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August 18, 2017

Dear Heads of Council,

I am writing to you regarding my recent speech at the Association of Municipalities of Ontario's annual conference, where I announced that an Ontario PC government will reform Ontario's joint and several liability system.

The Ontario PCs recognize that the provincial government must be a partner with municipalities. Together we can be Canada's driving economic engine – a home to job creation. Yet under the Liberals, municipalities and taxpayers are paying more and getting less.

One clear example of this is the issue of joint and several liability. As you know, municipalities can be on the hook for massive damage settlements, even if they are only found minimally liable. This has resulted in spiraling municipal insurance premiums, which often forces municipalities to raise taxes or cut services and recreational activities. Municipalities and taxpayers are paying more and getting less.

Action is long overdue. The Ontario PCs know this – we have raised this issue in the Legislature for years – and we will fix it.

An Ontario PC government will introduce legislation to reform joint and several liability for municipalities. We will ensure that municipalities and taxpayers are protected from unfair and unaffordable litigation practices. We will do so in a way that protects victims and ensures they are fairly compensated.

There are many options for reform. We are committed to consulting with relevant stakeholders, including our municipalities, to ensure we reform the system in a way that is fair to municipalities, victims, and taxpayers.

This is just one of many steps we will take to make life more affordable in Ontario. Ontario's municipalities will be a respected voice under an Ontario PC government, and we look forward to continuing to work with you.

Sincerely,

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Leader of the Official Opposition


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**Melinda Reith, Head, Clara & Maria**

**From:** AMO Communications <communicate@amo.on.ca>  
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**To:** hcmclerkmreith@gmail.com  
**Subject:** AMO Policy Update - AMO Report to Member Municipalities - Highlights of the August 2017 Board Meeting and Helping Latest Double Hatter Firefighters

August 21, 2017

**AMO Report to Member Municipalities  
Highlights of the August 2017 Board Meeting  
and  
Helping Latest Double Hatter Firefighters**

	<p>Five new firefighters charged by their union for volunteering in their hometown. Each has been convicted by an OPFFA jury, fined and is awaiting an OPFFA appeal process before they can go to the Ontario Labour Relations Board. Mandy Gould, one of the firefighters received two standing ovations at the AMO conference for her courage to stand up. Help by contributing as individuals or municipally through <a href="http://www.gofundme.com">www.gofundme.com</a> and search for Support our Local Two Hatters. Show you care!</p>
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**August 2017 Board Meeting**

To keep members informed, AMO provides updates on important issues considered at regular AMO Board of Directors' meetings. The Board met in Ottawa, Ontario prior to the 2017 Annual AMO Conference. Highlights of the August 12, 2017 meeting include:

**One-Third Tax Exemption Resolution**

The Board passed a resolution requesting that the Federation of Canadian Municipalities champion this matter federally and to coordinate other provinces impacted by the federal policy change set to take place January 2019. (FCM has recently advised that it will discuss this matter at its September Board meeting.) AMO's survey responses from municipal treasurers demonstrate that there is a cost impact to municipal governments in Ontario.

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**Bill 148, Fair Workplace, Better Jobs 2017**

The AMO Board continues to recommend amendments to Bill 148 to exempt municipal operations. The recent annual conference profiled the legislation and our concerns. The Minister of Labour has assured AMO and delegates that the unintended consequences in the drafting as relates to municipal governments will be re-examined. Exemptions will be needed to the Bill that would

frustrate municipal public safety and emergency activities. If not amended, it would make big changes to the *Employment Standards Act* and *Labour Relations Act*. Scheduling, on-call payments, equal pay provisions, vacation entitlements, personal emergency leave, union certification, and successor rights are a few of the issues that would impact municipal operations and budgets.

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### **Bill 139, *Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act*, 2017 – Land Planning Appeals Tribunal (OMB Review)**

The AMO Board will be advising Ministers Mauro and Naqvi that it supports this proposed direction for a renewed land use appeal process with a couple of suggestions such as:

- all provincial land use policies should be transferred to the Provincial Policy Statement where it is easily found and more apparent;
- 90 days seems too short for the 2<sup>nd</sup> decision process so 120 days will be recommended;
- the effectiveness of the second decision process should be reviewed a couple of years after implementation; and
- greater upfront dialogue between provincial and local planning staff at the outset of amendments so that there is better understanding of the application of provincial policy to local circumstances, so the likelihood of appeal is reduced.

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### **Digital Government and Ontario's Municipal Governments**

The AMO Board received and approved a comprehensive paper, including its four recommendations, enabling municipal government digitization. The AMO Digital Government Task Force report, "[#OnMuni Online: Towards Digital Transformation and Opportunities for Ontario's Municipal Governments](#)", explores how municipal governments can consider available digital opportunities, overcome perceived barriers to digital transformation, and show how municipal governments can digitally mature.

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### **Waste Management Update**

AMO, with its municipal partners and key producers, have been advocating the move of the Blue Box program to full producer responsibility faster than the Ministry's proposed 2023 date. The advocacy has resulted in an announcement at the recent AMO Conference by MOECC Minister Chris Ballard that he has directed the Resource Productivity and Recovery Authority and Stewardship Ontario to amend the Blue Box Program Plan as a first phase of transition to the *Resource Recovery and Circular Economy Act*, 2016. In addition, municipal comments to the EBR posting of MOECC's "Discussion Paper: Addressing Food and Organic Waste in Ontario" were recently submitted.

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### **Leadership "Onward" Project**

The AMO Board received an update on the Leadership "Onward" Project. With the critical need for

municipal succession planning at the senior leadership staff level, the objectives of this project include the development of programs to respond to leadership gaps that include: creation of champions at the political level, active promotion of municipal succession planning and talent development efforts, and increased awareness of municipal management as a career choice. Jim Pine, CAO, County of Hastings, [pinej@hastingscounty.com](mailto:pinej@hastingscounty.com), and Tony Haddad, CAO, Town of Tecumseh, [thaddad@tecumseh.ca](mailto:thaddad@tecumseh.ca) are the project's municipal leads.

**Highlights of the 2017 AMO Annual Conference:** For plenary session videos including Local Share, Nik Nanos polling, panel discussion on global trends and impacts, provincial leaders' sessions and more, please click here: <https://www.amo.on.ca/Events/AMOConference/OnAtAMO>.

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**From:** AMO Communications <communicate@amo.on.ca>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 22, 2017 8:03 PM  
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**Subject:** AMO Releases Digital Government Report

**AMO Releases Digital Government Report**

AMO is pleased to release a report on municipal digital government transformation, "#OnMuni Online: Towards Digital Transformation and Opportunities for Ontario's Municipal Governments".

Digital transformation is occurring in the municipal sector at a rapid pace. Municipal governments are responding to emerging technologies and disruption by implementing digital approaches to operations and service delivery. While some municipal governments are well ahead in their digital transformation efforts, many are at an early stage of maturation and require assistance moving digital priorities forward. Others, particularly in smaller, rural, northern and remote communities, have neither identified nor considered digital transformation as a priority for their local government.

To address this, last year, AMO formed a Digital Government Task Force to identify digital barriers and opportunities for municipal governments and to provide input to the provincial government on digital government initiatives recognizing the potential for impacts on the municipal and the broader public sector. AMO Board members Cathy Downer, Councillor, City of Guelph, and Rob Foster, Councillor, Town of Lincoln co-chair AMO's Digital Government Task Force.

The intent of the report is to provide the municipal perspective on how to achieve effective and efficient digital transformation. Input from the Task Force, available research, and a survey of municipal staff responsible for digital efforts in their municipalities formed the basis of the report. Case studies of municipalities advancing the concept of digitalization are included to provide best practices and points of reference for others considering similar initiatives. The AMO Board approved the report at its meeting on August 12.

The report outlines key issues for municipal governments including capacity and resourcing to address IT and digital priorities, access to reliable high-speed internet, and preparing local governments for impacts to current services from ongoing disruptive technology and innovations. Opportunities including the value of digital documents and workflows, collaboration with the provincial government through its Ontario Digital Service, streamlining municipal reporting through digital portals, public engagement tools, among many others, are highlighted. The report also provides a detailed "how-to" approach to assist municipal governments considering digital transformation.

Recommendations made to the Province to help enable digital transformation for Ontario's municipalities include:

- Recognizing that municipal governments are at varying stages of digital maturation. Municipal digital transformation is an organic process, often driven by local needs within the community.
- Providing support to enable successful municipal digital initiatives and overcome barriers through appropriate funding and human resourcing.
- Collaborating with municipal governments to share data and establish coordinated integrated digital initiatives.
- Establishing provincial-municipal digital government forums to engage with the sector to address municipal challenges.
- Prioritizing improvements to broadband and cellular service so that all municipal governments and their communities have access to reliable, high-speed internet that enables them to be competitive and viable in the burgeoning digital economy.

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**Subject:** AMO Policy Update - Ontario Announces Cannabis Control Board to Retail Cannabis Products

September 8, 2017

## **Ontario Announces Cannabis Control Board to Retail Cannabis Products and its Provincial Cannabis Framework**

Today, Ontario Minister of Finance Charles Sousa, Attorney General Yasir Naqvi, and Minister of Health and Long-Term Care Dr. Eric Hoskins announced the Provincial government's plan for the regulation of recreational cannabis use in Ontario. The plan is a response to the federal-level legalization of recreational cannabis slated to come into effect on July 1, 2018.

The Government of Ontario's plan includes:

- the creation of a separate and dedicated Crown Agency modeled after the LCBO for the retail and distribution of recreational cannabis;
- storefronts with locations determined in collaboration with Ontario's municipal governments;
- online retail to enable consumers to purchase federally licensed marijuana through mail delivery;
- adjusting the legal age for consumption to align with Ontario's liquor and tobacco rules;
- prohibiting cannabis consumption in public spaces, workplaces, and in motorized vehicles consistent with existing rules;
- new enforcement measures to deter youth from holding, sharing, or consuming cannabis; and
- a public education campaign focused on prevention and harm reduction.

AMO has led engagement with municipal, provincial, and federal governments since cannabis legalization was first announced in April 2016. AMO has called for:

- Local influence on the location of retail outlets to promote community safety and to ensure the rollout of storefronts begins in willing municipalities.
- Adequate funding, training, and resource supports to enable municipal governments to follow provincial enforcement and implementation directions in time for legalization.
- Revenue from marijuana sales to finance new municipal responsibilities and other municipal needs.
- Collaboration with the Province to ensure Ontario communities and residents benefit from the economic development opportunities arising from regulated legal cannabis.

Moving forward, AMO will continue to work with the Province, through the AMO Marijuana Legalization Task Force and staff-level working tables, to ensure the implementation of a safe and effective Ontario model for cannabis regulation. AMO will also be providing input on the Province's proposed framework once consultations are underway to ensure municipal governments in Ontario have the ability to act in the best interests of residents and communities. Stay tuned as we transition towards the consultation and implementation phases of marijuana regulation — AMO will be providing members with updates on municipal interests and implications as they arise.

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**MPAC – Assessment Review Board Decision Process**

**April 18, 2017 Regular Council Meeting**

**RM17-04-056**

**MOVED BY: Reeve Robinson**

**SECONDED BY: Councillor Watt**

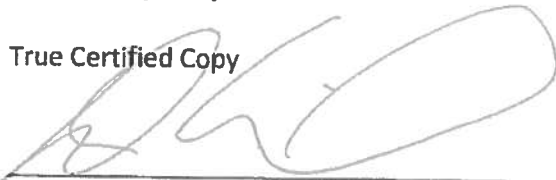
**WHEREAS** the Township of Laurentian Valley has been adversely affected by the Assessment Review Board assessment decisions for Home Depot, Boston Pizza and Canadian Tire; which translated into a municipally ordered reimbursement of \$250,000.00 or 6% of our Tax Levy.

**AND WHEREAS** the Council of the Township of Laurentian Valley is concerned about the length of time the decision process takes for MPAC's Assessment Review Board to come to a decision (above decision took between three and five years to be completed);

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Township of Laurentian Valley requests the Assessment Review Board's appeal process be revised to ensure that all appeals are concluded within a maximum 18 month time frame.

**CARRIED By: Mayor Bennett**

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# Notice regarding changes to aggregate fees and royalties

Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry

July 2017

Changes have been made to aggregate fees and royalties. These changes follow extensive public and stakeholder consultation and better reflect the interest of all Ontarians. The following information is intended to provide you with a summary of the key fee changes – however, the amended Ontario Regulation 244/97 can be viewed at: <https://www.ontario.ca/laws>

## Changes to Fees:

Starting on January 1, 2018, the annual fees charged on aggregate licences and permits, and the issuance fees charged on wayside permits will increase. The new fees will be charged on aggregate (or, in the case of permits, on aggregate and topsoil) removed from the site in 2018. The new fees will be payable by March 15, 2019. The new charges are as follows:

Authorization Type	Charges on 2018 Production
Class A Licence (private land)	19.8 cents / tonne or \$689, whichever is greater (previously 11.5 cents/tonne, or \$400 minimum)
Class B Licence (private land)	19.8 cents / tonne or \$344, whichever is greater (previously 11.5 cents/tonne, or \$200 minimum)
Wayside Permit (issuance fee)	19.8 cents / tonne or \$689, whichever is greater (previously 11.5 cents/tonne, or \$400 minimum)
Aggregate Permit (Crown land) – where permit conditions authorize removal of more than 20,000 tonnes per year	<p><i>Fee: 19.8 cents / tonne or \$689, whichever is greater (previously a set fee of \$200)</i></p> <p><i>This will be in addition to the current royalty rate<sup>1</sup> of 50 cents / tonne (minimum) or more</i></p>

<sup>1</sup> permit holders with mining leases: see “Changes to fees for sites operating on mining leases”

Authorization Type	Charges on 2018 Production
Aggregate Permit (Crown land) – where permit conditions authorize removal of 20,000 tonnes or less per year	<p><i>Fee: 19.8 cents / tonne or \$344, whichever is greater (previously a set fee of \$200)</i></p> <p><i>This will be in addition to the current royalty rate<sup>2</sup> of 50 cents / tonne (minimum) or more</i></p>

### **Future increases to fees:**

In the future, fees and royalties will be adjusted annually to account for inflation. This adjustment will follow the Ontario Consumer Price Index and will begin to be applied to fees and royalties payable in 2020 (i.e., for 2019 production). The ministry will post the adjusted fees and royalties on a website before January 1<sup>st</sup> of every year, starting in 2019.

### **Changes to fees for sites operating on mining leases:**

All aggregate removed under an ARA authorization from land that is subject to a mining lease must pay an annual royalty (50 cents / tonne minimum). Payment of royalty for bedrock removed from sites with a mining lease that existed before May 10, 2017, will be phased-in as follows:

- the minimum royalty for aggregate removed in 2018 is 16.7 cents/tonne
- the minimum royalty for aggregate removed in 2019 is 33.3 cents/tonne (note: this fee will be subject to an indexing adjustment).

For aggregate removed in 2020, the minimum royalty on these sites will be equivalent to the minimum royalty charged on all other permits.

### **Reductions to Aggregate Permit Fees (Crown land):**

Fees may be reduced if all of the below conditions are met:

- the site is located in an unorganized territory (i.e., there is no municipality present) or within a single-tier municipality
- the material is owned by the Crown

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<sup>2</sup> permit holders with mining leases: see “Changes to fees for sites operating on mining leases”

- the material is being used for a provincial project or for the construction and maintenance of forest management roads that are open to the public
- the fee has not been charged to the buyer of the aggregate

### **Where do fees go?**

Fees collected from licences, wayside permits and aggregate permits will be distributed approximately as follows:

- 3% to the Aggregate Resources Trust for rehabilitation and research
- 61% to the local municipality in which the site is located
- 15% to the upper-tier municipality in which the site is located
- 21% to the Crown (minimum).

If you have any questions, please contact your local aggregate inspector.



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July 11, 2017



Township of Head Clara Maria  
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Dear Sir or Madam,

The Railway Association of Canada (“RAC”) represents basically all freight and passenger railway companies operating in Ontario.

Following the *2016 Ontario Economic Outlook and Fiscal Review* that gave municipalities broad flexibility to modify the vacant rebate and reduction programs, many municipalities already announced their intention to abolish these programs or to substantially curtail the value of these rebates or reductions as soon as of fiscal year 2018.

While they understand the legitimate objective pursued by Ontario and local taxing authorities, railways are extremely concerned that revisions might be applied to them without a full understanding of the nature of their transportation operations, and be counter-intuitive.

Contrary to vacant units or spaces in commercial buildings that might have a negative impact on neighbourhoods or discourage development, the vast railways land are by nature vacant land, on which -- for safety reasons -- buildings not essential to safe operations are simply not erected. Furthermore, railways often lobby to prevent any residential or commercial development in their immediate vicinity for safety reasons.

The removal or phasing out of the existing tax rebate and reduction programs applicable to vacant or excess rail land will not result in new developments on rail land, but might have negative impacts on railways and create additional passed on costs to rail customers in the municipality or elsewhere on their network. CN and CP alone estimate that the abolition of these measures would be very costly to them.

We invite all municipalities, including yours, to recognize this uniqueness and make adjustments in any proposal to address the removal of the Vacant Unit Rebate and Vacant/Excess Land Subclasses, when they are submitting formulas to Ontario Ministry of Finance.

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The *Ontario Assessment Act Regulation 282/98* included railway yards in a different subclass of property: Vacant Land or Excess Land subclasses to recognize the land-intensive nature of our industry, and minimize the additional property tax burden that the railways were facing when the Ontario eliminated business taxes for the provincial 1998 reassessment.

In the 2017 Ontario Budget, the property tax rates on railway rights-of-way were increased to reflect the average annual percentage change in taxes on commercial properties. If railways understand this decision, they believe that their yards should not be subject to any modifications.

Railways build, finance, maintain and operate their rights-of-way, and pay considerable tax in this regard. In fact, they paid \$120M in taxes to the provincial government in 2015, including in \$30M in property tax. They contribute to the quality of life of Ontarians through their reduced energy consumption and pollution, lower greenhouse gas emissions, reduced highway gridlock, and lower costs to taxpayers of highway construction and maintenance.

To ensure railways continue to contribute to the economic prosperity of Ontario and its citizens, we strongly recommend your municipality not to make any drastic changes to the tax treatment of railway property. Any municipal proposal to the Province of Ontario and its implementation should be done in a way such as to maintain the existing tax treatment for railway lands.

Regards,

Gérald Gauthier  
Vice President  
The Railway Association of Canada

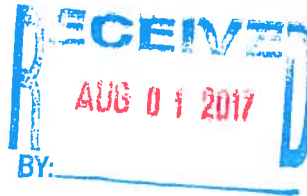


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July, 2017



Mayor Gibson and Council  
United Townships of Head, Clara and Maria  
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Dear Mayor Gibson and Council,

I wanted to inform you of a private member's bill I introduced on May 31<sup>st</sup>, Bill 141 – Sewage Bypass Reporting Act, 2017. Bill 141, if passed, requires the Ministry of Environment (MOE) to promptly publish reported instances of sewage bypasses to the public. I understand that municipalities are required to report instances of sewage bypasses to the MOE. Bill 141 would require the next step; the MOE to make the information available to the public no longer than 24 hours after being reported.

The intent of Bill 141 is twofold. First, residents deserve to know as soon as possible when a sewage bypass has occurred, so they can make safe and educated decisions about how they use their local waterways. Secondly, the public can easily access information on our sewage systems, which will help residents understand the importance of investments in key infrastructure, like water treatment plants and sewage pipes, to their health and community.

Please find enclosed a pamphlet with further details about Bill 141. If you support my private member's bill, I encourage you to write a letter to the Minister of Environment and urge him to adopt this important legislation. I have enclosed a copy of a letter sent to Minister Murray asking him to adopt the provisions of Bill 141. I would appreciate also receiving a copy of your letter to the Minister.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "Sylvia Jones".

Sylvia Jones, MPP  
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July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017

Hon. Glen Murray  
Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change  
11<sup>th</sup> Floor, Ferguson Block  
77 Wellesley Street West  
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Dear Minister Murray:

As you are no doubt aware, millions of litres of untreated or partially treated sewage is bypassed from sewage treatment plants every year into our local waterways. Unfortunately, the state of some of the province's sewer infrastructure means that untreated or partially treated sewage is regularly bypassed. Despite municipalities reporting to your ministry instances of sewage bypasses, the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change (MOECC) does not make that information readily available to the public.

That is why I introduced my private member's bill on May 31<sup>st</sup>; Bill 141 – the Sewage Bypass Reporting Act, 2017. If adopted Bill 141 would require the MOE to publish sewage bypasses to the public as soon as possible, but no longer than 24 hours after the bypass was reported. If adopted, Bill 141 would ensure that residents are aware of instances of sewage bypasses and can make safe and educated decisions about how they use their local waterways. The bill will also increase government transparency and allow individuals to see the need and benefits of investments in our water and sewer infrastructure.

Will you commit to implementing the provisions of Bill 141?

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Sylvia Jones", written over a circular stamp.

Sylvia Jones, MPP  
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**Subject:** FW: Request for Support - AMPLIFY! Youth Summit  
**Attachments:** Final\_Sponsorship package\_2017\_July\_4.pdf; 2016 Action Project Summary\_July\_14.pdf

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**To:** [hcminfocfischer@gmail.com](mailto:hcminfocfischer@gmail.com)  
**Subject:** Request for Support - AMPLIFY! Youth Summit

Good Morning Mayor Gibson,

On behalf of the *Renfrew County Youth Network* I am connecting to seek support for our annual Youth Summit **AMPLIFY!**. Please see the **attached** sponsorship package for further details.

Donations received will be used to cover the cost of t-shirts for all youth that attend, food, outdoor activities and 2018 Leadership/Action Projects. Please see **attached** Amplify! Action Project 2016-2017 summary to learn more about what was implemented with the donations received last year.

**Donations are tax deductible and can be made out to "The Phoenix Centre for Children and Families" and mailed to:**

**Attention:** AMPLIFY! – Renfrew County Youth Network  
The Phoenix Centre for Children and Families,  
130 Pembroke St. W. Suite 200, Pembroke, Ontario  
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Please let us know if you have any further questions.

Brittany Tomasini and Carolyn Comerford,  
Co-Chairs, Renfrew County Youth Network  
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Renfrew County Youth Network







## *Renfrew County Youth Network*

### **The Renfrew County Youth Network\* is writing to request your support for a Renfrew County Youth Summit.**

On October 17, 2017, the Renfrew County Youth Network (RCYN) is excited to host their annual summit, called Amplify!, for high school aged youth. This initiative strives to bring together a diverse group of youth to be informed and empowered to take action after the summit about health and social concerns that are important to them.

Amplify! is an excellent platform to highlight youth and provide opportunities for young people to demonstrate their many skills, talents, and opinions. Engaging youth to work together on common and community health concerns is a promising strategy for improving youth health, and developing leaders and productive citizens.

Thank you for taking the time to read our letter and consider an in-kind or financial donation to support a Renfrew County Youth Summit and post-summit leadership projects. Donations are tax deductible and can be made out to "The Phoenix Centre for Children & Families" and mailed to:

Attn: AMPLIFY!, Renfrew County Youth Network  
The Phoenix Centre for Children & Families,  
130 Pembroke St. W. Suite 200, Pembroke, Ontario K8A 5M8

For further information or if you have any questions, please contact the RCYN Co-chair by email [rcyn.on@gmail.com](mailto:rcyn.on@gmail.com) or by phone at **613-735-8651 ext. 531**.

Sincerely,

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# **Amplify!**



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## Melinda Reith, Head, Clara & Maria

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**From:** POWERS Kevin -STAKEREL <kevin.powers@opg.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 14, 2017 1:21 PM  
**To:** 'hcmclerkmreith@gmail.com'  
**Subject:** Ensuring a Safe, Permanent Solution to Manage Nuclear Waste

Melinda Reith, CAO/Clerk  
United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria  
Stonecliffe, ON

June 14, 2017

Dear Melinda Reith,

For 40 years, nuclear generation has provided about half of Ontario's electricity. This reliable and affordable power comes with the critical responsibility of safely storing the waste produced. Over the past 13 years, Ontario Power Generation (OPG) has studied and consulted on the creation of a Deep Geologic Repository (DGR), a safe, permanent solution for Ontario's low- and intermediate-level nuclear waste.

This letter outlines our plans for the long-term management of Ontario's [nuclear waste](#). We are working with provincial and federal regulators to develop a solution that ensures the safety of all communities.

Our long-term disposal strategy ensures the environment will be protected. We encourage you, your municipality and the residents you serve to visit these resources about OPG's DGR:

- [Input from Scientists](#)
- [Site Characteristics Naturally Isolate and Contain the Waste](#)
- [Protecting Lake Huron](#)

Currently, low- and intermediate-level waste is stored in warehouses and in-ground containers at the Bruce nuclear site. Although we could continue to securely store the waste like this, we have a responsibility to future generations to find a long-term solution.

That's why, with the support of the Municipality of Kincardine and technical experts, we have proposed the creation of a DGR. Years of research have provided scientific evidence indicating this site is ideally suited for isolating the waste.

We would like the opportunity to answer questions you may have about the DGR and discuss what it will mean for your municipality and its residents.

**If you are interested in speaking with me or a subject matter expert, I will be happy to arrange an individual briefing.**

I look forward to hearing from you.

Best regards,  
Kevin Powers  
Director, Public Affairs, OPG Nuclear

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Email: [Kevin.powers@opg.com](mailto:Kevin.powers@opg.com)

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**Melinda Reith, Head, Clara & Maria**

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**From:** POWERS Kevin -STAKEREL <kevin.powers@opg.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, July 7, 2017 11:15 AM  
**To:** 'hcmclerkmreith@gmail.com'  
**Subject:** Municipal Support for Deep Geologic Repository

Melinda Reith, CAO/Clerk  
United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria  
Stonecliffe, ON

July 07, 2017

Dear Melinda Reith,

Please see the enclosed letter from two municipal leaders – Mayor Adrian Foster of Clarington, and Mayor Anne Eadie of Kincardine – urging that municipal councils across Ontario support OPG's Deep Geologic Repository, for the sake of the environment and the Great Lakes. I hope you find their letter relevant to your own municipal interests.

Best regards,  
Kevin Powers  
Director, Public Affairs, OPG Nuclear

Phone: (416) 592-8470  
Email: [Kevin.powers@opg.com](mailto:Kevin.powers@opg.com)



**CANHC**

Canadian Association of Nuclear Host Communities

July 06, 2017

To municipal councils in Ontario,

**Re: Municipal Support and Endorsement for Ontario Power Generation Proposal to Develop a Deep Geologic Repository for Low- and Intermediate-Level Radioactive Waste in Kincardine**

We are writing to confirm our full support for the proposal by Ontario Power Generation (OPG) to develop a Deep Geologic Repository (DGR) at the Bruce Nuclear site. We recognize that other municipalities in Ontario may have an interest in this project.

The Municipality of Kincardine – as host community for the DGR – has reaffirmed its support for the project for more than a decade, from an agreement with OPG that council ratified in October 2004, to a resolution of support that council passed this past February 2017.

As the most recent Kincardine council resolution states, "Council has based its support on the solid scientific evidence and strong community social license for the proposal." The resolution concludes with a recommendation that the federal Minister of Environment and Climate Change "approve the project and take the necessary steps to move the project forward."

The DGR proposal has been the subject of thorough study, including extensive public consultation, hearings and scrutiny by a Joint Review Panel under the auspices of the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) and the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency (CEAA). The panel's report in 2015 leaves no doubt that the DGR is a safe and prudent way to permanently dispose of the low- and intermediate-level waste, which is currently stored on an interim basis above ground at the Bruce site.

We urge you to avail yourself of information available from OPG, the CNSC and the CEAA on the DGR's safety case. This project, supported by public review and volumes of scientific studies, deserves the support of municipal leaders and councils across Ontario, given our constituents' shared interests in obtaining safe, low-cost and clean energy, dealing responsibly with nuclear waste and protecting the environment.

We welcome any questions you may have about our evidence-based support for the DGR.

Best regards,

Anne Eadie  
Mayor, Municipality of Kincardine

Adrian Foster  
Mayor, Municipality of Clarington  
Chair, Canadian Association of Nuclear Host Communities

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August, 2017

Dear the Township of Head, Clara and Maria,

On October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017 Laurentian Hills is hosting the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Kitchissippi (Big River) Run in support of the Deep River and District Hospital Foundation. The Deep River and District Hospital plays a vital role in the health of our community by caring for friends and family - whether it be in the emergency department or one of the many programs offered at the Hospital.

Did you know that the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care does not provide funding for replacement equipment? As a result, the DRDH Foundation depends on generous donors to help meet the needs of our community. Last year's run attracted over 150 participants, continued to build on the successes of our previous runs, and contributed over \$12, 500 in donations. Thanks to the monetary support provided from the Kitchissippi Run, the DRDH Foundation has been able to continually respond to our hospital's priority needs and purchase vital capital equipment. A few significant purchases made over the past year include a bariatric mattress, a pediatric immobilizer for the Diagnostic Imaging department, various items for the Physiotherapy Centre and more.

The Kitchissippi Run's route will continue to capitalize on the beautiful fall scenery in the Petawawa Research Forest and will continue to ensure the race has something to offer all levels - from the experienced marathoner to a family wanting to come out and enjoy the fall colours with friends and family. Distances include a Full Marathon (42.2 km), a Half Marathon (21.1 km), a 10 km, a 5 km as well as the Family Fun 2 km route.

This year, we are planning our biggest and best run yet, and we need your help!

By supporting us, the Township will have the opportunity to give back to the community as well as contribute to the future of our health. Donations of any monetary or gift value will receive recognition at our event. In addition to monetary sponsorship, we are also looking to collect prizes for our runners. Gift certificates or other product gifts would be greatly appreciated.

Help us make the Kitchissippi Run a successful community event that will continue to grow and bring new people into our beautiful community while inspiring current members to join the fun!

Sincerely,

The Kitchissippi Team

*Barbara Gallagher, Colette Giroux, Amy Joyce, Meggan Vickard and Ashley Pardy*

To sponsor the event please contact:

*Ashley Pardy*

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# Municipality of Killarney

May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

MAIL & EMAIL: [minister.mma@ontario.ca](mailto:minister.mma@ontario.ca)

The Honourable Bill Mauro,  
Minister of Municipal Affairs,  
777 Bay Street – 17<sup>th</sup> Floor,  
Toronto, Ontario.  
M5G 2E5

Dear Sir:

**RE: Changes Under Consideration to the Municipal Act, 2001**  
**Re: End to Payments Out of Court for Municipalities**

It is our understanding that Bill 68 – Modernizing Ontario’s Municipal Legislation Act is proposing changes to the tax registration proceedings which would end payments out of court for municipalities.

The proposed amendment to Section 380 (8) and (9) would see out of court payments revert back to the Crown.

The Municipality of Killarney at their Regular Meeting of Council held May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017 passed Resolution No. 17-198 as this proposed change will have a significant impact on small municipalities.

The Council for the Municipality of Killarney hereby appeals to you Honourable Minister, to reconsider this proposed change for the reasons outlined in the attached resolution.

Your consideration of this request is respectfully submitted.

Sincerely,

**THE MUNICIPALITY OF KILLARNEY**

  
Mrs. Candy K. Beauvais,  
Clerk-Treasurer.

cc: *Hon. Kathleen Wynne; Premier of Ontario*  
*Local MPP's, FONOM, AMO, OSUM,*  
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*The Corporation of the Municipality of Killarney*  
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MOVED BY: Pierre Paquette

SECONDED BY: Nancy Wirtz

**RESOLUTION NO. 17-198**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Municipality of Killarney appeal to the Minister of Municipal Affairs to reconsider the proposed change to the Municipal Act, 2001 as a result of Bill 68 regarding tax registration procedures which would end payments out of court for municipalities. The proposed amendment to Section 380 (8) and (9) would see out of court payments revert back to the Crown;

**FURTHER THAT** tax sale proceedings involve a significant amount of staff time which is an expense to a municipality and it is only fair that municipalities continue to be eligible for these payments out of court;

**FURTHER THAT** tax sale revenues assist municipalities with various expenditures which to some extent alleviate the burden of the reduction of revenues of various Provincial grants/programs and the continual "downloading" upon small municipalities.

**FURTHER THAT** this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs, our local MPP's, FONOM, AMO, Ontario Small Urban Municipalities as well as all Ontario municipalities.

**CARRIED**

I, Candy K. Beauvais, Clerk Treasurer of the Municipality of Killarney do certify the foregoing to be a true copy of Resolution #17-198 passed in a Regular Council Meeting of The Corporation of the Municipality of Killarney on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2017.

  
Candy K. Beauvais  
Clerk Treasurer



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May 16, 2017

The Honourable Kathleen O. Wynne  
Premier of Ontario  
Main Legislative Building – Room 281  
Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier,

**RE: Champlain Township – Not a Wiling Host for Wind Turbines**

I am writing to advise that Champlain Township Council declared that it is not a willing host for wind turbines at its meeting of May 9, 2017.

At the same meeting, Champlain Township Council resolved to endorse the Municipality of Dutton Dunwich's Resolution No. 2017-06-27, supporting Sam Oosterhoff, MPP for Niagara-West Glanbrook's Private Member's Bill proposing the government halt all wind power approvals in unwilling host communities.

A copy of resolutions 2017-202 and 2017-207 are attached.

Council respectfully requests your consideration of its position.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alison Collard".

Alison Collard  
Clerk

cc: The Honourable Glen Murray, Minister of the Environment and Climate Change  
The Honourable Glen Thibeault, Minister of Energy  
The Honourable Jeff Leal, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs  
Grant Crack, M.P.P., Glengarry-Prescott-Russell  
Sam Oosterhoff, M.P.P., Niagara-West Glanbrook  
Ontario Municipalities by email

Attach.





**TOWNSHIP OF CHAMPLAIN**

**RESOLUTION**

**Agenda Number:** 14.0  
**Resolution Number** 2017-207  
**Title:** CORRESPONDENCE (pour information)  
**Date:** May 9, 2017

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**Moved By:** Paul Emile Duval  
**Seconded By:** Helen MacLeod

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Township of Champlain declares that it is not a willing host for wind turbines;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** this resolution be circulated to Premier Kathleen Wynne, as well as to the Minister of Environment and Climate Change, the Minister of Energy, the Minister of Agriculture, Food & Rural Affairs and to all Ontario municipalities for their support and endorsement.

**CARRIED**

Certified True Copy of Resolution

Alison Collard May 15, 2017  
Alison Collard, Clerk      Date:



COUNCIL RESOLUTION

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Res: 2017-06-27

Wednesday April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Moved by: Bob

Seconded by: Fleck

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Dutton Dunwich supports the Private Member's Bill of Sam Oosterhoff, MPP for Niagara-West Glanbrook proposing the government halt all wind power approvals in unwilling host communities.

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Minister of Energy Glenn Thibeault, Elgin-Middlesex-London MP Karen Vecchio, Elgin-Middlesex-London MPP Jeff Yurek, AMO and all Ontario Municipalities.

<u>Recorded Vote</u>	<u>Yeas</u>	<u>Nays</u>
I. Fleck	—	—
D. McKillop	—	—
M. Hentz	—	—
B. Purcell	—	—
C. McWilliam - Mayor	—	—

Carried:

Carroll  
Mayor

Defeated:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

**Amended - June 15, 2017**

June 7, 2017

The Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier  
111 Wellesley Street West, Room 281  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier Wynne:

**Re: Employment Standards Act Review**

Please be advised that at its meeting held the 6<sup>th</sup> day of June 2017, the Council of the Township of Selwyn passed the following resolution:

**Resolution No. 2017 - 131 - Notice of Motion**

Deputy Mayor Sherry Senis – Councillor Gerry Herron –

Whereas seasonal and temporary labour is important to the local economy of Selwyn, and we are dependent on a busy tourist and seasonal market for our regional economy; and

Whereas the Ontario government has decided to make sweeping changes to the labour laws, including a 31.5% minimum wage increase along with other changes to the Employment Standards Act; and

Whereas the unintended consequences have yet to be determined such as job losses, increased consumer cost and economic hardship; and

Whereas costs for CPP, EI, Hydro and all fuels have seen increases recently; and

Whereas there only seems to be supporting documentation to the positive side for employees; and

Whereas the provincial government has not done their due diligence to provide supporting documentation as to any benefit to small business;

Be it resolved that the Council of Selwyn, Ontario formally requests that the Ontario government withdraw the proposed changes until such time that they have done their due diligence by providing the residents of Ontario with a comprehensive economic impact analysis with mitigation measures in order to help businesses transition into any regulatory changes; and further that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Kathleen Wynne, Honourable Jeff Leal, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs

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and Minister Responsible for Small Business, Honourable Eleanor McMahon, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Sport, Honourable Kevin Flynn, Minister of Labour and AMO to forward to member municipalities.

Deputy Mayor Sherry Senis – yes  
Mayor Mary Smith – no  
Councillor Donna Ballantyne – yes  
Councillor Gerry Herron – yes  
Councillor Anita Locke – yes

Carried.

Thank you for your consideration on this matter. Should you have any further questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 705-292-9507.

Sincerely,

*Carla Hope*

Carla Hope  
Administrative Assistant

c.c. Jeff Leal, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs and Minister Responsible for Small Business  
Eleanor McMahon, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Sport  
Kevin Flynn, Minister of Labour  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
Bridgenorth Business Association  
Kawartha Chamber of Commerce and Tourism  
Peterborough Chamber of Commerce  
Buckhorn District Tourist Association  
Canadian Federation of Independent Business (CFIB)  
Peterborough Public Health  
Doug McDonald

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# TOWNSHIP OF EDWARDSBURGH CARDINAL

June 26, 2017

Resolution Number: 2017-209  
Moved By: [Signature]  
Seconded By: [Signature]

**WHEREAS** the Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal has received the staff report "Bill 7 – Property Standards Downloading", dated June 12, 2017.

**AND WHEREAS** Schedule 5 of Bill 7 prescribes that local municipalities shall assume enforcement responsibility for residential rental maintenance standards (O. Reg. 517/06) under the RTA on July 1, 2018;

**AND WHEREAS** the Ministry of Housing currently enforces residential rental maintenance standards in municipalities that do not have a property standards by-law, or that have a "partial" by-law that does not address the interior of rental buildings;

**AND WHEREAS** the Ministry currently receives complaints from tenants respecting residential rental maintenance standards and appoints inspectors to provide this service to municipalities on an as needed basis, for a cost-effective set fee of \$265 for each inspection or re-inspection;

**AND WHEREAS** the download of enforcement responsibility will require each municipality to receive written complaints from tenants, cause an inspector to make an inspection to determine whether the provincial standards have been complied with, issue work orders to landlords who have not complied with a prescribed maintenance standard, monitor compliance, investigate allegations of failure to comply, and where circumstances warrant, to prosecute landlords for non-compliance;

**AND WHEREAS** the Government of Ontario intends to download these responsibilities with no compensatory funding, leaving municipalities that do not currently enforce residential rental maintenance standards with the significant fiscal challenge of providing this service cost-effectively;

Carried     Defeated     Unanimous

Mayor: \_\_\_\_\_

RECORDED VOTE REQUESTED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME	YEA	NAY
Councillor M. Barrett		
Councillor G. Morrell		
Councillor K. Smail		
Deputy Mayor P. Taylor		
Mayor Sayeau		
TOTAL		

# TOWNSHIP OF EDWARDSBURGH CARDINAL

June 26, 2017

Resolution Number: 2017 \_\_\_\_\_

Moved By: \_\_\_\_\_

Seconded By: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal calls on the Government of Ontario and the Ministry of Housing to halt the download of enforcement responsibility for residential rental maintenance standards proposed in Schedule 5 of Bill 7, in light of the significant fiscal challenge each municipality will face to provide this service to the public in a cost-effective manner;

**AND FURTHER THAT** a copy of this resolution be sent to the Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Chris Ballard, Minister of Housing, Mr. Patrick Brown, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party, Ms. Andrea Horwath, Leader of the New Democratic Party, Member of Provincial Parliament in the Province of Ontario, Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) and to all Ontario municipalities.



Carried    Defeated    Unanimous

Mayor:  \_\_\_\_\_

RECORDED VOTE REQUESTED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME	YEA	NAY
Councillor M. Barrett		
Councillor G. Morrell		
Councillor K. Smail		
Deputy Mayor P. Taylor		
Mayor Sayeau		
TOTAL		

**Melinda Reith, Head, Clara & Maria**

**From:** NOMA, FONOM & ROMA <rhoman=ripnet.com@mail243.atl21.rsgsv.net> on behalf of NOMA, FONOM & ROMA <rhoman@ripnet.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 4, 2017 2:28 PM  
**To:** hmcclerkmreith@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Species at Risk Guide



**Provincial Government Neglects to Consult with Municipalities on Draft Species At Risk Guide**

**August 3, 2017** - Leaders from the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA), the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) and the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) are expressing deep concerns with the proposed Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) plans to post a draft Species at Risk (SAR) Guide to the Environmental Registry for 28 species.

The three groups, who represent communities across the Province, expressed frustration that the MNRF has failed to consult and work with affected stakeholders and forestry, farming and other natural resource dependent communities on the development of the draft SAR guide.

The Environmental Registry, a database that holds information about environmental proposals and decisions made by the Ontario government, allows the public to provide comment on an issue prior to becoming policy. However, based on past experiences, there is often little change to a proposal once it has been posted.

“There is significant risk of job losses and shutting down the economy in Rural and Northern Ontario in the immediate future and preventing growth over the long term throughout Ontario if the Province moves forward with the proposed prescriptions for 28 species,” says FONOM President, Al Spacek. “The Ontario government’s

commitment to consult with municipalities has been insincere, especially given how detrimental this would be for so many of our communities.”

Ontario has been recognized as a world leader for providing a balanced and sustainable forest management plan through the Crown Forest Sustainability Act (CFSA). The CFSA protects species at risk while managing industry objectives as it takes into consideration the social, economic and environmental well-being of a forest, including species and their habitats; while the Endangered Species Act (ESA) only takes individual species and their habitats into consideration.

“Municipal leaders have consistently requested the MNRF complete and share with municipalities a socio-economic impact analysis on all policy impacting forestry,” said David Canfield, Past President, NOMA.

“The Ministry has conducted analysis for caribou, and the analysis clearly shows that mills will close! This will decimate the forest industry and put families who rely on this employment in a serious position,” added Canfield.

“ROMA is of the opinion that plans to post a draft Species at Risk (SAR) Guide to the Environmental Registry for 28 species is misinformed and a complete reversal of the Ontario government’s commitment to consult with municipalities on this matter. The detrimental effect on forestry, farming and other industries is obvious. We would ask that the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry immediately reconsider this initiative,” stated Ron Holman, Chair of ROMA.

NOMA, FONOM and ROMA continue to remind the government that they committed in 2007 to realizing that the CFSA was equivalent to the ESA by acknowledging that the forest sector must implement SAR prescriptions. In 2013 the Ministry continued to recognize that forest management plans already include provisions for species at risk protection and also committed to establishing a panel to review the linkages between CFSA and the ESA. This panel was never created.

**For more information:**



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Mayor Ron Holman  
ROMA Chair  
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Mayor Alan Spacek  
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Great to have you on my list as more info comes from ROMA

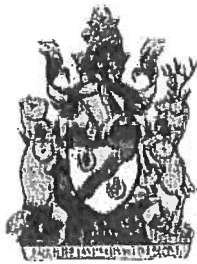
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Regular Council Meeting Resolution Form

Date: August 1, 2017 No: RESOLUTION - 316-2017  
 Moved by Councillor Lang Disposition: CARRIED.  
 Seconded by Deputy Mayor Armsden Item No: 9.3

Description: 2017 Flood Motion

RESOLUTION:

WHEREAS the 2017 Ottawa River Flood was a disaster to our community and many other communities in Ontario and Quebec; AND WHEREAS flooding will be a continuous problem unless changes are made; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council urge the Government of Quebec and Quebec Hydro to work together with the Ontario Government, Ontario Power Generation and the Federal Government to plan ahead and implement a plan that will prevent such extreme flooding from happening in the future; AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be sent to the Government of Quebec, the Federal Government, the Ontario Government, all municipalities in Renfrew County, Ontario Power Generation and Quebec Hydro.

  
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 MAYOR

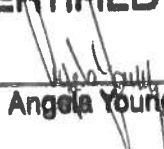
Recorded Vote Requested by:

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest:

	Yea	Nay
T. Peckett	_____	_____
B. Armsden	_____	_____
H. Lang	_____	_____
M. MacKenzie	_____	_____
S. Brum	_____	_____

Disclosed his/her/their interest(s), vacated  
 he/her/their seat(s),  
 abstained from discussion and did not vote

Township of McNab/Braeside  
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 Angela Young, Deputy Clerk

**Melinda Reith, Head, Clara & Maria**

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**From:** Massimo Bergamini <admin=airlinecouncil.ca@mail96.atl71.mcdlv.net> on behalf of Massimo Bergamini <admin@airlinecouncil.ca>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 31, 2017 11:30 AM  
**To:** Melinda Reith  
**Subject:** Airport Privatization

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**To: Mayor and Council**  
**Re: AIRPORT PRIVATIZATION**

I'm writing to bring to your attention an issue that potentially affects the health and prosperity of all of Canada's cities and communities: airport privatization.

As you may know, the federal government is currently considering the for-profit-privatization of Canada's airports.

Other countries that have privatized airports have found that it often leads to higher fees and reduced services for travellers and airlines. This can damage tourism, business travel, and the local economy. Most of all, it makes it more difficult and expensive to maintain essential connections with the rest of the country and the world.

We hope that, with your support and that of your council, we can mobilize municipal and community leaders across Canada to oppose this plan.

To be clear, our current airport governance model is not without problems, and these must be addressed to make our passenger aviation system more

competitive and improve the traveller experience. But as long as for-profit airport privatization remains on the table, it will delay effective action needed to solve these problems.

A number of municipal councils across the country have already adopted resolutions opposing for-profit airport privatization, among them Montreal, Toronto, Vancouver and the Capital Regional District of Victoria.

We urge you and your council to join them in adopting a resolution opposing the for-profit privatization of airports and calling on the federal government to focus on modernizing the current system to lower costs for travelers and enhance the competitiveness of Canada's air transport industry.

I have attached for your information a [template resolution](#) that your council may want to adapt, a [template letter](#) to your local Member of Parliament, as well as a backgrounder on [airport privatization](#) and one on [Canada's airline industry](#).

We believe that successfully stopping this misguided initiative will require a groundswell of opposition. We hope that you will join us in urging the Government of Canada to abandon this plan and focus on the real issues that damage the competitiveness of passenger air transportation in Canada.

If you have any questions, or would like to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at: [mbergamini@airlinecouncil.ca](mailto:mbergamini@airlinecouncil.ca).

Yours truly,

**Massimo Bergamini**

President and CEO

**National Airlines Council of Canada**

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May 15, 2017

Corporation of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria  
 15 Township Hall Road  
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**RE: Physician Recruitment and Retention Incentive**

Dear Mayor Gibson,

On behalf of the Deep River and District Hospital, I would like to acknowledge your contribution of \$1,016 and sincerely thank you for partnering with us to help provide exceptional healthcare to our residents. Funding provided by the United Townships of Head, Clara and Maria will be used to implement recruitment and retention strategies. It is anticipated that our partnership will allow more members of our communities to access family physicians close to home.

Since 2001, the Deep River and District Hospital, the Town of Deep River, Town of Laurentian Hills and the Townships of Head, Clara and Maria have been devoted to a 4-party partnership to make funds available for Physician Recruitment and Retention in North Renfrew. We thank you for continuing this partnership and we look forward to receiving a commitment from our other partners.

Thank you again for this support of the Deep River and District Hospital.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard Bedard'.

Richard Bedard, MBA, MLT, CHE  
 President & CEO  
 Deep River & District Hospital

# Court upholds \$12M award against northern Ontario municipality for horrific crash

By Colin Perkel The Canadian Press



Evidence at trial was that maintenance crews had salted the road more than three hours before the crash, but the salt had become ineffective because of falling snow.

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TORONTO - A judge made no errors in ruling that a young woman's devastating car crash occurred only because a municipality negligently failed to ensure the road was snow-free, Ontario's top court ruled on Friday.

In upholding a \$12-million award, the Court of Appeal found no reason to interfere with an earlier decision that Sudbury was liable for Lisa Marie Belanger's catastrophic injuries.

The case arose during a bitterly cold winter storm in November 2000. Belanger, then 20, was driving her red 1990 Mazda over an icy bridge on a busy two-lane road just northwest

of the city. In a matter of seconds, the car began fishtailing, hit the side of the road, crossed the centre line and smashed into an oncoming school bus.

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Belanger and her family sued the city and regional municipality for negligence. They argued local authorities had failed to keep the road in a reasonable state of repair.

Evidence at trial was that maintenance crews had salted the road more than three hours before the crash, but the salt had become ineffective because of falling snow.

In November 2015, Superior Court Justice Robbie Gordon found the region 100 per cent liable for Belanger's injuries after deciding the crash had occurred only because the road was snow-covered and slippery due to improper maintenance.

"The (region) failed to meet its maintenance-quality standards when the road, in a winter storm event, was left without maintenance activity for over three hours," Gordon ruled.

"That lack of maintenance activity resulted in snow-packed and slippery road conditions. That those conditions could result ought to have been known by the (region's) employees."

Sudbury appealed on the basis that it had taken reasonable steps to keep the road safe, and could not have known it wasn't. The region also argued Gordon was wrong to find Belanger bore no responsibility at all for what happened to her.

In dismissing the challenge, the Appeal Court leaned on Gordon's finding that the region had violated its own winter road-maintenance standards, which called for plowing or salting at least every two hours during a storm. However, evidence was that more than three hours elapsed because of several equipment failures and, in fact, the bridge was only re-salted after the crash.

"It is not the function of this court to re-try the case or, absent reversible error, to second-guess the trial judge's factual findings," the Appeal Court said. "The important point is whether the trial judge considered, as he was obliged to do, the reasonableness of the maintenance works in fact carried out."

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The higher court noted that the municipality's liability did not rest simply on the fact that the road was in poor condition, but on its failure to address the serious hazard that developed. As the trial judge found, the court said, the region failed to respond to the risk in a reasonable fashion under all the circumstances.



The Appeal Court also found no reason to interfere with Gordon's ruling that Belanger had only lost control of her car because of the poor road conditions and therefore bore no liability in the crash.

"There was no evidence at trial of any action or omission attributable to Ms. Belanger that caused her car to cross the centre line of the highway," the Appeal Court said. "There was also no evidence that Ms. Belanger was inattentive to, or distracted from, her driving, or that the condition of her car contributed in any way to the accident."

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**Melinda Reith, Head, Clara & Maria**

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**From:** Melanie Theil <hcmlibra13@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 21, 2017 6:20 PM  
**To:** Betty Condie; Cathy Sutherland; Fran Kelly-Chamberlain; Melinda Reith; Marlene Gibson  
**Cc:** Jim Gibson  
**Subject:** Stonecliff Play Postponed/Cancelled

Greetings All,

In case you have not already heard, the Heney play which was set to premiere here in Stonecliffe on October 18th has been postponed/cancelled.

As discussed at our last meeting I sent Conrad a reply, to his inquiry about how funding was going at our end, outlining the reasons why this year is not a good year to attempt to bring the play here and why next summer would be better; Conrad was disappointed but says that the Yukon portion will be going ahead as scheduled. I explained to him that I would like to continue correspondence, at some point, to see if we can get the play up and running here sometime next summer. No response so far. Will keep you posted.

Thank you again, Melinda, for helping me out with applying for the grant, which we did end up receiving; I'll be checking with you (sometime) on this one to see what the procedure is for returning it or not using it....

Thank you for being part of the team.

Best Regards,  
Mel

*Melanie Theil*  
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July 31, 2017

Dear Head of Council:

It is the responsibility of municipalities to ensure they are in compliance with the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act (EMCPA) and its associated Regulation, Ontario Regulation 380/04.

The Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management (OFMEM) has reviewed the documentation submitted by your Community Emergency Management Coordinator (CEMC) and have determined that your municipality was compliant with the EMCPA and O.Reg 380/04 in 2016.

The safety of your citizens is important, and one way to ensure that safety is to ensure that your municipality is prepared in case of an emergency. You are to be congratulated on your municipality's efforts in achieving compliance in 2016.

I look forward to continuing to work with you to ensure your continued compliance in 2017.

If you have any questions or concerns about the compliance monitoring process, please contact your Emergency Management Field Officer.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Pittens".

Chris Pittens  
Program Manager  
Emergency Management Field Operations

cc: Melinda Reith - CEMC  
Philippe Geoffrion - Field Officer