



## The Corporation of the Township of Malahide

### CORRESPONDENCE AGENDA

**February 3, 2022 – 7:30 p.m.**

#### (F) Correspondence:

1. Association of Municipalities of Ontario - Watch File – dated January 20, 2022 and January 27, 2022. **(Pages C2 - 5)**
2. Mayors of Town of Caledon & Town of Mono – Correspondence to Attorney General Addressing POA Court Backlog including the critical challenges occurring locally and some possible solutions to mitigate these issues in Ontario. **(Pages C6-8)**
3. Municipality of Central Elgin – Notice of a Public Hearing for a Minor Variance relating to : **(Page C9)**
  - 426 Edith Cavell Blvd. (former Village of Port Stanley)
4. City of Brantford – Addressing the Revolving Door of Justice – Accountability for Sureties and Swift Justice – Resolution requesting additional resources to address the increasing criminal activity leaving residents fearful for personal safety and loss of confidence in criminal justice system. **(Pages C10-11)**
5. City of Brantford – Closing the Revolving Door of Justice – Resolution requesting the government to immediately strengthen the bail system to elevate increased criminal activity that is leaving residents fearful for their personal safety and losing confidence in the criminal justice system. **(Pages C12-14)**

**Allison Adams**

**From:** AMO Communications <Communicate@amo.on.ca>  
**Sent:** January 20, 2022 10:02 AM  
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January 20, 2022

**In This Issue**

- Community housing regulatory posting.
- ROMA Conference 2022: Information you need to know to participate.
- AMO/LAS *Municipal Energy Symposium* March 31 - April 1. Registration open.
- AMO/LAS *Municipal Energy Symposium* - Call for Proposals.
- Managing your Occupational Health and Safety Program with 4SafeCom.
- Blog: Does your municipality use safety technology?
- New Year's Resolution: Help staff performance with LED lighting.
- Canoe vendor spotlight: Siemens Canada.
- Canoe webinar: Sharp Technology.
- Careers: Brampton and the Ontario Securities Commission.

**Provincial Matters**

The government has a community housing regulatory posting for public comment until February 18. The changes are expected to be potentially significant for municipalities and District Social Administration Boards concerning community housing service agreements, service levels, and access. AMO will provide a submission in response to the posting.

**Eye on Events**

All registered delegates will receive platform log-in credentials on **Friday, January 21 from chime.ca** to participate in the virtual 2022 ROMA Annual Conference. Remember to check your spam and junk folders. If you haven't registered and wish to participate in the conference, [click here](#).

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](#).

AMO and LAS are calling on municipalities and partners to showcase initiatives and innovation in addressing municipal energy and climate change at the seminal virtual *Municipal Energy Symposium*, March 31 - April 1. For more information and to submit your proposal, [click here](#). Deadline for proposals is February 4.

AMO's Health & Safety Partner, 4S Consulting Services Inc., will conduct a live demonstration of the 4SafeCom Online Safety Training & Management System. The focus of the demo will be to show how municipalities can manage their OHS program easily and effectively. Demos are on [January 25](#) and [February 1](#). Register today.

**LAS**

Safety management software can help your municipality in managing your Ontario Health Service program real-time across departments. Read our [latest blog](#) by 4S Consulting Services, Inc.

Did you know that better lighting can boost staff morale and enhance productivity? Use our [Facility Lighting Service](#) to improve light levels, reduce energy consumption and help your staff do their best. [Give us a call](#) for a free budget proposal.

We're pleased to welcome Siemens Canada to the [Canoe Procurement Group](#), expanding our offerings of surveillance systems, fire protection, building automation, and more. [Contact Tanner](#) to find out about this and our other 180+ vendors.

[Canoe Procurement Group](#) vendor Sharp Electronics is one of the leading suppliers of printers, multifunction devices, displays and more. Join us virtually on January 26 at 11 am to see how your offices can benefit. Be sure to [register here](#).

**Careers**

[Government Relations Specialist - City of Brampton](#). This role contributes to the development and implementation of government relations initiatives to support the Mayor, Councillors, Chief Administrative Officer and the Corporate Leadership Team. Apply [online](#) by January 26, 2022.

[Senior Analyst, Domestic Affairs - Ontario Securities Commission](#). The Senior Analyst is accountable for keeping abreast of domestic policy and matters, and providing advice, analysis and recommendations on domestic securities policies and regulatory affairs to stakeholders across the Commission. Apply [online](#) by January 26, 2022.

**About AMO**

AMO is a non-profit organization representing almost all of Ontario's 444 municipal governments. AMO supports strong and effective municipal government in Ontario and promotes the value of municipal government as a vital and essential component of Ontario's and Canada's political system. Follow [@AMOPolicy](#) on Twitter!

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### In This Issue

- Proposed updated Standards of Care under *PAWS Act*.
- Inclusive Communities Grant.
- AMO/LAS *Municipal Energy Symposium* March 31 - April 1. Registration open.
- AMO/LAS *Municipal Energy Symposium* - Call for Proposals.
- Keynote confirmed for AMO-LAS *Energy Symposium*.
- ROMA's action plan *Opportunities for Rural Ontario in a Post-Covid World* launched.
- Canoe webinar: Doosan & Bobcat.
- Canoe vendor spotlight: FLO.
- Careers: Georgian Bay and Vaughan.

### Provincial Matters

The Ministry of the Solicitor General is proposing updated standards of care for dogs kept outdoors under the PAWS Act. The consultation is open for comment until March 7, 2022.

Applications are now open for the 2022-23 Inclusive Community Grants program. Funding is available for local projects that will help older residents and people with disabilities participate in community life. The deadline to apply is March 3, 2022. Information and how to apply is found on the government website.

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March 31 - April 1, AMO and LAS will hold the in demand *Municipal Energy Symposium*. Keynote Dr. Sarah Burch will explore opportunities in addressing climate change at the local level. Register today.

### ROMA Matters

A key event at the 2022 ROMA Conference was the launch of the ROMA Board's action plan for economic and social growth and sustainability in rural Ontario. Read the ROMA Board's strategies that rethink rural Ontario for today and into the future.

### LAS

Canoe Procurement Group vendors Doosan and Bobcat provide a wide array of equipment from lawn care to loaders to forklifts. Join our webinar on February 9 at 11 am to learn how our Canoe vendors can help you keep your communities beautiful.

Registration is open.

Looking to add electric vehicles to your fleet or expand your charging capability? We're pleased to welcome FLO Services Inc. to the Canoe Procurement Group. Their contract includes many solutions from EV charging stations for public or fleets to monitoring systems and maintenance. Contact Tanner to find out about this and our other 180+ vendors.

**Careers**

Chief Administrative Officer - Township of Georgian Bay. The CAO is responsible for leadership and general management of the Corporation, acting as key advisor and liaison to Council. Interested candidates email a cover letter and your resume to Kartik Kumar by February 28, 2022.

Director & Chief Licensing Officer - City of Vaughan. This role is responsible for managing and providing direction of the overall operations and staff of the By-Law & Compliance, Licensing & Permit Services Department. To obtain a detailed Position Profile or to be considered for the position, please contact Kartik Kumar at careers@lesp.ca by February 11, 2022.

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January 7, 2022

The Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General  
Ministry of the Attorney General  
11<sup>th</sup> Floor, 720 Bay St.  
Toronto, ON M7A 2S9

Dear Minister,

We, the Mayors of the Town of Caledon and the Town of Mono, respectfully submit this joint letter to provide you with our municipal perspectives, outline our unique challenges and frustrations, and also to propose solutions that would mitigate the serious issues facing our provincial offence courts in Dufferin and Caledon.

Municipal resources are being exhausted and pushed beyond capacity and the implications are profound. The information we share below clearly indicates that the Caledon/Dufferin POA Courts are in a crisis. We are not alone in the Province nor are the problems described here solely attributable to COVID 19.

The critical challenges are:

***Last minute cancellations due to a lack of judicial resources***

This is resulting in a negative and compounding administrative impact to case management. As example, between September 10<sup>th</sup> and December 15<sup>th</sup> there were 3,038 docket lines cancelled and rescheduled. This one example equates to 26 closed court days.

A related frustration is that early resolution dockets are often cancelled, with the next available return date being in June pushing some matter 12 months before they are able to have an early resolution. Matters requesting trials are being scheduled up to 24+ months out.

Another troubling result of this issue is the capital and operating costs to run a court are essentially wasted when we are forced to reschedule due to lack of, or cancellation of, judicial resources. We have provided the courtroom and technology, the court clerks and prosecutors, and notified all the defendants, only to repeatedly cancel.

***Reduction of Judicial availability for administrative functions such as swearing of informations, issuing of summons and review of applications***

This is creating an enormous backlog and, in some cases, has resulted in the swearing of informations occurring *after* an appearance date causing inconvenience to defendants and the need to re-issue summonses with attendant multiple, unproductive court attendances.

Outlined below are some possible solutions that from our perspective would mitigate these issues.

- Assign Justices of the Peace to POA courts either in person or virtually. This should entail total mobility for all justices of the peace regardless of region.
- There are currently over 80 per diem justices of the peace and they should be utilized to the fullest. Exemption from their presiding 'cap', something allowed for, should be considered to address backlog. Per diem justices of the peace willing to accept POA assignments would go a long way to addressing backlog.
- Allow e-Hub access for POA court matters immediately, for the swearing of informations and issuing of summons to start addressing the timeliness of judicial administrative functions and paperwork.
- Launch early resolution, trial and paperwork blitzes to address backlog. Make judicial dependant paperwork a mandatory part of court assignments.
- Use your legislative authority as Attorney General to fast track section 11 of the POA to proclaim the re-opening amendments and, amend the early resolution process in section 5 of the PA to permit the clerk of the court to enter convictions.
- Together with the Ontario Court of Justice, commit to convening a 'Justice Summit' on POA where all stakeholders can address the considerable issues facing our courts.

Minister, it is not inconceivable that hundreds if not thousands of serious charges are at risk of being withdrawn either by prosecutors or as the result of a court ruling on 11b of the Charter as it applies to old POA cases.

We are very willing to be part of the solution and welcome a further conversation with you or your staff on how we can work together. We look forward to your response.

Sincerely,



Mayor John Creelman  
Town of Monro



Mayor Allan Thompson  
Town of Caledon

Copy to:

The Honourable Sylvia Jones, MPP Dufferin Caledon

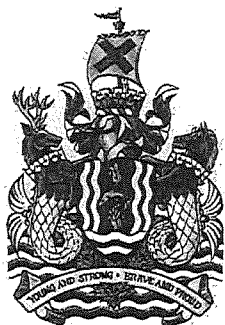
The Honourable Lise Maisonneuve, Chief Justice, Ontario Court of Justice

The Honourable Paul R. Currie, Regional Senior Justice, Central West Judicial District

Her Worship Marsha Farnand, Regional Senior Justice of the Peace



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## NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING FOR A MINOR VARIANCE

**Mike and Karen Degen**  
426 Edith Cavell Blvd., former Village of Port Stanley

**Application No. COA 01-22**

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been made by the owners **Mike and Karen Degen**, for a minor variance pursuant to Section 45 of the Planning Act, c. P.13, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, on lands known municipally as **426 Edith Cavell Boulevard** former Village of Port Stanley, Municipality of Central Elgin.

The Committee of Adjustment of the Municipality of Central Elgin will hold a Public Hearing on **Monday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 6:50 p.m.** The meeting will be conducted by Zoom Webinar and detailed information including instructions to the joint the Zoom meeting can be found at: <https://www.centralelgin.org/en/business-development/current-planning-applications.aspx>

The subject lands are in the Open Space Zone 3 (OS3) and Dynamic Beach Standard (DBS) of the Village of Port Stanley Zoning By-law No. 1507, as amended.

The applicants have applied for a minor variance from the provisions of the Village of Port Stanley Zoning By-Law No. 1507, as amended. The applicants are requesting the following minor variance:

- i) To permit the extension of a legal non-complying building, through the expansion of a second storey covered deck, a minimum of 5.2ft. from the westerly side lot line and a minimum of 4ft. from the easterly side lot line, whereas Subsection 8.4.1.6.2 of the Village of Port Stanley Zoning By-Law No. 1507, requires buildings and structures to be setback a minimum of 10ft. from a side lot line.

The applicants are proposing to extend and cover a second storey deck to match the limits of the existing lower deck, as shown on the plans accompanying the subject application.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION** regarding this application may be accessed on the Municipality's website: <https://www.centralelgin.org/en/business-development/current-planning-applications.aspx> or by contacting the undersigned.

A copy of the decision of the Committee will be sent to the applicant and to each person who provides written confirmation to the Secretary-Treasurer that they wish a copy of the Notice of Decision.

**DATED** at the Municipality of Central Elgin this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January 2022.

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Secretary-Treasurer  
Central Elgin Committee of Adjustment  
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January 28, 2022

Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)

Sent via email: [policy@amo.on.ca](mailto:policy@amo.on.ca)

To whom it may concern:

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Brantford adopted the following resolution at its City Council meeting held on January 25, 2022:

**12.5.2 Addressing the Revolving Door of Justice – Accountability for Sureties and Swift Justice – Resolution**

WHEREAS the City of Brantford has experienced a substantial increase in criminal activity leaving residents fearful for their personal safety and losing confidence in the criminal justice system; and

WHEREAS the City of Brantford strives to create vibrant, safe, livable neighbourhoods in its community; and

WHEREAS concerns continue to be raised by businesses, the post-secondary institutions in the downtown area and their student bodies, neighbourhood associations, citizens and others; and

WHEREAS bringing matters related to criminal charges more expeditiously through the court system will create a greater deterrence to such behaviour, and therefore improve the safety and security of citizens in this community; and

WHEREAS each year a significant sum of surety money is forfeited further to breaches of the conditions of judicial interim release orders ("bail"); however, the necessary steps are not taken to collect this forfeited money, thus leaving a substantial financial resource unavailable;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- A. THAT Kevin Davis, Mayor of the City of Brantford, on behalf of the Council of The Corporation of the City of Brantford, correspond with the Honourable Prabmeet Sarkaria, President of the Treasury Board and the Honourable Doug Downie, Attorney General of Ontario, insisting that steps be taken immediately by the government to:

- i. provide additional judicial resources dedicated to Brantford to allow for matters to move as expeditiously through the court system as possible; and
  - ii. provide such additional space and/or technological resources for the local court to ensure there is adequate space and technological resources to most efficiently address the significant local caseload and consequently decrease the time a matter takes to be fully resolved; and
  - iii. dedicate the required resources to collect the forfeited surety monies and reinvest that money back into the provincial judicial system; and
- B. THAT the City Clerk BE DIRECTED to forward a copy of this resolution to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), Ontario Big City Mayors (OBCM) and the list of other Ontario Municipalities with a request that those municipalities pass similar resolutions; and
- C. THAT the City Solicitor BE DIRECTED to send the letter referenced in Clause A to Brant County, the Six Nations of the Grand River and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation to determine if they are willing to be signatories to the letter.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours truly,



Tanya Daniels  
City Clerk  
[tdaniels@brantford.ca](mailto:tdaniels@brantford.ca)

cc All Ontario municipalities  
Ontario Big City Mayors (OBCM)  
Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)



January 28, 2022

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Brantford, ON N3T 2X1

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To whom it may concern:

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Brantford adopted the following resolution at its City Council meeting held on January 25, 2022:

#### **12.5.1 Closing the Revolving Door of Justice – Resolution**

WHEREAS the City of Brantford has experienced a substantial increase in criminal activity leaving residents fearful for their personal safety and losing confidence in the criminal justice system; and

WHEREAS the increase in criminal activity is due in part to the failure of the justice system to hold in pre-trial custody many of the likely-to-reoffend individuals, including those who are in serious breach of prior bail conditions, a situation commonly referred to as the “revolving door of justice”; and

WHEREAS those involved in the justice system, from Justices of the Peace to those who have been arrested, acknowledge the “catch and release” bail system contributes to the increase in crime. One individual in particular, who plead guilty to several break and enter charges, together with breaches of probation and release order charges, advised the court during sentencing that he had been arrested 8 times in the previous year and felt that the system bore responsibility for failing to keep him in custody; and that being released repeatedly without the appropriate supports made it all but impossible for him to discontinue the criminal activity he engaged in; and

WHEREAS concerns continue to be raised by businesses, post-secondary institutions in the downtown area and their student bodies, neighbourhood associations, and citizens regarding the increased criminal activity; and

WHEREAS there is a pressing need for common sense bail reform that gives priority to the dignity and safety of victims over the wellbeing of criminals;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- A. THAT Kevin Davis, Mayor of the City of Brantford, on behalf of the Council of The Corporation of the City of Brantford, correspond with the Honourable David Lametti, Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada, insisting that steps be taken immediately by his government to strengthen the bail system, including:
  - i. imposing more demanding and stringent surety and supervision requirements; and
  - ii. imposing more substantive and effective consequences for continued breaches of a judicial interim release order (as known as “bail”) resulting in pre-trial incarceration, which changes are required to safeguard law abiding citizens and to restore the citizens faith in the criminal justice system; and
- B. THAT the City Clerk BE DIRECTED to forward a copy of this resolution to Brant/Brantford MP Larry Brock and MPP Will Bouma; and
- C. THAT the City Clerk BE DIRECTED to forward a copy of this resolution to the Brantford Police Services Board, Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and the Ontario Big City Mayors (OBCM); and
- D. THAT the City Clerk BE DIRECTED to forward a copy of this resolution to the heads of all Ontario Municipalities with a request that those municipalities consider adopting a similar resolution; and
- E. THAT the City Solicitor BE DIRECTED to send the letter to be sent to the Honourable David Lametti to Brant County, the Six Nations of the Grand River and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation to determine if they are willing to be signatories to the letter.

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Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tanya Daniels', with a large, stylized loop at the end.

Tanya Daniels  
City Clerk  
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cc Brantford Police Services Board  
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