



THE CORPORATION OF THE UNITED TOWNSHIPS OF HEAD, CLARA AND MARIA
AGENDA

Wednesday, February 21, 2024

2:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order and Moment of Silence
Let us take a moment of silent reflection to contemplate in our own way the responsibility we have to collectively use our skills and experience to ensure the mutual long-term benefit of our Municipality and those we represent.
2. Traditional Land Acknowledgement
As we gather this morning (afternoon), I would like to acknowledge on behalf of Council and our community that we are meeting on the traditional territory of the Algonquin People. We would like to thank the Algonquin people and express our respect and support for their rich history, and we are extremely grateful for their many and continued displays of friendship. We also thank all the generations of people who have taken care of this land for thousands for years.
3. Roll Call
4. Recital of the Municipal Mission and Vision Statements
5. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest & General Natre Thereof
6. Deputations/Presentations
 - a. County of Renfrew – Zoning Bylaw Amendment
7. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting
 - a. Emergency Meeting January 10, 2024
 - b. Regular Meeting February 8, 2024
8. Petitions and Correspondence -Information Only (Please advise if you feel any item warrants further consideration)
 - a. Petitions
 - b. Information Items
 - i. Resolution - Water and Wastewater Unaffordable Rates
 - Township of Whitewater Region
 - Renfrew County
 - ii. Resolution - Bill 3, Strong Mayors, Building Homes Act
 - Township of Alnwick/Haldimand
 - iii. Resolution – Call for Amendment to the Legislation Act, 2006
 - Township of Alnwick/Haldimand



- iv. Resolution – Resolution to Support Bill C-310 to Amend Income Tax Act, re: Volunteer Firefighters Tax Credit
 - Township of Alnwick/Haldimand
 - Tay Township
 - Township of McMurrich/Monteith
 - Township of Ryerson
- v. Resolution – Road Safety Emergency
 - Town of Mono
- vi. Resolution – Significant Reforms at the Landlord and Tenant Board to Alleviate the Housing and Homelessness Crisis in Mississauga
 - City of Mississauga
- vii. Resolution – Social and Economic Prosperity Review
 - Town of Orangeville
- viii. Resolution – Reliable and Accessible Public Rail Transit - CN Rail Letter
 - City of Brantford
- ix. Letter & Resolution – AORS SDF Application
- x. Letter EA Modernization
- xi. Letter of Support – Fire Apparatus
 - Village of Merrickville Wolford

9. Staff Reports

10. Financial Reports

11. Bylaws

- a. Bylaw 2024-03 – Appoint a Deputy Clerk
- b. Bylaw 2024-04 – Appoint a Deputy Treasurer

12. Unfinished Business

13. Addendum (New Business)

- a. Reconsideration of Resolution No. 23/11/16/006
- b. Passing of 2024 Budget

14. Notice of Motion (to be used by members of Council to introduce new areas of business they wish to discuss in the future)

15. Closed Session

- a. Pursuant to section 239(2) (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, and (d) labour relations or employee negotiations to consider:
 - i. Employee Compensation for Additional Work Undertaken During the Municipal Administrators Leave of Absence.

16. Information Sharing (Formerly Questions and Answers)

17. Confirmation of Proceedings



a. Confirmatory Bylaw 2024-05
18. Adjournment

Note* Alternate formats and communication supports are available on request.

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THE CORPORATION of the UNITED TOWNSHIPS of HEAD, CLARA & MARIA
MINUTES



Minutes of an emergency meeting of Council held on January 10, 2024.

1. Call to Order and Moment of Silence

Mayor Grills called the meeting to order at 2:06 P.M.

Let us take a moment of silent reflection to contemplate in our own way the responsibility we have to collectively use our skills and experience to ensure the mutual long-term benefit of our Municipality and those we represent.

2. Traditional Land Acknowledgement

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3. Appointment of Clerk Pro Tempore

Resolution No.: 2024-001

Moved by Councillor Dowser and seconded by Councillor Kelly Chamberlain

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Peggy Young-Lovelace be appointed Clerk Pro Tempore for the purposes of this special meeting January 10, 2024, and the regular meetings of February 8 and 22, 2024.

Carried Unanimously

4. Roll Call – The following persons were present: Mayor Debbi Grills, Councillors: Chris Dowser, Fran Kelly-Chamberlain, Karen LeClerc and Rachel Richer.

Meeting Clerk: Peggy Young-Lovelace (Clerk Pro Tempore)

5. Recital of the Municipal Mission and Vision Statements – Councillor Kelly-Chamberlain

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6. Disclosure of Pecuniary interest & General Nature Thereof – None were disclosed.

7. Closed Session

Resolution No.: 2024-002

Moved by Councillor Richer and seconded by Councillor Dowser

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the United Townships of Head, Clara and Maria do now move into closed session at 2:15 p.m. pursuant to section 239(2) (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, and (d) labour relations or employee negotiations to consider:

- i) Municipal Administrator

- a. Performance Appraisal
- b. Leave of Absence

Carried Unanimously

Resolution No.: 2024-003

Moved by Councillor Richer and seconded by Councillor LeClerc

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the United Townships of Head, Clara and Maria now return to open session at 3:31 p.m. and report that direction was given to the Clerk Pro Tempore related to the Municipal Administrators leave of absence.

Carried Unanimously

8. **Adjournment**

Resolution No.: 2024-004

Moved by Councillor LeClerc and seconded by Councillor Kely-Chamberlain

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting adjourn at 3:34 p.m. to meet again on Wednesday February 8, 2024, at 2:00 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

MAYOR

CLERK

THE CORPORATION of the UNITED TOWNSHIPS of HEAD, CLARA & MARIA **MINUTES**



Minutes of a regular meeting of Council held on February 8, 2024.

1. **Call to Order and Moment of Silence**

Mayor Grills called the meeting to order at 2:08 P.M.

Let us take a moment of silent reflection to contemplate in our own way the responsibility we have to collectively use our skills and experience to ensure the mutual long-term benefit of our Municipality and those we represent.

2. **Traditional Land Acknowledgement**

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3. **Roll Call** – The following persons were present: Mayor Debbi Grills, Councillors: Chris Dowser, Fran Kelly-Chamberlain, Karen LeClerc and Rachel Richer.

Meeting Clerk: Peggy Young-Lovelace (Clerk Pro Tempore)

4. **Recital of the Municipal Mission and Vision Statements** – Councillor Dowser

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5. **Disclosure of Pecuniary interest & General Nature Thereof** – None were disclosed.

6. **Deputations/Presentations** – None

7. **Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting**

8. **Petitions and Correspondence** - Information Only – (Please advise if you feel any item warrants further consideration)

9. **Staff Reports** - None

10. **Financial Reports** - None

11. **By-Laws**

Bylaw 2024-01

Resolution No.:

Moved by Councillor Kelly-Chamberlain and seconded by Councillor Richer

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Bylaw 2024-01 being a bylaw to provide for an interim tax levy on properties designated as residential, farmland, managed forest, pipeline, industrial, and commercial and to provide for payment of taxes and penalty and interest of 1.25% is hereby read a first, second and third time and passed.

Carried Unanimously

12. **Unfinished Business**

Matters from the December 21, 2023, Agenda Package

- a) Deputations and Presentations

County of Renfrew – Zoning Bylaw Amendment has been deferred to February 21, 2024.

b) Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Council Minutes

Resolution No.:

Moved by Councillor Richer and seconded by Councillor Kelly-Chamberlain
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of Thursday November 16, 2023, be accepted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

Library Board Minutes

Resolution No.:

Moved by Councillor Richer and seconded by Councillor Dowser
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Library Board minutes of September 19 and October 10, 2023, be received.

Carried Unanimously

Recreation Advisory Committee Minutes

Resolution No.:

Moved by Councillor Richer and seconded by Councillor LeClerc
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Recreation Advisory Committee minutes of October 3 and November 7, 2023, be received.

Carried Unanimously

c) Petitions and Correspondence

Petitions – None

Correspondence (Information Only)

- i. Town of Orangeville – Ontario Works Financial Assistance Rates
- ii. AMO Policy Update – Planning Statute Law Amendments and Ontario Child Care Workforce Strategy
- iii. Coleman Township – Conservation Officer Reclassification
Action: Clerk to send letter of support
- iv. Municipality of Tweed – 1/3 Funding Grant Programs
- v. RCDHU Medical Officer of Health – Report to the Board November 2023
- vi. The County of Prince Edward – Province to Stop MECP Proposal
Action: Clerk to send letter of support
- vii. Municipality of Grey Highlands – OEB Leave to Construct
Action: Clerk to send letter of support
- viii. Cogeco – Update on Network Expansion in Head, Clara & Maria
- ix. Township of Clearview – Cemetery Transfer Abandonment Administration and Management Support
Action: Clerk to send letter of support
- x. City of Greater Sudbury – Amendment to OHSa to Clarify Definition of Employer
Action: Clerk to send letter of support
- xi. Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry – Technical Bulletin
- xii. Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing – 2023 Financial Indicator Results

d) Council Reports

Mayor Grills provided Council a report on her activities.

e) Staff Reports

Report 23/12/21/1001 - Clerks Report

Resolution No.:

Moved by Councillor LeClerc and seconded by Councillor Kelly-Chamberlain
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Clerk's Report #23/12/21/1001 be received and directs that staff update the website as recommended therein.

Carried Unanimously

Report 23/12/21/1001 – 2023/2024 Grant Summary Report

Resolution No.:

Moved by Councillor Kelly-Chamberlain and seconded by Councillor Richer
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Grant Summary Report #23/12/21/1002 is hereby received.

Carried Unanimously

Report 23/12/21/1001 – 2023 Complaint Statistics and Resident Survey

Resolution No.:

Moved by Councillor LeClerc and seconded by Councillor Kelly-Chamberlain
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the 2023 Complaints Report #23/12/21/1003 is hereby received
and that Council directs the Customer Service Satisfaction Survey be postponed at this time
to be reconsidered in six (6) months.

Carried Unanimously

f) Financial Reports

Report 23/12/21/1101 - Revenue and Expense Report

Resolution No.:

Moved by Councillor Dowser and seconded by Councillor Kelly-Chamberlain
WHEREAS Council has received Report #23/12/21/1101 concerning the Revenue and
Expense Report ending December 14, 2023 and have had the opportunity to ask clarifying
questions;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara and Maria does
hereby accept the Revenue and Expense Report dated December 14, 2023 as presented.

Carried Unanimously

Recess: 3:01 to 3:09 p.m. to provide Council with copies of the 2024 Draft Budget

Report 23/12/21/1102 – 2024 Draft Budget

Resolution No.:

Moved by Councillor Dowser and seconded by Councillor Kelly-Chamberlain
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby receive the Draft 2024 Budget and directs
staff to post notice that the budget will be passed on February 21, 2024.

Carried Unanimously

g) Unfinished Business

Report 23/12/21/1201 – Community Safety and Well-Being Plan – Matter Deferred to March
Regular Council Meeting

Report 23/12/21/1202 – Accepting Tipping Fee Payments at Waste Disposal Sites

Resolution No.:

Moved by Councillor LeClerc and seconded by Councillor Rixher
WHEREAS Council Received Report 23/12/21/1202 regarding accepting cash and cheque
payments for tipping fees at municipal disposal sites;
AND WHEREAS accepting payments at the disposal sites may improve operating
efficiencies and customer service levels;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara
and Maria does hereby direct staff to implement a process of accepting cash and cheque
payments for tipping fees at the waste disposal sites effective January 1, 2024;
AND FURTHER THAT the service be provided as a trial program to be reviewed again in
one year to determine feasibility of continuation.

Carried Unanimously

h) Addendum (New Business)

Report 23/12/21/1301 – Staff Performance Appraisals

Resolution No.:

Moved by Councillor Kelly-Chamberlain and seconded by Councillor Dowser

WHEREAS employee performance evaluations were completed in December 2023 with four employees meeting or exceeding expectations, resulting in a position for a one-step increase as recommended by the Clerk-Treasurer;
 THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara and Maria does hereby agree that based on completed assessments and to be come effective January 1, 2024, four members of staff receive one step increase on the salary grid.

Carried Unanimously

Report 23/12/21/1302 - COLA

Resolution No.:

Moved by Councillor Dowser and seconded by Councillor Kelly-Chamberlain
 WHEREAS Council's past practice has been to award cost of living adjustments to staff salary and council honorarium when the October to October Consumer Price Index surpassed 1%;

AND WHEREAS numbers for Ontario show an increase of 3.3% for 2022-2023;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria does hereby authorize that the 3.3% cost of living adjustment based on the October to October Statistics Canada's Consumer Price Index for Ontario be applied to all applicable salaries and honoraria effective January 1, 2024.

Carried Unanimously

i) Notice of Motion

Report 23/12/21/1401 – Motion to Reconsider Resolution No. 23/11/16/006

Resolution No.:

Moved by Councillor Kelly-Chamberlain and seconded by Councillor LeClerc
 WHEREAS Council voted on Resolution No. 23/11/16/006 regarding Auto Extrication at the regular meeting of Council on November 16, 2023;

AND WHEREAS a member of Council is requesting reconsideration of their vote on the resolution;

AND WHEREAS Section 2.20 of the Procedural By-law allows for reconsideration of a vote as long as the requestor originally voted in the majority and Council votes in favour of adding the Motion to Reconsider to the Agenda;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara and Maria does hereby vote in favour of adding a Motion to Reconsider Resolution No. 23/11/16/006 to the Agenda of the Council meeting of February 22, 2024.

Recorded Vote		
Dowser, C	Yes <u>x</u>	No _____
Grills, D	Yes <u>x</u>	No _____
Kelly-Chamberlain, F	Yes <u>x</u>	No _____
LeClerc, K	Yes <u>x</u>	No _____
Richer, R	Yes <u>x</u>	No _____

Carried

13. Addendum (New Business) - None

14. Notice of Motion – (To be used by members of Council to introduce new areas of business they wish to discuss in the future) - None

15. **Closed Session**

16. **Questions and Answers**

17. Confirmation of Proceedings

Confirmatory Bylaw 2024-02

Resolution No.:

Moved by Councillor LeClerc and seconded by Councillor Kelly Chamberlain

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 2024-02 being a by-law to confirm proceedings of the Council of Wednesday January 10, and Thursday February 8, 202 be read a first time short and passed.

Carried Unanimously

18. Adjournment

Resolution No.:

Moved by Councillor LeClerc and seconded by Councillor Kely-Chamberlain

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting adjourn at 4:33 p.m. to meet again on Wednesday February 21, 2024, at 2:00 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

MAYOR

CLERK

Council Members

Mayor Neil Nicholson
Deputy Mayor Cathy
Regier

Councillors:
Mark Bell
Michael Moore
Chris Olmstead
Connie Tabbert
Joey Trimm

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Re: Resolution - Water and Wastewater Unaffordable Rates - Mayor Neil Nicholson

At its meeting of December 6, 2023, the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region adopted the following resolution:

THAT the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region:

1. Advocate to the County of Renfrew:
 - a. to make County Council aware that rural and small urban water and wastewater systems are financially unsustainable and seek a resolution to support advocacy for additional financial supports from the provincial and federal levels of government; and
 - b. to seek support from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Rural Ontario Municipalities Association (ROMA) and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) to examine if the unaffordability of water and wastewater system operational costs is systemic provincially and nationally.
2. Establish "Water and Wastewater Task Force," that would report to Council with advice and policy recommendations relating to operating and life-cycle costs of water and wastewater systems, including a review of existing programs, policies, and solutions both locally and in other relevant jurisdictions.
3. That this resolution be circulated to the Honorable Cheryl Gallant MP, John Yakabuski MPP, AMO, ROMA, FCM, all municipalities within the County of

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**Renfrew, County of Renfrew Warden, and the City of
Pembroke.**

Carried - as amended Resolution #2023-5010

Sincerely,



Carmen Miller
Clerk/CEMC



Office of the
County Warden



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January 31, 2024

The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
premier@ontario.ca

DELIVERED VIA EMAIL

RE: Rural and Small Urban Municipalities – Affordability of Water and Wastewater Systems

Dear Premier Ford,

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting on January 31, 2024, The County of Renfrew passed the following resolution:

WHEREAS the Provincial Policy Statement (PPS) (Section 1.6.6.2) states that municipal sewage services and municipal water services are the preferred form of servicing for settlement areas to support protection of the environment and minimize potential risks to human health and safety and that intensification and redevelopment within these settlement areas should be promoted; and

WHEREAS the PPS (Section 2.2.1 (f)) states that planning authorities shall protect, improve, or restore the quality and quantity of water by implementing the necessary restrictions on development and site alternation to protect all drinking supplies and designated vulnerable areas, and protect, improve, or restore vulnerable surface and ground water, sensitive surface water features and sensitive groundwater features, and their hydrologic functions; and

WHEREAS the PPS (Sections 2.2.1(h) and (i)) states that there is consideration of environmental lake capacity as well as stormwater management practices; and

WHEREAS the Ministry of the Environment, Protection and Conservation (MECP) Procedural Guideline B-1-5 Policy 2 provision states that water quality which presently does not meet the Provincial Water Quality Objectives shall not be further degraded and all practical measures shall be undertaken to upgrade the water quality to the Objectives; and

WHEREAS in 2014 the Township of Whitewater Region authorized Jp2gConsultants Inc. to undertake a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) for the purpose of evaluating viable options to upgrade the 1979 Cobden Wastewater Treatment Plant. This plant did not meet guidelines for effluent flow into Muskrat Lake and Cobden Wetland being highly sensitive, at-capacity, inland lake, and Provincial Significant Wetland (PSW) and acknowledged as one of

the most eutrophic in the province. The plant had ongoing seasonal overflow events, and was operating at maximum capacity; and

WHEREAS in 2018 the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region approved the construction of a new parallel mechanical system that would meet all provincial environmental and regulatory requirements including accommodating future growth. Federal and provincial contributions only covered 50% of the final construction costs, as there was no ability to renegotiate with federal and provincial partners once real costs were known. As a result, the balance of costs (\$6M) was debentured over 30 years at interest rates that are slightly punitive to rural and small urban municipalities; and

WHEREAS in 2019 the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region conducted a Water and Wastewater Rate Study that demonstrated the need for rate increases of over 100% to fund the new wastewater treatment plant construction debenture and the significantly increased operating costs for a parallel mechanical system. Rural and small urban municipalities experience very limited growth as federal and provincial policies heavily support growth in urban centers. As there are no other sources of available operational funding, rural and small urban municipalities are expected to fund the construction and operation of these state-of-the-art systems from existing property owners and nominal forecasted growth; and

WHEREAS in 2023 the Township of Whitewater Region combined water and wastewater rates have risen to almost \$3,000/year for its five hundred and eleven (511) users and are among the highest in the County of Renfrew and across the Province of Ontario. There are similarly high user rates in the Township of Madawaska Valley as a result of Provincial regulations and a small number of users. Other examples of rapidly increasing rates include the Towns of Deep River, Renfrew, Arnprior, Laurentian Hills, and Petawawa, and the Townships of Bonnechere Valley, Laurentian Valley and Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards, where significant upgrades in short periods of time are making rates unaffordable even with an increased number of users.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the County of Renfrew:

Advocate to the provincial and federal levels of government to make them aware that rural and small urban water and wastewater systems are financially unsustainable; and Advocate to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Rural Ontario Municipalities Association (ROMA) and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) to examine if the unaffordability of water and wastewater system operational costs is systemic provincially and nationally.

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be circulated to The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure (Ontario); the Honourable Dominic LeBlanc, Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs, Infrastructure and Communities (Canada); the Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Honourable Andrea Khanjin, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (Ontario), Cheryl Gallant, MP, Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke, John Yakabuski, MPP, Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke and Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks; AMO; ROMA; FCM; and all Municipalities in Ontario.

If you have any questions regarding the above resolution, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter Emon', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Peter Emon, Warden

County of Renfrew

warden@countyofrenfrew.on.ca

cc: Honourable Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure (Ontario)
Honourable Dominic LeBlanc, Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs, Infrastructure and Communities (Canada)
Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Honourable Andrea Khanjin, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (Ontario), Cheryl Gallant, MP, Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke
John Yakabuski, MPP, Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke and Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks
AMO; ROMA; FCM; and all Municipalities in Ontario.



The Township of Alnwick/Haldimand

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Council Meeting Date: November 28, 2023
Council Resolution Number:
Agenda Item Number: 13.1
Agenda Item Title: 'Bill 3, Strong Mayors, Building Homes Act'
Mover: M.C. Orbell
Seconded: J. Stover

"Whereas the Province passed Bill 3 - 'Strong Mayors, Building Homes Act' in 2022 that provides 'Strong Mayor' powers to some Ontario municipalities; and

Whereas some municipalities support Bill 3, and others have expressed their opposition to it; and

Whereas the Council of the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand has considered resolutions from some of those municipalities at previous meetings;

Be it resolved that Council hereby declares its opposition to Bill 3; and

Further be it resolved that Council direct staff to send a copy of this resolution to Premier Doug Ford, the Honourable Minister Paul Callandra (Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing), MPP David Piccini, and all Ontario municipalities."

Minister of Labour, Immigration Training and Skills Development

- Carried
Defeated
Deferred
Recorded Vote

Mayor, John Logel



The Township of Alnwick/Haldimand

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Council Meeting Date: November 28, 2023
Council Resolution Number:
Agenda Item Number: 16.11
Agenda Item Title: 'Call for an Amendment to the Legislation Act, 2006' - Resolutions of Support

Mover:

MC ONeill

Seconded:

J Storer

"Whereas the Council of the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand has considered resolutions from the Township of McKellar, the Municipality of Magnetawan, the Municipality of Wawa, the Township of Ryerson and the Village of South River;

Be it resolved that Council support Resolution No. 23-671 adopted by the Council of the Township of McKellar asking the Province to amend the Legislation Act, 2006 to include digital publications as an acceptable means of publication and notice requirements for Provincial Acts and Regulations; and

Further that this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; MPP, David Piccini; President Neil Oliver of Metroland Media Group and all Ontario municipalities."

Carried

Defeated

Deferred

Recorded Vote

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'J Logel', written over a horizontal line.

Mayor, John Logel



The Township of Alnwick/Haldimand

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Council Meeting Date: November 28, 2023
Council Resolution Number:
Agenda Item Number: 16.15
Agenda Item Title: Municipality of Wawa - Resolution to Support Bill C-310 to Amend Income Tax Act, re: Volunteer Firefighters Tax Credit
Mover: G. Booth
Seconded: J. Stover

"Whereas the Council of the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand reviewed the resolution from the Municipality of Wawa calling upon the Government of Canada to support Bill C-310 and enact amendments to the Income Tax Act to increase the amount of tax credits for volunteer firefighting and search and rescue volunteer services; and


Whereas the Council recognizes the importance of volunteer firefighters and search and rescue volunteers and that without their services, many communities in Canada would have no fire and emergency response coverage; and

Whereas these individuals receive some form of pay to cover expenses, but do not draw a living wage from firefighting;

Be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand support the Municipality of Wawa's resolution to call upon the Government of Canada to support Bill C-310 and enact amendments to the Income Tax Act to increase the amount of tax credits for volunteer firefighting and search and rescue volunteer services from \$3,000 to \$10,000; and

Further that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Association of Fire Chiefs of Ontario, Office of the Fire Marshall, MP Philip Lawrence, Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and all Ontario municipalities."

- Carried
 Defeated
 Deferred
 Recorded Vote



Mayor, John Logel

TAY TOWNSHIP

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January 25, 2024

Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs
520 Westney Road South, Unit 22
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sent via email info@oafc.on.ca

Re: Resolution of Support of Bill C-310

Good afternoon,

On January 24th, 2024, during the Regular Meeting of Council, the Council of the Township of Tay passed the following resolution:

That Council receive and support the resolution from the Municipality of Wawa related to Bill C-310 and that a letter of support be distributed accordingly.

Please see enclosed the resolution passed by the Municipality of Wawa to call upon the Government of Canada to support Bill C-310 and enact amendments to subsections 118.06 (2) and 118.07 (2) of the Income Tax Act in order to increase the amount of the tax credits for volunteer firefighting and search and rescue volunteer services from \$3,000 to \$10,000.

Sent on behalf of the Township of Tay Council.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. Johns'.

Katelyn Johns, MPPA
Municipal Clerk
Enclosure

Cc: Algoma Mutual Aid Association, Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and all Ontario municipalities.



The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

Tuesday, November 7, 2023

Resolution # RC23265	Meeting Order: 10
Moved by: <i>Cathy Fannon</i>	Seconded by: <i>J. Mal</i>

WHEREAS Canada has 90,000 volunteer firefighters who provide fire and all hazard emergency services to their communities; in addition, approximately 8,000 essential search and rescue volunteers respond to thousands of incidents every year; and

WHEREAS many of these individuals receive some form of pay on call, an honorarium, or are given some funding to cover expenses, but they do not draw a living wage from firefighting; and;

WHEREAS without volunteer firefighters and search and rescue volunteers, thousands of communities in Canada would have no fire and emergency response coverage; and;

WHEREAS in 2013, the federal government initiated a tax credit recognizing these individuals, and calling on the federal government to increase this tax credit from \$3,000 to \$10,000; and;

WHEREAS volunteer firefighters account for 71% of Canada's total firefighting essential first responders;

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The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

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FURTHERMORE THAT a copy of the resolution be shared with the Association of Fire Chiefs of Ontario, Algoma Mutual Aid Association, Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all Ontario municipalities.

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

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof.

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

Clerk: _____

MAYOR - MELANIE PILON	CLERK - MAURY O'NEILL



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February 16, 2024

Re: support Bill C-310 – increase tax credits for volunteer firefighting

Please be advised that the Council of the Township of McMurrich/Monteith, at its meeting on February 6th, 2024, pass the following motion supporting the resolution from the Municipality of Wawa to call upon the Government of Canada to support Bill C-310 and enact amendments to subsections 118.06 (2) and 118.07 (2) of the Income Tax Act in order to increase the amount of the tax credits for volunteer firefighting and search and rescue volunteer services from \$3,000 to \$10,000.

Resolution #2024-53

Moved by: Terry Currie

Seconded by: Vicky Roeder-Martin

Be It Resolved that Council supports Resolution RC23265 from Municipality of Wawa calling on the Government of Canada to support Bill C-310 and enact amendments to subsection 118.06 (2) and 118.07 (2) of the Income Tax Act in order to increase the amount of the tax credits for volunteer firefighting and search and rescue volunteer services from \$3,000 to \$10,000. Carried

If you have any questions regarding the above resolution, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email at clerk@mcmurrichmonteith.com

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Cheryl Marshall".

Cheryl Marshall
Clerk-Treasurer

cc. Association of Fire Chiefs of Ontario
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
All Ontario Municipalities



The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

Tuesday, November 7, 2023

Resolution # RC23265	Meeting Order: 10
Moved by: <i>Cathy Cannon</i>	Seconded by: <i>J. Mal</i>

WHEREAS Canada has 90,000 volunteer firefighters who provide fire and all hazard emergency services to their communities; in addition, approximately 8,000 essential search and rescue volunteers respond to thousands of incidents every year; and

WHEREAS many of these individuals receive some form of pay on call, an honorarium, or are given some funding to cover expenses, but they do not draw a living wage from firefighting; and;

WHEREAS without volunteer firefighters and search and rescue volunteers, thousands of communities in Canada would have no fire and emergency response coverage; and;

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Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof.

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

Clerk: _____

MAYOR - MELANIE PILON	CLERK - MAURY O'NEILL



CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

Date: November 28, 2023

Resolution Number: R-186-23

Moved by: Councillor ~~Miller~~ ABBOTT

Seconded by: Councillor Patterson

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council supports resolution number RC23265 dated November 7, 2023, from the Municipality of Wawa calling the government to support Bill C-310 and enact amendments to subsections 118.06 (2) and 118.07 (2) of the Income Tax Act in order to increase the amount of the tax credits for volunteer firefighting and search and rescue volunteer services from \$3,000 to \$10,000.

Carried Defeated

Glenn Miller

(Chair Signature)

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest by: _____

RECORDED VOTE					
Vote called by Clerk in random order, Chair to vote last					
Members of Council		Yea	Nay	Abstention	Absent
Councillors	Beverly Abbott				
	Glenn Miller				
	Delynne Patterson				
	Dan Robertson				
Mayor	George Sterling				



January 15, 2024

Hon. Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario

Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria
Minister of Transportation

Dear Premier Ford and Minister Sarkaria:

On January 9th, 2024, Council for the Town of Mono passed the following resolution declaring a **Road Safety Emergency**, calling on the province to take action to address traffic safety through measures including public education, increased Highway Traffic Act fines and expanded use of Automated Speed Enforcement.

Resolution #4-1-2024

Moved by Elaine Capes, Seconded by Melinda Davie

WHEREAS road safety is of continuing and increasing concern to Ontarians;

AND WHEREAS, the number of traffic collisions, injuries and fatalities are at unacceptable levels[i];

AND WHEREAS, recent statistics and media reports show increasing fatalities and police roadway activities[iii];

AND WHEREAS, speeding is a leading contributing factor in many accidents including fatalities[iii];

AND WHEREAS, fines for basic speeding have not increased for three decades or more thus losing at least 50% of their deterrent value through inflation;

AND WHEREAS, over 60% of all other Highway Traffic Act (HTA) Set Fines remain at \$85, an amount also suggesting no increase in decades[iv];

AND WHEREAS, municipalities are frustrated in their attempt to roll out Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE) with current rules that restrict it to less than 80 km/h speed zones and make it contingent upon declaring Community Safety Zones where not warrant except to use ASE;

AND WHEREAS, Administrative Monetary Penalties (AMPs) are the logical and efficient means of dealing with offences including parking violations, red light camera infractions and ASE charges, the Regulations involving its use are mired in red tape leading to unnecessary complexity and cost.

BE IT RESOLVED that we call on other municipalities and the Province of Ontario to recognize a Road Safety Emergency and take the following actions;

1. Launch a province wide road safety educational program to be funded from a portion of monies currently spent by the Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation (OLG) to advertise games of chance and lotteries in Ontario.
2. Review and increase all HTA fines and penalties to reflect a deterrent amount and consequence that sends a message that driving is a privilege subject to conditions.
3. Permit municipalities to deploy ASE in 80 km/h zones or less without having to declare Community Safety Zones and without onerous conditions.
4. Establish a Working Group with municipalities to identify and recommend elimination of regulatory red tape associated with the use of ASE and AMPs.
5. Develop mechanisms that ensure POA fines and penalties do not lose their deterrent effect over time.
6. Work with municipalities to create better means of collecting outstanding POA fines and Victim Surcharge monies estimated to exceed \$1 billion as far back as 2011 ^[v].

"Carried"

^[i] The Preliminary 2022 Ontario Road Safety Annual Report indicates a total of 25,165 fatal and personal injury collisions and of that, some 530 fatal collisions (3.9 persons per 100,000 in Ontario).

^[ii] https://www.caledonenterprise.com/news/map-fatal-collisions-nearly-doubled-in-caledon-in-2023/article_3131acaf-acae-5b21-bee4-a67a33600c33.html. Since publication of this article, the number of Caledon fatalities has increased to nearly 20 last year. The Town of Mono has experienced an explosion of traffic stop occurrences, up over 300% since 2019.

^[iii] Speeding convictions account for over 50% of all HTA convictions - see <https://www.ontariocourts.ca/ocj/statistics/>.

^[iv] <https://www.ontariocourts.ca/ocj/provincial-offences/set-fines/set-fines-i/schedule-43/>.

^[v] <http://oapssb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/OAPSSB-POA-WHITE-PAPER-FINAL-1-Nov-2011.pdf>. This report, prepared by the Ontario Association of Police Services Boards,

suggests a number of effective mechanisms to collect unpaid fines including garnishment of Federal income tax refunds and other payments as is currently done in other provinces.

Respectfully,

Fred Simpson, Clerk

Copy: Minister of Finance
Honourable Sylvia Jones, Dufferin-Caledon MPP
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
All Ontario municipalities



MISSISSAUGA

RESOLUTION 0001-2024
adopted by the Council of
The Corporation of the City of Mississauga
at its meeting on January 17, 2024

0001-2024

Moved by: D. Damerla

Seconded by: M. Reid

WHEREAS the administration of residential tenancies in Ontario is generally the prerogative of the Provincial Government;

AND WHEREAS Mississauga has over 71,000 tenant households and 27% of its population are tenants;

AND WHEREAS the Landlord and Tenant Board (LTB) is an adjudicative tribunal created by the Provincial Government to resolve disputes between landlords and tenants through mediation or adjudication, resolve eviction applications from co-ops, and provide information to landlords and tenants about their rights and responsibilities;

AND WHEREAS the LTB offered in-person services at its regional location at 3 Robert Speck Parkway in Mississauga, offering daily on-site mediation, tenant duty counsel services, counter staff services for Mississauga residents, and hearings were scheduled for addresses located in Mississauga and Brampton five days per week;

AND WHEREAS the LTB moved to a remote service model in September 2020 and two months later decided to permanently remove all in-person services post pandemic;

AND WHEREAS this decision has created a digital divide for people living in rural and remote areas, people living with poverty who do not have sufficient broadband or devices to participate, people who do not speak French or English, survivors of intimate partner violence where home is not a safe space to conduct a hearing, and individuals with disability, literacy, or numeracy challenges, with the Advocacy Centre of Tenants Ontario finding in 2021 that 55.6% of tenants participated by phone compared to only 26% of landlords;

AND WHEREAS the LTB in 2018 allowed the terms of experienced adjudicators to elapse which created an adjudicator shortage creating delays that drew the Ombudsman of Ontario to investigate the Board such that in January 2020, landlords were waiting 7 weeks and tenants 8 weeks for their hearings;

AND WHEREAS the backlog was 22,803 cases when the investigation was announced in January 2020, the removal of in-person services and other operational decisions increased the backlog to 53,057 cases by March 2023. Some of those operational decisions included;

1) Removing regional scheduling and having disputes from across the province heard at every hearing block which precluded adjudicators from understanding the local

housing conditions and becoming familiar with the parties in order to issue just decisions;

- 2) Toronto and Ottawa matters are heard most often at the LTB with Mississauga applications given less priority, and homelessness prevention programs could no longer efficiently help residents without a hearing block dedicated to them;
- 3) The permanent closure of the regional office in Mississauga and elsewhere has slowed the LTB's ability to address urgent matters, parties cannot easily access documents without overcoming several digital barriers, and residents can not ask questions from knowledgeable and experienced staff to ensure that simple mistakes are caught prior to the day of their hearing;
- 4) Only select virtual hearing blocks are assigned mediators and moderators (virtual concierge helps participants on the day of their hearing to navigate the process) leaving adjudicators by themselves to manage the virtual waiting area, move people to breakout rooms and adjudicate the complex matters before them;
- 5) Where there are multiple applications regarding the same address they are heard in separate hearing blocks and assigned to different adjudicators which is both inefficient and creates a situation where unfair and inconsistent outcomes may arise;
- 6) Hallway conversations that used to resolve a large number of applications before proceeding to adjudication are no longer possible with virtual hearings with most matters proceeding directly for adjudication and increasing the Board's backlog;

AND WHEREAS the Ombudsman released its report in May 2023 and found that

- 1) "A significant number of tenants, in contrast to landlords, do not have access to video technology and must participate in hearings by phone," while the landlord and the adjudicators are in a video hearing room. Some tenants lack access to phones, rendering their participation in virtual hearings impossible without accommodation (Ombudsman's report, para. 198);
- 2) Virtual hearings are "chaotic," with participants struggling and sometimes failing to join their hearing, or "losing audio connection part way through." Adjudicators reported being unable to find and share documents on screen during a hearing. People are inappropriately placed on mute. Tenants cannot review documents when the landlord presents them and cannot share their screen if they have relevant evidence to rebut the landlord's evidence (Ombudsman's report, para. 215-220);
- 3) Delays in issuing Orders. The former Associate Chair admitted, "this is not ideal – let me be clear. We used to do 4 [days to issue orders], now we're at 30. We have a serious problem." (Ombudsman's report, para. 238);
- 4) Landlord applications took an average of 6 to 9 months to be heard but tenant applications about maintenance and tenants' rights issues took up to 2 years with some applications from 2017 yet to be resolved. (Ombudsman's Report, para. 6);
- 5) It was unconscionable to permit tenant applications to lie dormant for up to six years. "The official said the Board generally prioritized scheduling of landlord applications to reduce the backlog, because it could hear more applications in the available time. While tenant applications may be more time intensive, this does not justify shelving them in order to process landlord matters that can be more expeditiously disposed of. The Board should immediately triage the outstanding tenant matters"; (Ombudsman's report, para. 148);

AND WHEREAS the Ombudsman concluded that “[d]espite the dozens of specific recommendations I have already made, addressed at improving efficiencies ... at virtually every stage, I believe that more is required...Over the past few years, the Board has proven itself unequipped for the task of reducing its extraordinary backlog of applications..[the] Board is fundamentally failing in its role of providing swift justice to those seeking resolution of residential landlord and tenant issues.” (para. 306)

AND WHEREAS delivering computers or flip phones to parties and introducing an IT support line this year is insufficient to overcome the digital divide experienced by self-represented tenants when in-person services were taken away from their communities;

AND WHEREAS we have a housing crisis that is evidenced by the following:

- 1) In Canada, more than 235,000 people experience homelessness in any given year, and 25,000 to 35,000 people may be experiencing homelessness on any given night;
- 2) From 2022 to 2023, “Asking Rents” have increased across Ontario by from 10% to 35%, with 31.4% of Ontario’s renters being in core housing need;
- 3) In Mississauga, 39% (compared to 38% in Ontario) of renters spend more than 30% of their household income on rent, 17% (compared to 15% in Ontario) spend more than 50% of their household income on rent;
- 4) There has been an increase in all notices of eviction because of rapidly escalating rental prices, vacancy decontrol, and the impact of financialized housing;
- 5) Hearing delays at the LTB create larger arrears, which results in tenants being ineligible for accessing rent banks and other programs for support. Larger rental arrears also increase operating debts for social housing providers placing their rent-geared-to-income program in jeopardy;
- 6) With the LTB in disarray, and our housing and preventing homelessness supports restricted due to the LTB’s dysfunction, sustainable tenancies are lost. If a tenant is evicted from an affordable unit, that affordable unit is lost forever from the community because of vacancy decontrol;

AND WHEREAS homelessness and the housing crisis is felt most at the level of local government and the residents that they serve;

AND WHEREAS the LTB has failed and continues to fail in its stated role and process which has had an impact on residents across the province and on municipal human services which cannot compensate for the services and gaps created by the tribunal;

AND WHEREAS the Ministries of the Attorney General and of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Premier of Ontario, and all Members of Provincial Parliament are mandated to provide a fair and efficient landlord and tenant adjudicative process that does not contribute to increased homelessness, but supports all tenants and in particular low-income residents, vulnerable people, and other equity-seeking individuals escape poverty, precarious housing, and systemic disadvantage;

AND WHEREAS in 2019 the Provincial government cut Legal Aid Ontario funding in the amount of \$130 million;

NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED

- 1) Council send a letter to Mississauga MPPs, the Attorney General, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Premier of Ontario (and all municipalities in Ontario), Tribunals Ontario, and the Landlord and Tenant Board highlighting the impact that the LTB's decision to remove all in-person services has had on Mississauga residents and the current housing crisis;
- 2) Request that the Government of Ontario immediately move forward on all 61 recommendations of the Ombudsman's Report;
- 3) Request that Tribunals Ontario bring back in-person hearings to ensure effective access to justice for all participants, at the same time permitting digital access where both parties are agreeable;
- 4) Request that the LTB bring back regional scheduling to improve access to housing and homelessness supports, to provide better service for people living with poverty who do not have sufficient broadband or devices to participate in virtual hearings, people who do not speak French or English, survivors of intimate partner violence where home is not a safe space to conduct a hearing, and individuals with disability, literacy, or numeracy challenges, and so that Adjudicators will have increased familiarity with the community;
- 5) Request that the LTB reopen counter service at 3 Robert Speck Parkway and all LTB regional offices so that LTB staff can provide parties with documents on the day of the hearing, can provide immediate support to parties for emergency matters, can minimize delays as documents can be reviewed for minor errors when they are filed, and can provide support for applicants and respondents in-person and can refer parties to appropriate resources;
- 6) Request that LTB operations are improved by revising LTB Forms and Notices to ensure they are written in plain language, by mailing correspondence to parties in a timely manner as an alternative to logging on to the portal, by improving website navigation, by reinstating the essential participation of mediators at every LTB session, and by improving back-office processes to ensure relevant documents are included in the LTB Portal promptly;
- 7) Request that the LTB create a Navigator Program to assess remote hearing suitability, to inform tenants of Tenant Duty Counsel and other community supports (such as interpreters and homelessness prevention programs), and to offer mediation services prior to the LTB hearing, and;
- 8) Request that the LTB conduct an annual review of all of its processes to ensure that is providing fair and accessible services, and to publicly post the findings in a transparent manner.
- 9) That the Provincial government re-instate funding to Ontario Legal Aid services in the amount of \$130 million.

Recorded Vote	YES	NO	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Councillor S. Dasko	X			
Councillor A. Tedjo	X			
Councillor C. Fonseca	X			
Councillor J. Kovac	X			
Councillor C. Parrish	X			
Councillor J. Horneck	X			
Councillor D. Damerla	X			
Councillor M. Mahoney	X			
Councillor M. Reid	X			
Councillor S. McFadden			X	
Councillor B. Butt	X			

Carried (10, 0, 1 Absent)

Corporate Services

January 26, 2024

Re: Social and Economic Prosperity Review

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Orangeville, at its Regular Council Meeting held on January 22, 2024, approved the following resolution:

WHEREAS current provincial-municipal fiscal arrangements are undermining Ontario's economic prosperity and quality of life; and

WHEREAS nearly a third of municipal spending in Ontario is for services in areas of provincial responsibility and expenditures are outpacing provincial contributions by nearly \$4 billion a year; and

WHEREAS municipal revenues, such as property taxes, do not grow with the economy or inflation; and

WHEREAS unprecedented population and housing growth will require significant investments in municipal infrastructure; and

WHEREAS municipalities are being asked to take on complex health and social challenges – like homelessness, supporting asylum seekers and addressing the mental health and addictions crises; and

WHEREAS inflation, rising interest rates, and provincial policy decisions are sharply constraining municipal fiscal capacity; and

WHEREAS property taxpayers – including people on fixed incomes and small businesses – can't afford to subsidize income redistribution programs for those most in need; and

WHEREAS the province can, and should, invest more in the prosperity of communities; and

WHEREAS municipalities and the provincial government have a strong history of collaboration; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Orangeville requests the Province of Ontario commit to undertaking with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario a comprehensive social and economic prosperity review to promote the stability and sustainability of municipal finances across Ontario; and

FURTHER THAT a copy of this motion is sent to the Premier of Ontario, Doug Ford; the MPP, Sylvia Jones; and all municipalities in Ontario.

Carried.

Yours truly,

Raylene Martell

Raylene Martell
Town Clerk



February 2, 2024

Larry Brock, MP Brant
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Sent via email: larry.brock@parl.gc.ca

Will Bouma, MPP
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Sent via email: will.bouma@pc.ola.org

To whom it may concern:

Please be advised that Brantford City Council at its meeting held January 30, 2024 adopted the following:

12.1.10 Reliable and Accessible Public Rail Transit - CN Rail

WHEREAS Canadians deserve access to reliable and efficient passenger rail service; and

WHEREAS in 2021 the Canadian Minister of Transportation announced that the federal government would be pursuing opportunities to enhance passenger rail services in southwestern Ontario; and

WHEREAS passengers continue to experience long delays and disruptions to service, related to interruptions caused by CN Rail's freight systems and refusal to give priority to passenger rail service; and

WHEREAS Metrolinx and VIA, in extending or improving commuter train service from Aldershot through to Brantford, Woodstock, Ingersoll and London, is reliant on access to CN rail lines; and

WHEREAS CN Rail views increased passenger rail service on its lines as being incompatible with its primary business of moving freight and is unlikely to cooperate in extending commuter rail service on its lines in southwestern Ontario without direction from the federal government; and

WHEREAS CN Rail has shown a disregard for Municipal property maintenance standards in respect to the maintenance of their rail lines and blocks municipalities attempts to enforce municipal property standards upon their rail lines; and

WHEREAS CN Rail's consistent failure to provide a timely response to development applications adjacent to rail right of ways imposes inordinate delays and expense for builders and municipalities, further jeopardizing the ability of municipalities to address the housing crisis; and

WHEREAS there is a complete lack of federal regulations providing VIA and Metrolinx with any degree of priority or guaranteed access to rail rights of way or directing CN Rail to work cooperatively with municipalities;

AND WHEREAS The City of Brantford CALLS UPON the Federal Government to assist other levels of government as they take steps address the need for reliable and accessible public rail transit, timely processing of housing developments and the prompt and equitable enforcement of municipal property standards;

NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRANTFORD requests that the Federal Government enact the necessary legislative and regulatory provisions:

- i. providing VIA and Metrolinx with priority right of way over freight rail lines, and further;
- ii. directing CN Rail to work positively and cooperatively with municipal and provincial governments in the processing of land development applications, and the prompt and timely enforcement of municipal property standards;

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to all Ontario Municipalities; and to the Member of Provincial Parliament Will Bouma, Member of Parliament Larry Brock, Federal Minister of Transport Pablo Rodriguez, Provincial Minister of Transportation Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria, President and CEO at Metrolinx, President and Chief Executive Officer of VIA Rail Canada Inc and President and Chief Executive Officer of CN.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours truly,



Chris Gauthier
City Clerk, cgauthier@brantford.ca

cc Ontario Municipalities
Federal Minister of Transport, Pablo Rodriguez
Provincial Minister of Transportation, Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria
President & CEO, Metrolinx

President & CEO, VIA Rail Canada Inc
President & CEO, CN



AORS
PROMOTING **KNOWLEDGE**. PURSUING **EXCELLENCE**

January 8, 2024

Dear Head of Council, Deputy Head of Council and Councillors,

Your local Public Works department provides invaluable services within your community. Without the dedicated public works employees that you are fortunate to have, many basic functions in your community would not be able to happen. Without maintained roads, your emergency services (police, fire, and ambulance) would not be able to respond to calls, school buses could not run to get children to school, and your residents would not be able to leave to work, school, appointments, children's extra-curriculars and any other activity important to them. Additionally, as you work with the provincial government to tackle the housing crisis, your communities require more core infrastructure to handle the growth. For the health and safety of our communities it is important we keep our Public Works department staff complement full, and well trained.

Public Works departments across the province have already begun to feel the impacts of labour shortages, and as we will begin to see many retirements across the province, the shortage will become even more exasperated. From a recent survey that AORS completed with public works departments from across Ontario, we know that 91.5% of respondents will be hiring entry level positions in the next three to five years. However, we are already seeing the start of the labour shortage. From our survey, we found that 70% of respondents already reported getting less than five applications for entry level positions when posted, and the top three challenges municipalities are currently facing is a lack of applicants, applicants that do apply not meeting the required qualifications and municipalities having to compete with private sector positions.

Over the last year, AORS has been dedicating much of our advocacy to encouraging youth to consider careers in public works through career fairs, local government presentations to students, developing printed resources for guidance counsellors and much more. AORS has also been working closely with Fanshawe College Corporate Training Solutions to develop a Municipal Operator Course that would train potential municipal equipment operators to come to your municipality with the basic knowledge they need to begin maintaining your core infrastructure. This would be the first course of its kind that would attract potential students from across the Province of Ontario. To fund this endeavor, AORS has applied for a Skills Development Fund through the Province's Ministry of Labour, Training, Immigration and Skilled Trades. We are reaching out to you for your support in our application and your advocacy to the province on why having more – and qualified – applicants to our public works departments are so imperative.

We would ask that you consider passing the following motion:

WHEREAS, municipal public works departments from across the Province of Ontario provide invaluable services to our communities ensuring the health and safety of all residents;

AND WHEREAS, if it was not for our municipal public works employees from across the Province of Ontario maintaining our public roads systems, our communities would not be able to function as

emergency personnel could not respond to calls, school buses could not get our children to school, residents would not be able to get to work, school or appointments and many more basic functions would not be able to happen;

AND WHEREAS, municipal public works departments are already feeling the impacts of a labour shortage, which will only be exasperated over the next three to five years, which will cause levels of service municipalities are able to provide to ensure the health and safety of our residents to decrease;

AND WHEREAS, there is currently no provincial-wide course that properly trains potential municipal public works employees, specifically relating to municipal heavy equipment.

THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, that (INSERT MUNICIPALITY NAME) supports the work of the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors to develop a Municipal Equipment Operator Course to address this issue;

AND THAT, (INSERT MUNICIPALITY NAME) calls on the Province of Ontario's Ministry of Labour, Training, Immigration and Skilled Trades to fully fund the Municipal Equipment Operator Course in 2024 through the Skills Development Fund;

AND THAT, a copy of this resolution be sent to the Minister of Labour, Training, Immigration and Skilled Trades David Piccini, (INSERT MUNICIPALITY'S NAME)'s Member of Provincial Parliament (INSERT LOCAL MPP NAME) and the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors.

We appreciate your on-going support and should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact AORS for all things municipal public works!

Best regards,



John Maheu
AORS Executive Director



Dennis O'Neil
AORS Member Services Coordinator



Christie Little
AORS Training and Programming Coordinator



Kelly Elliott
AORS Marketing and Communications Specialist

Notice of Motion – Municipal Equipment Operator Course

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AND WHEREAS, if it was not for our municipal public works employees from across the Province of Ontario maintaining our public roads systems, our communities would not be able to function as emergency personnel could not respond to calls, school buses could not get our children to school, residents would not be able to get to work, school or appointments and many more basic functions would not be able to happen;

AND WHEREAS, municipal public works departments are already feeling the impacts of a labour shortage, which will only be exasperated over the next three to five years, which will cause levels of service municipalities are able to provide to ensure the health and safety of our residents to decrease;

AND WHEREAS, there is currently no provincial-wide course that properly trains potential municipal public works employees, specifically relating to municipal heavy equipment.

THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, that (INSERT MUNICIPALITY NAME) supports the work of the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors to develop a Municipal Equipment Operator Course to address this issue;

AND THAT, (INSERT MUNICIPALITY NAME) calls on the Province of Ontario's Ministry of Labour, Training, Immigration and Skilled Trades to fully fund the Municipal Equipment Operator Course in 2024 through the Skills Development Fund;

AND THAT, a copy of this resolution be sent to the Minister of Labour, Training, Immigration and Skilled Trades David Piccinni, (INSERT MUNICIPALITY'S NAME)'s Member of Provincial Parliament (INSERT LOCAL MPP NAME) and the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors.

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February 16, 2024

Greetings,

The Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (ministry) continues to take action to modernize Ontario's environmental assessment (EA) program.

Building on our [spring 2023 proposal](#) to evaluate environmental assessment (EA) requirements for municipal infrastructure projects, I would like to inform you about a new proposal arising out of the spring proposal. This new proposal is to revoke the Municipal Class EA and make a regulation under the *Environmental Assessment Act* that will clearly identify which municipal infrastructure projects are subject to the streamlined EA process and the process they must follow. This approach will help us eliminate unnecessary burden on lower-impact projects and reduce duplicative requirements.

As you may be aware, Ontario has been working to modernize its almost 50-year-old environmental assessment program since 2019. We have been working to make changes that will reduce delays on infrastructure projects that matter most to Ontario communities, while maintaining appropriate environmental oversight and consultation opportunities.

In July 2020, Ontario amended the *Environmental Assessment Act* (EA Act) to enable moving to a project list approach. To fully implement these changes, regulations are needed to list projects subject to comprehensive EA (i.e. Part II.3 projects), list projects subject to streamlined EA regulation requirements (Part II.4 projects), and set out the streamlined EA process for Part II.4 projects. The streamlined EA project list and process regulations will eventually replace the current complex system of class environmental assessments that apply to certain types of projects. It is the ministry's vision that the modernized streamlined regulations will eliminate duplication and provide clear expectations regarding consultation and defined timelines while maintaining environmental protections.

Implementation of the 2020 EA Act amendments started with the proposal for projects that will be subject to comprehensive (Part II.3) EA requirements, which remains under consideration. The new proposal is premised on the comprehensive EA project list proposal being implemented, and the relevant EA Act amendments proclaimed into force.

The ministry is seeking your feedback as we develop the first of the streamlined EA project lists and process regulations. The proposed regulation would set out municipal infrastructure projects undertaken by municipalities, that will be subject to the new Part

11.4 of the amended Act. These projects would be required to undertake a streamlined EA process set out in the regulation (the proposed Municipal Project Assessment Process (MPAP)).

The proposed streamlined MPAP would be a time-limited process. The proposed regulation would create a six-month timeline for the process. The regulation would be accompanied by guidance for proponents of projects subject to the new regulation. The guidance would help Indigenous communities and the public understand the process and how to get involved in a project.

For more information about this proposal, please visit <https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/019-7891>. Please note that the comment period ends on March 17, 2024.

Please do not hesitate to contact the ministry's EA Modernization team at EAmmodernization.mecp@ontario.ca with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "A. Cross". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Annamaria Cross
Director, Environmental Assessment Modernization Branch
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February 16, 2024

The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
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Re: Expanding the Life of Fire Apparatus

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford, at its regular meeting on February 12th, 2024, passed the following motion endorsing the resolution from Prince Edward County regarding Expanding the Life of Fire Apparatus.

Resolution #: R-21-12-02-24
Moved by: Deputy Mayor Barr
Seconded by: Councillor Ireland

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford endorse the resolution received from Prince Edward County regarding support for the Province to expand the life span of fire apparatus, specifically pertaining to the replacement of fire trucks due to insurance requirements Fire Underwriters Survey requesting the creation of a new community fire-protection and fire prevention insurance system that does not put all municipalities under the same umbrella, with distinct categories for rural and urban municipalities.

Carried.

If you have any questions regarding the above resolution, please do not hesitate to contact me by email at clerk@merrickville-wolford.ca.

Your truly,

Julia McCaugherty-Jansman
Clerk

January 22, 2024

Please be advised that during the regular Council meeting of January 16, 2024 the following motion regarding support for the Province to expand the life span of fire apparatus, specifically pertaining to the replacement of fire trucks due to insurance requirements was carried:

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-46

DATE: January 16, 2024

MOVED BY: Councillor Nieman

SECONDED BY: Councillor Branderhorst

WHEREAS By-Law 3256-2013, being a By-Law to Establish, Maintain, and Operate a Fire Department established service level standards for the Corporation of the County of Prince Edward Fire Department;

AND WHEREAS apparatus and equipment are directly tied to the delivery of fire protection services authorized by Council in By-Law 3256-2013, and a safe, reliable and diverse fleet is required to serve operational needs;

AND WHEREAS fire Apparatus is governed by industry best practices, the application of law and recognized industry partners, including the Ontario Fire Service Section 21 Guidance Notes, National Fire Protection Association Standards, The Occupational Health and Safety Act, and Fire Underwriters Survey (FUS);

AND WHEREAS Fire Underwriters Survey (FUS) is a provider of data, underwriting, risk management and legal/regulatory services focusing on community fire-protection and fire prevention systems in Canada, establishing apparatus replacement schedules based on safety and risk mitigation practices;

AND WHEREAS on November 16, 2023, Council, received report FD-06-2023 regarding asset Management - Fire Apparatus Fleet Report and noted the budgetary pressures of meeting FUS replacement schedules;

AND WHEREAS no provincial funding is available for new fire trucks, yet, small and rural municipalities must meet the same standards set by FUS as larger municipalities for fire equipment, including additional pressure to move fire trucks out when they reach a specific age, even though they can still meet the safety regulations;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of Prince Edward County direct the Mayor to draft a letter to MPP Minister Todd Smith requesting a meeting to discuss the life span of fire apparatus, specifically pertaining to the replacement of fire trucks due to insurance requirements; and

THAT the Mayor draft a letter to FUS requesting the creation of a new community fire-protection and fire prevention insurance system that does not put all municipalities under the same umbrella, with distinct categories for rural and urban municipalities;

THAT this resolution be sent to Premier Doug Ford, the Honourable David Piccini, Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development, Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing requesting a response on this matter within 30 days of receipt; and

THAT this resolution be shared with all 444 municipalities in Ontario, The Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), The Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO), and The Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus (EOWC).

CARRIED

Yours truly,



Catalina Blumenberg, **CLERK**

cc: Mayor Steve Ferguson, Councillor Nieman, Councillor Branderhorst, Marcia Wallace, CAO and Fire Chief Chad Brown



THE CORPORATION OF THE UNITED TOWNSHIPS OF HEAD,
CLARA AND MARIA

BYLAW NUMBER 2024-03

BEING A BY-LAW TO APPOINT A DEPUTY CLERK

Legal Authority

Scope of Powers

Section 8(1) of the *Municipal Act*, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25, (“*Municipal Act*”) as amended, provides that the powers of a municipality shall be interpreted broadly so as to confer broad authority on municipalities to enable them to govern their affairs as they consider appropriate, and to enhance their ability to respond to municipal issues.

Powers of a Natural Person

Section 9 of the *Municipal Act* provides that a municipality has the capacity, rights, powers and privileges of a natural person for the purpose of exercising its authority under this or any other Act.

Powers Exercised by Council

Section 5(1) of the *Municipal Act* provides that the powers of a municipality shall be exercised by its Council

Powers Exercised by By-law

Section 5(3) of the *Municipal Act* provides that a municipal power, including a municipality’s capacity, rights, powers and privileges under section 9, shall be exercised by bylaw unless the municipality is specifically authorized to do otherwise.

Municipal Administration

Section 227 of the *Municipal Act* provides it is the role of the officers and employees of the municipality to implement Council’s decisions and establish administrative practices and procedures to carry out Council’s decisions.

Deputy Clerk

Section 228(2) of the *Municipal Act*, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended (“*Municipal Act*”) provides that Council may by by-law appoint a Deputy Clerk who shall have all the powers and duties of the Clerk under the *Municipal Act* and every other Act.

Preamble

The *Municipal Act* allows municipalities to appoint a Deputy Clerk who has the powers and authorities of the Clerk.

It is important for the municipal business to continue in the absence of the Clerk

Council for the Corporation of the United Townships of Head, Clara and Maria requires a Deputy Clerk.

Decision

Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Head, Clara and Maria decides it in the best interest of the Corporation to appoint a Deputy Clerk.

Direction

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Head, Clara and Maria directs as follows:

1. That Stephany Rauche is hereby appointed as the Deputy Clerk for the Corporation of the United Townships of Head, Clara and Maria.
2. That the powers and duties of the Deputy Clerk shall be those powers and duties of the Clerk as set forth in the *Municipal Act* and every other Act.
3. This by-law takes effect January 1, 2024.

Read and adopted by Resolution XXX this 21st Day of February 2024.

Mayor

Clerk

THE CORPORATION OF THE UNITED TOWNSHIPS OF HEAD,
CLARA AND MARIA

BYLAW NUMBER 2024-04

BEING A BY-LAW TO APPOINT AN INTERIM DEPUTY TREASURER

Legal Authority

Scope of Powers

Section 8(1) of the *Municipal Act*, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25, (“*Municipal Act*”) as amended, provides that the powers of a municipality shall be interpreted broadly so as to confer broad authority on municipalities to enable them to govern their affairs as they consider appropriate, and to enhance their ability to respond to municipal issues.

Powers of a Natural Person

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Municipal Administration

Section 227 of the *Municipal Act* provides it is the role of the officers and employees of the municipality to implement Council’s decisions and establish administrative practices and procedures to carry out Council’s decisions.

Deputy Treasurer

Section 286(2) of the *Municipal Act*, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended (“*Municipal Act*”) provides that Council may by by-law appoint a Deputy Treasurer who shall have all the powers and duties of the Treasurer under the *Municipal Act* and every other Act.

Preamble

The *Municipal Act* allows municipalities to appoint a Deputy Treasurer who has the powers and authorities of the Treasurer.

It is important for the municipal business to continue in the absence of the Treasurer.

Council for the Corporation of the United Townships of Head, Clara and Maria requires a Deputy Treasurer.

Decision

Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Head, Clara and Maria decides it in the best interest of the Corporation to appoint a Deputy Treasurer.

Direction

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Head, Clara and Maria directs as follows:

- 1. That Stephany Rauche is hereby appointed as the Deputy Treasurer for the Corporation of the 21st Day of February 2024.
- 2. That the powers and duties of the Deputy Treasurer shall be those powers and duties of the Treasurer as set forth in the *Municipal Act* and every other Act.
- 3. This by-law takes effect January 1, 2024.

Read and adopted by Resolution XXX this 21st Day of February 2024.

Mayor

Clerk



The United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria

2024 Preliminary Budget Report

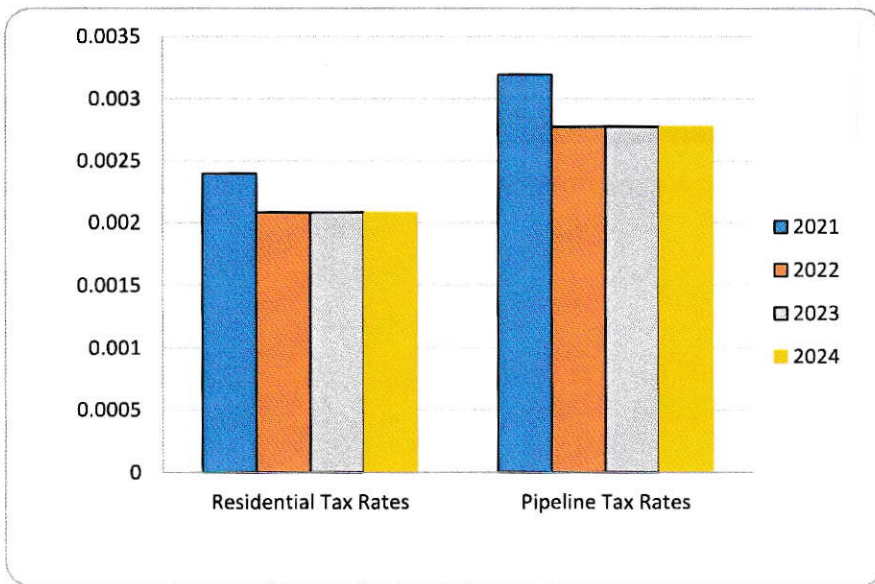
Prepared by:
Crystal Fischer, Clerk-Treasurer

Date:
December 21, 2023

HOW DOES THIS AFFECT PROPERTY TAXES?

Property taxes are calculated based on established tax rates, which are calculated by the amount of money needed as determined in the budget divided by the total assessed value of properties in the municipality. Tax ratios may be applied to offset assessment reductions in a given tax class so that properties in that tax class continue to pay the same share of the assessment.

The graph below depicts the change in tax rates from 2021 to 2024 for the residential and the pipeline property classes.



The table below shows the amount of municipal tax that a residential property owner would have or will pay based on \$100,000 dollars of assessment and the established tax rates for 2018 – 2024. **The 2024 residential lower tier rate is proposed to remain the same as the 2023 tax rate.**

Year	Residential Tax Rates	Payment based on \$100,000 Assessment
2018	0.00247867	\$247.87
2019	0.00239715	\$239.72
2020	0.00239684	\$239.68
2021	0.00208693	\$208.69
2022	0.00208325	\$208.33
2023	0.00208325	\$208.33
2024	0.00208325	\$208.33

Breakdown of Budgeted Revenue

	Budget 2023	Projected 2024
Revenue		
PIL and Taxation	\$ 176,180.00	\$ 175,940.00
General Government	\$ 68,080.00	\$ 106,410.00
Fees & Permits	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 2,700.00
Recycling	\$ 30,350.00	\$ 34,820.00
Helipad	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00
Parks & Recreation	\$ 16,370.00	\$ 16,600.00
Totals:	\$ 296,680.00	\$ 339,970.00

	Budget 2023	Projected 2024
Grants		
OCIF	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00
OMPF	\$ 69,000.00	\$ 87,000.00
Gas Tax	\$ 8,210.00	\$ 8,390.00
Seniors Program	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 18,000.00
Modernization		
Canada Summer Jobs	\$ 4,340.00	\$ 4,370.00
RED Program	\$ 10,000.00	
DRDCF		\$ 7,000.00
OTF		\$ 43,000.00
ICGP		\$ 60,000.00
CEGP		\$ 11,260.00
Special (ICIP)	\$ 127,060.00	
Totals:	\$ 333,610.00	\$ 339,020.00
Transfer from Reserves		\$ 75,630.00
	\$ 630,290.00	\$ 754,620.00

	Budget 2023	Proposed 2024
Protection & Health Services		
CBO	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 1,200.00
Emergency Management	\$ 1,150.00	\$ 1,400.00
Fire Services	\$ 12,630.00	\$ 12,800.00
Policing	\$ 91,630.00	\$ 86,010.00
Physician Recruitment	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 1,700.00
Helipad	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Health and Safety	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
	\$ 111,010.00	\$ 105,910.00

Transportation and Environmental Services

Transportation services refer to summer and winter road maintenance along with capital projects. Larger expense items included in the proposed 2023 budget include:

\$10,000 to grub around the municipal gravel pit;

\$106,800 to replace culverts;

\$3,000 to replace another section of guard rails on Harvey Creek Road;

\$100,000 to install streetlights.

	Budget 2023	Proposed 2024
Transportation & Environmental Services		
Transportation	\$ 243,630.00	\$ 278,100.00
Environmental Services	\$ 73,890.00	\$ 74,840.00
Special Projects	\$ 114,840.00	\$ 103,000.00
	\$ 432,360.00	\$ 455,940.00

Recreational and Cultural Services

This portion of the budget reflects the costs of operating/managing the following which has been partly established by the Recreation Committee:

- Recreation Activities (which includes the operation of the bar etc.)
- The Municipal Hall Operation and Maintenance
- Boat Launch & Playground Maintenance (includes grass cutting and dock removal)

Larger projects included in the budget for 2023 include:

\$4,500 for work to be completed at Old Mackey Park;

\$2,000 to repair the Stonecliffe Boat Launch;

\$5,000 to purchase benches, signage, picnic tables;

\$2,500 to install playground LaCroix Park; and

\$4,000 to repair/replace solar lights at the Mackey Boat Launch.

2023 Actuals

As mentioned at the beginning of this report, Council and Staff have expressed a goal of passing the budget as early in the year as possible. However, the municipal audited statements will not be available until the Auditor has completed the review and reconciliation of accounts. However, it is anticipated that there will be a surplus to carry over into 2024.



**THE CORPORATION OF THE UNITED TOWNSHIPS OF
HEAD, CLARA & MARIA**

BY-LAW NUMBER 2024-05

BEING a by-law to confirm proceedings of the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria at its regular meeting held on Wednesday, February 21, 2024.

WHEREAS Subsection 5(1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, provides that the powers of a municipal corporation are to be exercised by its council;

AND WHEREAS Subsection 5(3) of the said *Municipal Act* provides that all municipal power including the municipality's capacity, rights, powers and privileges under section 9, shall be exercised by by-law unless the municipality is specifically authorized to do otherwise;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient that the proceedings of the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria at this meeting be confirmed and adopted by by-law;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria enacts as follows:

1. **THAT** the action of the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria in respect of each recommendation or resolution contained in the minutes of the special council meetings of Wednesday, February 21, 2024, and any reports of committees and of local boards and each motion and resolution passed and other action taken by the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria at this meeting is hereby adopted and confirmed as if all such proceedings were expressly embodied in this by-law.
2. **THAT** the Mayor and the appropriate officials of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the action of the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria referred to in the proceeding section.
3. **THAT** the Mayor, or in the absence of the Mayor, the alternate head of council and the Municipal Clerk, or in the absence of the Municipal Clerk, the Deputy Clerk, or in the absence of the Municipal Clerk and the Deputy Clerk, the Acting Clerk, are authorized and directed to execute all documents necessary in that behalf and to affix thereto the corporate seal of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria.

READ a 1st time short and passed this 21st day of February 2024.

MAYOR

CLERK