott Chairperson and Chief Executive Officer, Canadian Radio- Television and Telecommunications and all municipalities in Ontario.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the above, do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

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Joanne Scime, Clerk

cc. Federal Minister of Health The Honourable Dean Allison MP The Honourable Sam Oosterhoff, MPP Ian Scott, Chairperson & CEO Canadian Radio-Television & Telecommunications Ontario Municipalities



May 31st, 2021

Hon. Steve Clark <u>Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing</u> <u>Re: Council Resolution of Support – MPP Hillier</u>

Dear Honourable Steve Clark,

Further to the meeting of Council on May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021 the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lanark Highlands passed the following motion to support the City of Kitchener's resolution regarding Planning Act timelines;

"THAT, Council support the resolution by the City of Kitchener regarding Planning Act timelines;

**WHEREAS** the Province of Ontario's Planning Act provides a legislative framework for processing development applications including established timeframes which permit applicants to appeal to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal if a Council fails to make a decision within a prescribed timeline; and,

**WHEREAS** the passing of Bill 108 in 2019 reduced the timelines for processing development applications before they can be appealed to the Local Planning Appeals Tribunal (LPAT) for a non-decision from those outlined in Bill 139, the Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act, 2017 as follows:

- from seven months (210 days) to four months (120 days) for Official Plan amendments;
- from five months (150 days) to three months (90 days) for Zoning By-law amendments; and
- from six months (180 days) to four months (120 days) for Plans of Subdivision; and

**WHEREAS** the shortened timeframes create unreasonable pressures on municipalities, even outside the context of navigating city business in a global pandemic, and result in reduced opportunities for meaningful public engagement and limited time for the public to provide written submissions on a development application;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Lanark Highlands Township Council urge the Province of Ontario to review and reconsider the current timelines established for review of Planning Act applications before an appeal is permitted to the Local Planning Appeals Tribunal and to return to the timelines that were in effect under Bill 139, the Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act, 2017;

**THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, to the local MP's and MPP's, to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, to the Association of Municipalities Ontario, and all other municipalities in Ontario."

A copy of that motion and correspondence is attached.



Thank you,

Ryan C. Morton MPM,CIPM CAO/Clerk Township of Lanark Highlands

<u>CC:</u>

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March 31, 2021

Honourable Steve Clark Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing 17<sup>th</sup> Floor, 777 Bay Street Toronto ON M5G 2E5

Dear Mr. Clark:

This is to advise that City Council, at a meeting held on March 22, 2021, passed the following resolution regarding Planning Act Timelines:

"WHEREAS the City of Kitchener, like many Ontario municipalities, is experiencing significant growth; and,

WHEREAS the City of Kitchener has conducted extensive work through its Development Services Review to remove red tape and improve public engagement; and,

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario's Planning Act provides a legislative framework for processing development applications including established timeframes which permit applicants to appeal to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal if a Council fails to make a decision within a prescribed timeline; and,

WHEREAS the passing of Bill 108 in 2019 reduced the timelines for processing development applications before they can be appealed to the Local Planning Appeals Tribunal (LPAT) for a non-decision from those outlined in Bill 139, the Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act, 2017 as follows:

- from seven months (210 days) to four months (120 days) for Official Plan amendments;
- from five months (150 days) to three months (90 days) for Zoning Bylaw amendments; and
- from six months (180 days) to four months (120 days) for Plans of Subdivision; and

WHEREAS the shortened timeframes create unreasonable pressures on municipalities, even outside the context of navigating city business in a global pandemic, and result in reduced opportunities for meaningful public engagement and limited time for the public to provide written submissions on a development application;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Kitchener City Council urge the Province of Ontario to review and reconsider the current timelines established for review of Planning Act applications before an appeal is permitted to the Local Planning Appeals Tribunal and to return to the timelines that were in effect under Bill 139, the Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act, 2017;

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, to the local MP's and MPP's, to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, to the Association of Municipalities Ontario, and all other municipalities in Ontario."

Yours truly,

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C. Tarling Director of Legislated Services & City Clerk

c: Honourable Tim Louis, M.P. Honourable Raj Saini, M.P. Honourable Marwan Tabbara, M. P. Honourable Bardish Chagger, M.P. Honourable Bryan May, M.P. Honourable Amy Fee, M.P.P. Honourable Catherine Fife, M.P.P. Honourable Belinda Karahalios, M.P.P. Honourable Belinda Karahalios, M.P.P. Honourable Mike Harris, M.P.P. Honourable Laura Mae Lindo, M.P.P. Bill Karsten, President, Federation of Canadian Municipalities Monika Turner, Association of Municipalities of Ontario Rosa Bustamante, Director, Planning, City of Kitchener Ontario Municipalities

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#### May 27, 2021

# MEMORANDUM TO:Municipal Chief Administrative Officers and ClerksSUBJECT:Three-Step Roadmap to Safely Reopen the Province of<br/>Ontario and Amendment to Orders under the Reopening<br/>Ontario (A Flexible Response to COVID-19) Act (ROA)

As you heard on May 20, 2021, from the Premier of Ontario, the government has released its Roadmap to Reopen, a three-step plan to safely and cautiously reopen the province and gradually lift public health measures.

As our municipal partners in the continued efforts to keep communities safe and healthy, I am writing today to make sure that you stay informed about the roadmap and the corresponding changes to orders under the *Reopening Ontario (A Flexible Response to COVID-19) Act* (ROA).

It is important to note that the provincewide Stay-At-Home order under the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act (EMCPA) remains in effect until June 2, 2021. However, the government has made changes to some of the existing orders under ROA that take effect prior to the end of the Stay-At-Home order.

#### **Roadmap to Reopen**

The Roadmap to Reopen is based on the provincewide vaccination rate and improvements in key public health and health care indicators. In summary:

- Step 1 is intended to focus on resuming outdoor activities with smaller crowds where the risk of transmission is lower and permitting retail with restrictions.
- Step 2 further expands outdoor activities and resumes limited indoor services with small number of people and with face coverings being worn.
- Step 3 expands access to indoor settings, with restrictions, including where there are larger numbers of people and where face coverings can't always be worn.

The government has indicated that the province will remain in each step for at least 21 days to evaluate any impacts on key public health and health system indicators. Vaccination thresholds will need to be met, along with positive trends in other key public health and health system indicators, in order to enter each respective step of the Roadmap.

To find out full details on the roadmap and its implementation, please review the <u>Roadmap to Reopen</u> on the Ontario government website.

Until the province moves to Step 1 of the roadmap, the rules and public health measures under the provincewide emergency brake must continue to be followed, subject to the following changes announced on May 20, 2021.

#### **Outdoor Recreational Amenities**

Several outdoor recreational amenities are permitted to open as of May 22,2021 at 12:01 a.m. For a full list of these outdoor recreational amenities, please review <u>Ontario</u> <u>Regulation 344/21</u>, and <u>Ontario Regulation 374/21</u>, amendments to <u>Ontario Regulation</u> <u>82/20</u> (Rules for Areas in Stage 1).

These outdoor recreational amenities may be open so long as:

- physical distancing of at least 2 metres is maintained; however, this physical distancing requirement does not apply to members of the same household, or a person who lives alone and has gathered with the household, or a caregiver for any member of the household;
- no team sports, or any other sports that are not compatible with physical distancing requirements, are practiced or played within the amenity, with limited exceptions; and,
- any locker rooms, changerooms, showers, clubhouses, restaurants, pools, meeting rooms, fitness centres or other recreational facilities on the premises remain closed, except to the extent they provide access to take-out or delivery services, equipment storage, a washroom or a portion of the amenity that is used to provide first aid.

In addition, any person responsible for a boat or watercraft shall ensure that, if it is used by a group for recreational purposes, it is only used by members of the same household, or a person who lives alone and has gathered with the household, or a caregiver for any member of the household.

Marinas, boating clubs and other organizations that maintain docking facilities for members or patrons may open provided that any clubhouse, restaurant, pool, communal steam room, sauna or whirlpool, meeting room, fitness centre or other recreational facility on the premises is closed to the public. Any portion of an area that must be closed that is used to provide first aid, used to provide take-out or delivery services, or contains a washroom may be open.

Lastly, social gatherings and organized public events of no more than five people that are held outdoors are permitted. The gathering limit does not apply to members of the same household, a gathering of a household plus one person who lives alone, or a gathering that includes a caregiver for any of those persons. All other public health and workplace safety measures under the Stay-at-Home order will remain in effect.

#### **Overnight Camps**

The government has made amendments to regulations pertaining to Rules for Areas in <u>Stage 1</u>, <u>Stage 2</u> and <u>Stage 3</u> to permit the operation of overnight camps in Ontario. The amending regulations are as follows:

Ontario Regulation 345/21(Rules for Areas in Stage 1)

Ontario Regulation 347/21 (Rules for Areas in Stage 2)

Ontario Regulation 346/21 (Rules for Areas in Stage 3)

Instructional Program in Post-Secondary Institutions

<u>Ontario Regulation 348/21</u> updates the permitted fields/occupations where instructional programs may continue to operate in post-secondary institutions.

#### **Enforcement of Orders**

As a reminder, for offences under the ROA and EMCPA, police and other provincial offences officers, including First Nation Constables, special constables, and municipal by-law officers, have discretion to either issue tickets to individuals for set fine amounts or issue a summons under Part I of the Provincial Offences Act (POA) or to proceed under Part III of the POA by laying an information.

Police and other provincial offences officers, including by-law officers, have the authority to disperse gatherings or organized public events that are not complying with gathering/event limits; and all provincial offences officers, including by-law officers, can temporarily close premises where prohibited gatherings are occurring and require individuals to vacate.

As the province prepares to reopen, the ministry recognizes that collaboration amongst municipalities, public health units, police, local enforcement partners and our multiministry teams is important to ensure coordinated compliance and enforcement activities in an effort to continue the recent progress on reducing the presence of COVID-19 in our communities.

Yours truly,

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Kate Manson-Smith Deputy Minister

#### CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CALVIN Resolution

DATE: April 13, 2021	NO. 2021-097	
MOVED BY Heather Olmstead		
SECONDED BY Sandy Cross		

"THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin supports theNorfolk County Agricultural Advisor Board's letter dated December 20, 2020 regarding the application of the carbon tax on primary agriculture producers, and;

THAT this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Environment and Climate Change, the Honourable Vic Fedeli, MPP and circulated to all municipalities in Ontario."

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**DIVISION VOTE** 

NAME OF MEMBER OF COUNCIL	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Coun Cross	Х	
Coun Maxwell	Х	
Coun Olmstead	Х	
Mayor Pennell	Х	



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February 23, 2021

The Honourable Jonathan Wilkinson Minister of Environment and Climate Change House of Commons Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

The Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food House of Commons Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

Dear Ministers,

I am writing to advise that Norfolk County Council supports the attached Norfolk County Agricultural Advisory Board's letter regarding the application of the carbon tax on primary agriculture producers. It is the recommendation of Norfolk County Council that the Federal Government consider the concerns of the agricultural community and move to exempt all primary agriculture producers from current and future carbon taxes. Please find attached the full recommendation.

Thank you for your attention,

Yours truly,

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Kristal Chopp Mayor, Norfolk County

P.c. Norfolk County Council Association of Municipalities of Ontario Federation of Canadian Municipalities Ontario Municipalities Dec 7, 2020

The Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau, MP Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food House of Commons Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0A6

Dear Minister Bibeau

Our agricultural advisory board (AAB) who represents the agricultural sector in Norfolk County, Ontario is very concerned about the federal government's current carbon pricing policies. It is our hope that you consider our concerns and move to exempt all primary agriculture producers from current and future carbon taxes.

Carbon tax remains as a major cost of production for producers in Norfolk County. Although some farm fuel purchases are exempt, it is selective and does not meet the needs of the entire agriculture industry. Currently crop drying, heating/cooling of livestock barns and cooling of perishable commodities are still subject to full carbon taxes.

Currently there are no replacements for fossil fuels in agricultural production. As a result, carbon tax policies are not appropriate for the agricultural sector and only decrease farm margins.

Norfolk County which is known as Ontario's garden is home to one of the country's largest diversity of crop production. In addition to the extensive vegetable, fruit and grain production it boasts some of the highest ecological diverse natural habitats, plants and animals in Canada. There is approximately 25% tree cover in the county which is the highest percentage of forested land in Southwestern Ontario. Norfolk County It is also home to over 10,000 acres of woodlots and wetlands protected under Long Point Conservation Authority. In addition to the natural woodlots and wetlands there is also extensive fruit production with 2000 acres of apples and 1000 acres of sour cherries. A mature orchard can fix upwards of 18 mt of C02 annually.

The adoption of production practices to protect the soil and environment are advanced in Norfolk County. There has been a wide implementation of cover cropping, planting green and reduced tillage practices all of which sequester carbon. Additional farming practices of 4R nutrient management coupled with precision technology ensure that appropriate nutrients are applied at the right time, place and rate. In many cases sensitive water sources around ponds and wetlands are planted with buffer strips and soil erosion control measures of grassed waterways and windbreaks are also common practices. ALUS (alternative land use) programs have been embraced across the county, taking unproductive land out of production, and returning it to natural native grass plantings, trees and constructed wetlands. Currently there are 1148 active projects with 189 producers covering 1573 acres in Norfolk County managed under the ALUS program. The agriculture industry has made great strides to protect the environment and will continue to improve production practices that reduces the carbon footprint in food production.

The AAB board believes that all on farm fuels used in agricultural production should be exempt from carbon tax. This should include natural gas, propane, gas, and diesel. We strongly urge the government to be consistent with a sector wide exemption to current carbon tax policies.

Sincerely,

Dustin Zamecnik Chair of Norfolk County Agriculture Advisory Board



Ministry of Government and Consumer Services 777 Bay St., 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Toronto, ON M5B 2H7

May 27th 2021

To Whom it May Concern:

Please be advised that at the Town of Plympton-Wyoming Council Meeting held Wednesday, May 26<sup>th</sup> 2021, the following resolution was adopted:

#### Motion 10

Moved by Gary Atkinson Seconded by Muriel Wright That Council support item 'L' of correspondence from the Township of Terrace Bay regarding Advocacy for Reform MFIPPA.

Carried.

If you have any questions regarding the above motion, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email at <u>ekwarciak@plympton-wyoming.ca</u>.

Sincerely,

Érin Kwarciak

Clerk Town of Plympton-Wyoming 546Niagara Street Wyoming, ON N0N 1T0 p. 519-845-3939 ekwarciak@plympton-wyoming.ca

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# The Corporation of the Township of Terrace Bay

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May 18, 2021

Ministry of Government and Consumer Services 777 Bay St., 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Toronto, ON M5B 2H7

To Whom it May Concern:

At the Township of Terrace Bay Regular Council Meeting held on Monday May 17, 2021, the following resolution of support was passed.

**RE: Advocacy for Reform MFIPPA** 

Resolution: 122-2021 Moved by: Councillor St.Louis Seconded by: Councillor Moore

WHEREAS the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act R.S.O. 1990 (MFIPPA) dates back 30 years;

**AND WHEREAS** municipalities, including the Township of Terrace Bay, practice and continue to promote open and transparent government operations, actively disseminate information and routinely disclose public documents upon request outside of the MFIPPA process;

AND WHEREAS government operations, public expectations, technologies, and legislation surrounding accountability and transparency have dramatically changed and MFIPPA has not advanced in line with these changes;

**AND WHERE**AS the creation, storage and utilization of records has changed significantly, and the Municipal Clerk of the Municipality is responsible for records and information management programs as prescribed by the Municipal Act, 2001;

AND WHEREAS regulation 823 under MFIPPA continues to reference antiquated technology and does not adequately provide for cost recovery, and these financial shortfalls are borne by the municipal taxpayer;

AND WHEREAS the threshold to establish frivolous and/or vexatious requests is unreasonably high and allows for harassment of staff and members of municipal councils, and unreasonably affects the operations of the municipality;

AND WHEREAS the Act fails to recognize how multiple requests from an individual, shortage of staff resources or the expense of producing a record due to its size, number or physical location does not allow for time extensions to deliver requests and unreasonably affects the operations of the municipality;

**AND WHEREAS** the name of the requestor is not permitted to be disclosed to anyone other than the person processing the access request, and this anonymity is used by requesters to abuse the MFIPPA process and does not align with the spirit of openness and transparency embraced by municipalities;

AND WHEREAS legal professionals use MFIPPA to gain access to information launch litigation against institutions, where other remedies exist;

AND WHEREAS there are limited resources to assist administrators or requestors to navigate the legislative process;

AND WHEREAS reform is needed to address societal and technological changes in addition to global privacy concerns and consistency across provincial legislation;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Ministry of Government and Consumer Services be requested to review the MFIPPA, and consider recommendations as follows:

- 1. That MFIPPA assign the Municipal Clerk, or designate to be the Head under the Act;
- 2. That MFIPPA be updated to address current and emerging technologies;
- That MFIPPA regulate the need for consistent routine disclosure practices across institutions;
- That the threshold for frivolous and/or vexatious actions be reviewed, and take into consideration the community and available resources in which it is applied;
- That the threshold for frivolous and/or vexatious also consider the anonymity of requesters, their abusive nature and language in requests to ensure protection from harassment as provided for in Occupational Health and Safety Act;
- That the application and scalability of fees be designed to ensure taxpayers are protected from persons abusing the access to information process;
- That administrative practices implied or required under the Act, including those of the IPC, be reviewed and modernized;
- That the integrity of the Act be maintained to protect personal privacy and transparent governments.

Sincerely,

Jon Hall CAO/Clerk

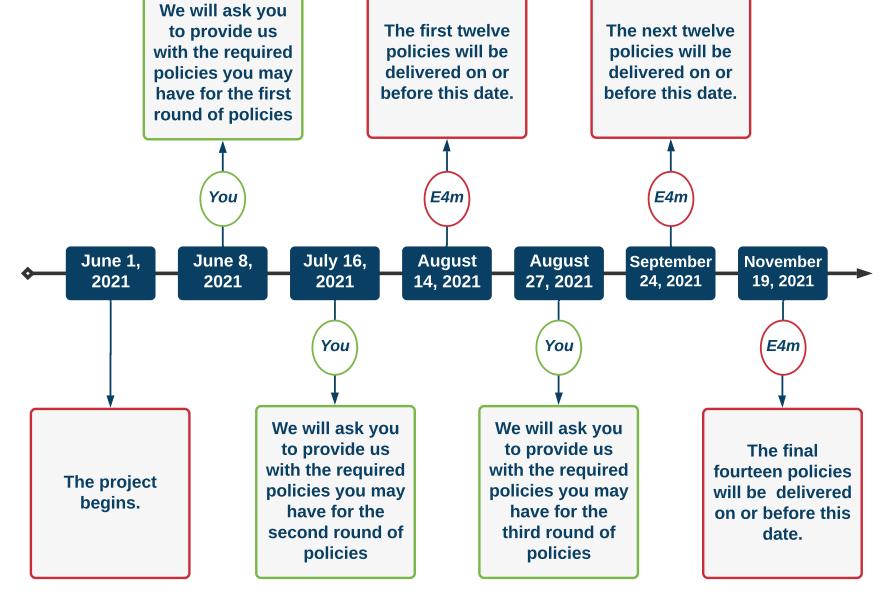
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# **Timeline for Delivery of Policies**

38 Human Resources Policies Timeline

> June 1, 2021



#### Notes:

Each policy will undergo legal and/or peer review before being delivered to you. Please correspond with jaymie@e4m.solutions for anything regarding these policies

#### **Cindy Pigeau**

From: Sent: To: Subject: AMO Communications <Communicate@amo.on.ca> Tuesday, June 1, 2021 4:11 PM Cindy Pigeau AMO Policy Update - Stay at Home Orders to Expire Tomorrow with COVID-19 Restrictions Still in Place

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June 1, 2021

## AMO Policy Update – Stay at Home Orders to Expire Tomorrow with COVID-19 Restrictions Still in Place

Ontario's <u>Stay-at-Home order</u> will expire tomorrow on June 2, 2021. When it does, all other public health and workplace measures will remain in place provincewide until Ontario enters Step One of the Roadmap to Reopen, at which point some restrictions will ease with an initial focus on outdoor settings. Step One is expected around June 14<sup>th</sup>, depending on the state of the COVID-19 metrics at that time.

As you may remember, on April 7, 2021 the Ontario government declared a provincial emergency and issued a Stay-at-Home order as well as enhanced public health measures given the rapid rise of COVID-19 transmission rates with the new variants. This order required everyone to stay at home except for the purposes set out in the order, such as exercise, going to the grocery store or pharmacy, or accessing health care services. However, once the Stay-at-Home order expires on June 2, these restrictions will no longer be in effect.

That said, all other existing measures will remain in place provincewide, including restrictions on gatherings, businesses, services, and activities. This includes limiting indoor gatherings to households only and outdoor gatherings to up to five people, subject to limited exceptions, maintaining a cap of 25 per cent capacity for essential retail where only certain goods are permitted to be sold, restricting non-essential retail to curbside pickup and delivery only, as well as limiting short-term rentals to individuals in need of housing and allowing Ontario Parks and campgrounds on public lands to be used for day use only, subject to limited exceptions.

People also will be able to leave home to travel within the province to a secondary residence for any reason, however, they are not be permitted to host members of

another household indoors except for a person from another household who lives alone or a caregiver.

A summary of restrictions can be found on the Province's <u>"Reopening Ontario"</u> <u>webpage</u>, which provides details on what public health measures are in place before the Province enters Step One of the <u>Roadmap to Reopen</u>.

With the expiry of the Stay-at-Home order, emergency order <u>O. Reg 266/21</u> (<u>Residential Evictions</u>) will also expire on June 2, 2021. Emergency orders currently in effect under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* have been extended until June 16, 2021 such as:

- O. Reg. 8/21 Enforcement of COVID-19 Measures
- O. Reg. 55/21 Compliance Orders for Retirement Homes
- O. Reg. 272/21 Transfer of Hospital Patients
- O. Reg. 288/21 Closure of Public Lands for Recreational Camping
- O. Reg. 293/21 Persons Entering Ontario From Manitoba or Quebec.

AMO's <u>COVID-19 Resources</u> page is being updated continually so you can find critical information in one place. Please send any of your municipally related pandemic questions to <u>covid19@amo.on.ca</u>.

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June 1, 2021

#### Distribution of Land Registry Office Plans by email

Following the notice dated July 6th, 2020 from Jeffrey W. Lem regarding Ontario's land registration services moving to a digital focused service model, ServiceOntario heard from many municipalities that they would prefer to receive electronic delivery of all deposited and registered plans rather than visiting a land registry office to pick up hardcopies.

Based on this feedback, ServiceOntario is happy to announce that this service will be made available to all municipalities starting June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

Ontario Regulation 43/96 under the *Registry Act* provides that copies of reference plans, expropriation plans, and condominium plans be distributed to lower and upper tier (if any) municipality upon filing at the local land registry office. Instead of receiving hardcopy plans, municipalities will receive all the plans deposited or registered in their local Land Registry Office in PDF format in a bi-weekly email.

We invite you to participate in this new initiative by providing an email address at which you would like to receive delivery of land registry office plans.

Should you have questions on this initiative, please contact either me or Stephanie Cross at <u>Stephanie.Cross@ontario.ca</u>

Sincerely, Ken Wilkinson Examiner of Surveys

Cc Dan Petoran, Director of Land Registration



# **Community Services**

Legislative Services

June 1, 2021 File #120203

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau Prime Minister House of Commons Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6 Justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca The Honourable Doug Ford Premier of Ontario Legislative Building, Queen's Park Toronto, ON M7A 1A1 <u>premier@ontario.ca</u>

Honourable and Dear Sirs:

## Re: Capital Gains Tax on Primary Residence

The Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie at its meeting of May 31, 2021 passed the following resolution:

Whereas primary residences are currently exempt from a capital gains tax, and

**Whereas** currently secondary and additional non-primary properties are subject to capital gains, and

**Whereas** the Federal Government is currently looking into a primary residence capital gains tax as they have recognized that affordable housing has become a serious issue in Canada, and

**Whereas** smaller communities including the Town of Fort Erie are seeing unprecedented higher selling prices that are outpacing prices in larger cities, and

**Whereas** many hard-working Canadians who have only a primary residence with no additional non-primary homes count on their home equity as financial aid to apply to upsizing or downsizing their home depending on their personal situation, and

**Whereas** a change in taxation to primary residences would be a significant financial blow to Canadians and would create an unfair, two-tiered taxation which could lead to depleted savings, inter-generational disparities, disparities among diverse groups such as seniors who may have a significant portion of their savings vested in their primary residence, as well as, reducing the ability of home ownership thereby a further, higher need for rentals, and

**Whereas the Federal government could look at other means to slow down the rapidly escalating housing costs to improve housing affordability;** 

#### Now therefore be it resolved,

**That:** The Federal Government cease further consideration of eliminating capital gains tax exemptions on primary residences, and further

**That:** A copy of this resolution be circulated to The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, All Members of Parliament, All Members of Provincial Parliament, The Regional Municipality of Niagara, and all Municipalities, for their support.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours very truly,

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Carol Schofield, Dipl.M.A. Manager, Legislative Services/Clerk cschofield@forterie.ca CS:dlk c.c. All Members of Parliament All Members of Provincial Parliament The Regional Municipality of Niagara Ontario Municipalities



# **Community Services**

Legislative Services

June 1, 2021 File #120203 Sent via email: premier@ontario.ca

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

Honourable and Dear Sir:

#### Support of the Corporation of the Town of Perth's Resolution - Provincial Hospital Re: Funding of Major Capital Equipment

Please be advised the Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie at its meeting of May 31, 2021 received and supported correspondence from the Corporation of the Town of Perth dated April 30, 2021 requesting that further consideration be given to having the Province be financially responsible for the replacement costs associated with all major capital equipment in hospitals or alternatively assume full responsibility for funding local hospitals completely.

Attached please find a copy of the Corporation of the Town of Perth's correspondence dated April 30, 2021.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours very truly,

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Carol Schofield, Dipl.M.A. Manager, Legislative Services/Clerk cschofield@forterie.ca CS:dlk Attach **Ontario Municipalities** C.C. AMO@amo.on.ca John Fenik, Mayor of Perth adminclerk@perth.ca

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## THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF PERTH

80 Gore Street East Perth, Ontario K7H 1H9 Phone: (613) 267-3311 Fax: (613) 267-5635

April 30, 2021

Honourable Premier Doug Ford Premier of Ontario Legislative Building Queens Park Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier Ford:

#### Sent via Email: premier@ontario.ca

#### **Re: Provincial Hospital Funding of Major Capital Equipment**

The Town of Perth is requesting that further consideration be given to having the province be financially responsible for the replacement costs associated with all major capital equipment in hospitals, as municipalities across the province are facing major shortfalls in meeting their financial obligations. As set out in their asset management plans and cannot afford to directly absorb the financial responsibility for the replacement costs of the hospitals' major capital equipment without jeopardizing their financial sustainability.

As well, if the province is unwilling to assume the full responsibility for funding local hospitals completely, the Town of Perth requests that the province must develop a legislative framework as to how counties and municipalities should best address the financial shortfalls facing hospitals throughout Ontario, specifically the funding of major capital equipment;

Sincerely,

John Jenic

John Fenik Mayor of Pertj

cc: Ontario Municipalities AMO – <u>amo@amo.on.ca</u>

Received by MAY 31, 2021 COUNCIL

Aged to Perfection!

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#### June 2, 2021

MEMORANDUM TO:	Municipal Chief Administrative Officers and Clerks
SUBJECT:	Extension of Orders under the <i>Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act</i> (EMCPA)

Today I am writing to you to share information about the extension and upcoming revocation of Orders under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* (EMCPA) that is consistent with the information provided to police chiefs in Ontario by the Ministry of Solicitor General on May 31, 2021.

The provincial declaration of emergency and Stay-at-Home Order (O. Reg. 11/21) under the EMCPA are set to expire on June 2, 2021. Public health unit regions (as defined in the *Health Protection and Promotion Act*) will continue to operate in the Shutdown Zone of Stage 1 (O. Reg. 82/20) as indicated under O. Reg. 363/20 of the *Reopening Ontario* (*A Flexible Response to COVID-19) Act*, 2020 (ROA). The government expects to enter Step One of the Roadmap to Reopen – a three step plan to safely and cautiously reopen the province and gradually lift public health measures - the week of June 14, 2021.

Furthermore, the government has extended all Orders under the EMCPA, except for the following two orders, which will expire on June 2, 2021:

- O. Reg 265/21 (Stay-at-Home Order); and
- O. Reg 266/21 (Residential Evictions).

The extended Orders will remain in effect until June 16, 2021 unless further extended by the Lieutenant Governor in Council, who has the authority to further extend the emergency orders under the EMCPA for up to 14 days at a time.

The full list of Orders extended under O. Reg 25/21 of the EMCPA are as follows:

	Order in Council / Date Made	Previously Applicable Revocation Date	Current Revocation Date
1	Order in Council filed as O. Reg. 8/21 (Enforcement of COVID-19 Measures), made on January 12, 2021	June 2, 2021	June 16, 2021
2	Order in Council filed as O. Reg.	June 2, 2021	June 16, 2021

	Order in Council / Date Made	Previously Applicable Revocation Date	Current Revocation Date
	55/21 (Compliance Orders for Retirement Homes), made on February 5, 2021		
3	Order in Council filed as O. Reg. 271/21 (Work Redeployment for Local Health Integration Networks and Ontario Health), made on April 9, 2021	June 2, 2021	June 16, 2021
4	Order in Council filed as O. Reg. 272/21 (Transfer of Hospital Patients), made on April 9, 2021	June 2, 2021	June 16, 2021
5	Order in Council filed as O. Reg. 288/21 (Closure of Public Lands for Recreational Camping), made on April 15, 2021	June 2, 2021	June 16, 2021
6	Order in Council filed as O. Reg. 293/21 (Persons Entering Ontario From Manitoba or Quebec), made on April 16, 2021	June 2, 2021	June 16, 2021
7	Order in Council filed as O. Reg. 304/21 (Work Redeployment for Independent Health Facilities), made on April 21, 2021	June 2, 2021	June 16, 2021
8	Order in Council filed as O. Reg. 305/21 (Regulated Health Professionals), made on April 21, 2021	June 2, 2021	June 16, 2021
9	Order in Council filed as O. Reg. 317/21 (Agreements Between Health Service Providers and Retirement Homes), made on April 23, 2021	June 2, 2021	June 16, 2021

#### **Enforcement of Orders**

For offences under the ROA and EMCPA, police and other provincial offences officers, including First Nation Constables, special constables, and municipal by-law officers, have discretion to either issue tickets to individuals for set fine amounts or issue a summons under Part I of the Provincial Offences Act (POA) or to proceed under Part III of the POA by laying an information.

Police officers and other provincial offences officers have the authority to disperse gatherings or organized public events that are not complying with gathering/event limits and can temporarily close premises where prohibited gatherings or organized public events are occurring and require individuals to vacate.

### Reporting

I also wanted to take the opportunity to remind municipalities that the Ministry of the Solicitor General continues to collect enforcement data that has been integral to

monitoring and measuring the impact of accelerated enforcement and compliance activities province wide. I encourage you to support the Ministry of the Solicitor General's efforts to collect enforcement data. You can find out more on how you may contribute to the Ministry of the Solicitor General's weekly data collection efforts by contacting Jeanette Gorzkowski or Keith Drakeford at jeanette.gorzkowski@ontario.ca or keith.drakeford@ontario.ca respectively.

I want to take this opportunity to once again thank you for your ongoing commitment to help keep our communities safe and healthy.

Yours truly,

K. Manf. J.

Kate Manson-Smith Deputy Minister



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June 2, 2021

Via email: <u>clerks@leamington.ca</u>

Municipality of Learnington Attention: Brenda Percy, Clerk 111 Erie Street North Learnington, ON N8H 2Z9

Dear Ms. Percy:

#### RE: Correspondence – Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA)

On behalf of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays, please be advised that the above-noted correspondence was presented at the last regularly scheduled meeting on June 1, 2021, and the following was passed.

#### "Resolution #7(b)/06/01/21

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays hereby receives the correspondence from Brenda Percy, Clerk for the Municipality of Learnington requesting support for the Ministry of Government and Consumer Services to review the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA), dated May 5, 2021;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays hereby supports the Municipality of Learnington resolution requesting that the Ministry of Government and Consumer Services to review the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA) and to consider the recommendations outlined in the Municipality of Learnington's resolution;



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AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Municipality of Learnington, the Ministry of Government and Consumer Services, and all Ontario municipalities.

Carried."

Sincerely,

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

Encl. Copy to:

Hon. Lisa Thompson, Minister of Government and Consumer services All Ontario Municipalities

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Legislative Services 111 Erie Street North Leamington, ON N8H 2Z9 519-326-5761 clerks@leamington.ca

SENT VIA EMAIL

May 5, 2021

Re: Advocacy for Reform Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA)

Please be advised that the Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Learnington, at its meeting held Tuesday, April 27, 2021 enacted the following resolution:

No. C-119-21

#### Re: Advocacy for Reform - MFIPPA Legislation

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Municipality of Learnington has received Clerk's Department Report LLS-15-21 regarding Advocacy for Reform of Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act ("MFIPPA"); and

That that the following motion be passed in support of a request to review and reform of MFIPPA:

WHEREAS MFIPPA dates back 30 years;

AND WHEREAS municipalities, including the Municipality of Learnington, practice and continue to promote open and transparent government operations, actively disseminate information and routinely disclose public documents upon request outside of the MFIPPA process;

AND WHEREAS government operations, public expectations, technologies, and legislation surrounding accountability and transparency have dramatically changed and MFIPPA has not advanced in line with these changes;

AND WHEREAS the creation, storage and utilization of records has changed significantly, and the municipal clerk of the Municipality is responsible for records and information management programs as prescribed by the Municipal Act, 2001;

AND WHEREAS regulation 823 under MFIPPA continues to reference antiquated

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technology and does not adequately provide for cost recovery, and these financial shortfalls are borne by the municipal taxpayer;

AND WHEREAS the threshold to establish frivolous and/or vexatious requests is unreasonably high and allows for harassment of staff and members of municipal councils, and unreasonably affects the operations of the municipality;

AND WHEREAS MFIPPA fails to recognize how multiple requests from an individual, shortage of staff resources or the expense of producing arecord due to its size, number or physical location does not allow for time extensions to deliver requests and unreasonably affects the operations of the municipality;

AND WHEREAS the name of the requestor is not permitted to be disclosed to anyone other than the person processing the access request, and this anonymity is used by requesters to abuse the MFIPPA process and does not align with the spirit of openness and transparency embraced by municipalities;

AND WHEREAS legal professionals use MFIPPA to gain access to information launch litigation against institutions, where other remedies exist;

AND WHEREAS there are limited resources to assist administrators or requestors to navigate the legislative process;

AND WHEREAS reform is needed to address societal and technological changes in addition to global privacy concerns and consistency across provincial legislation;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Ministry of Government and Consumer Services be requested to review MFIPPA, and consider recommendations as follows:

- That MFIPPA assign the municipal clerk, or designate to be the Head under the Act;
- 2. That MFIPPA be updated to address current and emerging technologies;
- That MFIPPA regulate the need for consistent routine disclosure practices across institutions;
- That the threshold for frivolous and/or vexatious actions be reviewed, and take into consideration the community and available resources in which it is applied;
- That the threshold for frivolous and/or vexatious also consider the anonymity of requesters, their abusive nature and language in requests to ensure protection from harassment as provided for in Occupational Health and Safety Act;
- That the application and scalability of fees be designed to ensure taxpayers are protected from persons abusing the access to information process;

- That administrative practices implied or required under MFIPPA, including those of the Information and Privacy Commissioner, be reviewed and modernized;
  - That the integrity of MFIPPA be maintained to protect personal privacy and transparent governments.

Carried

Sincerely, Brenda M. Percy, Clerk

cc: Rick Nicholls, MPP Chatham Kent - Leamington Dave Epp, MP Chatham Kent - Leamington Minister of Consumer Services Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario Association of Municipalities of Ontario Association of Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario Ontario Clerks



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June 2, 2021

Via email: schofield@forterie.ca

Town of Fort Erie **Attention: Carol Schofield, Manager, Legislative Services/Clerk** 1 Municipal Centre Drive Fort Erie, ON L2A 2S6

Dear Ms. Schofield:

#### RE: Correspondence – Township of The Arhicpelago – Road Management Action on Invasive Phragmites

On behalf of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays, please be advised that the above-noted correspondence was presented at the last regularly scheduled meeting on June 1, 2021, and the following was passed.

#### "Resolution #7(a)/06/01/21

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays hereby receives the correspondence from Carol Schofield, Manager, Legislative Services/Clerk for the Town of Fort Erie requesting support for the Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) to Communicate the Strategy on Mapping and Controlling Invasive Phragmites on Provincial Highways, dated April 27, 2021;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays hereby supports the resolution from the Township of The Archipelago requesting the Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) to communicate the strategy on mapping (detecting site) and controlling invasive Phragmites on provincial highways, the specific highway management plans and results by each MTO region, and each highway in the region and work in collaboration with the Township of The Archipelago and requests all levels of government to consider funding support to aid the Township of The Archipelago in managing invasive Phragmites.



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AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Town of Fort Erie, Township of The Archipelago, Ontario Ministry of Transportation, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, Minister of Environment and Climate Change Canada, MPP Norm Miller, and all Ontario Municipalities.

Carried."

Sincerely,

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

Encl. Copy to:

Township of The Archipelago Hon. Caroline Mulroney, Minister of Transportation Hon. Jeff Yurek, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks Hon. Jonathan Wilkinson, Minister of Environment and Climate Change Canada Hon. Norm Miller, MPP, Parry Sound-Muskoka All Ontario Municipalities

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# Community Services

Legislative Services

April 27, 2021 File #120203 Sent via email: caroline.mulroney@pc.ola.org

The Honourable Caroline Mulroney, Minister of Transportation 5th Floor, 777 Bay Street Toronto, ON M7A 1Z8

Honourable and Dear Madam:

#### Township of The Archipelago - Road Management Action on Invasive Phragmites Re:

Please be advised the Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie at its meeting of April 26, 2021 received and supported correspondence from the Township of The Archipelago dated April 9, 2021 requesting the Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) to communicate the strategy on mapping (detecting sites) and controlling invasive Phragmites on provincial highways, the specific highway management plans and results by each MTO region and each highway in the region and work in coordination with the Township of The Archipelago and requests all levels of government to consider funding support to aid the Township of The Archipelago in managing invasive phragmites.

Attached please find a copy of the Township of The Archipelago's correspondence dated April 9, 2021.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours very truly,

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Carol Schofield, Dipl.M.A. Manager, Legislative Services/Clerk cschofield@forterie.ca CS:dlk Attach C.C. The Honourable Jeff Yurek, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks jeff.yurekco@pc.ola.org The Honourable Jonathan Wilkinson, Minister of Environment and Climate Change Canada ec.ministre-minister.ec@canada.ca Christopher Balasa, Manager, Maintenance Management Office Christopher.balasa@ontario.ca Wayne Gates, MPP, Niagara Falls wgates-co@ndp.on.ca MPP Norman Miller. Norm.miller@pc.olg.org Maryann Weaver, Municipal Clerk, Township of The Archipelago mweaver@thearchipelago.on.ca **Ontario Municipalities** 

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April 9, 2021

#### 21-073

#### Moved by Councillor Barton Seconded by Councillor Manner

### RE: Road Management Action On Invasive Phragmites

WHEREAS Phragmites australis (Phragmites) is an invasive perennial grass that continues to cause severe damage to wetlands and beaches in areas around the Great Lakes including Georgian Bay; and

WHEREAS Phragmites australis grows and spreads rapidly, allowing the plant to invade new areas and grow into large monoculture stands in a short amount of time, and is an allelopathic plant that secretes toxins from its roots into the soil which impede the growth of neighboring plant species; and

WHEREAS Phragmites australis results in loss of biodiversity and species richness, loss of habitat, changes in hydrology due to its high metabolic rate, changes in nutrient cycling as it is slow to decompose, an increased fire hazard due to the combustibility of its dead stalks, and can have an adverse impact on agriculture, particularly in drainage ditches; and

WHEREAS invasive Phragmites has been identified as Canada's worst invasive plant species by Agriculture and Agrifood Canada; and

WHEREAS the Ontario government has made it illegal to import, deposit, release, breed/grow, buy, sell, lease or trade invasive Phragmites under the Invasive Species Act; and

WHEREAS Phragmites occupy over 4,800 hectares of land around Lake St. Clair alone, while 212 hectares of Phragmites occupy land along the St. Lawrence River. The Georgian Bay Area is particularly affected by Phragmites australis, with more than 700 stands along the shorelines and multiple visible stands on the highways and roads that threaten valuable infrastructure and wetland areas; and

WHEREAS volunteers, non-governmental organizations, and various municipalities have invested tens of thousands of dollars in investments and labour annually for more than eight years in executing managements plans to control invasive Phragmites on roads, coasts, shorelines and in wetlands; and

WHEREAS roads and highways where Phragmites that are left untreated become spread vectors that continually risk new and treated wetlands and coastal shoreline areas; and

WHEREAS according to "Smart Practices for the Control of Invasive Phragmites along Ontario's Roads" by the Ontario Phragmites Working Group, best road management practices for Phragmites australis include early detection, herbicide application, and cutting; and

WHEREAS these best management practices are most effective when used in a multi-pronged approach as opposed to when used as stand-alone control measures; and

WHEREAS mother nature does not recognize political boundaries. Therefore, it is imperative that Municipalities, Districts, the Province, and the Federal government work together in collaboration to eradicate Canada's worst invasive plant species Phragmites australis;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Council for the Corporation of the Township of The Archipelago directs its staff to implement best management practices to promote early detection of invasive Phragmites, and to implement best management practices for invasive Phragmites, and to join the Ontario Phragmites Working Group to collaborate on the eradication of Phragmites in Ontario.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Council for the Corporation of the Township of The Archipelago directs staff to insert clean equipment protocols into tenders and that there is oversight that the protocols are followed; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Council for the Corporation of the Township of The Archipelago requests the Ontario Ministry of Transportation to map and treat invasive Phragmites annually on all its highways; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) communicates the strategy on mapping (detecting sites) and controlling invasive Phragmites on provincial highways, the specific highway management plans and results by each MTO region and each highway in the region and work in coordination with the Township of The Archipelago; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Council for the Corporation of the Township of The Archipelago directs its staff to send this resolution to all municipalities that are part of the Georgian Bay watershed, to all municipalities in the Great Lakes watershed, to the Minister of Transportation, Christopher Balasa the Manager, Maintenance Management Office, and MPP Norman Miller.

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that Council for the Corporation of the Township of The Archipelago requests all levels of government to consider funding support to aid the Township of The Archipelago in managing invasive phragmites; and directs staff to send a copy of this resolution to the Ontario Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks and the Minister of Environment and Climate Change Canada.

Carried.



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June 2, 2021

Municipality of Calvin 1355 Peddlers Dr., RR#2 Mattawa, ON P0H 1V0

Good Afternoon,

At the meeting of Council held on June 2, 2021 item **15.18 Municipality of Calvin Motion – Dead End Roads Bus Turnaround** was received and discussed and the following motion was introduced and passed:

#### Moved by Cufaro and Seconded by Clark

THAT Council receives the information items as copied;

AND THAT Council endorses the following items: 15.18

	Yea	Nay
Councillor Boxem	Y	· · ·
Councillor Clark	Y	
Councillor Cufaro	Y	
Deputy Mayor Hawkins	Y	
Mayor Horner	Y	

CARRIED.

Sincerely,

Township of Mulmur

## **NEWS RELEASE**

# **Ontario Enhancing Blue Box Program**

Province bringing recycling to more communities and expanding list of blue bin items

#### June 03, 2021

**Environment, Conservation and Parks** 

TORONTO — Following extensive consultations, the Ontario government is improving blue box recycling by expanding service to more communities, standardizing the list of materials that can be recycled across the province and saving municipalities money by making producers of products and packaging fully responsible for the cost and operation of the program.

"Producers and municipalities have been advocating for an enhanced, producer-led Blue Box program for over a decade and I'm proud that our government has finalized these improvements," said Jeff Yurek, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks. "Our goal is to ensure our program remains convenient, affordable and right for communities. That's why we are creating a stronger and more effective blue box service that will have some of the highest waste diversion targets in North America to promote greater innovations in recycling technologies and increased use of recycled materials."

The enhanced Blue Box program will make recycling easier for Ontarians by:

- Expanding collection to all communities outside the Far North by 2026;
- Standardizing what can be recycled across Ontario;
- Accepting common single-use and packaging-like products such as paper and plastic cups, foils, trays, bags and boxes sold for home use;
- Collecting single-use items that are distributed or sold to consume food and beverage products, like stir sticks, straws, cutlery and plates;
- Expanding services to more facilities such as apartment buildings, municipally run or non-profit long-term care homes and retirement homes, and schools.

The province is also expanding collection to more parks, playgrounds, and transit stations, more than tripling the number of public space recycling bins funded under the current program so there are more opportunities to recycle at home and on the go.

The changes to the program will also transition the costs of the Blue Box program away from municipal taxpayers by making the producers of products and packaging fully responsible for managing the life-cycle of their products, resulting in an estimated savings of \$156 million annually for municipalities.

"Our government is supporting the people of Ontario by moving accountability for recycling costs away from the taxpayer," said Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing. "We are proud to support these changes that will help divert waste and protect our environment while putting money back in the pockets of people who live and work in this province."

Combining 253 local programs into a single provincial collection system managed by producers will improve recycling

operations across the province, encouraging producers to find efficiencies that will make recycling simpler and easier for residents, while also driving innovation in recycling practices and technologies by rewarding producers who make their products easier to recycle and can derive more value from waste – fueling job creation and attracting investment right here in Ontario.

The transition to the enhanced Blue Box program will be staggered from 2023 to 2025 to ensure a smooth transition for municipalities and producers, so there is no interruption to service for residents. Some of the first municipalities scheduled to adopt the new producer model include Kenora, London, Toronto and the Town of Hawkesbury.

Reducing plastic waste and litter and making producers responsible for managing waste from packaging or their products is a key part of the <u>Made-in-Ontario Environment Plan</u>. Ontario remains committed to balancing a healthy economy with a healthy environment and keeping Ontario clean and beautiful.

# Quick Facts

- Ontario's overall waste diversion rate has stalled and about 70 per cent of our waste materials continue to end up in landfills.
- The transition of municipalities to the new Blue Box program will be staggered to ensure stable transition for communities and balance costs and facilitate economies of scale for producers. The rollout schedule can be found <u>here</u>.
- Ontarians will not see any disruption in their blue box services. Communities already participating in curbside blue box collection will continue to receive the service as they transition to the new producer-run model, including those with populations under 5,000.
- This new framework ensures programs already having a positive impact on the environment, like the Beer Store's deposit return program, can continue under the new producer responsibility model.

## Quotes

"These changes to the Blue Box program reflect the most important advances in waste diversion since the program was created two decades ago. It will save property taxpayers \$150 million a year and lead to better, more innovative and sustainable packaging practices."

- Graydon Smith President of Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO)

"The Ontario Waste Management Association (OWMA) supports the Ontario government's commitment to strengthen the Blue Box program and set some of the highest waste diversion targets in North America. This program will better allow producers to effectively and accountably promote waste diversion, better manage the handling of 800,000 tonnes of products and packaging at the end-of-life stage and reduce the burden on municipal taxpayers. These changes are not only good for the environment, they are good for the economy, and will encourage investment."

> - Mike Chopowick OWMA Chief Executive Officer

"GFL Environmental Inc. commends the Ford Government on its initiative to seize the recycling opportunity in Ontario. Our signature bright green fleet of trucks and five recycling facilities located throughout the province are able to support a significant portion of Ontario's current residential recycling needs. Together with industry, we are proud to build on the successes of Ontario's municipalities and step up to the plate to ensure that when Ontario families set their blue box at the curb, they can be confident that GFL remains committed to advancing the province's goals."

> - Patrick Dovigi Founder and CEO of GFL

"The Canadian Beverage Association (CBA) supports the modernization of the province's blue box recycling system and the introduction of ambitious targets to increase the recycling of beverage containers. The blue box regulation will improve curbside recycling throughout Ontario while allowing our sector to build an accessible, complementary recycling program to collect beverage containers in public spaces. The net result will be a stronger, more robust circular economy for beverage containers."

> - Jim Goetz President, CBA

"Keurig Dr Pepper Canada applauds the Ontario Government's policy to expand and improve the recycling system in the province. By including items like recyclable coffee pods, Ontario's blue box program will ensure more waste is diverted from the landfills and made part of the circular economy. Our company is committed to reducing packaging waste by focusing on innovative design, increased recovery and use of recycled materials. We look forward to working with municipalities across the province to build a more sustainable Ontario for years to come."

> - Stephane Glorieux President, Keurig Dr Pepper Canada

#### **Additional Resources**

- <u>Made-in-Ontario Environment Plan</u>
- <u>Waste management in Ontario</u>
- <u>Waste Discussion Paper</u>
- Municipal Roll Out Schedule/Calendar

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### **Cindy Pigeau**

From: Sent: To: Subject: AMO Communications <Communicate@amo.on.ca> Thursday, June 3, 2021 1:56 PM Cindy Pigeau AMO Policy Update - Blue Box Regulation Released, Province Easing Restrictions on Long-Term Care

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June 3, 2021

# AMO Policy Update – Blue Box Regulation Released and Province Easing Restrictions on Long-Term Care

# Blue Box Regulation for Full Producer Responsibility Transition

The Province today released the regulation to transition the Blue Box to <u>full producer</u> <u>responsibility</u>. This transition will occur between July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 and the end of 2025. It will move Ontario forward with better environmental and economic outcomes.

This is an important milestone for municipalities and for Ontario's environment. Municipal governments are ready to implement this transition to full producer responsibility smoothly and seamlessly.

"These changes to the Blue Box program reflect the most important advances in waste diversion since the program was created two decades ago," said AMO President Graydon Smith. "It will save property taxpayers \$150 million a year and lead to better, more innovative, and sustainable packaging practices."

The final regulation includes the following provisions:

- establishment of a province-wide common collection system that transitions all current municipal programs and expands servicing to:
  - all communities regardless of size (except Far North)
  - all residential dwelling types
  - all schools
  - all publicly run retirement homes and long-term care facilities, and
  - more public spaces.

- an enhanced and standardized list of materials that will need to be collected and recycled
- high, progressive, and enforceable targets
- certainty for planning to ensure a seamless transition.

We expect that the regulation will be posted on the Ontario e-laws site soon.

AMO has scheduled a webinar for municipal staff on Wednesday, June 9<sup>th</sup> from 12 noon to 2 pm to provide more details on the regulation and how municipalities can ensure they are prepared for the transition. Municipal staff can <u>register to attend</u> this webinar now.

# Province Easing Restrictions on Long-Term Care

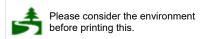
Effective Wednesday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, the Ontario government <u>announced</u> it is easing some restrictions in long-term care homes. The purpose is to allow residents to have more social connections with family, friends, and other residents. The decision is due to high levels of vaccination in long-term care homes and improvements in key public health care indicators. Changes include:

- Residents who have been fully immunized can leave their long-term care homes for day and overnight social outings and trips.
- Residents with mobility limitations or health conditions (essentially, factors unrelated to weather) that make participating in outdoor visits highly unlikely or impossible may have one general visitor at a time inside the long-term care home, in addition to an essential caregiver.
- Regardless of resident and visitor vaccination status, brief hugs can now take place. Where both the resident and visitors are fully immunized, close physical contact, including handholding, can now safely take place. Residents and visitors are to adhere to public health measures in the home, including good hand hygiene and appropriate masking.

Further specific information is found in an updated Directive #3, as well as the Ministry of Long-Term Care's <u>visitor policy</u> and <u>guidance document</u>. The government will monitor the ongoing situation in the vulnerable sector to protect health and safety and promote mental health and well-being.

AMO's <u>COVID-19 Resources</u> page is being updated continually so you can find critical information in one place. Please send any of your municipally related pandemic questions to <u>covid19@amo.on.ca</u>.

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June 3, 2021

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario Legislative Building, Queen's Park Toronto, ON M7A 1Y7 <u>premier@ontario.ca</u>

Via Email

Dear Premier Ford:

### Re: Drainage Matters and the Canadian National Railway

At the Regular Council Meeting of the Township of Havelock-Belmont-Methuen Council received the resolution sent by the Municipality of Southwest Middlesex on December 7, 2020 in regards to drainage matters and the current working relationship with the Canadian National Railway (CNR) and passed the following resolution:

R-009-21 Moved by Deputy Mayor Gerow Seconded by Councillor Ellis

That staff are hereby directed to send correspondence supporting the resolution from the Municipality of Southwest Middlesex regarding drainage matters on Canadian National Railway lands.

Carried

While the Township of Havelock-Belmont -Methuen does not have dealings with CN Rail, but rather with the Canadian Pacific Railway (CPR), the Township has experienced similar delays with drainage projects and agree that the situation with the major railway companies and municipalities needs to improve. Council directed staff to send correspondence in support for your resolution.

A copy of the above noted resolution from the Municipality of Southwest Middlesex is attached for your reference. Your consideration of this matter is respectfully requested.

Sincerely,

Bianca Boyington

Bianca Boyington Deputy Clerk

Copy: The Honourable Marc Garneau, Minister of Transport The Honourable Ernie Hardeman, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs Dave Smith, MPP Peterborough-Kawartha Maryam Monsef, MP Peterborough-Kawartha The Association of Municipalities of Ontario All Ontario Municipalities



Municipality of Southwest Middlesex

December 7, 2020

Please be advised that the Council of Southwest Middlesex passed the following resolution at it's November 25, 2020 Council meeting:

Drainage Matters: CN Rail

Moved by Councillor McGill Seconded by Councillor Vink

"WHEREAS municipalities are facilitators of the provincial process under the *Drainage Act* providing land owners to enter into agreements to construct or improve drains, and for the democratic procedure for the construction, improvement and maintenance of drainage works; and

WHEREAS municipal drain infrastructure and railway track infrastructure intersect in many areas in Ontario; and

WHEREAS coordination with national railways is required for the construction or improvement of drains that benefit or intersect with national railways; and

WHEREAS the national railways have historically participated in the process for construction, improvement and maintenance of drainage works; and

WHEREAS currently municipalities are experiencing a lack of coordination with national railways on drainage projects; and

WHEREAS the lack of coordination is resulting in projects being significantly delayed or cancelled within a year; and

WHEREAS municipal drains remove excess water to support public and private infrastructure and agricultural operations;

THEREFORE be it resolved that the Province of Ontario work with the Federal Minister of Transportation to address concerns regarding municipal drainage matters and need for coordination with the national railways; and

THAT Council circulate the resolution to the Provincial Ministers of Agriculture, Food, and Rural Affairs, and Municipal Affairs and Housing, and the Federal Minister of Transportation, the local MP and MPP, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and all municipalities."

Municipality of Southwest Middlesex Resolution #2020-274

Carried

Sincerely.

Albamber-Glazier

Jillene Bellchamber-Glazier CAO-Clerk

Cc: The Honorable Marc Gardeau, Minister of Transport The Honorable Ernie Hardeman, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs Monte McNaughton, MPP Lambton-Middlesex-London Lianne Rood, MP Lambton-Kent-Middlesex The Association of Municipalities of Ontario All Ontario Municipalities



## **Carton Council of Canada Offers Grants for Municipal Recycling Education**

# Carton Council of Canada (CCC) will award \$2,000 to up to 15 communities that demonstrate their recycling education efforts, featuring food and beverage cartons.

Participating communities/organizations must:

- Be Ontario-based
- Demonstrate their websites accurately portray carton recycling
- Provide at least two other examples of activities that promote recycling and include cartons

#### **Key Dates:**

- July 12, 2021: Deadline to register
- November 26, 2021: Deadline to submit your entry

Participants can leverage CCC's <u>Image and Ad Bank</u> to support their efforts. **More details and the link to the registration** form can be found on the <u>CCC's web site</u>.



# Inform Your Residents on How to Recycle Their Food and Beverage Cartons!



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May 19, 2021

Anthony Rota, MP Nipissing-Temiskaming 375 Main Street West North Bay, ON P1B 2T9

Dear Honourable Anthony Rota:

This is Resolution No. 2021-228 which was passed by Council at its Regular Meeting held Tuesday, May 18, 2021.

Resolution No. 2021-228:

"Whereas the Near North Landlords Association (NNLA) surveyed its members and found that 11.7%, or 492 people, of its member's housing stock are facing eviction due to rent arrears; when this modest percentage is applied across the total number of units in all the private rental housing stock across Nipissing District, it is estimated that 600 units are in arrears with the possibility that up to 1100 people are at imminent risk of eviction;

And Whereas the NNLA has formed a partnership to find a solution to address the rent arrears issue, a proposed program for qualifying tenants was developed; this would include a negotiated repayment plan that would see the landlord forgive 1/3 of the arrears, the District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board (DNSSAB) to fund 1/3, and the final 1/3 would be paid by the tenant; program eligibility will also include ongoing monitoring of the landlord and tenant relationship to ensure housing is retained;

And Whereas the DNSSAB would use Federal and/or Provincial Funding Programs to finance their share.

Therefore Be it Resolved that the Council of the City of North Bay lobby the Federal and Provincial Governments to finance this program to avert an additional major homelessness crisis. And Further that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Honourable Anthony Rota MP Nipissing-Temiskaming; the Honourable Marc G. Serré, MP Nickel Belt; the Honourable Ahmed Hussen, Minister of Families, Children and Social Development; the Honourable Victor Fedeli, MPP Nipissing; the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; all Municipalities in the District of Nipissing; the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Rural Ontario Municipal Association, and the District of Nipissing Homelessness and Housing Partnership.

Yours truly,

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Karen McIsaac City Clerk

KM/ck

cc: Hon. Marc Serré, MP Nickel Belt Hon. Ahmed Hussen, Minister of Families, Children and Social Development Hon. Victor Fedeli, MPP Nipissing Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Township of Bonfield Municipality of Calvin Township of Chisholm Municipality of East Ferris Town of Mattawa Municipality of Mattawan Township of Papineau-Cameron Township of South Algonguin Municipality of Temagami Municipality of West Nipissing Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities Association of Municipalities of Ontario **Rural Ontario Municipal Association** District of Nipissing Homelessness and Housing Partnership

### Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin Council/Board Report By Dept-(Unpaid)

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