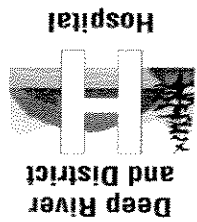
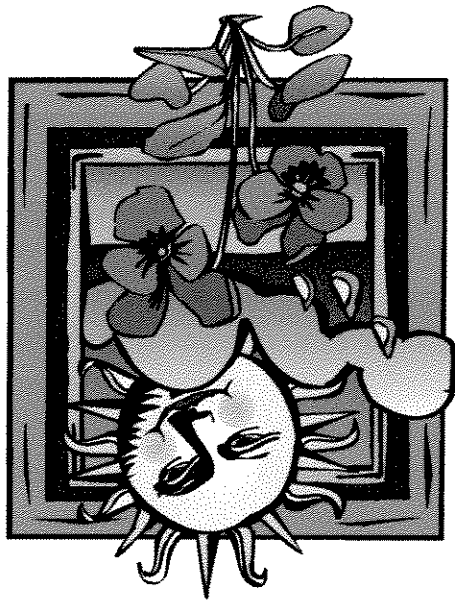


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Thank You Very Much



Made especially for you by:



From the residents and staff of the

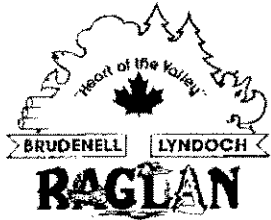


To: Head Clara Maria Township.

From: Leanne Lepison
Recreation Therapist
Deep River District Hospital.

We cannot say enough Thank-yous for your kindness in providing the B.B.Q for our picnic lunch at the MaKey Beach.

The new pavilion is beautiful and accessible for our Residents to enjoy. Everyone in attendance could not say enough wonderful things, Residents, family, volunteers and staff. We will be back. Thank-you



TOWNSHIP OF
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July 14, 2011

Dalton McGuinty
Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building, Room 281
Queen's Park
Toronto ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier McGuinty:

Please find attached a copy of a resolution from the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan which was passed at its regular Council Meeting of July 6, 2011 recommending that the Province of Ontario and the Ministry of Transportation amend the Highway Traffic Act - Ontario Regulation 316/03 to allow vehicles that are designed and manufactured to carry more than one occupant to be legally operated on highways.

It is our hope that your office will consider this resolution and take the necessary steps to implement the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan 's recommendations.

Sincerely,

Michelle Mantifel
Clerk-Treasurer

Att.

cc. The Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Minister of Transportation
John Yakabuski, MPP
All Renfrew County Municipalities

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
BRUDENELL, LYNDOKH AND RAGLAN

DATE: July 6, 2011

RESOLUTION NO: 19

Moved by Garry Gruntz
Seconded by Steven Jessup

WHEREAS the definition of an "all-terrain vehicle" is an off-road vehicle that has four wheels, steering handlebars, a seat that is designed to be straddled by the driver and is designed to carry a driver only and no passengers;

AND WHEREAS this definition does not include machines that are designed and manufactured to carry more than one occupant and which are increasing in popularity;

AND WHEREAS the approval of these vehicles being permitted on highways would be a benefit to tourism and local businesses that sell and service off road vehicles;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan requests that the Ministry of Transportation amend the Highway Traffic Act - Ontario Regulation 316/03 to allow these vehicles to be legally operated on highways; and

THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Transportation and our Member of Provincial Parliament;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to all municipalities within the County of Renfrew for endorsement."

Carried.



Reeve, Norman Lentz

I, Michelle Mantifel, Clerk-Treasurer of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan, do hereby certify this to be a true copy of Resolution No. 19 of the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan passed by the Council of the said Corporation at a meeting held July 6, 2011.

Dated at Palmer Rapids, Ontario, this 20th day of July, 2011.



Michelle Mantifel, Clerk-Treasurer

July 22, 2011

Melinda Reith
Clerk
United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria
15 Township Hall Road
Stonecliffe, ON K0J 2K0

Dear Ms. Reith:

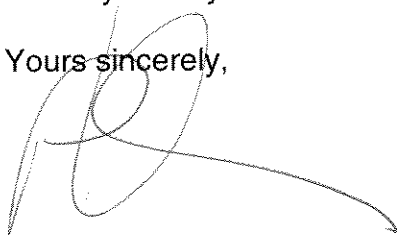
Re: Amendments to the *Municipal Elections Act*

On behalf of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, I would like to thank you for submitting your resolution in support of amendments to the *Municipal Elections Act*. The resolution requests that the Province of Ontario amend the *Municipal Elections Act* to ensure that municipal candidates are held to the same standards as their provincial counterparts with respect to penalties for non-compliance with election financial reporting.

We look forward to discussing these recommendations during the Province's review of the *Municipal Elections Act*. I am pleased to note that the resolution has already been forwarded to the Province.

Thank you for your continued interest and support.

Yours sincerely,



Pat Vanini
Executive Director





Municipality of
Bayham

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July 13, 2011

Premier Dalton McGuinty
Legislative Building
Queen's Park
Toronto ON M7A 1A1

Dear Sir:

At the regular meeting held July 7, 2011 of the Council of the Municipality the attached resolution was passed regarding escalating Ontario Provincial Police Service Costs.

The Municipality of Bayham is requesting the Government of Ontario along with the Ontario Provincial Police to reconsider the recent unrealistic policing services contract agreement.

Yours truly

Mrs. Lynda Millard, CMO
Clerk

Enc.

cc:

OPP Commissioner Chris Lewis
Tim Hudak, Leader of the Opposition
Andrea Horwath, New Democratic Leader
AMO
ROMA
Elgin Police Services Board

File: C09

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**Moved By: Councillor T Southwick
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor M Taylor**

2011-313

"Whereas Municipalities served by the OPP were not involved in contract negotiations between the Province of Ontario and the OPP staff, which resulted in significant wage settlements;

And Whereas these same Municipalities are ultimately faced with the resultant massive cost increases to provide police services to our residents;

And Whereas the average annual cost of living increase over the past 18 years is less than 2%;

And Whereas Municipalities have reached the limit to what the local taxpayers can afford to pay in property taxes;

Now Therefore be It resolved;

That the Municipality of Bayham requests the Province of Ontario and the OPP to reconsider their recent agreement, and include municipalities in contract negotiations;

And That if such reconsideration is not pursued or such reconsideration fails to reach a settlement satisfactory to all, that the Province and OPP utilize the next 24 months to make plans to cut service levels, including any necessary layoffs, in order to offset the wage increase of over 14%;

And That this resolution be forwarded to Premier Dalton McGuinty and OPP Commissioner Chris Lewis for action;

And That this resolution be forwarded to Leader of the Opposition Tim Hudak, New Democratic Leader Andrea Horwath, Elgin Police Services Board, AMO, ROMA, and all municipalities served by the OPP for their support."

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June 27, 2011

Hon. Dalton McGuinty,
Premier of Ontario
Room 281, Main Legislative Building,
Queen's Park
Toronto, Ontario M7A 1A1

Dear Premier McGuinty:

Please be advised that the Council of the Municipality of Central Huron has adopted a resolution requesting that the Province of Ontario declare a moratorium on all current and future projects for on-shore and off-shore development of wind energy facilities.

The resolution also requests that local authority be restored pre Green Energy Act levels to allow the local government to mitigate impacts of renewable energy projects within the community.

A copy of resolution 137-2011 is attached for your consideration.

Yours truly,



Brenda MacIsaac, Clerk

c.c. Ontario Minister of Health
Ontario Minister of Environment
Ontario Minister of Energy
Ontario Minister of Natural Resources
The Association of Municipalities of Ontario
Huron County Council
Huron Bruce MPP Carol Mitchell
Huron Bruce MP Ben Lobb
Huron County Federation of Agriculture
And the local media

Moved by Councillor Burkhard Metzger

Seconded by Councillor Danny Colquhoun

DATE:

June 6, 2011

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WHEREAS there is a need to lessen our use and dependency on fossil fuels and increase our sustainability through responsible development of renewable energy resources and conservation;

AND WHEREAS literature reviews by the Canadian and the American Wind Energy Associations (Wind Turbine Sound and Health Effects, 2009-09) and by Ontario's Chief Medical Officer of Health (The Potential Health Impact of Wind Turbines, 2010-05) acknowledge that there is not sufficient scientific evidence to prove that these facilities have a direct negative impact on human health and well-being;

AND WHEREAS there is a growing body of case evidence that they do, and the precautionary principle states if an action or policy has a suspected risk of causing harm, then in the absence of scientific consensus that the action or policy is harmful, the burden of proof that it is not harmful falls on those taking the action;

AND WHEREAS Ontario's regulations do not cite any scientific proof that 40 db(A) hourly average value used as a basis for setbacks in rural areas is sufficient to guarantee the health and well-being of the people in the proximity to these facilities and give no consideration to the Low Frequency component of the noise emissions;

AND WHEREAS more than 70 municipalities throughout Ontario have passed resolutions and bylaws expressing concerns with the Green Energy Act (2009);

AND WHEREAS The Green Energy Act (2009) has excluded municipalities from acting in any direct way to address concerns relating to public interests in comprehensive municipal planning, public health, infrastructure expansion and environmental assessment and thereby limits the ability to manage the impacts of industrial wind power projects directly within the community;

AND WHEREAS Central Huron residents have repeatedly voiced concerns about the density of the IWT's proposed in Central Huron and Huron County as a whole, the associated distribution and transmission network and the cumulative effects on the municipal road system;

AND WHEREAS Central Huron residents have told Council that they do not believe that Ontario's regulations are sufficient to protect their health and well-being or to prevent the devaluation of their properties;

AND WHEREAS any property devaluation will have an undesirable effect on the tax base and hence on Central Huron sustainability;

AND WHEREAS there is now supportable evidence that Ontario does not have the most stringent IWT standards in North America as proclaimed by the Ontario Ministry of Environment;

AND WHEREAS the two IWT projects proposed in Central Huron are bordered by Lake Huron (west), the Maitland River Valley (north), the Bayfield River (south), and the 2,200 ha (5,500 acre) Hullett Provincial Wildlife Reserve (east);

AND WHEREAS these areas contain 2 recognized North American flyways, seasonal migrating paths, daily flight paths and seasonal staging grounds, and all areas provide habitat and breeding grounds for a long list of birds, bats, waterfowl and wildlife; and there is growing concern for the long term effects that IWT's may have on these species, many of whom are on the endangered species list for Ontario;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipality of Central Huron requests that the Province of Ontario declare a moratorium on all current and future projects for on-shore and off-shore development of wind-energy facilities until it has commissioned properly-designed independent third-party scientific research into the long-term effects, released the findings for public comment, and has incorporated those comments to enact science based maximums for wind facility emissions, and for electrical emission from all related electrical facilities, and can therefore guarantee to Council's satisfaction that the health and well-being of the Municipality's human and animal populations are protected from the direct and indirect negative effects of being in proximity to those IWT facilities.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipality of Central Huron requests local authority to be restored to pre GEA levels to allow the local government to mitigate impacts of renewable energy projects within the community.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that this resolution be forwarded to:

Premier of Ontario

Ontario Minister of Health

Ontario Minister of Environment

Ontario Minister of Energy

Ontario Minister of Natural Resources

The Association of Municipalities of Ontario

Huron County Council

Huron Bruce MPP Carol Mitchell

Huron Bruce MP Ben Lobb

Huron County Federation of Agriculture

And the local media.

CARRIED Deputy Reeve David Jewitt

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Ottawa RIVERKEEPER®
SENTINELLE Outaouais

July 19, 2011

**To: Reeve Tammy Lea Stewart and Council
Township of Head Clara and Maria, Ontario**

The Ottawa River is a seminal piece of our local culture, history, and geography. It is the border between the two largest provinces in Confederation, is the source of drinking water for over two million people, and generates hydro power for both Ontario and Quebec.

On Monday, July 4, Ottawa Riverkeeper launched the Great River Project, a water quality monitoring and community engagement project aimed at improving water stewardship along the Ottawa River. Planned in five stages, the 900 kilometer journey will take an expedition crew from Lac Témiscamingue downstream to the urban shores of Ottawa and Montreal. All along the way we will be testing water quality, identifying pollution sources, and challenging local residents to become dedicated stewards of a river whose health they depend on. We will be engaging with community leaders, businesses, and citizens to learn about threats to the river in their region, and what can be done to protect it.

The second phase of the project will be launched from the Mattawa Museum on Tuesday July 26, 2011. We are delighted to extend you an invitation to attend our launch, and demonstrate your commitment to a swimmable, fishable, drinkable Ottawa River. Meredith Brown, the Ottawa Riverkeeper, will be available from 1:00 to 2:30 PM to meet dignitaries and discuss your vision for the future of the Ottawa River. Please RSVP to sbowman@ottawariverkeeper.ca.

To learn more about the project, and what you can do to get involved, visit the project website at www.greatriverproject.ca, or give us a call at 613 321 1120.

Sincerely,

Meredith Brown,
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July 27, 2011

Dear Heads of Council and Stakeholders:

Our government has had an ongoing commitment to reforming Ontario's land-use planning system. Our goal is to make our communities places where people want to live, work and invest. This commitment is built on a foundation of the strong policy direction in the Provincial Policy Statement, 2005 (PPS), which came into effect on March 1, 2005.

The PPS sets the policy direction for appropriate development, while protecting resources of provincial interest, public health, and environmental quality. It supports a more effective and efficient land-use planning system.

The PPS provides the foundation for provincial plans such as the Greenbelt Plan and the Growth Plans for the Greater Golden Horseshoe and Northern Ontario. As part of our commitment to the continuous improvement of the policy-led planning system, we have begun the five-year review of the PPS, to determine whether any improvements are needed and to address emerging land-use issues.

While some Ontario communities are growing rapidly, others face challenges, such as the need to diversify their economies or maintain their populations. While the challenges may differ, the principles of strong communities, a clean and healthy environment and a strong economy are common goals. Since 2003, our government has taken a number of important steps to achieve these goals.

These steps included the *Strong Communities (Planning Amendment) Act, 2004* and the *Planning and Conservation Land Statute Law Amendment Act, 2006*. These legislative changes recognize the need to manage land and resources more effectively and provide municipalities with new planning and financial tools to encourage and support future community planning.

In 2005, we released the Greenbelt Plan which permanently protects 1.8 million acres of working countryside in the Greater Golden Horseshoe. The Greenbelt contains some of the best agricultural land in Canada, valuable natural resources, significant environmental features and vibrant rural communities.

In 2006, our government released the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe and in 2011 we released the Growth Plan for Northern Ontario. These provincial plans outline a vision and policies for where and how these regions should grow to 2031 and 2036, respectively.

Heads of Council and Stakeholders

We also introduced a Development Permit System (DPS) which is available to all communities. The DPS is a planning tool that provides municipal councils with an alternate approval system which facilitates and streamlines development, promotes community building and enhances environmental protection. We encourage you to consider implementing a DPS as part of your Official Plan.

Resources for Municipalities

The ministry has developed supporting materials describing the planning and financial tools that are available to municipalities. These resources are readily accessible and provided in both hard copy and on-line. We encourage municipalities to utilize these tools when planning for the future of their communities.

Enclosed is a sample publication that you may find useful and I encourage you to visit our website www.mah.gov.on.ca to and download copies and see our complete list of land use planning publications. Also enclosed is a poster which outlines key planning tools that can be posted in your office.

Lastly, if you have any questions, please contact staff at our Ministry's regional Municipal Services Offices, located in Toronto, London, Kingston, Sudbury or Thunder Bay.

I thank you for your commitment and shared vision of strong, vibrant communities across Ontario.

Sincerely,



Rick Bartolucci, MPP, Sudbury
Minister

Enclosures

- c: The Honourable Bob Chiarelli, Minister of Infrastructure
- The Honourable John Wilkinson, Minister of the Environment
- The Honourable Linda Jeffrey, Minister of Natural Resources
- Association of Municipalities of Ontario
- City of Toronto

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**THE CORPORATION OF THE
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June 10, 2011

The Honourable Leona Aglukkaq, P.C., M.P.
Health Canada
Brooke Claxton Building, Tunney's Pasture
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Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0K9

RE: Funding of Physician Recruitment in Ontario

To The Honourable Leona Aglukkaq,

Please be advised that the Council of the Township of Tay passed the following motion at their June 8, 2011 Council meeting:

WHEREAS THE NUMBER OF HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS INCLUDING PHYSICIANS ARE DECLINING IN RELATION TO THE POPULATION OF THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO; AND

WHEREAS IT IS EVIDENT TO THE TOWNSHIP OF TAY THAT MUNICIPALITIES ARE FEELING PRESSURE TO PROVIDE INCENTIVES TO ATTRACT AND OBTAIN HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS TO MEET THEIR RESIDENTS' HEALTH CARE NEEDS; AND

WHEREAS THE TOWNSHIP REALIZES THERE ARE INCONSISTENCIES IN THE TYPES AND AMOUNTS OF INCENTIVES BEING OFFERED BY MUNICIPALITIES ACROSS THE PROVINCE; AND

WHEREAS THE AFFORDABILITY BY MUNICIPALITIES TO OFFER INCENTIVES IS INEQUITABLE POTENTIALLY JEOPARDIZING THE HEALTH CARE OF RESIDENTS GEOGRAPHICALLY; AND

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TAY SEES IT FIT TO ELIMINATE INCENTIVES GIVEN BY MUNICIPALITIES AS PART OF HEALTH CARE RECRUITMENT AS IT IS SEEN AS A PROVINCIAL RESPONSIBILITY;

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AND FURTHER THAT MUNICIPALITIES REQUEST THE PROVINCE TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A PLAN TO ATTRACT HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS INCLUDING PHYSICIANS IN A FAIR AND EQUITABLE MANNER WITHOUT COST TO MUNICIPALITIES;

AND FURTHER THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TAY RESPECTFULLY REQUESTS THAT ALL MUNICIPALITIES IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO CONSIDER SUPPORTING THE RESOLUTION FROM THE TOWNSHIP OF TAY;

AND FURTHER THAT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION BE FORWARDED TO THE HONORABLE LEONA AGLUKKAQ, FEDERAL MINISTER OF HEALTH; PREMIER DALTON MCGUINTY; ONTARIO MINISTER OF HEALTH DEB MATTHEWS; CHRISTINE ELLIOTT, ONTARIO PC HEALTH CRITIC; AND FRANCE GELINAS, ONTARIO NDP HEALTH CRITIC;

AND FURTHER THAT THIS RESOLUTION BE CIRCULATED TO ALL MUNICIPALITIES IN ONTARIO.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions on this matter.

Yours very truly,

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TAY

Alison Thomas

Alison Thomas, BAH, CMMII
Clerk

Cc Premier Dalton McGuinty
Hon. D. Matthews, Ontario Minister of Health
Mrs. C. Elliott, Ontario PC Health Critic
Mrs. F. Gelinas, Ontario NDP Health Critic

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Sent: Monday, July 25, 2011 2:03 PM
Subject: We at OFIT are adamant in having this RFP terminated and with your help we can achieve this province wide. Please contact me via E-mail and I will reply as soon as possible. Thanks . Glen M.

ONTARIO FEDERATION OF INDEPENDENT TOWERS

22 FIFTH STREET JOHNSTOWN, ON K0E 1T0

Date JULY 25 2011

Dear Mayor or Reeve and Council,

Once again, provincial government policies and directives threaten services in your municipality.

The Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services has tendered a Request for Proposal (RFP) that would effectively transfer the authority of vehicle impoundments from the Ministry of Transportation to the OPP in the form of RFP OPP-0460. This will have a negative affect on the overall capacity of your local towing industry to serve our community.

This RFP has been tendered without consultation with you,

our municipal representatives, and without us, your local tow service providers. It is designed for the administrative convenience of the OPP, not for the delivery of effective service on our roads. It removes the quality control of competition from the industry equation by creating monopolistic control over the delivery of impound services in 56 zones across the province.

Towers are an essential 4th component in keeping the roads safe in every community, but unlike the other 3 components; EMS, Fire and Police, we are strictly within the private domain and so must maintain and keep our equipment available for 24/7 emergency response at our own expense. Tows generated within the community by your contracted police service are an important source of revenue that supports your local towers and allows them to be there 24/7 for the community in times of need.

Simply put, if the OPP are allowed to impose their desire for exclusive, large scale impound lots on our communities, many local towers will eventually be forced out of business, people will have to travel greater distances at greater expense to reclaim their vehicles, and the number of local towers available to serve in times of emergency will be diminished. Not to mention the environmental impact of towing these vehicles the greater distances this plan will impose. It is also important to note that the impound facility for a zone listed in the RFP does not even have to be within that zone, thus creating further hardship and expense for those needing to reclaim an impounded vehicle.

We would urge you to pass a resolution opposing this RFP and the changes it proposes until such time that there has been adequate consultation with the industry, and you, our elected municipal representatives.

We further ask that you send this resolution to other municipalities requesting their support, and that all resolution be sent to the Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services, so that this dangerous proposition can be halted.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns regarding my firm position on this matter, and I look forward to your timely response.

Sincerely, Glen Morrow, President

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July 6th, 2011.

The Hon. Dalton McGuinty,
Premier of the Province of Ontario,
Room 281, Main Legislative Building,
Queen's Park,
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Honourable Premier:

The Council of the Corporation of the County of Huron recently heard a presentation from Christine Heffer, an Ontario resident living with Lyme Disease. The following Motion was passed by Council at their July 6th, 2011 Council meeting:

WHEREAS:

The tick-borne illness known as Chronic Lyme Disease, which mimics many catastrophic illnesses, such as Multiple Sclerosis, Crohn's, Alzheimer's, arthritic diabetes, depression, Chronic Fatigue and Fibromyalgia is increasingly endemic in Canada, but the scientifically validated diagnostic tests and treatment choices are currently not available in Ontario, forcing patients to seek these in the USA and Europe;

AND WHEREAS:

The Canadian Medical Association informed the public, governments, and the medical profession in the May 30, 2000 edition of their professional journal that Lyme Disease is endemic throughout Canada, particularly in Southern Ontario;

AND WHEREAS:

The Ontario Public Health system and the Ontario Health Insurance Plan currently do not fund those specific tests that accurately serve the process for establishing a clinical diagnosis, but only recognize testing procedures known in the medical literature to provide false negatives 45 to 95% of the time;

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The Hon. Dalton McGuinty,
Premier of the Province of Ontario.
Re: Lyme Disease

July 6th, 2011.
Page 2 of 2.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Council of the County of Huron petition the legislative assembly of Ontario to request the Minister of Health to direct the Ontario Public Health system and OHIP to include all currently available and scientifically verified tests for Acute and Chronic Lyme diagnosis, to do everything necessary to create public awareness of Lyme Disease in Ontario, and to have internationally developed diagnosis and successful treatment protocols available to patients and physicians.

Your attention to this very distressing disease that is affecting the livelihood of residents in Ontario is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



Barbara L. Wilson, CMO,
County Clerk,
County of Huron.

c.c. The Hon. Deborah Matthews, Minister of Health and Long-Term
Care
The Hon. Carol Mitchell, MPP Huron-Bruce
Bob Bailey, MPP Sarnia-Lambton
Christine Heffer, cheffer@cogeco.ca

Townships of Head Clara & Maria

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Subject: support of ON MPP's petition
July 9th 2011

Dear Council Members of the Townships of Head, Clara and Maria,

I am writing you this letter to bring your attention to an Ontario Provincial health issue of extreme importance.

Actually, this is an issue that affects Canadians Nationwide.

Currently we have an MPP out of Sarnia Ontario, Bob Bailey who is stepping up in an effort to make much needed changes here for Ontarians.

You can read about the Petition he will be tabling at Queen's Park in late October / early November here, under the heading "Chronic Lyme Disease": <http://www.bobbaileympp.com/>

The petition is available to print off via the PDF link on that page and can be signed and forwarded to his office prior to the fall.

I would like to ask for your support of this petition for your Ontario citizens. Please support this petition and please inform the Public as to how they can acquire and support this much needed change for Ontario. Perhaps this will encourage other P/T to follow suit throughout Canada.

For more information regarding Lyme Disease please visit

-The Lyme Disease Association of Ontario at www.lymeontario.org

- The Canadian Lyme Disease Foundation at www.canlyme.com

Attached is a PDF of Huron County's support of the petition and their letter to the Premier.

Thank you in advance for your response and support,

Best Regards,

Melisa Young

Champlain Local Health Integration Network (LHIN)

**NEW RECOVERY PROGRAM LAUNCHED FOR PEOPLE
WITH MENTAL HEALTH CONDITIONS**

July 14, 2011 – Clients with mental health conditions are benefitting from a new and innovative program developed by the Royal Ottawa Health Care Group in partnership with the Champlain LHIN. The program focuses on recovery, helping people with a mental illness to get on with their lives after a hospitalization or crisis.

Now fully operational, the program is located at the Royal Ottawa Mental Health Centre. It offers life skills training and guidance on how to live responsibly and independently. Thirty-two clients are enrolled at any one time and stay for an average of six months.

“The program helps me see hope in life, and to me that’s a big thing,” says Luc, 37, a client who lives with severe depression. “At home, I didn’t have any structure.” Luc takes part in a number of activities including morning exercises, cooking classes, wellness seminars and job skills training. When he returns home, he aims to become a volunteer at a local charitable organization.

Saverio, also 37, explains he was admitted to the recovery program after a hospitalization due to schizophrenia. “I was really a mess, I was working too much and coping with the illness,” he says, adding staff at the program taught him “how to put things in perspective, how to organize myself, how to live better and support myself.” Saverio now feels he has the confidence to go back to university to complete his degree.

The 32-bed program is a unique model of care in our region that provides solid support for clients who would otherwise fall through the cracks of the health system. Historically, people with mental health conditions were kept institutionalized for years, or abandoned to struggle on their own, often left despairing and homeless. By offering short-term assistance from a variety of health professionals, the new program adds a new level of care that allows clients to transition safely from crisis to recovery and from hospital to home.

This is just one initiative of a larger restructuring effort conducted by The Royal in recent years to better serve the population. The Champlain LHIN provided strong support during The Royal’s transformation to ensure resources are reallocated in a way that most benefits the region’s residents.

“The new recovery program is an example of how the Champlain LHIN works closely with health-care providers to improve access to a wide range of health services,” says Champlain LHIN CEO Alex Munter. “As the demand for mental-health services rises due to lessening stigma, the LHIN is bringing more and more communities and providers together to find creative local solutions to local challenges.”

The mental-health recovery program is staffed by a multi-disciplinary team at The Royal that includes psychiatrists, nurses, personal care attendants, occupational and recreation therapists, and a social worker. Clients can be admitted to the program from hospitals across the Champlain region or from home through community agencies.

“It just seems brighter here somehow,” says another client of the program, stating the program has helped her plan her days better and become more motivated. “It just feels like there’s more sunshine in here.”



In photo from L to R: Luc and Saverio, two clients of the new recovery program developed by the Royal Ottawa Health Care Group in partnership with the Champlain Local Health Integration Network

If you are a media organization and would like an interview, please contact:

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The intake number for referrals to the program at the Royal is the following:
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