



The Corporation of the Township of Malahide

CORRESPONDENCE AGENDA

April 7, 2022 – 7:30 p.m.

(F) Correspondence:

1. Association of Municipalities of Ontario - Watch File – dated March 17, 2022, March 24, 2022 and March 31, 2022. **(Pages C2 - 10)**
2. City of Waterloo – Resolution requesting the Province of Ontario to build it right the first time in respect to energy performance standards **(Pages 11-13)**
3. County of Elgin – Resolution regarding notice of library draft lease renewals that will be presented to Township Council for consideration and execution before the end of 2022. **(Pages 14-40)**
4. Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing – Information regarding the More Homes for Everyone Plan to address the housing crisis in Ontario. **(Page 41)**
5. The Corporation of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills – Resolution calling for government action concerning the current legislation and regulations surrounding municipal requirements to take over and maintain abandoned operating cemeteries. **(Page 42)**
6. Halton Hills, City of Cambridge and Reform Gravel Mining Coalition (RGMC) – Resolution requesting that the Ontario government be requested to impose an immediate temporary moratorium on all new gravel mining applications pending further review. **(Pages 43-51)**
7. Town of Fort Erie – Resolution requesting that the government tighten their timelines for Climate Change Plans to be reflective of the urgency it demands for immediate and meaningful action and that all Ontario Municipalities that do not have plans in place to implement an affirmative Climate Change Action Plan. **(Pages 52-54)**
8. Ontario Nurses - Repeal Bill 124 and take action to address the health care human resources crisis in Ontario. **(Pages 55-56)**

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March 17, 2022

In This Issue

- AMO's 2022 Provincial Election Strategy 8-point plan.
- PJ Marshall Awards - Call for submissions for 2022 now open.
- Seniors Community Grant Funding announcement.
- Update on AMO 2022 Conference and Annual General Meeting.
- AMO/LAS *Municipal Energy Symposium* March 31 - April 1.
- Webinar: Prevention strategy, H&S rep training update, & rebates from WSIB.
- Webinar: Jump-start your Digital Transformation with an e-signature solution.
- Webinar: Breaking down barriers - Accessible digital solutions for your community.
- What upcoming changes are expected with the carbon tax? Read our blog.
- FCM funding still available for Road & Sidewalk Assessments.
- Canoe vendor spotlight: ARI Phoenix.
- Canoe webinar: Johnson Controls.
- ONE Investment Spring 2022 webinar: Why Proxy Votes Are Important for ESG.
- Register to vote in the 2022 Ontario Municipal and School Board Elections.
- Careers: Orillia, Hastings, Brock, Windsor and Hornepayne.

AMO Matters

AMO's [2022 provincial election strategy](#) sets out an eight-point plan and asks all Ontario political parties to commit to AMO's vision for economic recovery, prosperity, and increased opportunity. Municipalities are the foundation of Ontario's success.

Every year at the AMO Conference the [PJ Marshall Awards](#) recognize municipal excellence and innovation in capital projects, operating efficiencies, and new approaches to service delivery. If you have something you are proud to share, the deadline for [2022 submissions](#) is May 27, 2022.

Provincial Matters

The Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility [announced](#) that the province is doubling the Seniors Community Grant Funding. [Applications](#) to the Grant are open until April 28.

Eye on Events

Information on the AMO Conference will be coming to you soon! Confirmation on the conference format, registration and hotel bookings will all be available in early April. Check back [here](#) for details.

AMO and LAS are excited to host a virtual *Municipal Energy Symposium* March 31 - April 1. This leading edge event takes a critical look at the intersection of climate change, land use planning and energy post-COP26. Explore examples of how municipalities are planning for the future and what this means to daily operations. Register [here](#).

On March 24, join AMO's Health and Safety partner, 4S, for a virtual roundtable discussion with the Chief Prevention Officer and the WSIB. Learn more about the CPO's prevention strategy for 2022, health and safety rep training updates, and earning rebates from the WSIB Excellence and Ontario's SOSE program. [Register today](#).

As municipalities move from paper to electronic filing, authentication of these files is a critical challenge. On March 23, 9 am - 10 am ET, join AMO's partner, Notarius, and learn how ConsignO Cloud can greatly reduce the signing time of documents and allow anyone to sign legally reliable documents electronically with a phone, a tablet, or a computer. [Register today](#).

eSolutionsGroup, AMO's barrier-free website partner, offers members cost-effective digital solutions that meet accessibility requirements. [Join us for a free webinar](#) on March 30 from 11 am to 12 pm ET, where we discuss various web solutions that will help you engage and serve your community effectively.

LAS

Carbon Tax charges are rising on April 1. Read our [latest blog](#) and learn more about how you can plan for budgeting if you're in the [LAS Natural Gas Procurement](#) program.

The [FCM Municipal Asset Management Program \(MAMP\)](#) is a perfect fit for the [LAS Road & Sidewalk Assessment Service](#). Get high-quality data to help manage your roads efficiently and receive up to \$50,000 to make the project affordable. [Contact Tanner](#) for more information.

We're pleased to welcome ARI Phoenix to the [Canoe Procurement Group](#). Keep your machinery running smoothly with column and scissor lifts, tire balancers, brake lathes, transmission jacks, and a range of other equipment. [Contact Simon](#) to learn more.

Johnson Controls supplies security & surveillance systems, wireless networks, building automation, fire alarms, and a range of other high-tech solutions. [Join us on April 6](#) to learn how you can improve your security and efficiency using their offerings. One of over 170 vendors from the [Canoe Procurement Group](#).

ONE Investment

ONE Investment is hosting a Spring webinar on April 12, collaborating with our external portfolio manager Guardian Capital to discuss "Why Proxy Votes Are Important for ESG Principles (Environmental, Social and Governance)." To register and know what will be covered in the webinar, [click here](#).

Municipal Wire*

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Careers

[City Clerk - City of Orillia](#). Responsible for planning, directing and administering all activities of the Clerk's Division. [Apply online](#) by March 25.

[Purchasing Coordinator - County of Hastings](#). This position will assist with the co-ordination and facilitation of the procurement process. Apply to careers@hastingscounty.com by March 24, 2022.

[Director of Finance/Treasurer - Town of Brock](#). Responsible for managing all financial affairs of the Township. Apply to hr@brock.ca by March 23.

[Commissioner of Human and Health Services - City of Windsor](#). Assists the CAO to implement the Corporation's strategic direction, ensuring superior service delivery for residents. [Apply online](#) by April 1.

[Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk - Township of Hornepayne](#). Responsible for the strategic leadership and efficient delivery of all administrative and operational services. Apply to info.hpayne@bellnet.ca by March 31.

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- Seniors Community Grant Funding announcement.
- Community engagement for IESO Long-Term RFP.
- Call for Nominations to Stakeholder Advisory Committee.
- AMO/LAS *Municipal Energy Symposium* March 31 - April 1.
- Webinar: Breaking down barriers - Accessible digital solutions for your community.
- NEW Canoe category: Tree maintenance equipment.
- Canoe webinars: Johnson Controls, Legal/Procurement update.
- ONE Investment Spring 2022 webinar: Why Proxy Votes Are Important for ESG.
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Provincial Matters

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Municipal and Indigenous engagement activities are underway as part of IESO's Long Term RFP for new and expanded facilities to meet Ontario's emerging reliability needs. Details on engagement for communities, stakeholders and interested parties throughout the process are available here.

IESO is calling for a municipal representative to join its Stakeholder Advisory Committee. Nominees could include elected officials, municipal staff, and other members of the municipal landscape.

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LAS

We're pleased to welcome Vermeer and Morbark to the Canoe Procurement Group.

They are the approved suppliers under the NEW Tree Maintenance Equipment category. Trees make a community picturesque but aren't always low-maintenance - keep them beautiful by using the right tools for the job. [Contact Simon](#) for more information.

Join us for the last two [Canoe Procurement Group](#) webinars before we wrap up for the summer. On April 6 hear from Johnson Controls, supplier of high-tech facility monitoring, security systems and fire alarms - [register here](#). On April 20 we will host our annual Legal/Procurement Update, providing information to keep your purchasing compliant with the law – [register here](#).

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Careers

[Senior Financial Planning Analyst - City of Orillia](#). Participate in the development and implementation of policies / procedures and internal control processes. [Apply online](#) by April 4.

[Development Services and Engineering Department - City of Orillia](#). Maintain compliance with Ontario Regulation 588/17 and other regulations pertaining to asset management. [Apply online](#) by April 6.

[Program Analyst, Corporate Asset Management - City of Hamilton](#). Responsible for supporting the engagement of asset owners from across the organization. [Apply online](#) by March 30.

[Project Manager – Development Engineering - Town of New Tecumseth](#). Some responsibilities include: reviewing drawings, plans, reports, and specifications and providing advisory support. Apply to arthur@wmc.on.ca by April 19.

[Strategic Workspace Planner - City of Burlington](#). The Planner plays a critical role in the City's property strategy to deliver corporate facilities that optimize workspace experience. [Apply online](#) by April 8.

[Finance Manager-Treasurer - Municipality of Huron East](#). Responsible for performing all statutory duties of the Treasurer in accordance with the *Municipal Act* and other legislation. Apply to cao@huroneast.com by April 22.

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- ROMA Board seeking member input on Attainable Housing in Rural Ontario.
- AMO 2022 important information - Room block release and registration launch
- Canoe vendor spotlight: Gradall.
- Road & Sidewalk Assessment info sessions.
- Don't miss Canoe's final spring webinars.
- ONE Investment Spring 2022 webinar: Why Proxy Votes Are Important for ESG.
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ROMA Matters

The ROMA Board has established a Rural Attainable Housing Task Force to develop policy solutions and strategies that consider the realities of rural Ontario and to implement the housing recommendations found in the [Opportunities for Rural Ontario in a Post-Covid World](#) action plan. The Board is asking members to take 5 minutes to complete [a survey](#) that will provide valuable information to support the work of the Task Force.

Eye on Events

AMO's first in-person conference in two years officially launches next week! [Book your hotel rooms](#) in the beautiful City of Ottawa April 4 at 10 am and take advantage of early bird [registration](#) on April 11 at 10 am. Questions? Contact events@amo.on.ca.

LAS

We're pleased to welcome Gradall to the [Canoe Procurement Group](#). This contract offers hydro vac, sewer jet, industrial vacuums, and combination jet & vac machines. With over 200 contracts, Canoe makes buying what you need quicker and cheaper. [Contact Simon](#) to learn more.

The [LAS Road & Sidewalk Assessment Service](#) brings modern technology and intelligent asset management to your streets and sidewalks. Join us on April 21 to learn how this program helps you save money while improving your infrastructure. [Register Here](#).

Join us for the last 2 [Canoe Procurement Group](#) webinars before summer. On April 6 we'll hear from Johnson Controls, provider of security systems, fire alarms, building automation, and many more technologies. [Register here](#). On April 20 the Canoe legal team will provide an update to make sure your purchases are done in full compliance with laws and trade agreements. [Register here](#).

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Careers

Regional Program Manager - The Ministry of Labour, Training and Skills Development.

The Ministry is looking for 3 strong transformational leaders (Central, East, West) to take on the role to lead the Employment Service Transformation implementation and delivery. [Apply online](#) by April 6.

Planner - Township of Douro-Dummer. Provides planning services to address the corporate strategic objectives and guide growth and development. Apply to hr@dourodummer.on.ca by April 22.

Treasurer - Haldimand County. The incumbent will execute the statutory duties of the position, ensure the Corporation adheres to all acts, regulations, policies and procedures in carrying out its financial responsibility. [Apply online](#) by April 18.

Chief Administrative Officer - Township of Adjala-Tosorontio. Responsible for the strategic leadership and efficient delivery of all the municipality's administrative and operational services. Apply to careers@waterhousesearch.ca by April 15.

Chief Administrative Officer - Municipality of Chatham-Kent. Develops and implements operational plans and ensures the coordination of services which align to and support strategic priorities. Apply to careers@waterhousesearch.ca by April 22.

Director of Finance - South Nation Conservation. The South Nation Conservation is seeking an experienced professional, with the knowledge, skills, and abilities to provide financial leadership and risk management. Apply to careers@nation.on.ca by April 19.

Advisor Continuous Improvement - Region of Peel. Provides expertise supporting the capability and effectiveness of the Human Services processes, including analysis, interpretation and development. [Apply online](#) by April 13.

Grants Specialist & Treasury Administration - Town of Wasaga Beach. Responsible for researching and coordinating applications in pursuit of grant opportunities at the Federal. [Apply online](#) by April 19.

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March 23, 2022

Hon. Steve Clark
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
College Park, 17th Floor
777 Bay St.
Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

**RE: Resolution from the City of Waterloo passed March 21st, 2022 re: Ontario
Must Build it Right the First Time**

Dear Minister Clark,

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Waterloo at its Council meeting held on Monday, March 21st, 2022 resolved as follows:

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario adopted greenhouse gas reduction targets of 30% by 2030, and emissions from buildings represented 22% of the province's 2017 emissions,

WHEREAS all Waterloo Region municipalities, including the City of Waterloo, adopted greenhouse gas reduction targets of 80% below 2012 levels by 2050 and endorsed in principle a 50% reduction by 2030 interim target that requires the support of bold and immediate provincial and federal actions,

WHEREAS greenhouse gas emissions from buildings represent 45% of all emissions in Waterloo Region, and an important strategy in the TransformWR community climate action strategy, adopted by all Councils in Waterloo Region, targets new buildings to be net-zero carbon or able to transition to net-zero carbon using region-wide building standards and building capacity and expertise of building operators, property managers, and in the design and construction sector,

WHEREAS the City of Waterloo recently adopted a net-zero carbon policy for new local government buildings and endorsed a corporate greenhouse gas and energy roadmap to achieve a 50% emissions reduction by 2030 for existing local government buildings and net-zero emissions by 2050 (provided the provincial electricity grid is also net-zero emissions),

WHEREAS the draft National Model Building Code proposes energy performance tiers for new buildings and a pathway to requiring net zero ready construction in new buildings, allowing the building industry, skilled trades, and suppliers to adapt on a predictable and reasonable timeline while encouraging innovation;

WHEREAS the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing is consulting on changes for the next edition of the Ontario Building Code (ERO #: 019-4974) that generally aligns with the draft National Model Building Code except it does not propose adopting energy performance tiers, it does not propose timelines for increasing minimum energy performance standards step-by-step to the highest energy performance tier, and, according to Efficiency Canada and The Atmospheric Fund, it proposes adopting minimum energy performance standards that do not materially improve on the requirements in the current Ontario Building code;

WHEREAS buildings with better energy performance provide owners and occupants with lower energy bills, improved building comfort, and resilience from power disruptions that are expected to be more common in a changing climate, tackling both inequality and energy poverty;

WHEREAS municipalities are already leading the way in adopting or developing energy performance tiers as part of Green Development Standards, including Toronto and Whitby with adopted standards and Ottawa, Pickering, and others with standards in development;

WHEREAS the City of Waterloo is finalizing Green Development Standards for its west side employment lands and actively pursuing Green Development Standards in partnership with the Region of Waterloo, the Cities of Kitchener and Cambridge, and all local electricity and gas utilities through WR Community Energy;

WHEREAS while expensive retrofits of the current building stock to achieve future net zero requirements could be aligned with end-of-life replacement cycles to be more cost-efficient, new buildings that are not constructed to be net zero ready will require substantial retrofits before end-of-life replacement cycles at significantly more cost, making it more cost-efficient to build it right the first time.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council request the Province of Ontario to include energy performance tiers and timelines for increasing minimum energy performance standards step-by-step to the highest energy performance tier in the next edition of the Ontario Building Code, consistent with the intent of the draft National Model Building Code and the necessity of bold and immediate provincial action on climate change;

THAT Council request the Province of Ontario to adopt a more ambitious energy performance tier of the draft National Model Building Code as the minimum requirement for the next edition of the Ontario Building Code than those currently proposed;

THAT Council request the Province of Ontario provide authority to municipalities to adopt a specific higher energy performance tier than the Ontario Building Code, which would provide more consistency for developers and homebuilders than the emerging patchwork of municipal Green Development Standards;

THAT Council request the Province of Ontario to facilitate capacity, education and training in the implementation of the National Model Building Code for municipal planning and building inspection staff, developers, and homebuilders to help build capacity; and

THAT this resolution be provided to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, to area MPPs, and to all Ontario Municipalities.

Please accept this letter for information purposes only.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Julie Scott".

Julie Scott
City Clerk, City of Waterloo

CC (by email):

Catherine Fife, M.P.P (Waterloo)
Laura Mae Lindo, M.P.P (Kitchener Centre)
Belinda C. Karahalios, M.P.P (Cambridge)
Amy Fee, M.P.P (Kitchener-South Hespeler)
Mike Harris, M.P.P (Kitchener-Conestoga)

March 16, 2022

Council of the Township of Malahide
87 John Street South
Aylmer, ON N5H 2C3

Re: Notice of lease renewals for Elgin County Library branch facilities

Dear Members of Council:

Please be advised that Elgin County Council approved the following recommendations at the March 8, 2022 meeting:

RESOLVED THAT the presentation titled "Setting the Framework for Library Lease Renewals" dated March 8, 2022 from the Director of Community and Cultural Services be received and filed; and

THAT a standardized lease rate of \$17 per square foot be established for all ten library facilities; and

THAT notice be provided to local municipal partners and the Port Stanley Festival Theatre regarding the need to execute new lease agreements for Elgin County Library branches by the end of 2022. - Motion Carried.

Enclosed please find the presentation that was received by County Council. A draft lease agreement will be presented to your Council for consideration and execution well before the end of 2022.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further questions.

Yours in partnership,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B. Masschaele', with a stylized, cursive script.

Brian Masschaele
Director of Community and Cultural Services

Cc: Julie Gonyou, CAO

Setting the Framework for Library Lease Renewals

Presentation to Elgin County Council

March 8, 2022



ElginCounty
Progressive by Nature

Overview

1. Library Lease Renewals – The opportunity for a ten-year+ framework beginning in 2023
2. Branch overviews and recent improvements
3. Current leases – The background story and current payments
4. Peer comparisons with other county library systems
5. Local market considerations
6. The case for standardized leases with a common base rate
7. Council options
8. Timelines
9. Recommendations
10. Questions
11. Appendix – Current lease agreement example (for Straffordville Library)

Library Lease Renewals – The Opportunity

Elgin County Library leases its ten branches from local municipal partners and the Port Stanley Festival Theatre. These leases all expire at the end of 2022. After 16 years, County Council now has an opportunity to review these leases, establish a sustainable framework for the future and engage local municipal partners and the Port Stanley Festival Theatre in the process. Direction is now being sought from County Council on a path forward for lease renewals for 2023 and beyond, considering matters such as:

- ▶ Having the same standard agreement apply to all ten locations;
- ▶ Determining whether to use a new base rate for square footage payments for all ten locations or whether to consider local market factors which will likely result in variable payments;
- ▶ Partnership opportunities;
- ▶ The appropriate term for the initial lease and any subsequent renewals.

Straffordville Library



- 4,000 square feet leased from Municipality of Bayham
- Recent improvements: Accessible washrooms and extensive interior renovations in 2012; elevator installed in 2021

Fred Bodsworth Public Library of Port Burwell



- 800 square feet leased from Municipality of Bayham
- Recent improvements: Accessible ramp in 2018; Interior renovations, accessibility improvements and exterior signage in 2019

Springfield Library



- 1,850 square feet leased from Township of Malahide as part of Malahide Community Place
- Opened as part of Malahide Community Place in 2010

Belmont Library



- 3,199 square feet leased from the Municipality of Central Elgin
- Expansion and interior renovations in 2015-16 to include an accessible entrance, elevator, expanded children's area and exterior signage

Aylmer Library



- 3,081 square feet leased from the Town of Aylmer
- Front entrance door assist hardware installed in 2018; new circulation desk and furnishings installed in 2018; flooring replacement throughout in stages between 2018 and 2020

Port Stanley Library



- 4,640 square feet leased from the Port Stanley Festival Theatre
- Extensive renovations in 2014, including flooring, windows, staff areas and a loading dock. Interior painting in 2019

Southwold Township Library, Shedden



- 3,657 square feet leased from the Township of Shedden as part of the Keystone Complex
- Opened in 2017

John Kenneth Galbraith Library, Dutton



- 5,000 square feet leased from the Municipality of Dutton Dunwich
- Barrier-free washroom installed in 2018; exterior digital signage installed in 2021

West Lorne Library



- 1,793 square feet leased from the Municipality of West Elgin as part of the West Lorne Community Complex
- Entire space refurbished in 2007. Ceiling and roof repairs in 2021

Rodney Library



- 1,428 square feet leased from the Municipality of West Elgin
- Extensive interior renovations in 2011

Current Leases - Background

- Current leases established in 2007 and apply to all branches except Aylmer which was under a separate 40-year lease
- All leases, including Aylmer, will expire at the end of 2022, having been renewed twice over the term
- All leases are with local municipal partners with the exception of Port Stanley which is owned by the Port Stanley Festival Theatre but has the same lease
- Leases establish a “tenant / landlord relationship” between the County of Elgin (the tenant) and local municipal partners (the landlord)
 - In exchange for regular lease payments from the County, local municipal partners and the Port Stanley Festival Theatre (the building owners) are responsible for construction, repairs and capital maintenance of facilities (such as cleaning and snow removal)
- All branches have benefitted from improvements and timely maintenance under the current leasing framework. In particular, major improvements have been made to make branches **more accessible** using lease revenue and the federal government’s Enabling Accessibility Fund through the support of the County’s Accessibility Coordinator

Current Leases - Background

- Current lease established a base rate of \$12 per square foot based on an assessment of contemporary market rates, particularly as they applied to Port Stanley at the time (which was the highest rate), with provision for annual inflationary increases based on the October consumer price index (CPI) for the previous year
- Not all local municipal partners adopted the standard lease at the same time. This has resulted in inconsistent payments to local municipal partners over the course of the lease's term.

2022 Lease Payments

Branch	Lease Payment Per Square Foot (2022 rate)
Straffordville	\$16.03 to Bayham
Port Burwell	\$16.03 to Bayham
Springfield	\$15.28 to Malahide
Aylmer	\$7 to Aylmer (40-yr lease expires 2022)
Belmont	\$15.80 to Central Elgin
Port Stanley	\$17.04 to Port Stanley Festival Theatre
Shedden	\$13.94 to Southwold
Dutton	\$16.03 to Dutton Dunwich
West Lorne	\$16.03 to West Elgin
Rodney	\$16.03 to West Elgin

Peer Comparisons – What do other county libraries pay?

Payments by a county to local municipal partners is common practice in two-tier counties as the local municipality is in the strongest position to determine where the library is best located based on local planning considerations, opportunities for co-location with other services and size of facility that can be sustained to meet the community's needs.

An informal survey of other county library systems indicates that the rates paid by Elgin County to local municipal partners are the highest among county systems in Ontario. Here is a sampling of rates paid by other county systems:

- ▶ Middlesex County Library - \$7.18 to \$11.35 per square foot with tiered rates depending on level of service provided;
- ▶ Oxford County Library – Variable rates based on local market factors, ranging from \$2.92 per square foot to \$13.50 per square foot;
- ▶ Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry Library - \$8.34 per square foot + cleaning costs;
- ▶ Huron County Library - \$10,000 to \$15,000 annually per location through a maintenance grant to local municipal partners depending on size and level of service provided;
- ▶ Bruce County Public Library - \$8.09 per square foot with 2% annual inflationary increase;
- ▶ Kingston-Frontenac Public Library – no payments to local municipal partners who also provide cleaning and maintenance services.

Local Market Conditions

- Square footage rates for commercial properties across Elgin County do vary depending on location.
- A market analysis was completed for leased space in the Elgin County Administration Building (ECAB) in 2018. This study revealed that market rates at that time for the ECAB were \$13 to \$15 per square foot, inclusive of utilities, parking, cleaning and capital maintenance.
- Current tenant lease rates in ECAB do vary but are in the vicinity of \$18.20 per square foot, inclusive of utilities, parking, cleaning and capital maintenance. Effectively, this is the current market rate in ECAB.
- The 2018 ECAB market analysis cost \$3,000 to complete. A market analysis for library branches will cost considerably more given that ten locations will be involved, each with unique market rate considerations.

The case for standardized leases

- While facilities do vary in terms of size, age and general building conditions, the current leasing framework has worked well over recent years, helping to inspire new facilities, expansions and improvements **throughout the system** while at the same time making roles and responsibilities clear between both parties.
 - Some county systems expressed challenges with issues like the frequency of cleaning, snow removal and responsibility for repairs and are contemplating terms similar to what Elgin County already has in place. While Elgin County does pay the highest rates, these issues largely do not exist here given that there is a clear understanding that lease payments are intended to cover **all** costs associated with maintenance and capital upgrades through clear terms which are articulated in lease agreements.
- A standard lease with a new base rate that applies to all locations is also in keeping with recommendations of the Service Delivery Review to eliminate inefficient processes. Variable rates will require a costly market review, will result in regular reconciliations by finance staff and could create expectations of tiered service based on the amount that is being paid or how well the facility is being maintained.

The case for standardized leases

- ▶ Port Stanley Festival Theatre previously adopted the standard lease that applies to other municipally owned buildings and there is no indication that they will not participate in a renewal with standardized terms similar to LMPs going forward. However, Council can consider Port Stanley as a separate entity and negotiate outside of this framework.
- ▶ In the case of Aylmer, this lease is unique in the system in that it does establish a tenant / landlord relationship in exchange for square footage payments to the town (\$7 per square foot), but it also contains provisions for shared capital costs on the building. It is recommended that all municipal partners, including Aylmer, be offered similar terms for lease renewals in 2023 which means that the County will no longer be responsible for major capital costs in exchange for enhanced payments to the Town of Aylmer.
 - ▶ The County has precedence in revising active leases to encompass new or larger facilities. For instance, revisions were made to leases for both Springfield and Belmont branches when a new facility and expansion were achieved at these locations. Agreeing to a five-year lease for the current location of Aylmer Library will not prevent Aylmer Town Council from proceeding with re-location or expansion to the library whenever the opportunity arises.

A new base rate of \$17 per square foot?

- In lieu of a comprehensive market analysis, Council may wish to consider making the current rate paid to Port Stanley as the new base rate for all locations. This was the approach taken in 2007 and has worked well. This would mean that a base rate of \$17 would serve as the new base for all locations beginning in 2023, with annual CPI adjustments applied thereafter.
- 29,448 square feet is currently leased by the library across the system from municipal partners and Port Stanley Festival Theatre. Using the 2022 rates above, the impact in 2023 of moving to a base rate of \$17.00 per square feet will result in an annual budget increase of approximately \$27,000 after projected CPI increases are applied to 2023. Approximately \$18,000 of this increase can be attributed to a rise in payments to the Town of Aylmer in exchange for adopting the standard lease. Should Council opt to go in the direction of establishing \$17 per square foot as the new base rate, a placeholder will be put into the draft 2023 budget with recommendations on how to fund this increase for consideration as part of the 2023 budget process.
- Such an increase is sustainable and will make payments truly equitable across the system for the first time. These payments have proven successful in maintaining branches to a high standard.

Other issues to consider as part of renewals

- ▶ Terms to allow for usage of library facilities by community partners and organizations beyond library operating hours. There is capacity to consider usage by community groups and partner agencies beyond formal operating hours. This may also be a revenue opportunity for both the library and local municipal partners.
- ▶ More explicit terms for facility improvements such as painting and flooring improvements based on a multi-year schedule.
- ▶ Terms that allow leases to be adapted should a new or larger facility emerge.
- ▶ Provision for staff parking wherever necessary, particularly at Port Stanley and Aylmer.

Council options for lease renewals

- Option 1: Standardized for all locations with a common base rate per square foot. \$17 per square foot is recommended;
- Option 2: Standardized terms that maintain the tenant / landlord relationship between the County and local municipal partners / Port Stanley Festival Theatre but with variable rates paid based on an assessment of local market factors;
- Option 3: Standardized terms and a common base rate based on a market evaluation for the nine branches owned by local municipal partners **and** a non-standard lease with Port Stanley Festival Theatre with rates that would apply to Port Stanley Library only.

For each option, it is recommended that leases apply for an initial five-year term and at least one renewal of five years and possibly a second renewal. Leases do need to be long-term to give the library and municipal partners stability to provide the service and to plan capital improvements.

Timeline for achieving lease renewals

- Immediately – Consider Council feedback. What further information does Council need?
- Provide initial notice to local municipal partners and the Port Stanley Festival Theatre regarding the need to renew leases for 2023 and beyond with anticipated timelines for execution. A presentation to local CAOs seeking their initial feedback has already been made.
- End of May 2022 - Based on Council's direction, engage in the necessary background research for the purposes of presenting a draft framework for County Council approval.
- End of July 2022 – In partnership with the County Solicitor, present draft lease agreements to local municipal partners and Port Stanley Festival Theatre with a deadline of October 1st, 2022 to authorize. This will give local municipal partners two months to consider and approve agreements. These renewals will not be impacted should lame duck status apply;
- November 1, 2002 – Provide a summary update to County Council regarding renewals to take effect in 2023.

Recommendations

THAT the March 8, 2022 presentation titled “Setting the Framework for Library Lease Renewals”, submitted by the Director of Community and Cultural Services, be received and filed for information, and;

THAT Elgin County Council provide direction on the matter of establishing common terms and a common base rate for all ten library facilities; and,

THAT notice be provided to local municipal partners and the Port Stanley Festival Theatre regarding the need to execute new lease agreements for Elgin County Library branches by the end of 2022.

Thank you!

Brian Masschaele, Director of Community and Cultural Services



ElginCounty
Progressive by Nature

March 31, 2022

Good Afternoon,

On March 30, 2022, the government released its [More Homes for Everyone Plan](#), that proposes targeted policies and initiatives for the immediate term to address market speculation, protect homebuyers and increase housing supply.

Details about the range of measures in the government's plan can be found in the news release here: [Ontario is Making It Easier to Buy a Home | Ontario Newsroom](#).

The More Homes for Everyone Plan is informed by a three-part consultation with industry, municipalities and the public. This includes the Rural Housing Roundtable and the first ever Ontario-Municipal Housing Summit, letters to all 444 municipalities asking for their feedback, and follow-up meetings with the leaders of municipal organizations. On behalf of the ministry, thank you for being part of our consultations and sharing your valuable input.

The government also introduced [Bill 109 - the More Homes for Everyone Act, 2022](#), and is seeking feedback on the changes proposed under the legislation and on other initiatives, through a series of housing related public consultations. This includes seeking input on how to support gentle density for [multi-generational and missing middle housing](#), as well as addressing [housing needs in rural and northern communities](#). These and other related consultations can be found through the [Environmental Registry of Ontario and the Ontario Regulatory Registry](#).

The government committed to prioritizing implementation of the [Housing Affordability Task Force's recommendations](#) over the next four years, with a housing supply action plan every year, starting in 2022-23. To facilitate this, the government plans to establish a Housing Supply Working Group, that would engage with municipal and federal governments, partner ministries, industry, and associations to monitor progress and support improvements to its annual housing supply action plans.

Ontario looks forward to continued collaboration with municipalities to address the housing crisis and hear your ideas and advice on the More Homes for Everyone Plan.

Sincerely,



Kate Manson-Smith

Deputy Minister

- c. Joshua Paul, Assistant Deputy Minister – Housing Division
- Sean Fraser, Assistant Deputy Minister – Planning and Growth Division
- Caspar Hall, Assistant Deputy Minister – Local Government Division



**The Corporation of the
Municipality of Mississippi Mills**

Council Meeting

Resolution Number 079-22

Title: Information List #05-22 Township of South Glengarry Resolution re: Abandoned Cemeteries

Date: Tuesday, March 15, 2022

Moved by Councillor Holmes

Seconded by Councillor Dalgity

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills hereby supports Prince Edward County's call for government action concerning the current legislation and regulations surrounding municipal requirements to take over and maintain abandoned operating cemeteries;

AND FURTHERMORE that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Minister of Government & Consumer Services, ROMA, the Eastern Ontario Wardens Caucus and all Ontario municipalities.

CARRIED

I, Casey Munro, Deputy Clerk for the Corporation of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills, do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a resolution enacted by Council.



Casey Munro, Deputy Clerk



**THE CORPORATION
OF
THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS**

Resolution No.:

Title: **New Gravel Extraction Licensing applications**

Date: February 7, 2022

Moved by: **Mayor R. Bonnette**

Seconded by: **Councillor J. Fogal**

Item No.

WHEREAS Ontario currently has over 5000 licenced pits and quarries located throughout the province that are able to meet the expected near term needs of Ontario's construction industry;

AND WHEREAS applications continue to be submitted without a definitive determination if there is a need for additional supply;

AND WHEREAS gravel pits and quarries are destructive of natural environments and habitats;

AND WHEREAS pits and quarries have negative social impacts on host communities in terms of noise, air pollution, and truck traffic;

AND WHEREAS the urgent need to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in order to combat climate change has brought awareness to the very high carbon footprint associated with the production of concrete and asphalt which are major end-users of aggregates;

AND WHEREAS there is an obligation to consult with First Nations peoples regarding the impacts of quarries on treaty lands and a responsibility to address those impacts;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Ontario government be requested to impose an immediate temporary moratorium on all new gravel

mining applications pending a broad consultation process including with First Nations, affected communities, independent experts and scientists to chart a new path forward for gravel mining in Ontario which:

- Proposes criteria and processes for determining the need for new gravel licences;
- Recommends updated policies and restrictions for gravel mining below the water table to reflect current groundwater sciences;
- Develops new guidelines for reprocessing in order to ensure sustainable aggregate supplies;
- Recommends a fair levy for gravel mining that includes compensation for the full environmental and infrastructure maintenance costs to the local community of extraction and distribution of aggregate;
- Provides greater weight to the input by local municipalities to lessen the social impacts from mining operation and trucking through their communities;
- Proposes revisions to application procedures which fully honour First Nations' treaty rights;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford Premier of Ontario, the leaders of all Provincial Parties, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, the Honourable Ted Arnott MPP, AMO, Small Urban GTHA Mayors, Town of Milton, Town of Oakville, City of Burlington and Region of Halton.

Mayor Rick Bonnette

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March 31, 2022

Re: Motion: Councillor Wolf re: Request to impose a moratorium on all new gravel applications, including expansions to existing licensed sites

At the Special Council Meeting of March 22, 2022, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cambridge passed the following Motion:

WHEREAS Ontario currently has over 3600 licenses and 2500 permits held by Operators located throughout the Province that are able to meet the expected near term needs of Ontario's construction industry;

AND WHEREAS in 2020 there was approximately 5,677,296 tonnes of aggregate extracted from properties located within the Township of North Dumfries;

AND WHEREAS applications continue to be submitted without a definitive determination if there is a need for additional supply;

AND WHEREAS gravel pits and quarries can be destructive of natural environments and habitats when not properly planned and managed;

AND WHEREAS pits and quarries have negative social impacts on host and neighbouring communities like Cambridge in terms of noise, air pollution, and truck traffic;

AND WHEREAS the urgent need to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in order to combat climate change has brought awareness to the very high carbon footprint associated with the production of concrete and asphalt which are major end-users of aggregates;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Province of Ontario be requested to impose an immediate temporary moratorium on all new gravel applications, including expansions to existing licensed sites, pending a broad consultation process that would

include First Nations, affected communities, independent experts and scientists, to chart a new path forward for the extraction and processing of aggregates in Southern Ontario which:

- i) Proposes criteria and processes for determining the need for new aggregate licences (including the expansion to existing licenses);
- ii) Recommends updated policies and restrictions for aggregate extraction below the water table to reflect current groundwater sciences; including quarterly water monitoring reports.
- iii) Assesses the cumulative impacts of aggregate operations in terms of off-site impacts to environmental systems; the groundwater regime and baseflow contributions to area watercourses, wetlands, etc; area habitat including corridors; traffic along haul routes; and, dust and noise emissions;
- iv) Develops new guidelines for reprocessing / recycling of concrete and asphalt products in order to ensure sustainable aggregate supplies;
- v) Recommends a fair levy for aggregate extraction that includes compensation for the full environmental and infrastructure maintenance costs to the local community of extraction and distribution of aggregate;
- vi) Provides greater weight to the input by local municipalities to lessen the social impacts from aggregate extraction and truck haul routes through their communities

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the leaders of all Provincial Parties, the Minister of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources & Forestry, the MPPs of Waterloo Region, and, the Region of Waterloo.

Should you have any questions related to the approved resolution, please contact me.

Yours Truly,



Danielle Manton
City Clerk

Cc: (via email)
Hon. Premier Ford
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
City of Cambridge Council

To: Mayor and Council
 From: Reform Gravel Mining Coalition (RGMC)
 Re: Correcting Ontario Stone, Sand and Gravel Association (OSSGA) Misinformation
 Date: March 21, 2022

The Reform Gravel Mining Coalition recently became aware of a letter sent to Municipalities across Ontario regarding our organization and activities. We are disappointed that an organization such as the Ontario Stone, Sand and Gravel Association would stoop to name calling and fear mongering and we want to take this opportunity to set the record straight.

The March 18, 2022 memo misrepresents the statements of the RGMC. See comparison below between OSSGA claims and RGMC statements (Table 1). The OSSGA also makes claims about aggregate supply and demand that are questionable as they are not based on publicly available authoritative information. The OSSGA also omits information which would provide the reader a more comprehensive understanding of the issue – for example the contribution of the cement industry to the climate crisis. These are also itemized below (Table 2).

A primary purpose of proposing a moratorium, a temporary pause, on new gravel mining approvals is to conduct an independent third-party study of aggregate reserves. This independent study is an urgent priority as there is a finite amount of gravel reserves in Ontario, and gravel is a vital resource which needs to be carefully managed.

OSSGA member James Dick Construction Ltd. is proud of their “300-year resource management plan” indicating that they “consider long-term planning essential for long-term growth — except that in its case the planning horizon stretches three centuries into the future.”¹ It is difficult to reconcile the recurring claims that Ontario is running out of gravel when members of the industry make such statements.

Concerns around gravel mining have been raised for decades. Citizens demand to be protected. Municipalities’ ability to manage this environmentally and socially intrusive industry are increasingly hampered and reduced. We understand that the industry is concerned. Change can be frightening. But we invite municipalities to support the resolution for a moratorium, a temporary pause, on all new gravel mining approvals in Ontario. Let’s stop making the situation worse by continuing to issue new approvals. It is time to chart a new path forward.

Please contact the Reform Gravel Mining Coalition at campaign@reformgravelmining.ca for more information

¹ <https://canada.constructconnect.com/dcn/news/economic/2019/09/aggregate-supplier-plans-300-years-ahead>

Table 1: Corrections to OSSGA Misinformation

OSSGA Claim	RGMC Statement
<i>The industry digs out 13 times more gravel every year than it uses</i>	The provincial government has authorized the gravel mining industry to extract thirteen times more gravel each year than is required to meet average annual consumption. ²
<i>The aggregate industry takes up to 4.6 billion litres of precious water every day.</i>	The provincial government has approved up to 4.6 billion litres of water for daily consumption by the gravel mining industry. ³
<i>The aggregate industry destroys 5,000 acres of land a year.</i>	Gravel mining consumes an average of 5,000 acres of land in Ontario each year. An average of 5,000 acres of land is licensed each year for gravel mining in Ontario. ⁴

Table 2: Gravel Mining in Ontario/ OSSGA Claims vs. Facts

OSSGA Claims	FACTS
It is estimated that the industry has roughly a 10-year supply of aggregate licensed to extract.	This statement is not supported by publicly available data. RGMC's review of NDMNRF (Ministry) data, and The Ontario Aggregate Resources Corporation (TOARC) annual reports does not provide evidence to support the assertion that there are only 10 years of close to market reserves. The OSSGA fact is based on "industry estimates". RGMC cites TOARC data ⁵ .
The Golder/MHBC Supply Demand Study estimated the "amount of 'high' quality reserves is approximately 1.47 billion tonnes"	The OSSGA fails to cite the Golder/MHBC Supply Demand Study reference to the "high degree of uncertainty with this estimate" and the study authors' warning that "the results should not be taken as a very realistic indication of what resource may actually be proven and made available from these licenced sites". ⁶ The reality is that no one knows the true state of aggregate reserves in Ontario.

² Total of maximum extraction limits from the Ministry of NDMNRF Aggregate License and Permit System (ALPS)

³ MOECP Permits To Take Water Database total of active permits issued for Pits and Quarries Dewatering and Aggregate Washing

⁴ <https://toarc.com/production-statistics/>

⁵ <https://toarc.com/production-statistics/>

⁶ Golder MHBC Supply and Demand Study Executive Summary 2016

OSSGA Claims	FACTS
Ontario will require nearly 4 billion tonnes of aggregate over the next 20 years to meet the needs of citizens and the additional 5.3 million people that will call Ontario home. That is estimated to be 192 million tonnes of aggregate per year.	<p>In the last 20 years average gravel consumption has decreased while the population of Ontario grew by 3 million people in that same period.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The average annual consumption of gravel from 2001 – 2010 was 168 MT per year. • From 2011 – 2020 it was 157 MT / year.⁷ • Ontario's population increased from 12M to 15M an increase of (25%) in the last 20 years.
It currently takes an average of 10 years to apply for and receive a new license.	There is no publicly available data to support this claim. The application process for new gravel mining approvals has a two-year time limit on it. Additional delays are often a result of decisions and choices made by the applicants.
The aggregate industry is not a significant contributor of GHG emissions	The cement industry produces 8% of global carbon emissions, as a country it would be the third largest global emitter of CO ₂ . Aggregate is the feedstock to cement production.
<p>With respect to the amount of new land that is excavated every year – the average for the past 10 years as reported in The Ontario Aggregate Resources Corporation annual production report is approximately 2600 acres per year.</p> <p>An average of 2000 acres per year is rehabilitated for a total net new disturbed area of 600 acres.</p>	<p>The publicly available data on excavation over the long term does not support this claim. TOARC data indicates that the acres under licence for gravel extraction have increased from 221,000 acres in 1998 to 333,000 acres in 2020, an increase of 112,000 acres or almost 5,000 acres per year.⁸</p> <p>TOARC data indicates the total disturbed area has increased from 50,000 acres in 1998 to 83,000 in 2020, an increase of 33,000 acres or 67%.⁹ The acres scarred by gravel mining in Ontario is increasing each year, rehabilitation is not keeping up.</p>

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A MORATORIUM ON ALL NEW GRAVEL MINING APPROVALS TODAY

—a step towards a sustainable tomorrow

ISSUES

- 1 Gravel mining permanently changes the existing natural environment and causes numerous negative impacts to surrounding communities. It is not a benign activity.
- 2 The gravel mining industry provides the raw materials for cement production, highway construction and urban sprawl. These activities are significant contributors to greenhouse gas emissions in Ontario.
- 3 Ontario's current application process for gravel mining:
 - Allows uncontrolled proliferation of gravel sites across Ontario
 - Favours corporations and places an unfair burden on municipalities and local communities forced to advocate for the protection of the natural environment and built communities
 - Does not fulfill the requirements for free, prior and informed consent of Indigenous Nations as guaranteed in the Canadian constitution

POLICY PROPOSAL

- 1 Impose an immediate moratorium on all new gravel mining approvals (including interim orders and site plan amendments for mining below the water table or that increase licensed tonnages).
- 2 Create an independent panel to conduct broad consultations involving Indigenous Nations, municipalities, affected communities, industry, and independent experts and scientists.
- 3 Chart a new path forward for gravel mining which:
 - Prevents greater climate chaos
 - Protects groundwater and farmland
 - Increases the weight of local perspectives in land use planning
 - Ensures long term supplies of a finite resource
 - Honours treaties and obligations with Indigenous Nations as prescribed in the Canadian Constitution

IMPACT OF A MORATORIUM

A moratorium on new approvals of gravel mining sites in Ontario will:

- 1 Provide an opportunity to **update gravel mining industry policies** and regulations to reflect current societal expectations and meet the national and international requirements of addressing climate change.
- 2 **Respond to the urgent requests** from thousands of Ontario residents (predominantly rural) struggling with the threats to their families, homes and communities from gravel mining.
- 3 **NOT impact** the current supply of gravel required to meet Ontario's needs.
- 4 **NOT impact** the rights existing gravel mining operators have to continue their existing operations as they do today.
- 5 **NOT impact** current employment in the gravel mining industry.

FOUR FACTS ON GRAVEL MINING IN ONTARIO

FACT #1

The provincial government has authorized the gravel mining industry to extract thirteen times more gravel each year than is required to meet average annual consumption.

- On average 157.4 million tonnes of gravel was extracted annually over the past 10 years in Ontario.^{1,2}
- 2.05 billion tonnes of gravel extraction are allowed each year from the 5000-plus licensed gravel mining sites in Ontario. (Note: 800-plus sites, {approximately 15%} are permitted to extract unlimited tonnages each year. These amounts are in addition to the 2.05 billion tonnes mentioned above.)

FACT #2

Gravel mining consumes an average of 5,000 acres of land in Ontario each year.

- Licenses for gravel extraction have increased from 183,000 acres in 1992 to 333,000 acres in 2020³, an increase of almost 150,000 acres or 5,000 acres per year over the past three decades. That's a land area equivalent to two proposed Melancthon mega-quarries each year.⁴

FACT #3

The gravel mining industry doesn't pay its fair share, for example municipal property taxes.

- Municipalities challenge preferential property tax treatment given to gravel mining sites.
- Disputes continue between Ontario Municipalities and the gravel industry over property taxes.
- Examples:
 - Wellington County asserts that *"other sectors, mainly residential and small business, are subsidizing the aggregate industry's artificially low valuations"*.
 - In Puslinch Township *"single family homes in Puslinch pay more taxes than 100-acre active (gravel) sites"*.⁵

FACT #4

The gravel mining industry supplies sand, stone and gravel for cement production, highway construction and urban sprawl, which make significant contributions to greenhouse gas emissions in Ontario.

- The cement industry produces 8% of global carbon emissions, as a country it would be the third largest global emitter of CO₂.⁶
- Transportation has become the biggest source of GHG emissions in Ontario.⁷

RECOMMENDED AREAS OF CONSULTATION AND INQUIRY

- Determine the total amount of licensed supply in Ontario's 5000-plus pits and quarries.
- Propose criteria and processes for determining and demonstrating the need for new gravel mining sites.
- Define limits on 'virgin' aggregate extraction, and set targets for aggregate reprocessing in order to ensure sustainable management of the finite gravel resources in Ontario.
- Propose revisions to application procedures which fully honour Indigenous Nations' treaty rights.
- Recommend updated policies and restrictions for gravel mining below the water table to reflect current groundwater sciences.
- Propose methods which increase the weight given to municipal and community perspectives in gravel mining decisions.
- Recommend approaches to ensure that gravel mining sites are not allowed to transform themselves in significant ways after initial approval. This would include changes to progressive or final rehabilitation plans.
- Recommend a fair levy for gravel mining that includes compensation for the full social and environmental costs of its extraction.
- Recommend approaches to gravel mining oversight to ensure full compliance with all regulations and license conditions.

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2. Active aggregate sites and related maximum tonnage

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Community Services

Legislative Services

March 29, 2022

File #120203

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Honourable and Dear Sirs:

Re: Climate Change Action

Please be advised the Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie at its meeting of March 28, 2022 passed the following resolution:

Whereas extreme weather events have become more frequent and intense with rising sea levels, prolonged droughts, food shortage and daily extinction of animal and plant species; and

Whereas leading climate scientists have issued a “code red for humanity” warning that changes necessary to keep warming below 1.5 degrees celsius will be our last chance to avoid the most dangerous impact of climate chaos; and

Whereas Climate Change is now an emergency; and

Whereas Canada is the only G7 country whose emissions have increased since the Paris Agreement was signed; and

Whereas the Government of Canada is working with the provinces and territories to implement the Pan-Canadian Framework on Clean Growth and Climate which includes emissions reduction targets, investing in infrastructure, development of new Building Codes that increase building and infrastructure resiliency, addressing the effects of Climate Change on the health of Canadians; supporting regions that are vulnerable to Climate Change; and working to ensure the long-term health and resilience of our ecosystems and natural environment are protected; and

Whereas the Government of Canada’s plan falls short on timelines for effective changes; and

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Whereas Municipalities have the ability to influence change to 50 per cent of emissions within Canada; and

Whereas the Town of Fort Erie has not incorporated Climate Change into its Official Plan; and

Whereas Report No. CAO-17-2020 authored by Bev Bradnam, Manager, Strategic Initiatives was received at the Council-in-Committee Meeting held on October 5, 2020, for information purposes, regarding Climate Change contained action items; and

Whereas the land within our community and its infrastructure is finite;

Now therefore be it resolved,

That: Council declares a Climate Change Emergency; and further

That: The Town of Fort Erie take Climate Change Action and that staff be directed to provide a report to Council outlining the resources required to create and implement a Climate Change Adaptation Plan, including but not limited to human resources, policies and policy changes and financial resources; and further

That: The Town of Fort Erie establish an Advisory Climate Change Adaptation Team and a Climate Change Plan that includes external and internal stakeholders including the Indigenous Community, business, service and manufacturing sectors and members of the community; and further

That: The Town of Fort Erie join Brock University's "Niagara Adapts"; and further

That: Climate Change be strongly considered as a main pillar in the 2022 - 2025 strategy plan; and further

That: The Town of Fort Erie request staff to:

1. Submit a report to Council on the incorporation of new standards that will prevent clear cutting forests for new developments;
2. Consider broadening the scope of Building Codes to include the use of new, greener technologies, as opposed to fossil fuel systems; and
3. Review the ability to attract condominium and apartment builds in available open spaces, or the demolition of existing buildings in the Town's downtown and surrounding core areas; and further

That: The Town of Fort Erie send a letter to the Right Honourable Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, and the Honourable Steven Guilbeault, Minister of Environment and Climate Change, to tighten their timelines for Climate Change Plans to be reflective of the urgency it demands for immediate and meaningful action; and further

That: A copy of this resolution be circulated to all Members of Parliament, all Members of Provincial Parliament and all Ontario Municipalities, and request that those municipalities that do not have plans in place to step up and put resolutions of their own in place to effect positive change and implement an affirmative Climate Change Action Plan.

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Yours very truly,



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Subject: Malahide Proposed Council Motion

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Dear Mayor Mennill and Council,

I am a Registered Nurse, and I live in Malahide. I am writing because as a front-line RN, I am witnessing the collapse of our health-care system as staff working and serving our local community are overworked and burning out.

Nurses and health-care professionals have been working tirelessly throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, and before, to provide the care that Ontarians need, including in our local community. We have sacrificed our own physical and mental health to continue to work through five waves of the pandemic, often in unsafe working conditions.

Despite this, we are unable to receive the compensation we deserve because of the provincial government's Bill 124. This legislation suppresses our wages to one per cent for each of three years and prevents us from using our collective bargaining rights to negotiate for our salaries to be kept in line with inflation. This Bill has translated into a wage cut as inflation is close to five per cent.

Decades of underfunding and cuts to health care have pushed nurses and health-care professionals to the brink. Now, the pandemic – combined with Bill 124– has been the breaking point for many nurses and health-care professionals. They are suffering and leaving the profession.

That's why I am asking you to table the attached motion at the next Council meeting and send a clear message to Premier Ford that Aylmer respects and values nurses and health-care workers. This is a critical measure to retain experienced nurses and health-care professionals to ensure that there are enough of us to provide the care that our patients – your local constituents – require and deserve.

I would be happy to provide more information and will look forward to hearing from you detail about when Council will vote on this very important issue for your constituents.

Sincerely,

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Draft Council Motion on Bill 124

Whereas nurses and health-care professionals are the backbone of our public health-care system and provide essential care to all Ontarians, and more than ever nurses and health-care professionals deserve recognition and reward for their skills and dedication; and

Whereas Ontario is experiencing a health human resources crisis with chronic shortages of nurses and health-care professionals in hospitals, clinical settings, long-term care, home care, and all health care environments; and

Whereas Ontario has the lowest RN-to-population of any province in Canada, and would need to hire 22,000 new nurses to reach the average RN staffing ratio in Canada; and

Whereas burnout and overwork are exacerbating the underlying health human resources crisis and driving nurses and other health-care professionals to leave the sector at an unprecedented rate; and

Whereas Bill 124 unfairly suppresses the wages of nurses and health-care professionals and limits their ability to negotiate freely, and further contributes to the culture of disrespect that is contributing to the staffing crisis. Further, as Bill 124 limits wage increases to a maximum of 1% per year despite growing inflation nurses have effectively seen their wages cut during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the Township of Malahide calls on the Ontario government to recognize the severity of the health human resources crisis in Ontario and take urgent action to recruit and retain skilled, experienced nurses and health-care professionals; and further

That the Township of Malahide calls on the Ontario government to repeal Bill 124, legislation that suppresses the wages of nurses and health-care professionals and prevents collective bargaining to keep up with inflation; and further

That a copy of this Resolution be sent to:

- The Premier of Ontario, the Ontario Minister of Health, and the Ontario Minister of Long-Term Care
- The Leader of the Official Opposition, the Opposition Critic for Health, and the Opposition Critic for Long-Term Care
- All Members of Provincial Parliament representing constituencies in Malahide
- The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) requesting they share with all their member municipalities.