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Melinda Reith

From: AMO Communications <communicate@amo.on.ca>
Sent: May 5, 2016 12:52 PM
To: hcmclerkmreith@gmail.com
Subject: AMO Support for Fort McMurray - Call to Action

May 5, 2016

Dear Colleagues,

Like you, I have been deeply affected by the disturbing images and the heartbreak we are seeing of those fleeing the wildfires around Fort McMurray. We appreciate the hard work of emergency services, civic employees and volunteers to assist in the multitude of efforts to tackle this situation. It is a situation that cries out for compassion and action.

AMO today challenged the 100 plus delegates at the Ontario Small Urban Conference to reach into their pockets and contribute personally. Delegates are meeting here in Goderich, the site of a devastating tornado that ripped through the community in 2011, learning more about being prepared for the unexpected, including natural disasters. In only 5 minutes, the challenge here raised \$1233.00. The OSUM delegates asked me to challenge all municipal governments to donate as well. Municipal governments can contribute through AMO and we'll ensure the funds are placed so that the Canadian government and Alberta government can match the dollars.

Donations can be made by cheque payable to Association of Municipalities of Ontario, with "Fort McMurray Disaster" in the description field. Let's grow today's \$1233.00 funds so that in several weeks, we can tell our colleagues in northern Alberta and across the country that Ontario's municipal governments care and are making a difference. Let's help their recovery!

Sincerely,
Gary McNamara
AMO President
amopresident@amo.on.ca

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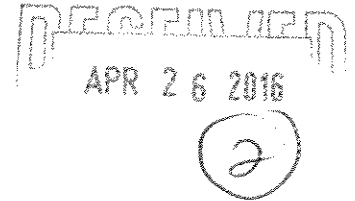
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April 21, 2016

United Townships of Head, Clara and Maria,
15 Township Hall Road,
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Attn: Mayor Gibson and Council

Dear Mayor Gibson and Council:

Re: Auto Extrication Services
Your letter of February 26th, 2016

Please be advised that I am solicitor for the County of Renfrew.

I have been directed to respond to your letter, with enclosures, dated February 26th, 2016 addressed to the Upper Ottawa Valley detachment of the OPP and the County of Renfrew.

Your letter of February 26th provides "formal notice" that auto extrication services are not available for a section of the highway within your municipality, that there will be no support coming and "to act accordingly". The implication seems to be that the County Paramedic Service (and OPP) should be prepared and equipped to perform auto extrication services on this section of highway.

Your Resolution No: 19/02/16/007 recites that you have been unsuccessful in obtaining auto extrication services from neighbouring municipalities due to the reluctance of those neighbours to leave their own public underserved. The County has no direct knowledge of the state of affairs as between Head, Clara and Maria on the one hand and neighbouring municipalities on the other in connection with this matter.

Your resolution also references Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services Public Fire Safety Guideline PFSG 04-24a-12 in its preamble and advises the County that it should be prepared to assume some of the responsibilities of the other services and equip [itself] as necessary.

Please be advised that the Renfrew County Paramedic Service does not have a mandate to perform auto extrication at accident scenes, nor does it have the tools, equipment and training necessary to do so.

You conclude your letter by stating that, "We are reaching out to help resolve this issue...". The "resolution" of the issue is wholly within the hands of your Township and any other parties, save the County, which you may be able to enlist to assist.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours truly,

McNAB, STEWART & PRINCE

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David A. Stewart

DAS/jv

cc Mike Nolan

cc Jim Hutton

cc Upper Ottawa Valley OPP Detachment

POLICY UPDATE

April 4, 2016

Legislative Changes to the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* (MEA)

Today the Government of Ontario introduced legislative changes to the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* (MEA) in the Legislative Assembly. The MEA sets out rules for electors and candidates, and roles for municipal clerks and councils in municipal and school board elections in Ontario. Bills generally are not publicly available until posted on Hansard, which is often the day after introduction. We will provide the link on our website as soon as it is available.

If passed, the legislation would change the campaign period, and rules for election financing including third party advertising and union and corporate donations. Municipal governments would also be given the option of using ranked ballot elections for future elections. Ranked balloting allows voters to rank more than one candidate. Municipal governments would hold public consultations before ranked ballot elections are conducted but not necessarily need to have a referendum.

Based on Minister McMeekin's statement, the changes introduced today build on consultations by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH) in 2015. At that time, AMO provided information to members on the use of ranked ballot voting, and made a formal submission to MMAH in July 2015.

Some of the key highlights we know include:

- **Shortening the municipal election campaign.** Candidates would be able to register between May 1 and the fourth Friday in July;
- **Third party advertising**, while permitted will include registration rules, contribution, and spending limits;
- **Campaign finance rules.** The legislation aims to make rules easier to follow for voters, candidates and contributors, and gives municipalities the option to ban corporate and union donations;
- **Increasing accessibility** for electors and candidates with disabilities by requiring clerks to prepare accessibility plans and distribute to the public prior to voting day; and,
- **Improving the voter's list** by making it easier for the clerk to add or change information.

AMO is encouraged that this legislative update appears to have taken our advice on many items. Once the Bill is available, we will do a detailed review. Some of the changes will require regulatory and technical guidance and we expect to be part of that further work. Watch for future analysis and we will keep you updated on the Bills progress through the legislature.

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NEWS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

May 9th, 2016

Deputy Chief of the County of Renfrew Paramedic Service Joins Federal Government for a Special Assignment

Deputy Chief Michel Ruest of the County of Renfrew Paramedic Service has been selected to spend two years working as the Paramedic Services Advisor for Defence Research and Development Canada's Centre for Security Science (DRDC CSS), which leads the Canadian Safety and Security Program (CSSP) in partnership with Public Safety Canada.

With over 35 years of experience, Deputy Chief Ruest will contribute his knowledge and expertise to help progress the paramedic portfolio within the CSSP, a federal program which aims to strengthen Canada's ability to anticipate, prevent, mitigate, prepare for, respond to, and recover from natural disasters, serious accidents, crime and terrorism through the convergence of science and technology (S&T) with policy, operations, and intelligence.

This temporary assignment will help develop stronger linkages between Canada's innovation system and the paramedic community to facilitate a greater understanding of current and emerging issues, and support the development of S&T knowledge, tools and advice that address the real needs of today's paramedics.

"The success of our program efforts is heavily dependent on our ability to engage directly with the end-users and other relevant experts to ensure that we truly understand the needs of the public safety and security community, and are developing the right solutions in the right way," said Dr. Mark Williamson, Director General, DRDC CSS. "That's why we created this type of position that allows us to bring in senior officials from police, fire and paramedic services to work with us on a day-to-day basis."

Michel Ruest had this to say about his new role. *"It is a privilege to be chosen as a voice for my paramedic colleagues, and to have the chance to share my experience and engage with paramedic experts from across Canada to contribute to the important work of the CSSP. I'm very appreciative of the support County Council has demonstrated, which will allow me to make a difference at the national level."*

Director of Emergency Services and Chief of the County of Renfrew Paramedic Service, Michael Nolan said, *"Michel exemplifies the very best of qualities of professionalism and dedication in every aspect of his role with the County of Renfrew Paramedic Service. Without a doubt this experience will not only be beneficial to Michel and our Paramedic Service, but it will further the advancements for the next generation of Paramedics across the country."*

By joining DRDC CSS, Deputy Chief Ruest will continue to build on his predecessor's efforts - Chief Doug Socha of Hastings County - to advance capabilities in the areas of mobilized health care, evidence-based decision-making, next generation first responder technologies and S&T solutions that address national paramedic requirements.

For More Information Please Contact:

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Michael Barber	Media Relations/Grants Coordinator	613-735-7288



Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus

c/o County of Renfrew, 9 International Drive, Pembroke, ON K8A 6W5

Pembroke, April 6, 2016

Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary
Ontario Energy Board
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Re: Ontario Energy Board Generic Proceeding EB-2016-004

Dear Ms. Walli,

Regarding the Ontario Energy Board's Generic Proceeding EB-2016-004, the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus would like to provide the following submission as a letter of comment.

As an organization representing the interests of municipal taxpayers in rural Eastern Ontario, the EOWC supports the initial application from Union Gas (EB-2015-0179) to expand natural gas service to rural and remote communities. Beyond that, however, the EOWC also supports any similar efforts from other entities, such as Enbridge Gas, that wish to provide natural gas services to rural and remote communities that do not currently have access to such services.

The expansion of the infrastructure required to provide natural gas to rural communities that would otherwise not receive this service would allow for significant economic benefits for every sector: residential, commercial and industrial. Natural gas is the most reliable, efficient, and economical form of energy, but due to the dispersed nature of our population – coupled with our geography and geology – many areas remain underserved or are simply not serviced at all.

As the economic development of our region is a priority issue, the expansion of the natural gas network is of great importance to everyone who lives and does business in rural Eastern Ontario. If certain conditions were put into place, such as those being considered by the Ontario Energy Board, it may become financially feasible to extend natural gas to the EOWC region.

The EOWC is an incorporated non-profit organization comprised of the elected Wardens of the 13 County Councils in rural Eastern Ontario, stretching from Northumberland in the west to the Quebec border in the east, with a combined population of 750,000. In closing, on behalf of the EOWC, I strongly encourage the Board to consider and approve any measures raised in the Generic Proceeding EB-2016-004 that may allow for the provision of natural gas in our region.

Best regards,

Peter Emon
Chair, 2016, Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD NOTICE

The Ontario Energy Board is holding a hearing to consider what mechanisms may be used to recover the costs of expanding natural gas service to Ontario communities that are currently not served.

Learn more. Have your say.

The Ontario Energy Board is commencing a hearing on its own motion to consider what mechanisms may be used to recover the costs of expanding natural gas service to Ontario communities that do not currently have access to natural gas.

In July 2015, Union Gas Limited filed an application (EB-2015-0179) to expand natural gas service to certain rural and remote communities. That application included a proposal to have existing Union Gas Limited customers pay a portion of the costs to connect new customers. The Ontario Energy Board has determined that the requests made by Union Gas Limited in that application raise issues that may be common to any entity that wishes to provide natural gas service to communities that do not currently have access to natural gas service. The Ontario Energy Board will therefore address these issues through a generic proceeding.

The Ontario Energy Board will put the hearing of Union Gas Limited's application (EB-2015-0179) on hold until the generic hearing is complete.

In the generic proceeding, the Ontario Energy Board will consider possible alternative ratemaking frameworks to provide natural gas service to Ontario communities that do not currently have access to natural gas. The OEB plans to seek input from intervenors on exactly what the issues should be. However, broadly speaking the OEB intends to review the following issues:

1. Should the OEB implement new ratemaking mechanisms including changes to current economic tests to encourage utilities to expand natural gas distribution service to new communities? If so, what should these new mechanisms be?
2. Should the OEB consider imposing conditions or making other changes to Municipal Franchise Agreements and Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity to reduce barriers to natural gas expansion?
3. Does the OEB have the authority to require the ratepayers of one utility to subsidize the costs of another utility to expand into new communities? If so, under what circumstances (if any) would this be appropriate?

To see the detailed draft issues list, please select the file number EB-2016-0004 on the OEB website: www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/notice

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD IS HOLDING A PUBLIC HEARING

The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) will hold a public hearing to consider the kind of cost recovery mechanisms that may be appropriate for rural and remote community expansion projects in Ontario. We will hear arguments from parties involved in the process and will decide what, if any, new mechanisms are appropriate.

The OEB will adopt into the record of this proceeding, all evidence filed in EB-2015-0179 that is relevant to the issues to be determined for the generic hearing. The OEB will provide an opportunity for the filing of further evidence in subsequent procedural orders.

The OEB will deem the intervenors in the EB-2015-0179 case to be intervenors in this generic hearing and grants to any such intervenors the same cost eligibility status as was granted in EB-2015-0179.

The OEB is an independent and impartial public agency. We make decisions that serve the public interest. Our goal is to promote a financially viable and efficient energy sector that provides you with reliable energy services at a reasonable cost.

BE INFORMED AND HAVE YOUR SAY

You have the right to information regarding this application and to be involved in the process.

- You can review this Notice and related documents on the OEB's website now.
- You can sign up to observe the proceeding by receiving OEB documents related to the hearing.
- You can file a letter with your comments which will be considered during the hearing.
- You can become an active participant (called an intervenor). Apply by **February 22, 2016** or the hearing will go ahead without you and you will not receive any further notice of the proceeding.
- At the end of the process, you can review the OEB's decision and its reasons on our website.

LEARN MORE

Our file number for this case is **EB-2016-0004**. To learn more about this hearing, find instructions on how to file letters or become an intervenor, or to access any document related to this case (including the draft issues list), please select the file number **EB-2016-0004** from the list on the OEB website at www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/notice. You can also phone our Consumer Relations Centre at 1-877-632-2727 with any questions.

ORAL HEARING

The OEB intends to proceed with an oral hearing for this case.

PRIVACY

If you write a letter of comment, your name and the content of your letter will be put on the public record and the OEB website. However, your personal telephone number, home address and email address will be removed. If you are a business, all your information will remain public. If you apply to become an intervenor, all information will be public.

This hearing will be held under sections 19 and 36 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998.



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April 26, 2016

Township of Head Clara & Maria
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To whom it may concern,

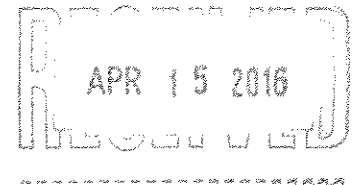
Please find attached a copy of the resolution from the Township of South Algonquin.
If you have not received this letter, would you please read it at one of your upcoming
Counsel meetings.

We would appreciate your support on this issue.

Your truly,



Tom Clouthier
Member, Renfrew County Registered Trappers Association



RESOLUTION

Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin

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April 12, 2016

The Township of South Algonquin is asking for support for the following resolution passed at their regular Council Meeting of April 7, 2016:

Moved by: J. Florent

Seconded by: D. Harper

Res. # 16-082

“WHEREAS the ban on wolf and coyote harvest in the 39 geographical townships surrounding Algonquin Provincial Park, instituted in 2001, was based on the questionable, flawed, poorly researched hypothesis of John Theberge, that Algonquin Park wolves were headed for extinction through human killing, when park wolves followed the migrating deer to yards outside the park; and

WHEREAS due to pressure from anti-hunting and anti-trapping groups the Ministry of Natural Resources implemented the ban before the completion of the study they had commissioned to collect scientific information on the status of the Eastern wolf in and around Algonquin Park; and

WHEREAS further research by Dr. Brent Patterson in 2006 suggests that the majority of wolf mortality was from natural causes, including, but not limited to interaction with other wolves; and

WHEREAS the document, “ Proposed Strategy For Wolves In Ontario”, released by the Ontario Ministry Of Natural Resources in November 2004 states that “ Public safety and the protection of private property are important factors to consider”, and further states that decisions are based in an open and transparent manner, which considers all available ecological, social and economic information; and

WHEREAS in 2010 after being petitioned by the Township of South Algonquin with numerous documented cases of interaction between wolves and humans, the Ministry of Natural Resources completely ignored their own policy of public safety and continued the harvesting ban; and

WHEREAS there is ample anecdotal evidence that the ban created an immediate and dramatic increase in the wolf population inside and around the perimeter of Algonquin Park and has negatively affected the moose, deer and beaver populations in the 39 geographical townships surrounding Algonquin Provincial Park; and

WHEREAS there is also evidence that wolf and coyote predation has affected livestock and family pets; and

WHEREAS numerous wolf and coyote sightings and interaction between humans and wolves/coyotes seems to indicate that at least some wolves/coyotes have lost all fear of human contact; and

WHEREAS wolf and coyote hunting and trapping provides income for outfitters and trappers in the areas suffering from economic downturns; and

WHEREAS predator control assists in the management of all furbearers and wildlife in general; and

WHEREAS policy posting #012-6074 reveals new population objectives for Wildlife Management Units across Ontario;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council for the Township of South Algonquin petitions the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry to rescind the wolf and coyote harvesting ban in the 39 geographical townships bordering Algonquin Provincial Park; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this motion be forwarded to all municipalities bordering on Algonquin Provincial Park asking for their support and that copies of this motion be sent to John Yakabuski MPP, Renfrew- Nipissing- Pembroke, Laurie Scott MPP, Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes- Brock, Norm Miller MPP, Parry Sound-Muskoka and Vic Fedeli MPP, Nipissing; and

Be it finally resolved that copies of this motion and all supporting motions be forwarded to the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, Honourable Bill Mauro, Suite 6630, 6th Floor, Whitney Block, 99 Wellesley Street West, Toronto Ontario, M7A 1W3.”

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April 22, 2016

MEMORANDUM TO: Municipal Chief Administrative Officers, Clerks and Service Managers

SUBJECT: Proclamation of the *Infrastructure for Jobs & Prosperity Act, 2015*

I am writing to you on behalf of the Ministry of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure to advise you that the *Infrastructure for Jobs and Prosperity Act, 2015* will be proclaimed on May 1, 2016. The purpose of the Act is to establish mechanisms to encourage principled, evidence-based and strategic long-term infrastructure planning that supports job creation and training opportunities, economic growth, protection of the environment and design excellence.

Upon proclamation, the Government and Broader Public Sector entities covered by the Act will be required to consider statutory infrastructure planning principles when making infrastructure-related decisions.

Attached as Appendix A are the principles that planning and investment decisions should take into account. These include:

1. A long-term view as well as demographic and economic trends
2. Applicable budgets and fiscal plans
3. Clearly identified priorities
4. Continuation of the provision of core public services
5. Promotion of economic competitiveness, productivity, job creation and training
6. Ensuring health and safety of infrastructure workers
7. Opportunities to foster innovation
8. Evidence-based and transparent decisions
9. Existing plans and strategies such as policy statements and transportation plans
10. Promotion of accessibility for persons with disabilities
11. Designs that minimize environmental impact and are resilient to climate change
12. Use of acceptable recycled aggregates
13. Promotion of community benefits

As a matter of best practice, many entities are likely already considering these principles. Proclamation of the Act will formalize these requirements, making their application more consistent across entities in a manner appropriate to each entity's context.

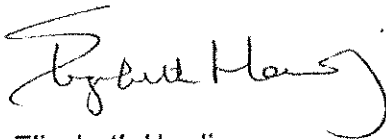
The legislation does not immediately introduce any new formal reporting requirements. However, each entity is responsible to meet the legislated requirements and should be prepared to demonstrate compliance, if required.

Note: this memo should not be relied upon as a substitute for specialized legal or professional advice in connection with activities and decisions pertaining to infrastructure planning and investment. Independent legal or professional advice should be obtained when determining the interpretation and application of the Infrastructure for Jobs and Prosperity Act, 2015. Responsibility for decisions remains with the recipients of this letter.

If you have any questions or require further information, please contact your Municipal Services Office at 613-545-2100 or toll-free at 1-800-267-9438.

Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

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Elizabeth Harding
Assistant Deputy Minister
Municipal Services Division

Attachment

Appendix A

Infrastructure Planning Principles as provided for in the *Infrastructure for Jobs and Prosperity Act, 2015*

Principles

The Government, and every broader public sector entity, shall consider the following principles when making decisions respecting infrastructure:

1. Infrastructure planning and investment should take a long-term view, and decision-makers should take into account the needs of Ontarians by being mindful of, among other things, demographic and economic trends in Ontario.
2. Infrastructure planning and investment should take into account any applicable budgets or fiscal plans, such as fiscal plans released under the *Fiscal Transparency and Accountability Act, 2004* and budgets adopted under Part VII of the *Municipal Act, 2001* or Part VII of the *City of Toronto Act, 2006*.
3. Infrastructure priorities should be clearly identified in order to better inform investment decisions respecting infrastructure.
4. Infrastructure planning and investment should ensure the continued provision of core public services, such as health care and education.
5. Infrastructure planning and investment should promote economic competitiveness, productivity, job creation and training opportunities.
6. Infrastructure planning and investment should ensure that the health and safety of workers involved in the construction and maintenance of infrastructure assets is protected.
7. Infrastructure planning and investment should foster innovation by creating opportunities to make use of innovative technologies, services and practices, particularly where doing so would utilize technology, techniques and practices developed in Ontario.
8. Infrastructure planning and investment should be evidence based and transparent, and, subject to any restrictions or prohibitions under an Act or otherwise by law on the collection, use or disclosure of information,
 - i. investment decisions respecting infrastructure should be made on the basis of information that is either publicly available or is made available to the public, and
 - ii. information with implications for infrastructure planning should be

shared between the Government and broader public sector entities, and should factor into investment decisions respecting infrastructure.

9. Where provincial or municipal plans or strategies have been established in Ontario, under an Act or otherwise, but do not bind or apply to the Government or the broader public sector entity, as the case may be, the Government or broader public sector entity should nevertheless be mindful of those plans and strategies and make investment decisions respecting infrastructure that support them, to the extent that they are relevant. Examples of plans and strategies to which this paragraph may apply include,

- i. policy statements issued under section 3 of the *Planning Act*, and provincial plans as defined by that Act,
- ii. municipal water sustainability plans submitted under the *Water Opportunities Act, 2010*,
- iii. the Lake Simcoe Protection Plan established under the *Lake Simcoe Protection Act, 2008*, and
- iv. transportation plans adopted under the *Metrolinx Act, 2006*.

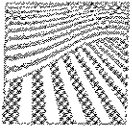
10. Infrastructure planning and investment should promote accessibility for persons with disabilities.

11. Infrastructure planning and investment should minimize the impact of infrastructure on the environment and respect and help maintain ecological and biological diversity, and infrastructure should be designed to be resilient to the effects of climate change.

12. Infrastructure planning and investment should endeavour to make use of acceptable recycled aggregates.

13. Infrastructure planning and investment should promote community benefits, being the supplementary social and economic benefits arising from an infrastructure project that are intended to improve the well-being of a community affected by the project, such as local job creation and training opportunities (including for apprentices, within the meaning of section 9), improvement of public space within the community, and any specific benefits identified by the community.

14. Any other principles that may be prescribed for the Government or the broader public sector entity, as the case may be.



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MOVED BY *Debbie McNamee* RESOLUTION NO _____
 SECONDED BY *[Signature]* DATE April 19, 2016

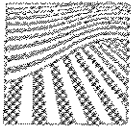
WHERE AS in the 2016 Ontario Budget, the government of Ontario has suspended current intake of applications to the Rural Economic Development program and has indicated that it plans to integrate the program into the Jobs and Prosperity Fund.

WHERE AS the Jobs and Prosperity Fund is narrowly focused and is restricted to private sector organizations and industry partners, which prevents access to funding for rural municipalities and others who formerly benefitted from the Rural Economic Development Program. The emphasis on large projects that meet either of minimum \$5 million or \$10 million in eligible project costs thresholds, will significantly restrict benefits from this fund.

WHERE AS in contrast, the Rural Economic Development Program supported a number of capacity building projects including but not limited 'Business Retention and Expansion' and 'Downtown Revitalization' projects and Economic Development Strategic Planning projects for small rural municipalities who were looking to improve their local economy. Also of note is that because the Jobs and Prosperity Fund is not specifically designated for rural areas, that funds from this program will likely favour more urban areas of the province.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ~~RES~~OLVED THAT THE Council of the Municipality of South Dundas asks the government of Ontario to reconsider the suspension of and the integration of the Rural Economic Development Program into the Jobs and Prosperity Fund with the view to ensuring that Rural Economic Development Program stays as an intricate funding program of the Province that will support capacity building and foster economic growth in rural municipalities in Ontario.

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MUNICIPALITY OF SOUTH DUNDAS

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this resolution be circulated to all municipal and regional councils in Ontario requesting that they endorse and support this resolution and communicate their support to the Premier and the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs.

CARRIED DEFEATED DEFERRED

A. Delegarde
MAYOR

Recorded Vote:	
Mayor Delegarde	_____
Deputy Mayor Locke	_____
Councillor St. Pierre	_____
Councillor Ewing	_____
Councillor Mellan	_____

Step 2 Project Information

2.1 Project Location

Unit Number	Street Number	Street Name	PO Box
City/Town		Region/County	
Municipality		Province	Postal Code

2.2 Project Title

Project Title

Proposed project start date (yyyy/mm/dd)

Proposed project end date (yyyy/mm/dd)

2.3 Project Category

Select only one major project category and one appropriate sub-category from the list below.

- Plans or Strategies
 - Economic development strategic plan
 - Business retention and expansion plan
 - Downtown revitalization plan
 - Workforce plan
 - Community improvement plan
 - Performance measurement plan
 - Other (specify):
- Applied Research and Analysis to Support Planning and Priority Setting
 - Sector or economic analysis
 - Collaborative research studies or evaluations
 - Feasibility studies (e.g., new business, investment, incubator or regional economic model)
 - Market research
 - Marketing strategies
 - Other (specify):
- Business or Sector Development and Diversification
 - Business mentoring or training
 - Regional business database
 - Sharing best practices
 - Incubators or business accelerators
 - Business diversification and expansion
 - Business modernization or productivity enhancements
 - New market access
 - Building collaboration and integration along the value chain or cluster
 - Rehabilitation of cultural, heritage or tourism attractions
 - Other (specify):
- Regional Marketing, Promotional and Branding Activities
 - Website development or enhancement
 - Branding strategies
 - Promotion, marketing and outreach
 - Other (specify):
- Workforce Attraction, Retention and Development
 - Targeted workforce development (e.g., youth, newcomers)
 - Leadership development
 - Mentorship
 - Entrepreneur
 - Training
 - Other (specify):



The Corporation of the Township of
NORTH STORMONT
RESOLUTION

Date: April 12, 2016

Part 1

Resolution No. 609

MOVED BY:

- Deputy Mayor Bill McGimpsey
- Councillor Jim Wert
- Councillor François Landry
- Councillor Randy Douglas

SECONDED BY:

- Deputy Mayor Bill McGimpsey
- Councillor Jim Wert
- Councillor François Landry
- Councillor Randy Douglas

WHEREAS the OEB file **EB-2015-0179** (dated July 23, 2015) application and pre-filed evidence from Union Gas Limited is seeking approval of its proposed Community Expansion Program with intent to support the expansion of infrastructure necessary to provide natural gas to communities that would otherwise not receive natural gas service (Rural areas);

WHEREAS the Ontario Energy Board issued a Notice for Public Hearing **EB-2016-004** (dated January 2016) regarding OEB's intent to review the following issues in May 2016:

1. Should the OEB implement new ratemaking mechanisms including changes to current economic tests to encourage utilities to expand natural gas distribution service to new communities? If so, what should these new mechanisms be?
2. Should the OEB consider imposing conditions or making other changes to Municipal Franchise Agreements and Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity to reduce barriers to natural gas expansion?
3. Does the OEB have the authority to require the ratepayers of one utility to subsidize the costs of another utility to expand into new communities? If so, under what circumstances (if any) would this be appropriate?

WHEREAS the Eastern Ontario Warden's Caucus's letter of comment (dated April 6, 2016) regarding the Ontario Energy Board's Generic Proceeding EB-2016-004 with intent for the Warden Caucus to support the initial application from Union Gas (EB-2015-0179) and also similar entities that wish to expand natural gas service to rural and remote communities;

WHEREAS the Township of North Stormont has signed a 20 year Franchise Agreement with Enbridge and has attempt many communications with them to have natural gas service in the ~~West~~ ^{EAST} part of our Township without any responses or actions being taken by Enbridge;

	FOR	AGAINST
Recorded Vote:	_____	_____
	_____	_____
	_____	_____

CARRIED: *[Signature]*
Mayor

DEFEATED: _____
Mayor

Declaration of Conflict of interest: _____

- Disclosed His/Her/Their interest
- Vacated His/Her/Their Seat
- Deferred

[Signature]
CAO/Clerk



The Corporation of the Township of
NORTH STORMONT
RESOLUTION

Date: April 12, 2016

Part 2

Resolution No. 609

MOVED BY:

SECONDED BY:

Deputy Mayor Bill McGimpsey
Councillor Jim Wert
Councillor François Landry
Councillor Randy Douglas

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Councillor Jim Wert
Councillor François Landry
Councillor Randy Douglas

WHEREAS the West part of the Township of North Stormont is being served by Union Gas and that the separation is even made on the West side of a road (**serviced by Union Gas**) versus the East side of the same road (**unserved by Enbridge**);

WHEREAS the Township of North Stormont made representation with Union Gas to endeavor possible development of the natural gas services on the East side of the Township;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of Township of North Stormont that the OEB examine the proposal to expand natural gas services and make it available to all of Eastern Ontario rural areas such as the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry and the United Counties of Prescott-Russell as it is vital to our Economic Development and to Business expansion and retention as well as the increase of employability in our sector.

AND BE IT ALSO RESOLVED THAT this resolution supports the letter of comment sent to the Ontario Energy Board by the Eastern Ontario Warden's Caucus.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this resolution be circulated to all municipal and regional councils in Ontario requesting that they endorse and support this resolution and communicate their support to the Premier, the OEB and the Ministers of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure, Energy, and Agriculture and Rural Affairs.

Passed by the Council of the Township of North Stormont on April 12, 2016

FOR

AGAINST

Recorded Vote:

CARRIED: *Dennis Rife*
Mayor

DEFEATED: _____
Mayor

Declaration of Conflict of interest: _____

- Disclosed His/Her/Their interest
- Vacated His/Her/Their Seat
- Deferred

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March 31, 2016

The Hon. Kathleen Wynne
Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier Wynne,

RE: Insurance Costs

At its meeting of March 9, 2016, the Council of the Township of Tay reviewed correspondence from Township of Oro-Medonte regarding escalating municipal insurance premiums and liability claims.

Following discussion, the County of the Township of Tay passed the following motion at their March 23, 2016 Council meeting:

Whereas municipal insurance premiums and liability claims have increased significantly over the years;

And whereas the Township of Tay's liability insurance premiums have increased more than \$168,733 since 2006, being an increase of 234%;

And whereas the joint and several liability provision frequently allocates risk to municipal governments who are usually considered to be the "deepest pockets" in a dispute. If the defendant has become insolvent, the joint and several liability provision means that the plaintiff may recover all of their costs from the municipal government;

And whereas municipalities have petitioned the province to address joint and several liability reform, which is a primary contributor to rising premiums;

And whereas municipalities cannot afford to wait any longer for insurance reform policies;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Council of The Corporation of the

Cont'd...

Township of Tay appeals to the provincial government to protect taxpayers from high property taxes by implementing a comprehensive, long-term solution insurance reforms, including joint and several liability, for municipalities, addressing the alarming rise in insurance premiums due to rising litigation and claim costs;

And that this resolution be circulated, under the Mayor's signature, to Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario, Minister McMeekin, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Patrick Brown, MPP Simcoe North, the County of Simcoe, the Cities of Barrie and Orillia, Simcoe County Municipalities, and all other Ontario Municipalities, and AMO for their support.

Carried.

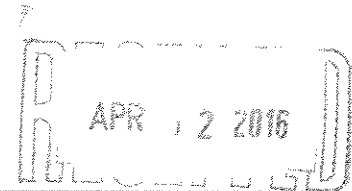
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Scott Warnock".

Mayor Scott Warnock

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Laurie Scott, MPP
Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock

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April 7, 2016

Reeve Jim Gibson
Townships of Head, Clara and Maria
15 Township Hall Rd
Stonecliffe, ON K0J 2K0

Dear Reeve Gibson,

I write to you today to ask you to support my efforts as MPP and PC Critic for Women's Issues, to call on the provincial government to take immediate steps to combat human trafficking in Ontario and to raise public awareness of this horrid crime.

Human trafficking is a heinous crime that has been referred to as nothing short of modern day slavery. It is one of the fastest growing crimes, and starts and stays in Canada – over 90 percent of victims are Canadian-born. Worse, Ontario is a major hub for human trafficking in Canada, as the proximity to cities along the Highway 401 corridor provides an accessible thoroughfare for traffickers, and the ability to keep victims isolated. Victims are lured over the internet, meaning that this crime is in our neighbourhoods, our communities and our towns.

Victims – predominantly girls averaging the age of 14, and shockingly as young as 11 – are lured into a nightmare that they can almost never escape on their own. Traffickers recruit, transport, harbour and control the girl next door for sexual exploitation or forced labour.

On February 18, 2016, the Legislative Assembly of Ontario unanimously supported Bill 158 on Second Reading, which aims to take immediate steps against human trafficking in Ontario.

The bill provides as follows:

- Declare February 22nd as Human Trafficking Awareness Day in Ontario;
- Allow for an application to be brought by a parent of a trafficking victim under the age of 18, a trafficking victim aged 18 or over or an authorized agent such as Covenant House to obtain a protection order from a judge to prohibit the trafficker from contacting or approaching the victim. Such an order would remain in place for a minimum of three years;

- Create a tort or civil action of human trafficking, allowing victims to sue their traffickers for damages and an accounting of profits; and
- Amend the definition of “sex offender” under *Christopher’s Law (Sex Offender Registry), 2000* to include criminal offences for trafficking of victims under the age of 18 years.

In May of last year, I also received unanimous support for a motion asking the Government of Ontario to immediately create a provincial task force to combat human trafficking in Ontario.

The task force would have a similar structure and funding model to the Guns and Gangs Task Force. A multi-jurisdictional task force made up of specially-trained police officers, Crown prosecutors, judges, and frontline workers would coordinate information sharing, and collaboratively work to apprehend criminals and rescue victims. Training and education would also have to be specialized not only for law enforcement and the justice system, but for victims’ services, health care workers, schools and businesses.

The task force was endorsed by the Select Committee on Sexual Violence and Harassment, which I had the honour of co-chairing.

The two recommendations are as follows:

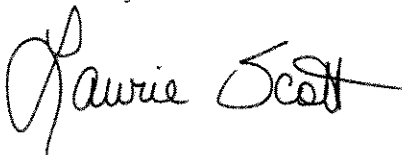
57. The Ontario government provide resources for the development of a coordinated approach to help victims of human trafficking, allowing providers of support services and the criminal justice system to share information and work collaboratively.
58. The Ontario government develop a multi-ministerial, province-wide strategy on human trafficking.

Ontario is far behind other provinces when it comes to combatting human trafficking and taking significant action. For instance, in Manitoba, they have enacted legislation as far back as 2012, which has seen multiple victims rescued and traffickers put behind bars for breaching protection orders.

I ask that you and your council members consider putting forward a resolution to support the following attached draft resolution.

I look forward to your support.

Sincerely,



Laurie Scott, MPP
Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock

**Municipal Resolution on Anti-Human Trafficking Task Force
and Bill 158, *Saving the Girl Next Door Act, 2016***

WHEREAS human trafficking is a heinous crime that has been referred to as modern day slavery; and

WHEREAS traffickers recruit, transport, harbour and control the girl next door for sexual exploitation or forced labour; and

WHEREAS it is one of the fastest growing crimes that starts and stays in Canada, targeting victims – 90 percent of which are Canadian-born and predominantly female, averaging the age of 14; and

WHEREAS Ontario is a major hub of human trafficking in Canada, and victims are lured, manipulated and coerced, often over the internet from every part of Ontario; and

WHEREAS human trafficking is in our neighbourhoods and our communities;

THEREFORE BE IT resolved that the Council of (name of municipality) support Bill 158, *Saving the Girl Next Door Act, 2016*, support MPP Laurie Scott's motion for a multi-jurisdictional and coordinated task force of law enforcement agencies, Crown prosecutors, judges, victims' services and frontline agencies; and

That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to all Members of Provincial Parliament and municipalities.

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**Regular Council
April 25, 2016**

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Item 12.2
(2 pages)

Moved by: Mike Dutoit

Seconded by: [Signature]

WHEREAS human trafficking is a heinous crime that has been referred to as modern day slavery; and

WHEREAS traffickers recruit, transport, harbor, and control the girl next door for sexual exploitation or forced labour; and

WHEREAS it is one of the fastest growing crimes that starts and stays in Canada, targeting victims — 90 percent of which are Canadian-born and predominantly female, averaging the age of 14; and

WHEREAS Ontario is a major hub of human trafficking in Canada, and victims are lured, manipulated and coerced, often over the internet from every part of Ontario; and


WHEREAS human trafficking is in our neighbourhoods and our communities;

THEREFORE BE IT resolved that the Council of the Town of Prescott support Bill 158, *Saving the Girl Next Door Act, 2016*, support MPP Laurie Scott's motion for a multi-jurisdictional and coordinated task force of law enforcement agencies, Crown prosecutors, judges, victims' services and frontline agencies; and

PRESCOTT
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THE FORT TOWN

That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to all Members of Provincial Parliament and municipalities.

		REQUESTED BY:			
		RECORDED VOTE		YES	NO
		Councillor Leanne Burton			
		Councillor Teresa Jansman			
		Councillor Fraser Laschinger			
CARRIED:	✓	Councillor Lee McConnell			
TABLED:		Councillor Mike Ostrander			
DEFEATED:		Mayor Brett Todd			
RECORDED VOTE:		Councillor Ray Young			

BRETT TODD, MAYOR	KIMBERLEY CASSELMAN, CLERK
	

Melinda Reith



From: Kari Stevenson <KStevenson@trentlakes.ca>
Sent: April 25, 2016 3:52 PM
To: Kari Stevenson
Subject: Resolution re Bill 158

Please be advised that Council adopted the following resolution at their Regular Meeting of April 19th, 2016.

Laurie Scott, MPP
Re: Bill 158 - Human Trafficking

Resolution No. **R2016-239**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Windover
Seconded by: Councillor Persson

That Council receive the correspondence from Laurie Scott, MPP for Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock, regarding Bill 158 which aims to take immediate steps against human trafficking in Ontario; and further

That Council supports the following resolution:

Whereas human trafficking is a heinous crime that has been referred to as modern day slavery; and

Whereas traffickers recruit, transport, harbour and control the girl next door for sexual exploitation or forced labour; and

Whereas it is one of the fastest growing crimes that starts and stays in Canada, targeting victims - 90 percent of which are Canadian-born and predominantly female, averaging the age of 14; and

Whereas Ontario is a major hub of human trafficking in Canada, and victims are lured, manipulated and coerced, often over the internet from every part of Ontario; and

Whereas human trafficking is in our neighbourhoods and our communities;

Therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Trent Lakes support Bill 158, Saving the Girl Next Door Act, 2016, support MPP Laurie Scott's motion for a multi-jurisdictional and coordinated task force of law enforcement agencies, Crown prosecutors, judges, victims' services and frontline agencies; and

That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to all Members of Provincial Parliament and municipalities.

Carried.

Kari Stevenson
Acting Clerk/Planning Technician

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Spring Freshet 2016 – MNRF Proactive Teleconference #10
May 5, 2016 - 1:30pm

MNRF Update: Christina Davis

1. MNRF Current Situation:
 - Balaclava Dam and Lake Dore Dam: water levels have been decreasing; logs have been added at both dams over the past week to maintain the water level
 - Fraser Township snow station: no snow left so have stopped monitoring
 - Snow levels: almost no snow in the southern part of the County other than a few isolated patches in shady forested areas; in the Waterloo Lake area in Clara Township there is almost no snow
 - Other Observations: water levels in creeks are dropping
2. Pembroke District Flood Status: issued a Flood Watch for the County with an emphasis on Round and Golden Lakes and the Bonnechere and Ottawa Rivers on Friday, April 29, 2016
3. Neighbouring District Status:
 - North Bay: no longer experiencing high water
 - Bancroft: no longer experiencing high water
 - Kemptville: no longer experiencing high water

Surface Water Monitoring Centre Weather Forecast: Brent Smith

- Temperatures are forecast to be in the high teens during the day and above zero at night with the exception of Sunday which will be slightly cooler during the day
- On Saturday 10-15mm of precipitation is expected and there may be some precipitation on Monday

Madawaska Update: Marc Bisson, OPG

- For the past few days the inflows have been dropping rapidly
- There have been reductions in flow at Bark Lake
- Expect water levels in Bark Lake to increase over the next few days to get the water to summer levels
- Kamaniskeg Lake is around normal summer levels so discharge has been reduced through the past week

Ottawa River Update: Michael Sarich, ORRS

- Flows remain above normal
- There is still significant snow pack in the northern part of the basin
- Reservoirs have room left to accept more water
- Over the next week water levels are expected to decrease
- The southern tributaries are in sharp decline
- The middle tributaries have stopped declining and water levels have flattened off
- Expect water levels to continue to decrease as long as there is no significant precipitation

Bonnechere River Update

1. Round Lake & Golden Lake: Shawn Cameron, RPG
 - All water levels are declining
 - The water level in Golden Lake is still high but is in constant decline
 - Starting to hold water in Round Lake
 - Lake Clear water level is dropping rapidly; starting to do log operations to hold water
 - At Renfrew the flows are steady
2. Eganville: Jack Roesner, Eganville Generation Corp.
 - Have been lowering the gate since Monday to control the water level in the head pond
 - Still passing lots of water
3. Douglas: Janusz Rydel, Multistream Power Corp.
 - No update

Office of the Fire Marshall and Emergency Management: Philippe Geoffrion

- No update

County of Renfrew: Steve Boland

- No issues, water levels are dropping

City of Pembroke: Doug Sitland

- No update

Other Townships/Municipalities or others:

- No update

Questions/Information Requests:

- None

Update Pembroke District Flood Status

- Will issue a Watershed Conditions Statement – Water Safety on Friday

NEXT CONFERENCE CALL: Wednesday, May 18, 2016 1:30pm

Teleconference 1-866-602-5423; passcode 6553803#

Key Information Websites:

<http://www.ontario.ca/ministry-natural-resources-and-forestry> - MNRF Website

<http://www.ottawariver.ca/> (or call the 24hr toll free number 1-800-778-1246)

<http://www.opg.com> – Madawaska River/Ottawa River

<http://www.renfrewpg.ca> – Bonnechere River

<http://www.emergencymanagementontario.ca/english/home.html> - Emergency Management Ontario

**BULLETIN**

Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry

**Watershed Conditions Statement - Water Safety
Pembroke District****NEWS**

05/06/2016

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry – Pembroke District is advising all area residents that a Watershed Conditions Statement – Water Safety is in effect for Renfrew County as water levels remain high.

For safety, all residents of Renfrew County should keep a close watch on weather conditions, regularly check for updated messages and exercise caution near fast-moving rivers and streams.

The Ministry also advises extreme caution when using forest access roads for outdoor activities as many are seasonally inundated with water, prone to washouts and may be impassible due to current water levels.

MNRF is closely monitoring the weather and developing watershed conditions. Further updates will be issued as appropriate.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION**Description of Weather System**

This message is being sent on the basis of information received from MNRF - Surface Water Monitoring Centre, MNRF - Aviation Forest Fire and Emergency Management Services and Environment Canada.

Over the next week daytime temperatures are expected to be in the high teens to low twenties and to stay above freezing at night with very little precipitation in the forecast.

Description of Current Conditions

Almost all of the snowpack has melted leaving most areas in Renfrew County snow-free. Lakes, rivers and streams are still at seasonally high levels and flowing quickly but water levels are starting to decrease.

Expiry Date:

This message will expire on 05/13/2016 5:00 PM

Terminology: Notification Levels

WATERSHED CONDITIONS STATEMENT - FLOOD OUTLOOK: gives early notice of the potential for flooding based on weather forecasts calling for heavy rain, snow melt, high winds or other conditions

WATERSHED CONDITIONS STATEMENT – WATER SAFETY: indicates that high flows, melting ice or other factors could be dangerous for such users as boaters, anglers and swimmers but flooding is not expected.

FLOOD WATCH: potential for flooding exists within specific watercourses and municipalities

FLOOD WARNING: flooding is imminent or occurring within specific watercourses and municipalities.

Contact Information

For more information please contact:

Christina Davis, MNRF
613-732-5536
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A close watch on local conditions and weather forecasts from Environment Canada is recommended.

Environment Canada bulletins can be found at <http://weather.gc.ca/>

The Surface Water Monitoring Centre public webpage can be found at:
<http://www.ontario.ca/flooding>

Key Information Websites:

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<http://www.opg.com> – Ontario Power Generation

<http://www.renfrewpg.ca> – Renfrew Power Generation

<http://www.emergencymanagementontario.ca/english/home.html> - Emergency Management Ontario

North Renfrew County Health Link Communique

Start of Year 2

The start of Year 2 of North Renfrew County Health Link has led to some exciting opportunities to build relationships between service providers and to better identify and serve the most complex patients in our area.

"I feel like a weight has been lifted off my shoulders. Thank you for taking the time to visit me in my home, listening to my story and help me organize my thoughts. It's so nice to have someone like you to help me find a counsellor along with everything else we are putting on my 'to-do' list. I feel like this is the beginning of my healing".
--NRCHL patient

Coordinated Care Plan Training

Staying true to the vision of Health Links, North Renfrew Health Link Care Coordinators and Project Manager have begun to train staff of local service providers. The purpose is to establish a network of care coordinators across North Renfrew County Health Link, who will have an in-depth knowledge of local resources and a systemic view of how to better serve complex patients. These care coordinators will identify Health Link patients from their existing caseloads, work with the patients to develop their own Coordinated Care Plan, and provide short term intensive systems navigation to those patients in order to stabilize their health and well-being.

Here is feedback from one of the first trainees:

"I have thoroughly enjoyed my experience with Health Links. I feel as a nurse at our health centre, [using the Health Links approach] has allowed me to get to know the client at a different level. You understand where they are coming from with their health issues, concerns etc. I felt a trust between us! Wouldn't it be nice to be able to do a care plan for all our patients to assess their needs, and to let them know that there is team of health care providers available to help them? I look forward to working with my next client this afternoon!"

--Mary Ann Rosien, Petawawa Centennial Family Health Centre

Connecting with Regional Partners

The concept of collaborative leadership is based on the idea that decisions can be made collectively, combining a view of what is going on within one's own organization with a knowledge of what is happening in the larger environment.

The May 30th North Renfrew County Health Link Governance Session will explore how patient-centred care can be achieved through collaboration across service mandates.

For more information, please contact Jennifer Kennedy, North Renfrew County Health Link Project Manager.

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Melinda Reith

From: AMO Communications <communicate@amo.on.ca>
Sent: April 25, 2016 4:32 PM
To: hcmclerkmreith@gmail.com
Subject: AMO Policy Update - Federal Infrastructure Minister Provides Funding Details

April 25, 2016

Federal Infrastructure Minister Provides Funding Details

Federal Minister of Infrastructure, the Honourable Amarjeet Sohi, has written to his counterparts across the country including the Honourable Brad Duguid. The letters provide details on Phase 1 infrastructure funding programs announced in the federal Budget 2016.

The letter details federal commitments for:

- Federal Public Transit Fund - \$1.49 billion to be distributed on ridership basis.
- Federal Clean Water and Wastewater Fund - \$570 m to help rehabilitate and upgrade systems. Both funds can be applied toward new construction if the funding can be spent in the next two years. Funding is retroactive to April 1, 2016 and previous announcements have noted that the federal government will provide up to 50 per cent in eligible costs. Our understanding is the provinces will need to continue to contribute their 1/3 share.
- Changes to the New Building Canada Fund (NBCF) are being taken to ensure that remaining unallocated funds are spent within the next two years. AMO understands a redefinition of the criteria surrounding highways and roads category to include those with lesser traffic volumes is being proposed, as are expanded project categories to include tourism, culture, recreation, passenger ferries and related infrastructure, and civic assets and municipal buildings. The P3 screen for larger projects is to be eliminated as well.

The next step is for the federal and provincial governments is to conclude a funding agreement that reflects the details enunciated today and how these funds can be accessed. AMO expects that the provincial government will engage the association as required under AMO's MOU Agreement with the Province as it works to finalize an agreement with INFC Canada. Any significant developments will be communicated to members as soon as possible.

Watch [Infrastructure Canada's web site](#) for a copy of the letter and further details.

AMO Contact: Craig Reid, Senior Advisor, E-mail creid@amo.on.ca, 416.971.9856 ext. 334.

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Statement regarding the Government of Canada's Budget 2016 Infrastructure Plan

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Statement regarding the Government of Canada's Budget 2016 Infrastructure Plan

Ottawa – April 4, 2016

Minister of Infrastructure and Communities Amarjeet Sohi issued the following statement today regarding the Government of Canada's infrastructure plan announced in Budget 2016:

Experts around the world agree that public investments in areas such as infrastructure are crucial to drive economic growth and strengthen the middle class.

Investing in infrastructure is more than creating good jobs and economic growth. It's much more than concrete and water pipes, roads and bridges.

I believe that infrastructure is what connects Canadians to their communities and allows them to be active participants, socially and economically.

Infrastructure is about people: it means a safe place for women fleeing domestic violence, decent places to live for seniors, efficient public transit systems for people to get around, clean drinking water and much more.

It's about building communities that Canadians are proud to call home.

I am pleased that the federal government, as outlined in Budget 2016, will implement an historic infrastructure plan to invest more than \$120 billion in infrastructure over 10 years, including \$60 billion in new funding for public transit, green infrastructure, and social infrastructure, to better meet the needs of Canadians and better position Canada's economy for the future.

Our new infrastructure plan, Investing in Canada, provides immediate investments that will create jobs and support clean growth across the country.

Phase 1 of the Government of Canada's plan includes:

- \$3.4 billion to upgrade and improve public transit systems across Canada.
- \$5 billion for investments in green infrastructure projects across Canada.
- \$3.4 billion for social infrastructure including affordable housing, early learning and child care, cultural and recreational infrastructure and community health care facilities on reserve.

Budget 2016 also announced that funding will be provided for the following priorities:

- \$3.4 billion for rehabilitation of federal infrastructure across the country including investments in our buildings, harbours, cultural venues, transportation infrastructure and defence and law enforcement infrastructure.
- \$2 billion for post-secondary education infrastructure to support strategic projects to improve research and innovation.
- \$500 million to extend and enhance broadband infrastructure in rural and remote communities.

In addition to this new funding, the federal government will continue to support the infrastructure priorities of communities across Canada:

- Municipalities will continue to receive a share of approximately \$3 billion each year in dedicated funding through the federal Gas Tax Fund and the incremental Goods and Services Tax Rebate for Municipalities.
- Spending from the existing \$9 billion available to provinces and territories under the 2014 New Building Canada Fund will be accelerated, so that projects can begin quickly, and those jurisdictions can deliver much-needed economic activity in the communities that need it most.

Along with my colleagues, we have engaged many stakeholders across the country and we listened; we consulted with cities, provinces, stakeholders and Indigenous communities and crafted Phase 1 of our plan in response to their most urgent needs.

This first phase will lay the foundation for strategic infrastructure investments. The second phase of our infrastructure plan will build on this strong foundation. We have already begun consultations with provincial, territorial, municipal and Indigenous partners, as well as global institutional investors and other stakeholders and I look forward to announcing the details of our long-term plan in the next year.

Together we will create economic growth and jobs and build resilient and inclusive communities.

Together, our investments will form the foundation of a more inclusive society – one that delivers stronger growth and a better quality of life for the middle class and those working hard to join it.

For more information, please visit budget.gc.ca or contact:

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Hon. Amarjeet Sohi

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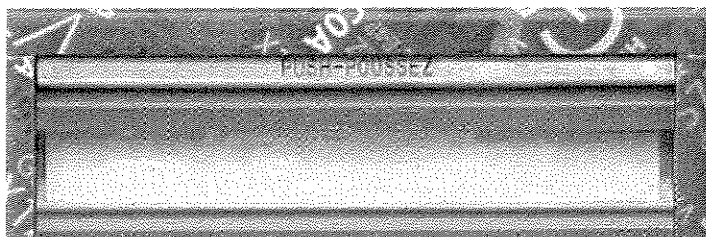
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Statement regarding the Government of Canada's Budget 2016 Support for Green Infrastructure

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Statement regarding the Government of Canada's Budget 2016 Support for Green Infrastructure

Ottawa – April 6, 2016

Minister of Infrastructure and Communities Amarjeet Sohi issued the following statement today regarding the Government of Canada's support for green infrastructure, announced in Budget 2016:

We want to support economic growth that is clean and inclusive. And our government believes that economic growth, social inclusion and a solid climate change agenda do not compete – they complement each other. They go hand in hand and we must make the long term investments that will build the communities we want for our children, grandchildren and great-grand-children.

Smart decision making and strategic investments will grow our economy and strengthen the middle class, providing Canadians with good jobs, a cleaner environment, and thriving communities.

On March 22, we tabled a budget that presented a \$120-billion infrastructure plan, Investing in Canada, that offers immediate help for Canada's middle class. It also seeks to create an economy that works for all Canadians now, and into the future.

As part of Phase 1 of our new plan, we will invest \$5.0 billion in green infrastructure projects right away, to support the future prosperity of Canadian communities and promote a sustainable economy.

With the aim to preserve the integrity of our environment and promote healthy and sustainable communities, our investments in green infrastructure are particularly important. Clean air and water, flood prevention, health and well-being can all be achieved through planned urban development that preserves a healthy environment.

To reflect our commitment to a cleaner environment, provide national leadership on climate change, and grow Canada's economy, we have committed:

- \$2 billion for a new Clean Water and Wastewater Fund for Provinces, Territories and Municipalities;
- \$1.8 billion to address health and safety needs, to ensure proper facility operation and maintenance, and to end long-term boil water advisories on First Nations reserves;
- \$248 million for the Lake Manitoba and Lake St. Martin Outlet Channels Project in Manitoba's Interlake Region for flood mitigation;
- \$212 million to replace the Lions Gate Wastewater Treatment Plant;
- \$125 million to enhance the Green Municipal Fund;
- \$75 million in new funding for local governments to address climate change; and
- \$50 million for a new capacity building fund for communities to support asset management.

In addition to these new investments we are also accelerating funding for green infrastructure projects under existing programs.

Green infrastructure benefits many vital aspects of environmental sustainability and is key to a resilient and strong Canadian clean growth economy: investing in green infrastructure creates jobs and business opportunities and promotes sustainable development.

Working with provinces, territories and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, we will support the future prosperity of Canada's communities by investing in:

- \$62.5 million for alternative transportation fuel infrastructure, including charging infrastructure for electric vehicles and natural gas and hydrogen refuelling stations;
- initiatives to foster regional electricity cooperation, and the development of building codes and standards that integrate climate resiliency requirements;
- the modernization of water and wastewater infrastructure; and
- infrastructure that provides greenhouse gas reduction opportunities to address climate change.

These investments reflect our commitment to provide leadership and work with our continental partners on climate change and grow Canada's economy while leaving a lasting legacy for tomorrow's generation.

Our investments over the short-term will lay the foundation for a long-term investment strategy in public infrastructure; we will build a country that will thrive socially, environmentally and economically.

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