

# COUNCIL INFORMATION PACKAGE

## August 23, 2024

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**Date:** 08/02/2024 **Internal Memo #: IM24-016(CRE)**

**To:** Council

**Circulated to:** Corporate Leadership Team

**Department:** Corporate Enterprise

**Division:** Corporate Strategy

**From:** Jenna Brown-Jowett, Director of Corporate Strategy

**Subject:** Biannual Government Relations Consultation  
Tracking & Grant/Funding Activity (January – June 2024)

## Comments

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### Government Relations and Consultation Activity

The government relations consultation review process was developed in order to provide a centralized way to coordinate and track opportunities for the City to provide input into Federal and Provincial legislative, regulatory, and programming considerations. This process is governed by the Government Relations Consultation Tracking Policy (Policy Number A09 ADM 008).

From January 1 to June 30, 2024, a total of two (2) government relations activities took place (Appendix A).

- Two (2) consultation responses were submitted to the appropriate legislative bodies

From January 1 to June 30, 2024, a total of seven (7) advocacy efforts took place (Appendix B). This includes advocacy, meetings and other consultations led by the Office of the Mayor and Council.

### External Grant Application Tracking and Results

From January 1 to June 30, 2024, there were Twenty (20) grant applications tracked through the Employee Grant Application Database (Appendix C).

- Three (3) were successful
  - New Horizons for Seniors Program- Community-Based Projects
  - Housing Accelerator Fund (HAF)
  - 2024 Summer Employment Opportunities

- Four (4) were in progress (waiting for funding decision)
- Eleven (11) were reviewed and not eligible (could not meet eligibility criteria or there were no City projects identified that met the grant objectives and/or timelines)
- Two (2) were unsuccessful

There are many factors that affect external funding decisions, including the number of applications received relative to the amount of funding available.

Cambridge has been very successful at obtaining grant funding previously. Since September of 2021, the City has secured just over \$16M in grant funding. With these successful funding contributions, the City is able to further its strategic actions related to increasing housing options, providing age friendly services that are accessible to all, enhancing equity and inclusion efforts and taking action to combat climate change, among many others.

As part our ongoing commitment to the public value of sustainability (finding new and innovative ways to lessen the financial burden on our taxpayers) we have been investigating opportunities to enhance the methods we use to both proactively identify funding/ grant opportunities and increase our success rates with applications. As part of that commitment, we have initiated a pilot agreement with an external grant support service provider, GrantMatch (background and additional details were provided to Council via email on May 22, 2024). GrantMatch is expected to help the City proactively identify and secure government funding through services like grant identification, application development, and reporting support. This partnership is expected to increase grant review opportunities, provide professional application and report assistance for key funding opportunities, and improve funding success rates. GrantMatch operates on a performance-based fee structure, charging a tiered percentage on successful applications only.

Corporate Strategy will continue to monitor and track both advocacy and grant opportunities and will provide information on future activity in the form of a year-end Council Information Package (CIP) in six months' time.

## Attachments

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Appendix A: Government Consultation Tracking Summary

Appendix B: Summary of Advocacy Efforts Led by the Office of Mayor and Council

Appendix C: Grant Application Tracking Summary

### Approvals:

☐ Manager/Supervisor

☒ Deputy City Manager

☒ City Manager

## Appendix A: Government Consultation Tracking Summary

Status	Consultation/Proposed Legislative Change	Ministry, Department or Agency	Consultation Deadline (MM/DD/YYYY)	Type
Submitted	<a href="#">Evaluating Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Requirements for Infrastructure Projects</a>	Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks	03/17/2024	Provide Comments (Consultation Response)
Submitted	Proposed Amendments to the Official Plan Adjustments Act, 2023 – Legislation to Reinstate Municipally Requested Modifications to Official Plans (Bill 162)	Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing	03/21/2024	Provide Comments (Consultation Response)

## Appendix B: Summary of Advocacy Efforts Led by the Office of Mayor and Council

Type	Ministry or Individual	Overall Topic(s)	Date	Lead Organization
Correspondence	Minister Fedeli	Letter of Support re: Tenneco Canada	January 15, 2024	Mayor Liggett
Correspondence/presentation	Minister Calandra	Mayors working together for more housing	January 18, 2024	Mayor Liggett
Correspondence	Minister Jones	Letter of support, CMH	January 18, 2024	Mayor Liggett
Motion	Prime Minister Trudeau	Catch and Release	February 13, 2024	Cambridge City Council
Correspondence	Minister Calandra	ROPA (6) amendments	March 21, 2024	Mayor Liggett
Correspondence	Minister Calandra	2023 Housing Targets	April 3, 2024	Mayor Liggett
Correspondence	Minister Ford	Heritage Timelines	April 10, 2024	Mayor Liggett

## Appendix C: Grant Application Tracking Summary

Status	Grant Program	City of	Purpose of Grant	Grant Amount
Successful	New Horizons for Seniors Program-Community-Based Projects	Develop a print and digital directory to provide comprehensive resources for older adults in Cambridge. The project aims to enhance communication and accessibility of information for older residents.	Supports community-based projects that are designed by seniors for seniors. This program funds projects that empower seniors in their communities and contribute to improving their health and well-being.	\$25,000
Successful	Housing Accelerator Fund (HAF)	Project list approved by Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC)	The Housing Accelerator Fund (HAF) provides incentive funding to local governments encouraging initiatives aimed at increasing housing supply. It also supports the development of complete, low-carbon and climate-resilient communities that are affordable, inclusive, equitable and diverse.	\$13.3M
Successful	2024 Summer Employment Opportunities	<p>Following positions were funded:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Business Licensing Student – Clerks</li> <li>• Bylaw Student -</li> </ul>	The summer employment positions must focus on activities supporting key sectors within the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport.	TBD- The funding received is based on the hours students work. The numbers are not final until the fall when the program concludes and

		Clerks		we submit for reimbursement.
In Progress	My Main Street - Community Activator	N/A	Designed to support placemaking projects that will help strengthen the connection between people and places in areas of community and commercial importance or untapped potential.	N/A
In Progress	Housing-Enabling Water Systems Fund (Ministry of Infrastructure) - Housing-Enabling Water Systems Fund (HEWSF)	Queen St W Reconstruction	An application-based program for \$200 million over three years for the repair, rehabilitation, and expansion of core water infrastructure to protect communities and enable new housing development.	N/A
In Progress	Inclusive Community Grants	N/A	The Inclusive Community Grants Program provides funding for projects to help ensure local government and community organizations consider Ontarians of all ages and abilities at every stage of community planning and development.	N/A
In Progress	RBC Foundation Community Infrastructure Fund	Support the Preston Twin Centre Arena expansion. The new expansion area will be constructed to modern accessibility standards, compliant with AODA and with Cambridge Facility	Designed to help fund retrofit, repairs and upgrades of existing community spaces, as well as the construction of new spaces, with the goal of increasing sustainability and accessibility of buildings in our communities.	N/A

		Accessibility Design Standards (FADS).		
Reviewed & Not Eligible	Shade Structure Grant Program	The goal is to create a safe outdoor environment that protects people from the sun's harmful ultraviolet radiation.	To support the building of shade structures in order to minimize people's sun exposure and reduce the risk of developing skin cancer later in life.	N/A
Reviewed & Not Eligible	The Musagetes Fund	N/A	Placemaking projects that will help strengthen the connection between people and places in areas of community and commercial importance or untapped potential.	N/A
Reviewed & Not Eligible	Parks Canada's National Cost-Sharing Program for Heritage Places	Galt Post Office	Cost sharing program for heritage places.	N/A
Reviewed & Not Eligible	Trail Funding Program	N/A	To support Trail operators across Canada in the development and enhancement of the Trans Canada Trail by offering a range of funding streams designed to support specific Trail priorities - minor maintenance.	N/A
Reviewed & Not Eligible	EV Charge	N/A	Supports the installation of public electric vehicle (EV) Charging Stations in Ontario communities outside of large urban	N/A

			centers.	
Reviewed & Not Eligible	Forest Biomass Program	N/A	Designed for projects that will expand the use of forest biomass and enhance the forest biomass supply chain.	N/A
Reviewed & Not Eligible	Tourism Development Fund	N/A	The Tourism Development Fund Program is a cost-sharing program designed to provide non-capital funding to projects that: encourages the development of innovative new tourism products, supports tourism investment and builds the capacity of Ontario's tourism industry to foster new tourism investments.	N/A
Reviewed & Not Eligible	Inclusive Community Grants	N/A	Helps ensure local governments and community organizations consider Ontarians of all ages and abilities at every stage of community planning and development.	N/A
Reviewed & Not Eligible	Municipal Energy Plan Program	N/A	Improve energy efficiency, reduce energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions, study the impact of future growth on energy needs and foster renewable energy production and economic development.	N/A
Reviewed & Not Eligible	New construction of energy-efficient facilities	N/A	A capital project for an initiative that aims for net zero energy performance (any energy it requires should be generated through on-site, renewable or recovered power sources).	N/A

Reviewed and Not Eligible	Rural Transit Solutions Fund	N/A	Supports locally driven transit solutions for rural and remote communities, with flexibility for different local transit system innovations from fixed route to on-demand services to ride-shares.	N/A
Unsuccessful	Green and Inclusive Community Buildings - Rec Complex- 2nd intake	N/A	Infrastructure Canada is currently accepting 2nd round applications for retrofits and new building projects for community buildings.	N/A
Unsuccessful	2024 EBSCO Solar Grant	N/A	The grants will help awarded libraries offset their library expenses by incorporating solar power.	N/A

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Joey Trimm

## Certified True Copy

Wednesday, August 7, 2024

**Re: Resolution - Ineligible Sources Recycling - Town of South  
Bruce Peninsula**

Dear Premier Ford, Minister Khanjin, and Mr. Byers

At its meeting of August 7, 2024, the Council of the Township of  
Whitewater Region adopted the following resolution:

**That Council of the Township of Whitewater Region support  
the request from the Town of South Bruce Peninsula that the  
province amend Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box, so that  
producers are responsible for the end-of-life management of  
recycling products from all sources.**


Carried - Resolution #2024-5151

Sincerely,

Carmen Miller  
Clerk/CEMC

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April 29, 2024

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The Honourable Andrea Khanjin, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks  
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Mr. Rick Byers, MPP Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound  
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Dear Premier Ford, Minister Khanjin, and Mr. Byers,

At the April 2, 2024, Town of South Bruce Peninsula Council meeting, the following resolution was passed:

### **R-111-2024**

**Whereas** under Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box, producers are fully accountable and financially responsible for their products and packaging once they reach their end of life and are disposed of, for 'eligible' sources only;

**And whereas** 'ineligible' sources which producers are not responsible for including businesses, places of worship, daycares, campgrounds, public-facing and internal areas of municipal-owned buildings and not-for-profit organizations, such as shelters and food banks;

**And whereas** should a municipality continue to provide services to the 'ineligible' sources, the municipality will be required to oversee the collection, transportation, and processing of the recycling, assuming 100% of the costs;

**Therefore be it resolved that** the Council of the Corporation of the Town of South Bruce Peninsula hereby request that the province amend Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box, so that producers are responsible for the end-of-life management of recycling products from all sources;

**And that** Council hereby request the support of all Ontario municipalities;

**And further that** this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Andrea Khanjin, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, the Honourable Rick Byers, MPP Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound, and to all Ontario municipalities.

I trust you find this satisfactory; however, should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B. Collins'.

Brianna Collins, P.Eng.  
Director of Public Works

cc: All Ontario municipalities

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## Certified True Copy

Wednesday, August 7, 2024

**Re: Resolution - Mental Health and Addictions - City of Pembroke**

Dear Premier Ford,

At its meeting of August 7, 2024, the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region adopted the following resolution:

**That Council of the Township of Whitewater Region support the request from the City of Pembroke calling upon the Province of Ontario to allocate funding specifically for the establishment of a mental health, addiction and residential drug treatment facility serving Renfrew County.**

Carried - Resolution #2024-5150

Sincerely,

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April 8, 2024

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Honourable Doug Ford

Via email: [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

Dear Premier Ford:

Please be advised that Council of the Corporation of the City of Pembroke passed the following resolution at its meeting of April 2, 2024:

**Resolution #011 (April 2, 2024)**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Brian Abdallah

Seconded by Councillor Troy Purcell

Whereas the well-being of our community members is of paramount importance, and addressing mental health and substance use disorder is crucial for the overall health and safety of all our residents; and Whereas the County of Renfrew, like many other regions, faces significant challenges related to mental health and addiction, with individuals and families grappling with the devastating impact of these conditions; and Whereas timely access to specialized treatment and residential rehabilitation services and transitional housing is essential for those struggling with mental health issues and substance use disorders; and Whereas we need to address the urgent need for additional treatment beds, especially for adults requiring intensive supports, and to improve access to care in rural, Northern, and Indigenous communities; and Whereas the number of drug-related deaths in the County of Renfrew, as a whole, is on the rise underscoring the critical importance of accessible treatment options for those at risk of negative impacts including overdose and death; and

Whereas the establishment of a mental health, drug addiction treatment and residential rehabilitation facility serving the County of Renfrew would provide the following benefits:

1. **Local Accessibility:** Residents would have access to specialized services without the burden of traveling long distances, ensuring timely intervention and continuity of care.
2. **Holistic Approach:** The facility could offer integrated care, addressing both mental health and substance use disorders concurrently, thereby improving outcomes for clients.
3. **Community Support:** By providing a safe and supportive environment, the facility would contribute to reducing stigma and fostering community understanding of mental health and addiction.
4. **Collaboration with Existing Services:** The facility could collaborate with existing community organizations, healthcare and social service



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providers, and law enforcement agencies to create a comprehensive network of support (i.e. County of Renfrew MESA program).

Now Therefore, be it resolved that Council of the Corporation of the City of Pembroke:

1. Urgently requests the Province of Ontario to allocate funding specifically for the establishment of a mental health, addiction, and residential drug treatment rehabilitation facility serving the County of Renfrew.
2. Advocates for a facility that offers evidence-based, trauma-informed care, addressing both addiction and concurrent mental health issues.
3. Commits to working collaboratively with neighbouring municipalities, all community stakeholders, and provincial authorities to ensure the successful implementation of this vital facility.

Furthermore, the City of Pembroke Council encourages all residents to support this resolution and join the collective effort to enhance mental health and addiction services in our region.

Be It Further Resolved that copies of this motion be distributed to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health; Michael Tibollo, Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addictions; Robin Martin, Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Health; the Honourable John Yakabuski, Member of Provincial Parliament for Renfrew~Nipissing~Pembroke; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); the Eastern Ontario Wardens Caucus; Eastern Ontario Mayor's Caucus; Peter Emon, Warden, for the County of Renfrew; and all neighbouring County of Renfrew lower-tier municipalities. Carried

Sincerely,

David Unrau  
Chief Administrative Officer

/nr



Council - Committee of the Whole

**Resolution #** 2024/218  
**Title:** Authorize support resolution re: Solutions to resolve significant financial and budgetary pressures relating to infrastructure development, maintenance and repairs  
**Date:** August 13, 2024

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**Moved by:** Councillor Fern Pellerin

**Seconded by:** Councillor Daniel Gagné

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** at the meeting of August 13, 2024, Council for the Municipality of West Nipissing received and supports the following resolutions seeking **Solutions to resolve significant financial and budgetary pressures relating to infrastructure development, maintenance and repairs** from the following municipalities:

- Loyalist Township, Council passed Resolution 2024-49 at its regular meeting held on March 12, 2024
- City of Stratford, Council passed Resolution CA-2024-049 at its regular meeting held on April 8, 2024
- Corporation of the Township of Emo, Council passed Resolution #18 at its regular meeting held on May 15, 2024

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Prime Minister of Canada, Honourable Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities of Canada, Honourable Minister of Finance for Canada, Honourable Premier of Ontario, Honourable Minister of Infrastructure for Ontario; Honourable Minister of Finance for Ontario, AMO, ROMA, FONOM, FCM, and all Municipalities in Ontario.

**CARRIED**



Council - Committee of the Whole

Résolution #

2024/218

Titre:

Autoriser la résolution de soutien concernant les solutions pour résoudre les pressions financières et budgétaires significatives liées au développement, à l'entretien et à la réparation des infrastructures.

Date:

le 13 août 2024

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Proposé par:

Councillor Fern Pellerin

Appuyé par:

Councillor Daniel Gagné

**IL EST RÉSOLU QUE** lors de la réunion du 13 août 2024, le conseil de la municipalité de Nipissing Ouest a reçu et appuie les résolutions suivantes cherchant des solutions pour résoudre les pressions financières et budgétaires importantes liées au développement, à l'entretien et aux réparations de l'infrastructure des municipalités suivantes :

- Canton de Loyalist, le Conseil a adopté la résolution 2024-49 lors de sa réunion ordinaire du 12 mars 2024.
- Ville de Stratford, le Conseil a adopté la résolution CA-2024-049 lors de sa réunion ordinaire tenue le 8 avril 2024.
- Corporation du canton d'Emo, le Conseil a adopté la résolution no 18 lors de sa réunion ordinaire tenue le 15 mai 2024.

**IL EST EN OUTRE RÉSOLU QU'**une copie de la présente résolution soit transmise à l'honorable premier ministre du Canada, à l'honorable ministre du Logement, de l'Infrastructure et des Collectivités du Canada, à l'honorable ministre des Finances du Canada, à l'honorable premier ministre de l'Ontario, à l'honorable ministre de l'Infrastructure de l'Ontario, à l'honorable ministre des Finances de l'Ontario, à l'AMO, à la ROMA, à la FONOM, à la FCM, ainsi qu'à toutes les municipalités de l'Ontario.

**ADOPTÉ**

March 18, 2024

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

DELIVERED VIA EMAIL

Dear Premier Ford:

**Re: Motion regarding solutions to resolve significant financial and budgetary pressures relating to infrastructure development, maintenance and repairs**

Please be advised that at its regular meeting of March 12, 2024, Loyalist Township Council passed the following resolution:

**Resolution 2024-49**

Moved by Councillor Budarick  
Seconded by Councillor Parks

**WHEREAS** the Province of Ontario has agreed to assume responsibility for the Gardiner Expressway and the Don Valley Parkway from the City of Toronto, which will be uploaded to the Province of Ontario;

**AND WHEREAS** like the City of Toronto, The Corporation of Loyalist Township and all municipalities in the Province of Ontario are experiencing significant financial and budgetary pressures including those related to infrastructure development, maintenance and repairs, and are seeking reasonable solutions to address the same while balancing their financial books;

**AND WHEREAS** the uploading of municipal highway infrastructure to the Province of Ontario or, alternatively, appropriately increasing the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund to Ontario municipalities will assist municipalities in addressing such financial challenges;

**AND BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

- a. The Province of Ontario:



- upload from local municipalities the responsibility of and costs associated with the continued construction, operation, and maintenance of major municipally-owned highways throughout the Province of Ontario to the Ontario Ministry of Transportation; or
  - alternatively, if uploading is not the preferred option of the Province and/or local municipality, to appropriately increase the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund to municipalities so as to fairly and equitably allocate resources to Ontario municipalities.
- b. A copy of this resolution be circulated the Honourable Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria, the Ontario Minister of Transportation; MPP Ric Bresee, Hastings, Lennox & Addington; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario; all municipalities in Ontario.

Kind Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Anne Kantharajah".

Anne Kantharajah  
Township Clerk

Cc: the Hon. Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria, the Ontario Minister of Transportation  
Ric Bresee, M.P.P., Hastings, Lennox & Addington  
Association of Municipalities  
All municipalities in Ontario  
Jim Hegadorn, Mayor, Loyalist Township  
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July 12, 2024

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Cindy Handley,  
Administrative Assistant  
Corporate Services Department  
Loyalist Township

**Re: Resolution regarding solutions to resolve significant financial and budgetary pressures relating to infrastructure development, maintenance and repairs**

We acknowledge receipt of your correspondence dated March 18, 2024, regarding the above-mentioned matter.

The said correspondence was provided to Stratford City Council for their information as part of the April 8, 2024, Council meeting Consent Agenda (CA-2024-049). Council adopted the following resolution:

**THAT CA-2024-049, being a resolution from the Loyalist Township regarding solutions to resolve significant financial and budgetary pressures relating to infrastructure development, maintenance and repairs, be endorsed.**

Sincerely,

*A. Pascual*

Audrey Pascual, Deputy Clerk

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cc: Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
All Ontario municipalities



# The Corporation of the Township of Emo

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July 5, 2024

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DELIVERED VIA EMAIL

**Re: Operational Budget Funding**

The Council of the Township of Emo, at its regular meeting held May 15, 2024, passed the following resolution.

**Resolution No.: 18, May 15, 2024**

**Moved by: Councillor Teeple**

**Seconded by: Councillor Whatley**

WHEREAS all Ontario municipalities are prohibited from running budget deficits for operating purposes, and;

WHEREAS all Ontario municipalities have similar pressures with respect to aging infrastructure and operating costs for policing, and;

WHEREAS the City of Toronto has recently received Provincial funding to cover a \$1.2 billion-dollar operating shortfall and approximately \$12 million in Federal and Provincial funding for their Police operating budget, and;

WHEREAS the City of Toronto has the lowest tax rates in the Province.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of Emo call on the Province of Ontario to treat all municipalities fairly and provide equivalent representative operational budget funding amounts to all Ontario municipalities.

Yours sincerely,



Crystal Gray, Dipl. M.A.

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All Ontario Municipalities



Council - Committee of the Whole

**Resolution #** 2024/217  
**Title:** Authorize support resolution re: Sustainable Infrastructure Funding for Small Rural Municipalities  
**Date:** August 13, 2024

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**Moved by:** Councillor Daniel Gagné

**Seconded by:** Councillor Fern Pellerin

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** at the meeting of August 13, 2024, Council for the Municipality of West Nipissing received and supports the following resolutions seeking **Sustainable Infrastructure Funding for Small Rural Municipalities** from the following municipalities:

- Corporation of the Town of Tecumseh, Council passed Motion RCM - 145/24 at its regular meeting held on June 25, 2024
- Township of Georgian Bay, Council passed Resolution C-2024-165 at its meeting held on May 13, 2024
- Corporation of the Township of Pelee, Council passed Resolution 2024-77 at its meeting held on May 28, 2024
- Corporation of the Township of North Glengarry, Council passed Resolution #13 at its meeting held on June 24, 2024

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Prime Minister of Canada, Honourable Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities of Canada, Honourable Minister of Finance for Canada, Honourable Premier of Ontario, Honourable Minister of Infrastructure for Ontario; Honourable Minister of Finance for Ontario, AMO, ROMA, FONOM, FCM, and all Municipalities in Ontario.

**CARRIED**



Council - Committee of the Whole

**Résolution #** 2024/217  
**Titre:** Autoriser la résolution de soutien concernant le financement d'infrastructures durables pour les petites municipalités rurales  
**Date:** le 13 août 2024

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**Proposé par:** Councillor Daniel Gagné

**Appuyé par:** Councillor Fern Pellerin

**IL EST RÉSOLU QUE** lors de la réunion du 13 août 2024, le conseil de la municipalité de Nipissing Ouest reçoive et appuie les résolutions suivantes demandant un financement pour l'infrastructure durable pour les petites municipalités rurales de la part des municipalités suivantes:

- Corporation de la ville de Tecumseh, Conseil a adopté Motion RCM - 145/24 lors de sa réunion ordinaire tenue le 25 juin 2024.
- Canton de Georgian Bay, Conseil a adopté résolution C-2024-165 lors de sa réunion du 13 mai 2024.
- Corporation du canton de Pelée, Conseil a adopté Résolution 2024-77 lors de sa réunion tenue le 28 mai 2024.
- Corporation du canton de North Glengarry, Conseil a adopté Résolution no 13 lors de sa réunion tenue le 24 juin 2024.

**IL EST EN OUTRE RÉSOLU QU'**une copie de la présente résolution soit transmise à l'honorable premier ministre du Canada, à l'honorable ministre du Logement, de l'Infrastructure et des Collectivités du Canada, à l'honorable ministre des Finances du Canada, à l'honorable premier ministre de l'Ontario, à l'honorable ministre de l'Infrastructure de l'Ontario, à l'honorable ministre des Finances de l'Ontario, à l'AMO, à la ROMA, à la FONOM, à la FCM, ainsi qu'à toutes les municipalités de l'Ontario.

**ADOPTÉ**



## The Corporation of the Town of Tecumseh

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July 4, 2024

The Honourable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
[premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

**Attention:** The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario

Dear Mr. Ford:

**Re: Township of Pelee Support Township of Georgian Bay Resolution  
Sustainable Infrastructure Funding for Small Rural Municipalities**

The Council of the Town of Tecumseh, at its regular meeting held June 25, 2024, gave consideration and supported a resolution letter from Township of Pelee, regarding Sustainable Infrastructure Funding for Small Rural Municipalities

At their meeting, Tecumseh Council passed the following resolution:

**“Motion: RCM - 145/24**

Moved by Councillor Rick Tonial  
Seconded by Councillor Alicia Higgison

**That** the Council of the Town of Tecumseh hereby support the Township of Pelee and Georgian Bay’s resolution calling on the Ontario and Federal Government to implement sustainable infrastructure funding for small rural municipalities;

**And that** small rural municipalities are not overlooked and disregarded on future applications for funding;

**And that** both the Federal and Ontario Governments begin by acknowledging that there is an insurmountable debt facing small rural municipalities;

**And that** both the Federal and Ontario Governments immediately commission a Working Group to develop a plan on how to deal with the impending debt dilemma;

**And that** this resolution be forwarded to The Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada; The Honourable Sean Fraser, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities of Canada; Michel Tremblay Acting President and CEO, Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation; The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; The Honourable KingaSurma, Ontario Minister of Infrastructure; The Honourable Paul Calandra, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; MP Dave Epp, Chatham-Kent-Leamington; MPP Trevor Jones, Chatham-Kent-Leamington; Irek Kusmierczk, MP, Windsor-Tecumseh, Andrew Dowie, MPP, Windsor-Tecumseh, AMO, ROMA, FCM, and all Municipalities in Ontario.

Please consider this letter as confirmation of the Town of Tecumseh's support on the above matter.

Yours very truly,



Robert Auger, LL.B.  
Director Legislative Services & Clerk

RA/kb  
Attachments

1. Township of Pelee Support Township of Georgian Bay Resolution – Sustainable Infrastructure Funding for Small Rural Municipalities
2. Township of Georgian Bay Resolution – Sustainable Infrastructure Funding for Small Rural Municipalities

cc: Mr. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario ([premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca))  
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Mr. Andrew Dowie, MPP – Windsor-Tecumseh ([andrew.dowie@pc.ola.org](mailto:andrew.dowie@pc.ola.org))  
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## **The Township of Georgian Bay Resolutions Council - 13 May 2024**

**Item 12.(a)**

**Date: May 13, 2024**

**C-2024-165**

**Moved by** Councillor Stephen Jarvis

**Seconded by** Councillor Peter Cooper

WHEREAS Ontario's small rural municipalities face insurmountable challenges to fund both upfront investments and ongoing maintenance of their capital assets including roads and bridges and water wastewater and municipally owned buildings including recreational facilities and libraries;

WHEREAS in 2018, the Ontario government mandated all Ontario municipalities to develop capital asset management plans with the stipulation that they be considered in the development of the annual budget;

WHEREAS small rural municipalities (of 10,000 people or less) are facing monumental infrastructure deficits that cannot be adequately addressed through property tax revenue alone;

WHEREAS the only application approved through the recently awarded Housing Accelerator Fund to a small rural municipality was to Marathon Ontario, who received an allocation of \$1.9 million dollars while over \$1.369 billion going to Ontario's large urban centres, resulting in a 0.2% investment in rural Ontario;

WHEREAS the Ontario Government has committed \$9.1 billion to Toronto alone to assist with operating deficits and the repatriation of the Don Valley and Gardner Expressway;

WHEREAS small rural Ontario cannot keep pace with the capital investments required over the next 20 years unless both the Provincial and Federal Governments come forward with new sustainable infrastructure funding;

WHEREAS it is apparent that both the Federal and Ontario Governments have neglected to recognize the needs of small rural Ontario;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of Georgian Bay call on the Ontario and Federal Government to implement sustainable infrastructure funding for small rural municipalities;

AND THAT small rural municipalities are not overlooked and disregarded on future applications for funding;

AND THAT both the Federal and Ontario Governments begin by acknowledging that there is an insurmountable debt facing small rural municipalities;

AND THAT both the Federal and Ontario Governments immediately commission a Working Group that includes a member of the Eastern Ontario Wardens Caucus, to develop a plan on how to deal with the impending debt dilemma;

AND FINALLY THAT this resolution be forwarded to The Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada, The Honourable Sean Fraser, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities of Canada; Michel Tremblay Acting President and CEO, Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation; The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; The Honourable Kinga Surma, Ontario Minister of Infrastructure; The Honourable Paul Calandra, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; MP Shelby Kramp-Neuman, Hastings-Lennox Addington; MPP Ric Bresee Hastings-Lennox Addington, AMO, ROMA, FCM, Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus and all Municipalities in Ontario.

☒ Carried      ☐ Defeated      ☐ Recorded Vote      ☐ Referred      ☐ Deferred

**Recorded Vote:**

	<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Councillor Brian Bocek			
Councillor Peter Cooper			
Councillor Kristian Graziano			
Councillor Allan Hazelton			
Councillor Stephen Jarvis			
Councillor Steven Predko			
Mayor Peter Koetsier			

**Peter Koetsier, Mayor**

May 29, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau  
Prime Minister of Canada  
[justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca](mailto:justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca)

DELIVERED VIA EMAIL

**RE: Township of Pelee Support Township of Georgian Bay Resolution  
Sustainable Infrastructure Funding for Small Rural Municipalities**

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Dear Prime Minister Trudeau,

Please be advised that at the Township of Pelee's Regular Meeting of Council held on May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024, the following resolution was passed:

**Resolution 2024 – 77**

**Moved By: Mayor Cathy Miller**

**Seconded By: Councillor Michelle Taylor**

**WHEREAS** Ontario's small rural municipalities face insurmountable challenges to fund both upfront investments and ongoing maintenance of their capital assets including roads and bridges and water wastewater and municipally owned buildings including recreational facilities and libraries;

**AND WHEREAS** in 2018, the Ontario government mandated all Ontario municipalities to develop capital asset management plans with the stipulation that they be considered in the development of the annual budget;

**AND WHEREAS** small rural municipalities (of 10,000 people or less) are facing monumental infrastructure deficits that cannot be adequately addressed through property tax revenue alone;

**AND WHEREAS** the only application approved through the recently awarded Housing Accelerator Fund to a small rural municipality was to Marathon Ontario, who received an allocation of \$1.9 million dollars while over \$1.369 billion going to Ontario's large urban centres, resulting in a 0.2% investment in rural Ontario;

**AND WHEREAS** the Ontario Government has committed \$9.1 billion to Toronto alone to assist with operating deficits and the repatriation of the Don Valley and Gardner Expressway;

**AND WHEREAS** small rural Ontario cannot keep pace with the capital investments required over the next 20 years unless both the Provincial and Federal Governments come forward with new sustainable infrastructure funding;

**AND WHEREAS** it is apparent that both the Federal and Ontario Governments have neglected to recognize the needs of small rural Ontario;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby support Township of Georgian Bay's resolution calling on the Ontario and Federal Government to implement sustainable infrastructure funding for small rural municipalities;

**AND THAT** small rural municipalities are not overlooked and disregarded on future applications for funding;

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**CORPORATION OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF NORTH GLENGARRY**

**Council Meeting**

**Resolution #** 13

**Date:** Monday, June 24, 2024

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**Moved by:** Jamie MacDonald

**Seconded by:** Carma Williams

**WHEREAS** Ontario's small rural municipalities face insurmountable challenges to fund both upfront investments and ongoing maintenance of their capital assets including roads and bridges and water wastewater and municipally owned buildings including recreational facilities and libraries ; and

**WHEREAS** in 2018, the Ontario government mandated all Ontario municipalities to develop capital asset management plans with the stipulation that they be considered in the development of the annual budget; and

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**Carried**

**Deferred**

**Defeated**

  
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Mayor / Deputy Mayor



## The Corporation of the Township of Terrace Bay

P.O. Box 40, 1 Selkirk Avenue, Terrace Bay, ON, P0T 2W0  
**Phone:** (807) 825-3315 **Fax:** (807) 825-9576

August 14, 2024

Premier Doug Ford  
[premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

Dear Mr. Ford,

At the Township of Terrace Bay Regular Council Meeting held August 6, 2024 the following resolution was passed.

**RE: Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury Resolution: Ontario Long Service Medals**

**Resolution: 238-2024**

**Moved by: Councillor Adduono**

**Seconded by: Council Dube**

WHEREAS paramedics, firefighters and police officers are our Frontline heroes, regularly putting their own health and safety at risk to help others in need;

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire Services Long Service Medal was created in 1971 to honour firefighters who have served the public for twenty-five years or more and the Governor General's Fire Services Exemplary Service Medal was created in 1985 and 'honours members of a recognized Canadian fire service who have completed 20 years of service, ten years of which have been served in the performance of duties involving potential risks;

WHEREAS the Ontario Provincial Police Long Service and Good Conduct Medal honours OPP officers who have served for twenty years or more and the Governor General's Police Exemplary Service Medal, created in 1983, 'recognizes police officers who have served in an exemplary manner having completed 20 years of full-time service with one or more recognized Canadian police forces;

WHEREAS many non-OPP police services have similar local long-service medals within their forces, but there is not a province-wide long-service medal for non-OPP police officers;

WHEREAS the Governor General's Emergency Medical Services Exemplary Service Medal, created in 1994, recognizes 'professionals in the provision of pre-hospital emergency medical services to the public who completed 20 years of exemplary service, including at least 10 years in the performance of duties involving potential risk;

WHEREAS there is no province-wide long-service medal for paramedics in Ontario;

NOW THEREFORE, The Corporation of the Township of Terrace Bay:

1. Endorse the creation of a province-wide long-service medal for police and for paramedics, modelled after the existing such award for firefighters;



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2. In furtherance of this resolution, that the Mayor write to the Premier, Minister of Health, Solicitor General, Minister of Citizenship and our local MPP urging them to work collaboratively to create such awards; and
3. That a copy of this resolution be sent to all Ontario municipalities.

Sincerely,

Jon Hall  
Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk

CC:

Minister of Health – Sylvia Jones – [sylvia.jones@ontario.ca](mailto:sylvia.jones@ontario.ca)

Solicitor General Michael Kerzner – [Michael.Kerzner@ontario.ca](mailto:Michael.Kerzner@ontario.ca)

Minister of Citizenship Michael Ford – [Michael.Ford@ontario.ca](mailto:Michael.Ford@ontario.ca)

MPP – Thunder Bay Superior North – Lise Vaugeois – [Lvaugeois-QP@ndp.on.ca](mailto:Lvaugeois-QP@ndp.on.ca)

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August 14, 2024

NOMA  
P.O. Box 10308  
Thunder Bay, Ontario  
P7B 6T8

To Whom It May Concern:

At the Township of Terrace Bay Regular Council Meeting held on August 6, 2024 the following resolution was passed.

## **RE: NOMA Resolution - Support for OINP (Ontario Immigrant Nominee Program)**

**Resolution: 239-2024**

**Moved by: Councillor Adduono**

**Seconded by: Councillor Dube**

WHEREAS employers across Northern Ontario are experiencing a critical shortage of skilled workers, contributing to a shrinking labour market.

WHEREAS, the labour shortage is causing significant economic hardship for Northern Ontario communities, including reduced productivity and business closures; and

WHEREAS population and migration trends to 2021 suggest that Northern Ontario needs 100,000 newcomers by 2041 to sustain current population; and

WHEREAS the success of the federal Rural and Northern Immigration Pilot (RNIP) demonstrates the effectiveness of allocating nomination spots to address regional labour shortages in attracting newcomers to Northern Ontario; and

WHEREAS, the Ontario Immigrant Nominee Program has been expanded from 9,750 nominees in 2022 to a goal of 21,500 nominees in 2024;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY the COUNCIL of the Township of Terrace Bay

1. Urges the Government of Ontario to address the critical labour market shortage in Northern Ontario by allocating 3,000 Ontario Immigrant Nominee Program spots to support the region's economic growth and development.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Copies of this resolution be forwarded to: the Ontario Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training & Skills Development; local Members of Provincial Parliament; the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association/Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities; and the Aguasabon and Thunder Bay Chambers of Commerce



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Sincerely,

Jon Hall  
Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk

CC:

MLITSD David Piccini – [David.piccini@ontario.ca](mailto:David.piccini@ontario.ca)

MPP – Thunder Bay Superior North – Lise Vaugeois – [Lvaugeois-QP@ndp.on.ca](mailto:Lvaugeois-QP@ndp.on.ca)

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August 14, 2024

MPP Lise Vaugeois  
LVaugeois-QP@ndp.on.ca

Dear Ms. Vaugeois,

At the Township of Terrace Bay Regular Council Meeting held on Monday July 15, 2024 the following resolution of support was passed.

**Re: Municipality of Central Manitoulin Resolution - Public Health Phasing out Free Water Testing For Private Wells**

**Resolution: 219-2024**

**Moved By: Councillor Dube**

**Seconded By: Councillor Johnson**

WHEREAS the Ontario Auditor General's annual report on public health from December 2023 indicates that Public Health Ontario is proposing the phasing-out of free provincial water testing services for private drinking water; and

WHEREAS free private drinking water testing services has played a pivotal role in safeguarding public health, particularly in rural communities, including the entire Township of Amaranth, that rely predominantly on private drinking water; and

WHEREAS the removal of free private drinking water testing could lead to a reduction in testing, potentially increasing the risk of waterborne diseases in these vulnerable populations; and Whereas the tragic events in Walkerton, Ontario underscored the critical importance of safe drinking water.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Township of Terrace Bay hereby requests that the Province reconsider and ultimately decide against the proposed phasing-out of free private drinking water testing services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this resolution be sent to all Ontario municipalities, the Minister of Environment Conservation and Parks, the Minister of Health, The Thunder Bay District Health Unit, and MPP Lise Vaugeois.



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Sincerely,

J. Hall  
Chief Administration Officer/Clerk

**CC:**

MECP -Andrea Khanjin [minister.mecp@ontario.ca](mailto:minister.mecp@ontario.ca)

MOH – Sylvia Jones – [sylvia.jones@ontario.ca](mailto:sylvia.jones@ontario.ca)

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Virginia LaTour, Deputy City Clerk

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August 15, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau  
Office of the Prime Minister  
80 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2  
Via Email - justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca

**RE: Notice of Motion – Councillor Stedall – The Canada Community-Building Fund**

Dear Prime Minister:

This letter will serve to advise that at a meeting of City of Quinte West Council held on August 14, 2024 Council passed the following resolution:

**Motion No 24-366 – Notice of Motion - Councillor Stedall - The Canada Community-Building Fund**

Moved by Councillor Stedall

Seconded by Councillor McCue

Whereas the City of Quinte West is entering into an agreement to receive Canada Community-Building Funds, which is administered by the Association of Ontario Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) on behalf of the Federal government;

And whereas the funding allocations are less than 2% year over year for the next 5 years;

And whereas the amounts allocated in the past 5 years were less than 2% year over year;

And whereas non-residential construction price inflation has risen by 29% since the end of 2020 and municipalities are facing soaring costs for infrastructure projects without a corresponding growth in revenue;

And whereas there is a requirement for municipalities to complete an asset management plan and a housing needs analysis;

And whereas both of these plans show the large funding gap between infrastructure and housing needs and funds available from property taxation;

And whereas The City of Quinte West has over \$1.5 billion in core infrastructure assets and, like other municipalities, its infrastructure is aging and in need of upgrades and replacement;

And whereas The City's Asset Management Plan requires \$37 million annually to maintain existing assets which, based on current available funding, is resulting in an annual infrastructure deficit of over \$17.1 million;

And whereas municipalities are facing a gap in federal infrastructure funding as the 10-year Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program has come to an end;

Now therefore be it resolved that the City of Quinte West calls on the Federal Government to provide a supplement to the allocations provided to municipalities under the AMO CBBF agreement for 2024 - 2028 for the same amount that was allocated, effectively doubling the allocation for those years;

And further that this resolution be forwarded to MFOA, AMO, MP Ryan Williams, and Federal Finance Minister Chrystia Freeland, and all Municipalities in Ontario.  
**Carried**

We trust that you will give favourable consideration to this request.

Yours Truly,

CITY OF QUINTE WEST

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Virginia LaTour', with a large, loopy flourish extending from the end of the signature.

Virginia LaTour,  
Deputy City Clerk

cc: Donna Herridge, Executive Director, MFOA  
Colin Best, President, AMO  
Ryan Williams, MP, Bay of Quinte  
Hon. Chrystia Freeland, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance  
All Municipalities of Ontario



## CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF ESSEX

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### Honourable Doug Ford

Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building, Queens Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1  
[premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

August 19, 2024

### Standing Committee on Justice Policy

Lorne Coe, Chair  
Whitney Block, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor  
99 Wellesley Street West  
Toronto, ON N7A 1A2  
[Lorne.Coe@pc.ola.org](mailto:Lorne.Coe@pc.ola.org)

### BY EMAIL

RE: Bill 173, Intimate Partner Violence Epidemic Act, 2024

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Dear Honourable Doug Ford,

At its Regular Council Meeting held on August 12, 2024, Council passed a resolution regarding the importance of passing Bill 173, Intimate Partner Violence Epidemic Act, 2024 and the advancement of this bill as it requires the Government of Ontario to recognize that intimate partner violence is an epidemic in Ontario. Council noted that over 100 municipalities, police services and service providers across the province are declaring intimate partner violence as an epidemic. Council urges the Province to immediately pass Bill 173, Intimate Partner Epidemic Act, 2024 to recognize the pervasiveness and severity of the problem in an effort to stop the violence.

As a result of this discussion, Council passed the following resolution:

#### **R24-08-350**

Moved By Councillor Verbeek  
Seconded By Councillor McGuire-Blais

**That** in light of events locally and around the region, Council supports Bill 173, Intimate Partner Violence Epidemic Act, and urges the Province to immediately pass Bill 173 and declare at the provincial level that Intimate Partner Violence is an epidemic.

**Carried**



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I trust you will find this satisfactory. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joe", written over a light blue horizontal line.

Joseph Malandrucolo  
Director, Legal and legislative Services/Clerk  
[jmalandrucolo@essex.ca](mailto:jmalandrucolo@essex.ca)

**c.c. Honourable Sylvia Jones, Minister, Ministry of Health**

Anthony Leardi, MPP Essex

Lisa Gretzky, MPP Windsor West

Andrew Dowie, MPP Windsor-Tecumseh

Trevor Jones, MPP Chatham-Kent-Leamington

Marit Stiles, Leader, Official Opposition

County of Essex

Town of Amherstburg

Town of Kingsville

Municipality of Lakeshore

Town of LaSalle

Municipality of Leamington

Town of Tecumseh

Associations of Municipalities



**The Corporation of the Town of Grimsby  
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August 19, 2024

The Honourable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1  
[premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

Dear:

**RE: Request Provincial Government to Support Increasing Funding for Public  
Libraries and Community Museums**

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Grimsby at its meeting held on August 12, 2024, passed the following resolution:

**Moved:** Councillor Howe

**Seconded:** Councillor Baradziej

C-24- 228

Resolved that the correspondence from the Town of Fort Erie and Town of Lincoln regarding increased funding for Public Libraries and Community Museums be received and endorsed.

If you require any additional information, please let me know.

Regards,

Victoria Steele  
Town Clerk

CC The Honourable Stan Cho, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Gaming  
[stan.cho@pc.ola.org](mailto:stan.cho@pc.ola.org)  
The Association of Municipalities of Ontario [amo@amo.on.ca](mailto:amo@amo.on.ca)  
Local Area Municipalities  
Niagara Region  
All Ontario Municipalities

## Legislative Services

March 19, 2024

The Honourable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1  
[premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

Honourable and Dear Sir:

**Re: Support Town of Lincoln Resolution - Request Provincial Government to Support Increasing Funding for Public Libraries and Community Museums**

Please be advised the Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie at its meeting of March 18, 2024 received and supported correspondence from the Town of Lincoln dated February 28, 2024 requesting the Provincial Government to support increasing funding for Public Libraries and Community Museums.

Attached please find a copy of the Town of Lincoln correspondence dated February 28, 2024.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Peter Todd,  
Manager, Legislative Services / Town Clerk  
[ptodd@forterie.ca](mailto:ptodd@forterie.ca)  
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Attach.

c.c. The Honourable Neil Lumsden, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Sport [neil.lumsden@pc.ola.org](mailto:neil.lumsden@pc.ola.org)  
The Association of Municipalities of Ontario [amo@amo.on.ca](mailto:amo@amo.on.ca)  
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February 28, 2024

SENT VIA EMAIL: [Premier@ontario.ca](mailto:Premier@ontario.ca)

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

Dear Honourable Doug Ford:

**RE: Town of Lincoln Council Resolution – Urgent Need for Increased Funding to Libraries and Museums in Ontario**

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Lincoln at its Council Meeting held on February 26, 2024, passed the following motion regarding an Urgent Need for Increased Funding to Libraries and Museums in Ontario:

Resolution No: RC-2024-23

Moved by Mayor Easton; Seconded by Councillor Mike Mikolic

**WHEREAS** the provincial funding for public libraries is currently based on population levels from 25 years ago, which fails to reflect the substantial growth and changing needs of our communities. The Town of Lincoln Council wishes to draw your attention to the "Overdue" report of 2023 from the Canadian Urban Council, which emphasizes the pivotal role libraries play in various aspects of community life, including knowledge distribution, culture, health, reconciliation, belonging, and our democracy; and

**WHEREAS** libraries, situated at the heart of our communities, serve as multifaceted institutions catering to diverse needs. They provide essential services such as access to culture and information, refuge for those experiencing domestic violence, election information centers, job search facilities, health clinics, language learning centers for newcomers, and spaces for educational and community events. Despite their vital role, public libraries in Ontario have not seen an increase in provincial funding for over 25 years, leading to a decrease in the value of the province's investment by over 60%; and

**WHEREAS** the Town of Lincoln Council urges the Provincial Government to

consider increasing provincial funding for Ontario's public libraries to address critical shared priorities and community needs. While over 90% of library funding comes from local municipal governments, provincial operating funding is crucial for providing stability to library budgets, especially in times of inflation, technological changes, and increasing demands on libraries as community hubs; and

**WHEREAS** the Town of Lincoln Council would like to bring to the Provincial Government's attention the pressing need to increase the funding envelope for the Community Museum Operating Grant (CMOG). The Town of Lincoln currently receives \$25,000 annually, the maximum amount through this grant, but the funding envelope has remained stagnant for over 15 years. This limitation hampers the ability of community museums to offset increasing operational expenses, impacting their role in preserving and promoting local stories, attracting cultural tourists, supplementing school curriculum, and contributing to vibrant and vital communities; and

**WHEREAS** the Lincoln Museum and Cultural Centre is a community hub critical to the health and vibrancy of our community. An increase in CMOG funding will enable our museum to continue its valuable service to the community, creating a sense of place, attracting cultural tourists, and preserving local stories that define our unique identity; and

**WHEREAS** Cultural institutions, particularly museums, play a vital role in shaping and preserving our community's identity. They contribute to tourism, social participation, senior well-being, skill-building, and learning. As the largest government funder for most of Ontario's smaller museums, municipalities create value in their communities through the work of these institutions.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Town of Lincoln Council urges the Provincial Government to support increasing funding to both public libraries and community museums. Recognizing these institutions as national assets and strategically investing in their potential will contribute significantly to renewing post-pandemic social cohesion, economic well-being, and community resilience; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** this resolution be circulated to the Province, the Minister of Tourism, Culture and Sport, Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Niagara Region, the 12 Local Area Municipalities in Niagara and all municipalities of Ontario for endorsement.

**CARRIED**

If you require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Regards,



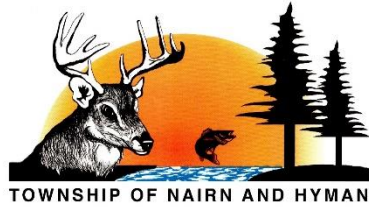
Julie Kirkelos

Town Clerk

[jkirkelos@lincoln.ca](mailto:jkirkelos@lincoln.ca)

JK/dp

Cc: Premier of Ontario  
Minister of Tourism, Culture and Sport  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
Ann-Marie Norio, Clerk, Niagara Region  
Local Area Municipalities  
All Ontario Municipalities



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August 21, 2024

Sent via email: [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

The Honourable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
Premier's Office, Room 281  
Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

**RE: Concerns with the Transport and Deposition of Naturally Occurring Radioactive Material (NORM)  
at the Agnew Lake Tailings Management Area (ALTMA)**

Dear Premier Ford,

I am writing to you on behalf of the Council of the Township of Nairn and Hyman and the Council of the Township of Baldwin to formally submit the attached resolution passed jointly by the two Councils at a Joint Emergency Council Meeting on August 19, 2024.

Our two Townships very recently learned of the decision to transport naturally occurring radioactive material (NORM) from the former Beaucage Mine Site and Nipissing First Nation reserve lands and deposit it at the Agnew Lake Tailings Management Area in the Township of Nairn and Hyman. The decision to transport and deposit NORM has far-reaching implications for the environment, public health, and safety of our communities, and this significant decision was made without any consultation with our municipalities and the other municipalities located near Agnew Lake or along the Highway 17 corridor.

In addition to the participation of our municipalities in this Emergency Council Meeting, many representatives from surrounding First Nations attended the meeting, underscoring the widespread concern across our region about this impending project. The planned transportation of NORM is scheduled to begin in the coming weeks, therefore we respectfully request your attention to this urgent matter.

The resolution reads as follows:

**RESOLUTION:** 2024-EM1-2

**DATE:** August 19, 2024

**MOVED BY:** Councillor McVey

**SECONDED BY:** Councillor Cote

**WHEREAS** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Nairn and Hyman and the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Baldwin have been informed of the decision to transport naturally occurring radioactive material (NORM) from the former Beaucage Mine and Nipissing First Nation reserve land, and deposit it at the Agnew Lake Tailings Management Area (ALTMA) in the Township of Nairn and Hyman; and

**WHEREAS** this decision has significant implications for the environment, public health, and safety of the surrounding communities, including those within the Township of Nairn and Hyman and the Township of Baldwin; and

**WHEREAS** the decision to transport and deposit NORM to the ALTMA site was made without any consultation with the Township of Nairn and Hyman or the other municipalities bordering Agnew Lake, resulting in the exclusion of local municipalities from the decision-making process; and

**WHEREAS** the exclusion of local municipalities from this process represents a serious breach of trust and a disregard for the well-being of the residents of these communities; and

**WHEREAS** there are significant concerns among residents regarding the potential contamination of drinking water sources, particularly Agnew Lake, which many residents rely on for safe drinking water; and

**WHEREAS** the risks associated with NORM are well-documented, and the proximity of the ALTMA to Agnew Lake heightens the concerns regarding the potential contamination of this vital water source; and

**WHEREAS** according to information received from the Ministry of Mines, there are already some areas of the ALTMA site where dose estimates exceed the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission's regulatory limit for casual site users; and

**WHEREAS** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Nairn and Hyman and the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Baldwin held a joint Emergency Council Meeting on August 19, 2024;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Nairn and Hyman and the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Baldwin respectfully demands that the Province of Ontario, the Ministry of Mines and the Ministry of Transportation immediately halt the project involving the transportation and deposition of NORM at the ALTMA site until a clear line of communication is established with local municipalities; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Nairn and Hyman and the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Baldwin respectfully demands full disclosure of all pertinent details regarding the proposed future NORM transportation and deposition plan, including specific transportation routes, emergency response plans, safety protocols, and the future management plan for the ALTMA site; and

**THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Nairn and Hyman and the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Baldwin insists that environmental and health impact assessments be conducted with input from independent experts, and that these assessments include opportunities for public hearings to ensure transparency and community involvement; and

**THAT** the Province of Ontario enact legislation that consultation with municipalities is a requirement of any projects that include the transportation or deposition of NORM; and

**THAT** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable George Pirie, the Minister of Mines; the Honourable Prabmeet Sarkaria, the Minister of Transportation; the Honourable Andrea Khanjin, the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks; Chief Toulouse and Sagamok Anishnawbek Council Members; Chief Nootchtai and Atikameksheng Anishnawbek Council Members; the Ontario Ombudsman; the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission; the Canadian Environmental Law Association; MP Carol Hughes; MPP Michael Mantha; the Association of Ontario Municipalities and all Ontario Municipalities.

**CARRIED**

For more information regarding this matter, please contact our municipal office by email at [belindaketchabaw@nairncentre.ca](mailto:belindaketchabaw@nairncentre.ca) or by phone at (705) 869-4232.

Yours truly,



Belinda Ketchabaw  
CAO Clerk Treasurer  
Township of Nairn and Hyman

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Cc:

Honourable George Pirie, the Minister of Mines  
Honourable Prabmeet Sarkaria, the Minister of Transportation  
Honourable Andrea Khanjin, the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks  
Chief Toulouse and Sagamok Anishnawbek Council Members  
Chief Nootchtai and Atikameksheng Anishnawbek Council Members  
Ontario Ombudsman  
Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission  
Canadian Environmental Law Association  
MP Carol Hughes  
MPP Michael Mantha  
Association of Ontario Municipalities  
All Ontario Municipalities



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August 21, 2024

Premier's Office  
Room 281  
Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Hon. Ford,

**Re: Public Sector Salary Disclosure**

At the August 6, 2024 Standing Committees meeting, Committee made the following recommendation:

***Moved by Councillor Dean Graff***

***Seconded by Councillor Don Stewart***

*That the report from the CAO-Treasurer entitled, "Public Sector Salary Disclosure" be received; and*

*That Committee recommends to Council the following resolution be adopted and forwarded to the Province of Ontario Premier's Office, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all Ontario Municipalities;*

*Now Therefore Be It Resolved That the Public Sector Salary Disclosure Act be updated to reflect the inflation rates since 1996; and further*

*That the Act be further updated so that the inflation rate is applied each year to the requirement to report public salaries.*

***Carried.***

This resolution was subsequently ratified and confirmed by Council at their meeting of August 19, 2024.

Sincerely,

Sydney Dodson  
Deputy Clerk

/sd

Cc: Roxanne Hearn – CAO/Treasurer, Premier Doug Ford, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, AMO, all Ontario Municipalities

August 12, 2024

VIA EMAIL

The Hon. Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building, Queens Park  
Room 281  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Hon. Doug Ford,

**Re: Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and Ontario Medical Association (OMA) Joint Health Resolution Campaign**

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At its Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, August 6, 2024, the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury Council approved the following resolution:

Resolution 2024-253  
Moved by: Councillor Scott  
Seconded by: Councillor Verkaik

That Council receive the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and the Ontario Medical Association (OMA) Joint Health Resolution Campaign for information; and

That Council support the motion as written:

WHEREAS the state of health care in Ontario is in crisis, with 2.3 million Ontarians lacking access to a family doctor, emergency room closures across the province, patients being de-rostered and 40% of family doctors considering retirement over the next five years; and

WHEREAS it has becoming increasingly challenging to attract and retain an adequate healthcare workforce throughout the health sector across Ontario; and

WHEREAS the Northern Ontario School of Medicine University says communities in northern Ontario are short more than 350 physicians, including more than 200 family doctors; and half of the physicians working in northern Ontario expected to retire in the next five years; and

WHEREAS Ontario municipal governments play an integral role in the health care system through responsibilities in public health, long-term care, and paramedicine.

WHEREAS the percentage of family physicians practicing comprehensive family medicine has declined from 77 in 2008 to 65 percent in 2022; and

WHEREAS per capita health-care spending in Ontario is the lowest of all provinces in Canada, and

WHEREAS a robust workforce developed through a provincial, sector-wide health human resources strategy would significantly improve access to health services across the province;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury urge the Province of Ontario to recognize the physician shortage in Bradford West Gwillimbury and Ontario, to fund health care appropriately and ensure every Ontarian has access to physician care; and

Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this resolution be circulated to the Premier of Ontario, Hon. Doug Ford; our local Member of Provincial Parliament, Hon. Caroline Mulroney, the Minister of Health, Hon. Sylvia Jones; and all Ontario municipalities.

CARRIED

Regards,



Tara Reynolds  
Deputy Clerk, Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury  
(905) 775-5366 Ext 1104  
[treynolds@townofbwg.com](mailto:treynolds@townofbwg.com)

CC:  
Hon. Caroline Mulroney, Member of Provincial Parliament  
Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health  
All Ontario Municipalities

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LARDER LAKE**

**69 Fourth Avenue, Larder Lake, ON**

Phone: 705-643-2158 Fax: 705-643-2311



MOVED BY:

- ☐ Thomas Armstrong  
☐ Patricia Hull  
☒ Paul Kelly  
☐ Lynne Paquette

SECONDED BY:

- ☐ Thomas Armstrong  
☐ Patricia Hull  
☐ Paul Kelly  
☒ Lynne Paquette

Motion #: 7

Resolution #: 7

Date: August 13, 2024

WHEREAS the state of health care in Ontario is in crisis, with 2.3 million Ontarians lacking access to a family doctor, emergency room closures across the province, patients being de-rostered and 40% of family doctors considering retirement over the next five years; and

WHEREAS it has becoming increasingly challenging to attract and retain an adequate healthcare workforce throughout the health sector across Ontario; and

WHEREAS the Northern Ontario School of Medicine University says communities in northern Ontario are short more than 350 physicians, including more than 200 family doctors; and half of the physicians working in northern Ontario expected to retire in the next five years; and (Northern Ontario only)

WHEREAS Ontario municipal governments play an integral role in the health care system through responsibilities in public health, long-term care, paramedicine, and other investments.

WHEREAS the percentage of family physicians practicing comprehensive family medicine has declined from 77 in 2008 to 65 percent in 2022; and

WHEREAS per capita health-care spending in Ontario is the lowest of all provinces in Canada, and

WHEREAS a robust workforce developed through a provincial, sector-wide health human resources strategy would significantly improve access to health services across the province;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Larder Lake urge the Province of Ontario to recognize the physician shortage in the district of Timiskaming and Ontario, to fund health care appropriately and ensure every Ontarian has access to physician care.

Recorded vote requested: ☐

	For	Against
Tom Armstrong	✓	
Patricia Hull		
Paul Kelly	✓	
Lynne Paquette	✓	
Patty Quinn	✓	

I declare this motion

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**Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest\***


Chair: 

\*Disclosed his/her (their) interest(s), abstained from discussion and did not vote on this question.

August 13, 2024

Via email: [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building  
Queen's Park  
Toronto ON M7A 1A1  
Dear Mr. Best:

**RE: Request for the Provincial Government to Recognize the Physician Shortage  
in the Township of Lake of Bays**

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Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays, at its last regularly scheduled meeting on August 13, 2024, passed the following resolution,

**“Resolution TC-206-2024**

**WHEREAS the state of health care in Ontario is in crisis, with 2.3 million Ontarians lacking access to a family doctor, emergency room closures across the province, patients being de-rostered and 40% of family doctors considering retirement over the next five years;**

**AND WHEREAS it has become increasingly challenging to attract and retain an adequate healthcare workforce throughout the health sector across Ontario;**

**AND WHEREAS the Northern Ontario School of Medicine University says communities in northern Ontario are short more than 350 physicians, including more than 200 family doctors; and half of the physicians working in northern Ontario expected to retire in the next five years;**

**AND WHEREAS Ontario municipal governments play an integral role in the health care system through responsibilities in public health, long-term care, and paramedicine.**

**AND WHEREAS the percentage of family physicians practicing comprehensive family medicine has declined from 77 in 2008 to 65 percent in 2022;**

**AND WHEREAS** per capita health-care spending in Ontario is the lowest of all provinces in Canada,

**AND WHEREAS** a robust workforce developed through a provincial, sector-wide health human resources strategy would significantly improve access to health services across the province;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays urge the Province of Ontario to recognize the physician shortage in the Township of Lake of Bays and Ontario, to fund health care appropriately and ensure every Ontarian has access to physician care.

**Carried.”**

Sincerely,



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

CS/lv

Copy to:

Hon. Sylvia Jones (Ontario Minister of Health) - [sylvia.jones@ontario.ca](mailto:sylvia.jones@ontario.ca)  
Dr. Kieran Moore (Chief Medical Officer of Health) - [Kieran.Moore@ontario.ca](mailto:Kieran.Moore@ontario.ca)  
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## The Corporation of the Township of Terrace Bay

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August 14, 2024

AMO  
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OMA  
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Toronto, Ontario M5S 3C1

At the Township of Terrace Bay Regular Council Meeting held on Monday July 15, 2024, the following resolution of support was passed.

Re: AMO/OMA Joint Health Resolution MD Shortage in Ontario

### **Resolution 220-2024**

**Moved By: Councillor Johnson**

**Seconded By: Councillor Dube**

WHEREAS the state of health care in Ontario is in crisis, with 2.3 million Ontarians lacking access to a family doctor, emergency room closures across the province, patients being de-rostered and 40% of family doctors considering retirement over the next five years; and

WHEREAS it has becoming increasingly challenging to attract and retain an adequate healthcare workforce throughout the health sector across Ontario; and

WHEREAS the Northern Ontario School of Medicine University says communities in northern Ontario are short more than 350 physicians, including more than 200 family doctors; and half of the physicians working in northern Ontario expected to retire in the next five years; and

WHEREAS Ontario municipal governments play an integral role in the health care system through responsibilities in public health, long-term care, paramedicine, and other investments. WHEREAS the percentage of family physicians practicing comprehensive family medicine has declined from 77 in 2008 to 65 percent in 2022; and

WHEREAS per capita health-care spending in Ontario is the lowest of all provinces in Canada; and

WHEREAS a robust workforce developed through a provincial, sector-wide health human resources strategy would significantly improve access to health services across the province;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of The Township of Terrace Bay urge the Province of Ontario to recognize the physician shortage in the Township of Terrace Bay and Ontario, to fund health care appropriately and ensure every Ontarian has access to physician care.

Sincerely,

J. Hall  
Chief Administration Officer/Clerk