



Town of Newmarket Council Information Package

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The Corporation of the Municipality of St. Charles
RESOLUTION PAGE



Regular Meeting of Council

Agenda Number: 4.4.3.
Resolution Number 2026-074
Title: Correspondence - Northeastern Manitoulin & The Islands - Resolution No 75-03-2026
Date: April 15, 2026

Moved by: Councillor Laframboise
Seconded by: Councillor Lachance

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of St.-Charles hereby supports Resolution Number 75-03-2026 passed by Northeastern Manitoulin & The Islands regarding chip and tar surface treatment;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Minister of Environment; our local Member of Provincial Parliament (MPP), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM); Ontario Good Roads Association; and all Ontario Municipalities.

CARRIED


MAYOR



Box 608, Little Current, POP 1K0
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Please see below a Resolution passed by the Council of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands.

If your Council supports this motion please share with the appropriate Ministries and Organizations.

Thank You

Resolution No. 75-03-2026

Moved by: B. Wood

Seconded by: P. Aelick

Whereas the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands, like many municipalities, utilizes chip-and-tar surface treatment on a significant portion of its road network; and

Whereas the Town has observed a substantial decrease in the length of time these treated roads remain in acceptable condition; and

Whereas the quality and durability of the oil used in the surface treatment appears to be a contributing factor; and

Whereas the Ministry of the Environment amended its regulations several years ago, permitting only lighter-grade oils for environmental considerations; and

Whereas the reduced durability of the lighter-grade product has resulted in more frequent resurfacing cycles and has consequently led to increasing maintenance costs;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands respectfully requests that the Ministry of the Environment reconsider its decision regarding the lighter grade of oil, taking into account the increased number of applications required, as well as the associated additional time, energy, and financial burden placed on municipalities or develops a better alternative oil.

And Further that this motion be forwarded to the Ministry of Environment, AMO, Good Roads, FONOM, MPP Bill Rosenberg, and all other municipalities.

Carried



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June 5, 2026

Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
 Via Email

Re: Modernizing Ontario's Invasive Plants Rules to Protect Taxpayers, Municipal Lands, Agriculture, Natural Heritage and Local Gardens

Please be advised that Council of the Town of Halton Hills at its meeting of Monday June 1, 2026, adopted Resolution No. 2026-0107 regarding Modernizing Ontario's Invasive Plants Rules to Protect Taxpayers, Municipal Lands, Agriculture, Natural Heritage and Local Gardens.

Attached for your information is a copy of Resolution No. 2026-0107.

Respectfully,

Melissa Lawr, AMP, Dipl.M.A.
 Deputy Clerk – Legislation

cc. Ontario Minister of Natural Resources
 Ontario Minister of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness
 Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
 Ontario Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks
 Federal Minister of Environment and Climate Change
 Federal Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food
 Halton area MPs and MPPs
 Region of Halton
 HRFA
 OFA
 Conservation Halton
 Credit Valley Conservation
 Grand River Conservation Authority
 AMO
 ROMA
 FCM
 Ontario Invasive Plant Council
 Landscape Ontario
 Canadian Nursery Landscape Association
 All Ontario municipalities



THE CORPORATION
OF
THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS

Resolution No.: 2026-0107

Title: Modernizing Ontario's Invasive Plants Rules to Protect Taxpayers, Municipal Lands, Agriculture, Natural Heritage and Local Gardens

Date: June 1, 2026

Moved by: Councillor J. Brass

Seconded by: Councillor C. Garneau

Item No. 12.3

WHEREAS invasive plants, shrubs, vines, groundcovers, ornamental species, seeds and nursery stock can cause significant damage to municipal infrastructure, roadsides, stormwater systems, parks, trails, natural heritage areas, agricultural lands, woodlots, shorelines, private property and local biodiversity;

AND WHEREAS Ontario municipalities and conservation authorities are estimated to spend approximately \$50.8 million annually managing invasive species, and the average annual cost per Ontario municipality has been estimated at \$218,148, with approximately 80% of expenditures directed toward control and management rather than prevention; (Invasive Species Centre)

AND WHEREAS these costs are ultimately borne by local taxpayers, conservation authorities, property owners, farmers, volunteers and community groups who are often left to manage invasive species after they have already been introduced, sold, planted, escaped cultivation and spread;

AND WHEREAS the Province of Ontario, through the Invasive Species Act, 2015, which allows species to be listed as prohibited or restricted, and which can make it illegal to import, possess, transport, propagate, buy, sell, lease or trade listed invasive species; (Invasive Species Centre)

AND WHEREAS the concern is not with plants that are already clearly prohibited or restricted, but with invasive species and seeds and nursery stock that may

continue to be sold or distributed before modernized provincial rules, public guidance and retail practices have fully caught up with current science and local experience;

AND WHEREAS garden centres, nurseries, landscape suppliers, seed distributors, online retailers, landscapers and residents all have an important role to play in preventing the spread of invasive plants before they become a costly municipal and environmental problem;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Invasive Plant Council's Grow Me Instead program promotes native and non-invasive alternatives for healthy, diverse and wildlife-friendly gardens, and its updated Southern Ontario guide includes additional invasive plants and alternatives to help residents, gardeners and landscapers make better choices; (Ontario Invasive Plant Council)

AND WHEREAS recent local reporting in Halton Hills has highlighted the importance of choosing native alternatives to invasive garden plants, including through Grow Native Halton and the Ontario Invasive Plant Council's Grow Me Instead resources;

AND WHEREAS the continued sale and distribution of invasive ornamental plants undermine the work of municipalities, conservation authorities, environmental organizations, horticultural societies, local volunteers and residents who are investing time and taxpayer dollars to remove and manage these same species;

AND WHEREAS prevention at the point of sale is more cost-effective, more practical and more respectful of taxpayers than asking municipalities and property owners to pay for removal after invasive species have spread across property lines and municipal boundaries;

AND WHEREAS invasive plants do not recognize municipal boundaries, and effective prevention requires coordinated action by the Province of Ontario, the Government of Canada, municipalities, conservation authorities, Indigenous communities, agricultural organizations, the nursery and landscape sector, retailers, landowners and residents;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Town of Halton Hills respectfully request that the Province of Ontario, in consultation with municipalities, AMO, ROMA, conservation authorities, the Ontario Invasive Plant Council, Indigenous communities, agricultural organizations, environmental organizations, horticultural societies, the nursery and landscape sector, garden centres and other relevant stakeholders, undertake a review and modernization of Ontario's invasive plant regulatory framework;

AND FURTHER THAT this review include consideration of expanding and regularly updating the list of prohibited and restricted invasive plant species, including invasive plants, shrubs, vines, groundcovers, ornamental species,

seeds and nursery stock that pose a risk to Ontario's natural heritage, agriculture, municipal infrastructure, parks, trails, roadsides, stormwater systems and private property;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario be requested to prohibit the sale, distribution, propagation and trade of listed invasive plant species through garden centres, nurseries, landscaping suppliers, online retailers, seed distributors and other commercial pathways;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario be requested to develop clear labelling, public education and retailer guidance requirements so that residents, gardeners, landscapers and retailers can easily identify invasive species and choose native or non-invasive alternatives;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario be requested to work with the nursery, garden centre and landscape sectors on a practical transition plan that supports compliance, protects small businesses, promotes native and non-invasive alternatives, and prevents invasive plants from continuing to enter communities through ordinary consumer purchases;

AND FURTHER THAT the Government of Canada be requested to review and strengthen, where appropriate, federal import, border, labelling and online sales rules related to invasive plants, seeds and nursery stock entering Canada, so that provincial prevention efforts are not undermined by interprovincial or international trade;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario and Government of Canada be requested to support municipalities, conservation authorities and community partners with stronger prevention tools, updated science-based lists, public education materials and funding programs that prioritize prevention over costly long-term control and removal;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Ontario Minister of Natural Resources, the Ontario Minister of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness, the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Ontario Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, the federal Minister of Environment and Climate Change, the federal Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food, Halton-area MPs and MPPs, the Region of Halton, HRFA, OFA, Conservation Halton, Credit Valley Conservation, Grand River Conservation Authority, AMO, ROMA, FCM, the Ontario Invasive Plant Council, Landscape Ontario, the Canadian Nursery Landscape Association, and all Ontario municipalities for their consideration and support.



Mayor Ann Lawlor

May 26, 2026

Dear The Honourable Greg McGregor and The Honourable Rob Flack,

RE: Council motion passed May 26, 2026

Please be advised that on May 26, 2026, during a City Council meeting, Guelph City Council passed the following resolution in regard to the Request to Extend the Deadline for Notices of Intention to Designate Listed Heritage Properties.

Moved By: Councillor Caron

Seconded By: Councillor Klassen

1. The Council of the City of Guelph respectfully requests that the Province of Ontario amend the Ontario Heritage Act to extend the January 1, 2027 deadline for issuing Notices of Intent to Designate for properties listed on municipal heritage registers; and
2. The Province consider extending the deadline to January 1, 2030, or another reasonable timeframe that would provide municipalities with adequate time to complete heritage evaluations and make informed designation decisions; and
3. This resolution be circulated to the Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the local Member of Provincial Parliament, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Ontario Municipal Heritage Committee Association, and all Ontario municipalities for their information and consideration.

Carried

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Affairs and Housing

Mike Schreiner, MPP for Guelph

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All Ontario Municipalities

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June 9, 2026

Via email: doug.fordco@pc.ola.org

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Room 281
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Dear Hon. Doug Ford

Re: Heritage Helping Housing Building Grant

Please be advised that South Huron Council passed the following resolution at their June 1, 2026, Regular Council Meeting:

257-2026

Moved By: Aaron Neeb

Seconded by: Marissa Vaughan

That South Huron Council supports the May 21, 2026 correspondence of the City of Kitchener regarding the Heritage Helping Housing Building Grant; and

That this supporting resolution and the originating correspondence be circulated to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism, the Ontario Heritage Trust, AMO and all Ontario municipalities.

Result: Carried

Please find attached the originating correspondence for your reference.

Respectfully,

Kendra Webster, Legislative & Licensing Coordinator
Municipality of South Huron

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Encl.

- cc: Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Hon. Rob Flack, rob.flack@pc.ola.org; Minister of Finance, Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, peter.bethlenfalvy@pc.ola.org, Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism, Hon. Graham McGregor, graham.mcgregor@pc.ola.org, Ontario Heritage Trust, john.ecker@heritagetrust.on.ca; AMO, resolutions@amo.on.ca; and all municipalities in Ontario.



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SENT VIA EMAIL

May 21, 2026

Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building
Queen's Park
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Dear Premier Ford:

This is to advise that City Council, at a meeting held on April 13, 2026, passed the following resolution regarding the Heritage Helping Housing Building Grant:

"That the City of Kitchener call on the Province of Ontario to implement a new housing-focused Heritage Helping Housing Building Grant of \$10 million per year to encourage the creation of additional housing units within heritage buildings; and further,

That staff be directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, The Honourable Rob Flack, the Minister of Finance, the Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, the Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism, the Honourable Graham McGregor and John Ecker, Chair, Ontario Heritage Trust, AMO, all Ontario MPPs and to all municipalities across the province."

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'A. Fusco'.

A. Fusco
Director of Legislated Services & City Clerk

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Cc: Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance
Hon. Graham McGregor, Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism
John Ecker, Chair, Ontario Heritage Trust, AMO
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June 10, 2026

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Dear Hon. Doug Ford

Re: Sustainable Provincial Grant Funding for Fire Services in Ontario

Please be advised that South Huron Council passed the following resolution at their June 1, 2026, Regular Council Meeting:

258-2026

Moved By: Aaron Neeb

Seconded by: Wendy McLeod-Haggitt

That South Huron Council supports the May 13, 2026, correspondence of the Town of Plympton-Wyoming regarding Sustainable Provincial Grant Funding for Fire Services in Ontario; and

That this supporting resolution and the originating correspondence be circulated to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of the Solicitor General, the Minister of Infrastructure, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs, the Ontario Professional Fire Fighters Association, the Ontario Volunteer Fire Fighters Association, AMO, ROMA and all municipalities in Ontario.

Result: Carried

Please find attached the originating correspondence for your reference.

Respectfully,

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Encl.

cc:

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Date: 13 May 2026

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Moved By: Deputy Mayor Netty McEwen

Seconded By: Councillor John van Klaveren

Support for Sustainable Provincial Grant Funding for Fire Services in Ontario

WHEREAS Municipal fire services in Ontario operate under legislative authority established by the province through statutes, regulations, codes, and prescribed standards governing training, equipment, certification, inspection, and operational requirements;

AND WHEREAS municipalities are responsible for implementing and maintaining compliance with these provincially mandated requirements primarily through local property taxation;

AND WHEREAS current provincial fire service grant programs are available to both full-time and volunteer fire departments across Ontario and are distributed through competitive application processes that may not fully reflect the differing financial and administrative capacities of urban and rural municipalities, highlighting the need for a more balanced approach to funding that supports all fire services equitably;

AND WHEREAS volunteer firefighters represent approximately **70–75% of firefighters in Ontario**, protecting the majority of communities across the province and, particularly in rural areas, are frequently **the first emergency responders to arrive on scene ahead of other emergency services**;

AND WHEREAS other provincially regulated emergency services, including policing and paramedic services, receive stable and predictable provincial funding contributions or cost-sharing arrangements;

AND WHEREAS the absence of a comparable and stable funding model for fire services creates a structural imbalance between provincial regulatory authority and municipal financial responsibility;

AND WHEREAS reliance on competitive funding creates budget uncertainty, limits long-term financial planning, and may not reflect the actual operational needs of fire services, contributing to instability, reduced preparedness and the reduction of services within a critical emergency response sector;

AND WHEREAS stable and predictable funding is essential to maintain emergency preparedness, firefighter safety, service sustainability, and equitable protection for residents regardless of municipal size or tax base;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

The Council of the Town of Plympton-Wyoming respectfully calls upon the Province of Ontario to **transition the current practice of competitive provincial fire service grant programs into a permanent, stable, and predictable non-competitive provincial funding program** that supports municipalities in meeting provincially legislated fire protection requirements;

AND FURTHER THAT this funding be structured to provide equitable and predictable annual support for **operational readiness and training costs associated with volunteer, composite and full-time fire departments across Ontario**;

AND FURTHER THAT the annual value of this funding be reviewed and adjusted to more appropriately reflect the level of provincial funding support currently provided to other provincially regulated emergency services, including policing and paramedic services;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated for endorsement to:

- The County of Lambton
- Lambton County Fire Chiefs Association
- All municipalities
- Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs
- Ontario Professional Fire Fighters Association
- Ontario Volunteer Fire Fighters Association
- Association of Municipalities of Ontario
- Rural Ontario Municipal Association

AND FURTHER THAT, upon endorsement, this resolution be submitted to:

- Steve Pinnsoneault MPP Lambton-Kent-Middlesex
- Bob Bailey MPP Sarnia-Lambton
- The Honourable Michael Kerzner, Minister of the Solicitor General
- The Honourable Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure
- The Honourable Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
- The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario

✓

Carried

Defeated

Deferred



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MOVED BY COUNCILLOR:

____ Louanne Caza
 ✓ _____ Elaine Fic
 _____ Annie Keft
 _____ Mayor Culhane

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR:

_____ ✓ _____ Louanne Caza
 _____ Elaine Fic
 _____ Annie Keft
 _____ Mayor Culhane

RESOLUTION # 136/2026

DATE: June 9, 2026

WHEREAS the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) provide policing services to both organized municipalities and unorganized territories across the Province of Ontario;

AND WHEREAS organized municipalities receiving OPP policing services are billed under the OPP Municipal Policing Billing Model, which includes a base service cost and additional costs related to calls for services;

AND WHEREAS unorganized townships and territories contribute to policing costs through provincial taxation mechanisms and pay only a base rate while receiving OPP policing services;

AND WHEREAS residents of unorganized territories receive comparable OPP policing services to those provided in organized municipalities;

AND WHEREAS recent increases in OPP policing costs have placed a growing and disproportionate financial burden on organized municipalities and their taxpayers;

AND WHEREAS municipalities have limited revenue tools and must rely primarily on property taxation to fund essential services such as policing;

AND WHEREAS the current funding structure creates an inequitable situation in which organized municipalities are required to subsidize a larger share of policing costs while similar services are provided in unorganized territories at a significant lower contribution level;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McGarry calls upon the Province of Ontario to conduct an immediate review of the OPP Municipal Policing Billing Model and the policing funding structure for unorganized territories;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province be requested to implement a fair and equitable funding model that ensures all communities receiving OPP policing services contribute appropriately to the cost of those services;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province be requested to consult with municipalities, particularly those in Northern Ontario, regarding the financial impacts of OPP policing costs and the current inequities in the system;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honorable Minister of the Solicitor General, the local Member of Provincial Parliament, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM), the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA), and neighboring municipalities for their support.

Recorded vote requested by _____

	For	Against
Councillor Louanne Caza		
Councillor Elaine Fic		
Councillor Annie Keft		
Mayor Bonita Culhane		

I declare this motion

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carried
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<input type="checkbox"/> Deferred to: _____ (enter date)
Because:
<input type="checkbox"/> Referred to: _____ (enter body)
Expected response: _____ (enter date)

<i>Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest *</i>

Signature of Chair:

Bonita Culhane

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

June 15, 2026

Hon. Robert J. Flack
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
777 Bay Street, 17th Floor
Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

Dear Minister Flack,

Re: Canada-Ontario Development Charge Reduction Program (DCRP)

On behalf of Council for the Town of Plympton-Wyoming, I am writing to acknowledge the Province of Ontario's Canada-Ontario Development Charge Reduction Program (DCRP) and its intent to support housing development and critical infrastructure investment across municipalities.

Council appreciates the Province's efforts to address housing supply challenges by incentivizing development and providing access to infrastructure funding. The objectives of increasing housing availability and supporting growth-related infrastructure are important priorities that align with the Town's long-term planning goals.

However, Council wishes to express concern that the current structure of the DCRP presents significant challenges for small, rural, and northern municipalities such as the Town of Plympton-Wyoming. Municipalities are required to commit to substantial development charge reductions while also preparing competitive applications for large, shovel-ready projects within a limited timeframe.

The program's compressed application intake period provides limited opportunity for municipalities with constrained staffing and financial capacity to properly evaluate participation, identify eligible projects, and assemble a competitive submission.

Additionally, the requirement to prioritize large-scale infrastructure projects that clearly enable housing development, coupled with the expectation of upfront municipal financial contributions, places smaller municipalities at a disadvantage. Many rural communities do not have the same breadth of shovel-ready growth-enabling projects readily available, nor the internal resources required to mobilize applications within such tight timelines.

Council is concerned that, without adjustments, the current program design may limit participation from smaller municipalities and result in an inequitable distribution of funding, favouring larger urban centres with greater administrative capacity and project readiness.



In light of these concerns, Council respectfully requests that the Province of Ontario consider establishing a dedicated program stream for small, rural, and northern municipalities. Such a stream should include:

- More flexible and extended application timelines;
- Scaled project requirements that reflect community size and capacity; and
- Adjusted eligibility criteria that recognize the unique infrastructure funding models and operational realities of rural municipalities.

These modifications would help ensure that all municipalities, regardless of size, have a fair opportunity to participate in the program and contribute to the Province's shared objective of increasing housing supply.

The Town of Plympton-Wyoming remains committed to working collaboratively with the Province to support sustainable growth and infrastructure investment in our community.

A copy of this correspondence has been shared with our local Members of Provincial Parliament and Federal Parliament, as well as neighbouring municipalities, to encourage broader support for these requested program enhancements.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Adam Sobanski
Chief Administrative Officer
Town of Plympton-Wyoming



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MOVED BY COUNCILLOR:

- _____ Louanne Caza
- _____ Elaine Fic
- _____ Annie Keft
- _____ Mayor Culhane

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR:

- _____ Louanne Caza
- _____ Elaine Fic
- _____ Annie Keft
- _____ Mayor Culhane

RESOLUTION # 139/2026

DATE: June 9, 2026

WHEREAS Highways 11 and 17 are critical transportation corridors connecting Northern Ontario communities and supporting national trade, tourism, emergency response, and economic development; and

WHEREAS Northern Ontario residents, travelers, commercial drivers, and emergency services rely on safe and accessible year-round highway infrastructure; and

WHEREAS many stretches of Highways 11 and 17 lack sufficient rest areas, washrooms facilities, truck parking, warming centres, fuel access, and safe pull-offs locations, particularly in remote areas of Northern Ontario; and

WHEREAS inadequate rest stop infrastructure contributes to driver fatigue, safety concerns, limited accessibilities, and challenges for Tourism and commercial transportation;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Township of McGarry calls upon the Government of Ontario and the Government of Canada to prioritize the development of new and upgraded highway rest stops and traveler infrastructure along Highways 11 and 17 across Northern Ontario;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT such infrastructure include year-round washrooms, safe parking areas, commercial truck parking, warming shelters, electric vehicle charging stations, fuel access, tourism information, and improved emergency communication services where feasible; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Province of Ontario work collaboratively with Northern municipalities, FONOM, NOMA, Indigenous communities, and industry stakeholders to identify priority locations for investment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this resolution be circulated to FONOM, NOMA, AMO, local MPPs and MPs, the Premier of Ontario, and Ontario municipalities.

Recorded vote requested by _____

I declare this motion

	For	Against
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Councillor Louanne Caza		
Councillor Elaine Fic		
Councillor Annie Keft		
Mayor Bonita Culhane		

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Because:
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Expected response: _____ (enter date)

Second By Councillor Fic BC.

<i>Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest *</i>

Signature of Chair:

Bonita Culhane

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



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SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR:

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RESOLUTION # 140/2024

DATE : June 4, 2026

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McGarry supports the resolution from the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) regarding the Establishment of Northern Ontario Policing Grant.

WHEREAS Municipalities across Northern Ontario face disproportionately high policing costs due to low population densities, geographic isolation, and limited municipal tax bases;

AND WHEREAS many Northern communities rely on the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) for policing services, while others operate municipal police services that are also experiencing significant cost pressures;

AND WHEREAS recent increase in policing costs have placed unsustainable pressure on municipal budgets, forcing communities to make difficult decisions between maintaining public safety and funding essential municipal services such as infrastructure, roads, water systems, and recreation facilities;

AND WHEREAS Northern Ontario municipalities provide essential services across a vast geographic region while supporting key sectors of Ontario's economy, including mining, forestry, transportation, and energy;

AND WHEREAS municipalities require predictable and equitable provincial support to ensure policing costs remain sustainable and communities remain safe;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities call on the Government of Ontario to establish a \$100 million Northern Ontario Policing Grant, phased in over three years, to support the 157 municipalities across Northern Ontario served by both the Ontario Provincial Police and municipal police services;

AND THAT the grant includes a base funding allocation for all municipalities, with additional funding distributed based on population to ensure equitable support across communities of varying sizes;

AND THAT the Province work collaboratively with Northern municipal leaders, including FONOM and NOMA, to design and implement a sustainable funding framework that recognized the unique economic and geographic realities of Northern Ontario.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of the Solicitor General, the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Northern Economic Development and Growth, the Association (NOMA), and all Northern Ontario Municipalities.

Recorded vote requested by _____

	For	Against
Councillor Louanne Caza		
Councillor Elaine Fic		
Councillor Annie Keft		
Mayor Bonita Culhane		

I declare this motion

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carried
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<input type="checkbox"/> Deferred to: _____ (enter date)
Because:
<input type="checkbox"/> Referred to: _____ (enter body)
Expected response: _____ (enter date)

<i>Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest *</i>

Signature of Chair:

Bonita Culhane

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

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June 17, 2026

Please be advised that during the regular Council meeting of June 9, 2026 the following resolution regarding a request to the Province to extend the deadline for Notices of Intention to Designate Listed Heritage Properties was carried.

RESOLUTION NO. **2026-268**

DATE: **June 9, 2026**

MOVED BY: **Councillor Hirsch**

SECONDED BY: **Councillor MacNaughton**

WHEREAS amendments to the Ontario Heritage Act under the More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022 introduced timelines requiring municipalities to issue Notices of Intention to Designate for properties listed on municipal heritage registers as of December 31, 2022, originally requiring action by January 1, 2025; and

WHEREAS the Province subsequently amended the legislation through the Homeowner Protection Act, 2024 to extend the deadline to January 1, 2027 in response to concerns raised by municipalities and heritage stakeholders; and

WHEREAS municipalities require sufficient time and resources to undertake research, documentation, consultation, and evaluation to determine whether listed properties warrant designation under the Ontario Heritage Act; and

WHEREAS the removal of listed properties from municipal heritage registers if the prescribed timelines are not met may place cultural heritage resources at increased risk of demolition or irreversible alteration before municipalities have the opportunity to properly evaluate their cultural heritage value or interest; and

WHEREAS the Built & Cultural Heritage Advisory Committee and Heritage Designation Working Group are comprised of a handful of dedicated volunteers who are not able to review the current non-designated register containing over 200 properties on or before the deadline of January 1, 2027; and

WHEREAS many municipalities, including the County of Prince Edward, do not have dedicated heritage planning staff and must rely on volunteer Heritage committee members or external heritage consultants to undertake the evaluations, which can result in additional financial and administrative pressures; and

WHEREAS the Heritage Designation Working Group, heritage consultants or staff members would need to review the municipal heritage register, research the heritage value and interest of listed non-designated properties, contact owners of such properties, determine which properties should potentially be designated in accordance with the provisions of



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Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, and take all required steps to designate such properties; and

WHEREAS the above noted work involving over 200 listed properties in the County of Prince Edward is extremely time-consuming and cannot be completed by January 1, 2027 with the current resources available given other competing interests including reviewing and supporting new housing development proposals; and

WHEREAS municipalities across Ontario are facing significant workloads associated with evaluating listed properties; and

WHEREAS the Built & Cultural Heritage Advisory Committee, at its meeting of June 3, 2026, discussed and supported advocating to the Province of Ontario for a further extension to the current deadline;

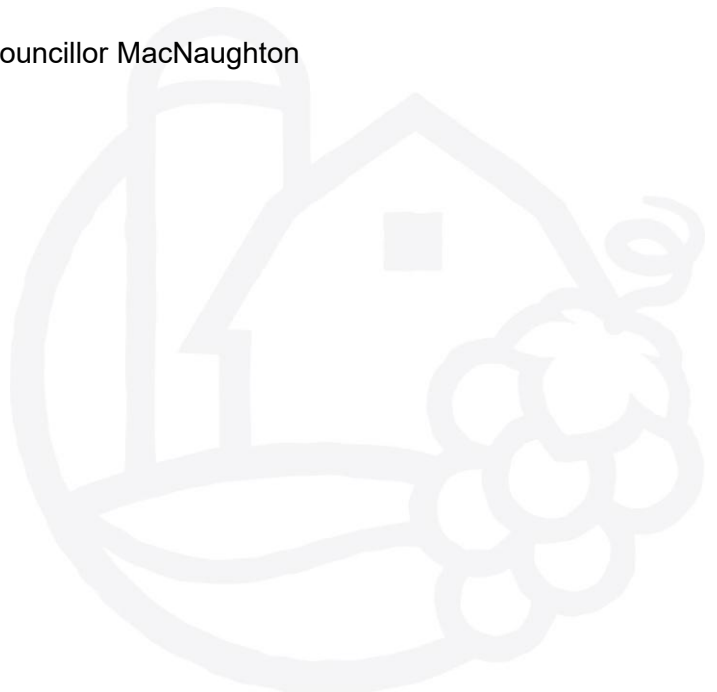
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the County of Prince Edward respectfully request that the Province of Ontario further amend the Ontario Heritage Act to extend the January 1, 2027 deadline to January 1, 2030, or another reasonable timeframe for issuing Notices of Intention to Designate for properties listed on the municipal heritage non-designated register; and

THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Bay of Quinte M.P.P. Tyler Allsopp, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Community Heritage Ontario, and all Ontario municipalities.

Yours truly,

Catalina Blumenberg, **CLERK**

cc: Mayor Steve Ferguson, Councillor Hirsch, Councillor MacNaughton





The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

Tuesday, June 16, 2026

Resolution # RC26131	Meeting Order: 5
Moved by: <i>S. W. Opata</i>	Seconded by: <i>Cathy Cannon</i>

WHEREAS growing pressures across Ontario's healthcare system are increasing patient volumes in emergency rooms (ERs), requiring more complex care and contributing to longer patient wait times for residents across the Province of Ontario; and

WHEREAS Health Quality Ontario data from October 2025 reports that patients requiring admission to hospital waited an average of 19 to 20 hours, while high-urgency patients waited close to five hours on average to be assessed by a physician; and

WHEREAS the Auditor General of Ontario reported in December 2023 that significant hospital staffing shortages were reducing access to timely emergency care; and

WHEREAS the Financial Accountability Office of Ontario reported in March 2023 that emergency room wait times were increasing significantly, with the longest wait times recorded in more than fifteen years, and that provincial funding was projected to be \$21.3 billion short of maintaining current health programs through 2028; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Hospital Association has reported that Ontario has had the lowest per capita hospital expenditure in Canada since 2018 and that approximately 4,200 Alternate Level of Care (ALC) patients remain in acute care beds, contributing to emergency room overcrowding and delays; and

WHEREAS emergency room overcrowding and prolonged wait times have been linked to adverse patient outcomes and place additional strain on Ontario's healthcare system, including municipal paramedic services experiencing excessive ambulance offload delays; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has taken important steps to improve healthcare in Ontario; however, additional funding, staffing resources, and capacity enhancements remain critical to ensuring timely access to emergency medical care; and



The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS concerns regarding emergency room staffing shortages, temporary closures, and failure to consistently meet national standards such as the Canadian Triage and Acuity Scale (CTAS) continue to be raised by healthcare professionals, municipalities, and residents across Ontario; and

WHEREAS the tragic death of sixteen-year-old Finlay van der Werken on February 9, 2024, following an extended wait in an emergency department, has highlighted the urgent need for enhanced protections and standards for pediatric emergency care;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Wawa supports the resolution of the Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus and calls upon the Ontario Ministry of Health to take immediate action to reduce emergency room wait times through enhanced triage protocols, increased hospital funding, and additional healthcare staffing resources to strengthen emergency readiness across Ontario; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Wawa supports the introduction of "Finlay's Law" to ensure that no child in Ontario is left without timely emergency medical care, including measures to:

1. Establish maximum emergency room wait time standards for patients under the age of 18;
2. Mandate safe pediatric nurse-to-patient and physician-to-patient staffing ratios in emergency settings;
3. Establish independent oversight to audit hospital performance, investigate pediatric emergency room deaths, and enforce compliance with provincial standards;
4. Require timely and independent inquiries by the Chief Coroner of Ontario into pediatric deaths occurring in emergency room waiting areas; and
5. Provide funding for enhanced pediatric emergency readiness, including staffing, training, equipment, and infrastructure improvements;



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REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Wawa calls upon the Federal Minister of Health to utilize the Canada Health Transfer framework to ensure compliance with the principles of the Canada Health Act by monitoring adherence to national emergency care standards, including the Canadian Triage and Acuity Scale (CTAS), and supporting the establishment and implementation of national sepsis care standards; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT copies of this resolution be forwarded to The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, The Honourable Sylvia Jones, Ontario Minister of Health, The Honourable Marjorie Michel, Federal Minister of Health, The Ontario Medical Association (OMA), The Ontario Hospital Association (OHA), The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), The Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus (WOWC); and the Algoma District Municipal Association (ADMA).

RESOLUTION RESULT		RECORDED VOTE		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CARRIED	MAYOR AND COUNCIL	YES	NO
<input type="checkbox"/>	DEFEATED	Mitch Hatfield		
<input type="checkbox"/>	TABLED	Cathy Cannon		
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<input type="checkbox"/>	PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARED	Jim Hoffmann		
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Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof.

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

Clerk: _____

MAYOR – MELANIE PILON	CLERK – MAURY O'NEILL





The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

Tuesday, June 16, 2026

Resolution # RC26130	Meeting Order: 4
Moved by: 	Seconded by: 

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario is considering potential changes to school board governance structures, including the possible elimination of elected school board trustees;

AND WHEREAS elected trustees play an important role in representing local communities, providing accountability, and ensuring that the unique needs and priorities of students, families, and residents are reflected in educational decision-making;

AND WHEREAS municipalities in Northern Ontario and rural regions face distinct challenges related to geography, transportation, population distribution, and access to educational services that require strong local representation within the education system;

AND WHEREAS any significant changes to school board governance should be informed by meaningful consultation with affected stakeholders, including municipalities, school boards, parents, educators, and community members across Ontario;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa supports the request of the Durham District School Board regarding school board governance and calls upon the Province of Ontario to undertake a comprehensive, province-wide consultation process prior to making any decisions regarding changes to school board governance, including the potential elimination of elected trustees;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario ensure that any future governance model maintains strong local representation and reflects the diverse needs of communities across the province, including Northern and rural municipalities;



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RESOLUTION

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Education, the Ontario Ombudsman, the Durham District School Board, the Near North District School Board, the Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board, the Conseil scolaire public du Nord-Est de l'Ontario, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the local Member of Provincial Parliament, and all Ontario municipalities for their consideration and support.

RESOLUTION RESULT		RECORDED VOTE		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CARRIED	MAYOR AND COUNCIL	YES	NO
<input type="checkbox"/>	DEFEATED	Mitch Hatfield		
<input type="checkbox"/>	TABLED	Cathy Cannon		
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Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof.

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

Clerk: _____

MAYOR – MELANIE PILON	CLERK – MAURY O'NEILL



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June 17, 2026

Premier Doug Ford
premier@ontario.ca

Dear Mr. Ford,

At the Township of Terrace Bay's Regular Council Meeting held Monday June 15, 2026, the following resolution of support was passed:

RE: Resolution of Support – Sustainable Provincial Grant Funding For Fire Service

Resolution: CR142–2026

Moved by: Councillor Webb

Seconded by: Councillor Dube

WHEREAS Municipal fire services in Ontario operate under legislative authority established by the province through statutes, regulations, codes and prescribed standards governing training, equipment, certification, inspection, and operation requirements.

AND WHEREAS municipalities are responsible for implementing and maintaining compliance with these provincially mandated requirements primarily through local property taxation;

AND WHEREAS current provincial fire service grant programs are available to both full-time and volunteer fire departments across Ontario and are distributed through competitive application processes that may not fully reflect the differing financial and administrative capacities of urban and rural municipalities, highlighting the need for a more balanced approach to funding that supports all fire services equitably;

AND WHEREAS volunteer firefighters represent approximately 70-75% of firefighters in Ontario protecting the majority of communities across the province and, particularly in rural areas, are frequently the first emergency responders to arrive on scene ahead of other emergency services;

AND WHEREAS other provincially regulated emergency services, including policing and paramedic services, receive stable and predictable provincial funding contributions or cost-sharing arrangements;



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AND WHEREAS the absence of a comparable and stable funding model for fire services creates a structural imbalance between provincial regulatory authority and municipal financial responsibility;

AND WHEREAS reliance on competitive funding creates budget uncertainty, limits long-term financial planning, and may not reflect the actual operational needs of fire services, contributing to instability, reduced preparedness and the reduction of services within a critical emergency response sector;

AND WHEREAS stable and predictable funding is essential to maintain emergency preparedness, firefighter safety, service sustainability, and equitable protection for residents regardless of municipal size or tax base;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Terrace Bay respectfully calls upon the Province of Ontario to transition the current practice of competitive provincial fire service grant programs into a permanent, stable, and predictable non-competitive provincial funding program that supports municipalities in meeting provincially legislated fire protection requirements;

AND FURTHER THAT this funding be structured to provide equitable and predictable annual support for operational readiness and training costs associated with volunteer, composite and full-time fire departments across Ontario;

AND FURTHER THAT the annual value of this funding be reviewed and adjusted to more appropriately reflect the level of provincial funding support currently provided to other provincially regulated emergency services, including policing and paramedic services;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated for endorsement to:

- All municipalities
- Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs
- Ontario Professional Fire Fighters Association
- Ontario Volunteer Fire Fighter Association
- Association of Municipalities of Ontario
- Rural Ontario Municipal Association

AND FURTHER THAT, upon endorsement, this resolution be submitted to:

- Lise Vaugeois, MPP Thunder Bay Superior North
- The Honourable Michael Kerzner, Minister of the Solicitor General
- The Honourable Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure
- The Honourable Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
- The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario



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Sincerely,

J. Hall
 Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk

CC:

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All Northern Ontario Municipalities



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June 16, 2026

SUBJECT: Information on the new Development Charge Reduction Program (FIN-06-26)

Please be advised that at its Special Council meeting held Monday, June 15, 2026, the Council of the City of Burlington approved the following resolution:

Whereas on March 30, 2026, the federal and provincial government signed the Canada-Ontario Partnership to Build agreement to support the shared goals of building more homes faster, making housing more affordable and accelerating key infrastructure projects to protect jobs and help communities grow, and the agreement included \$8.8 billion in federal and provincial funding over 10 years to support housing-enabling infrastructure investments for municipalities; and

Whereas on June 1, 2026, the Province released information on the Development Charge Reduction Program, including details on the application process, eligibility and assessment criteria and funding requirements; and

Whereas municipalities had limited opportunity to provide input on the program design prior to its release, despite the commitment of up to \$8.8 billion for housing enabling infrastructure representing a significant investment in municipal infrastructure and housing priorities; and

Whereas eligible projects must primarily enable the construction of new housing units, accelerate the delivery and implementation of shovel-ready infrastructure projects in the municipality's DC background study and capital plan, begin construction by July 31, 2030, and be complete by October 31, 2035; and

Whereas applications will also be assessed based on the percentage of committed DC rate reduction, the number of housing units projected to be built as a result of the proposed DC relief, and the municipality's financial contribution, with at least 10 per cent of eligible project costs to be funded by the municipality; and

Whereas the City supports the objectives of the Canada-Ontario Partnership to Build and recognizes the importance of senior government investment in housing-enabling infrastructure; and

Whereas the City has already taken significant Council-approved actions to reduce its DC rates, which are among the lowest in Halton Region and low compared to other GTHA municipalities, and has also used other municipal and planning tools, including the City of Burlington Housing Community Improvement Plan, to support housing supply, affordability and complete communities; and

Whereas the current DCRP design, including the requirement for an across-the-board 30 per cent to 50 per cent residential DC reduction, the minimum municipal contribution requirement, the March 30, 2026 measurement date and the absence of a mechanism to cap municipal exposure, presents significant municipal financial exposure; and

Whereas in addition to the risk that the program could result in a subsidy from City taxes, there does not appear to be consideration given to early and creative actions already enacted by municipalities to support the creation of new housing while also meeting specific housing targets and goals to deliver complete communities; and

Whereas a number of Council-approved actions have been implemented that support the creation of housing and do not impact the tax base, including:

- Staff-driven initiative to reduce the proposed DC rates to mitigate the proposed increase in the DC Background Study that has been in effect since June 2024, resulting in residential DC rates being reduced by 28 per cent and non-residential DC rates being reduced by 32 per cent;
- Development of the City's first Affordable Rental Housing Community Improvement Plan, including 10 programs in 2025;
- Amendments to the Affordable Rental Housing Community Improvement Plan in May 2026 to broaden the scope of the CIP and develop a suite of new temporary programs in the now named City of Burlington Housing Community Improvement Plan, approved in May 2026 and currently within the appeal period, including DC grant programs to incentivize purpose-built rental units and ownership units with criteria related to built form, bedroom numbers and unit size, including within midrise and tall buildings, as well as other temporary programs including a Missing Middle Municipal Fee Waiver, Tax Increment Equivalent Grants and Accessible Design Grant;
- Modernized Official Plan policies and associated Residential Zoning By-law to support the creation of new residential units;
- Completion of all Housing Accelerator Fund Action Plan items; and

Whereas in considering the DCRP, staff also note that Council recently reviewed options to support housing through development-related financial incentives, and through that work, broad DC reductions were identified as presenting financial and implementation risks, including reduced flexibility in future DC by-law updates, limitations in targeting specific housing policy objectives and pressure on tax-supported funding sources; and

Whereas Council ultimately approved amendments to the City's housing-related Community Improvement Plan as a more targeted, temporary and controlled approach to supporting housing while protecting existing taxpayers;

Therefore, be it resolved that staff submit a list of projects and apply to the Development Charge Reduction Program on the basis that, through the application, the City requests to receive credit for:

1. The significant development charge reductions for new residential units, being 28 per cent, already made and in effect; and
2. The development charge exemptions available for a broad range of housing through the amended Community Improvement Plan; and
3. The City's 10 per cent portion being eliminated or funded from non-tax-supported sources, including Housing Accelerator Fund funding and development charges;

Therefore, be it further resolved that the CAO provide an accompanying letter to the City of Burlington's application under the DCRP detailing these considerations and requesting that the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing and Housing, Infrastructure and Communities Canada evaluate program applications with fair consideration for previous municipal actions to reduce DCs and provide flexibility in working with municipalities to ensure successful program implementation;

Therefore, be it further resolved that a copy of this motion be shared with the Premier, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Minister of Finance, Halton Regional Council, all Ontario municipalities, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

Sincerely,



Mike de Rond
City Clerk, Director of Legislative Services



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June 17, 2026

RE: Sustainable Provincial Grant Funding for Fire Services in Ontario

Dear Honourable Doug Ford and Honourable Michael Kerzner:

At its Council in Committee meeting held on June 8, 2026, the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Petawawa endorsed the following resolution:

Moved by Lisa Coutu

Seconded by Theresa Sabourin

WHEREAS Municipal fire services in Ontario operate under legislative authority established by the province through statutes, regulations, codes, and prescribed standards governing training, equipment, certification, inspection, and operational requirements;

AND WHEREAS municipalities are responsible for implementing and maintaining compliance with these provincially mandated requirements primarily through local property taxation;

AND WHEREAS current provincial fire service grant programs are available to both full-time and volunteer fire departments across Ontario and are distributed through competitive application processes that may not fully reflect the differing financial and administrative capacities of urban and rural municipalities, highlighting the need for a more balanced approach to funding that supports all fire services equitably;

AND WHEREAS volunteer firefighters represent approximately 70–75% of firefighters in Ontario, protecting the majority of communities across the province and, particularly in rural areas, are frequently the first emergency responders to arrive on scene ahead of other emergency services;

AND WHEREAS other provincially regulated emergency services, including policing and paramedic services, receive stable and predictable provincial funding contributions or cost-sharing arrangements;

AND WHEREAS the absence of a comparable and stable funding model for fire services creates a structural imbalance between provincial regulatory authority and municipal financial responsibility;

AND WHEREAS reliance on competitive funding creates budget uncertainty, limits long-term financial planning, and may not reflect the actual operational needs of fire services, contributing to instability, reduced preparedness and the reduction of services within a critical emergency response sector;

AND WHEREAS stable and predictable funding is essential to maintain emergency preparedness, firefighter safety, service sustainability, and equitable protection for residents regardless of municipal size or tax base;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

The Council of the Town of Petawawa respectfully calls upon the Province of Ontario to transition the current practice of competitive provincial fire service grant programs into a permanent, stable, and predictable non-competitive provincial funding program that supports municipalities in meeting provincially legislated fire protection requirements;

AND FURTHER THAT this funding be structured to provide equitable and predictable annual support for operational readiness and training costs associated with volunteer, composite and full-time fire departments across Ontario;

AND FURTHER THAT the annual value of this funding be reviewed and adjusted to more appropriately reflect the level of provincial funding support currently provided to other provincially regulated emergency services, including policing and paramedic services;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated for endorsement to:

- All municipalities
- Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs

- Ontario Professional Fire Fighters Association
- Ontario Volunteer Fire Fighters Association
- Association of Municipalities of Ontario
- Rural Ontario Municipal Association

AND FURTHER THAT, upon endorsement, this resolution be submitted to:

- Billy Denault MPP Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke
- The Honourable Michael Kerzner, Minister of the Solicitor General
- The Honourable Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure
- The Honourable Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
- The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario

Carried

The Town of Petawawa respectfully requests that the Government of Ontario implements a permanent, stable, and predictable non-competitive provincial funding program that supports municipalities in meeting provincially legislated fire protection requirements. We look forward to your favourable reply.

Sincerely,



Dawn Recoskie, CMO, Dipl.M.A.

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cc: All municipalities

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Honourable Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing, rob.flack@ontario.ca.



MUNICIPALITY OF SHUNIAH

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: (~~248-26~~) 239-26

Date: Jun 16, 2026

Moved By: *[Signature]*

Seconded By: *[Signature]*

THAT Council for the Municipality of Shuniah receives and supports the Parry Sound request for more rest stops and service areas along highways 11 & 17;

AND THAT Council directs the Clerk to forward a copy of this resolution to FONOM, NOMA, AMO, TBDML, local MPPs and MPs, the Premier of Ontario, the Leader of the Official Opposition (Ontario), and all Ontario municipalities.

Carried

Defeated

Amended

Deferred

Wendy Landry
Signature

Municipality of Shuniah, 420 Leslie Avenue, Thunder Bay, Ontario, P7A 1X8

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Motion # 2026-158

WHEREAS Highways 11 and 17 are critical transportation corridors connecting Northern Ontario communities and supporting national trade, tourism, emergency response, and economic development; and

WHEREAS Northern Ontario residents, travellers, commercial drivers, and emergency services rely on safe and accessible year-round highway infrastructure; and

WHEREAS many stretches of Highways 11 and 17 lack sufficient rest areas, washroom facilities, truck parking, warming centres, fuel access, and safe pull-off locations, particularly in remote areas of Northern Ontario; and

WHEREAS inadequate rest stop infrastructure contributes to driver fatigue, safety concerns, limited accessibility, and challenges for tourism and commercial transportation;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Armour calls upon the Government of Ontario and the Government of Canada to prioritize the development of new and upgraded highway rest stops and traveller infrastructure along Highways 11 and 17 across Northern Ontario; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT such infrastructure include year-round washrooms, safe parking areas, commercial truck parking, warming shelters, electric vehicle charging stations, fuel access, tourism information, and improved emergency communication services where feasible; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Province of Ontario work collaboratively with Northern municipalities, FONOM, NOMA, Indigenous communities, and industry stakeholders to identify priority locations for investment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this resolution be circulated to FONOM, NOMA, AMO, local MPPs and MPs, the Premier of Ontario, and Ontario municipalities.

Moved by:	Blakelock, Rod	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Brandt, Jerry	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Haggart-Davis, Dorothy	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Ward, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Whitwell, Wendy	<input type="checkbox"/>

Seconded by:	Blakelock, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Brandt, Jerry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Haggart-Davis, Dorothy	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Ward, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Carried / Defeated _____

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest by: _____

Recorded vote requested by: _____

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Blakelock, Rod

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Haggart-Davis, Dorothy

Ward, Rod

Whitwell, Wendy

For

Opposed



COUNCIL RESOLUTION

MUNICIPALITY OF
SHUNIAH

Date: Jun 16, 2026

Resolution No.: (249-26) 240-26

Moved By: 

Seconded By: 

THAT Council for the Municipality of Shuniah receives and supports the Resolution from the Township of Machar opposing the proposed changes to FIPPA;

AND THAT Council directs the Clerk to forward a copy of this resolution to FONOM, NOMA, AMO, TBDML, local MPPs and MPs, the Premier of Ontario, the Ontario Leader of the Official Opposition, and all Ontario municipalities.

- Carried
- Defeated
- Amended
- Deferred


Signature

Municipality of Shuniah, 420 Leslie Avenue, Thunder Bay, Ontario, P7A 1X8



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Res End

Jun 2, 2026

Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto ON
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Via Email: premier@ontario.ca

Dear Premier Doug Ford:

Re: Opposing proposed changes to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA)

Please be advised that during the regular Council meeting of Jun 1, 2026, Township of Machar Council passed the following motion,

86-26 McLaren, Ivens

Whereas the government of Ontario is proposing changes to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA) that would exclude records of the premier, cabinet ministers and their staff from public access requests;

AND Whereas these changes would apply retroactively and may limit access to records related to matters of public interest;

AND Whereas the Information and Privacy Commissioner for Ontario has warned that these changes would reduce transparency and accountability, Freedom of Information laws are an essential to the public trust and democratic accountability;

Therefore Be It Resolved That the Township of Machar oppose the proposed changes to FIPPA;

1. Call on the Province to ensure records related to government business remain accessible to the public;
2. Urge the Province to consult with the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario and the public before proceeding;
3. Direct that this motion be circulated to the Premier Doug Ford, appropriate minister, all MPP's and Ontario municipalities. CARRIED.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

Clerk Administrator

TOWNSHIP OF MACHAR

Resolution Number: 86-26

Moved by: Ron McLaren Blair Flowers Pearl Ivens Neil Scarlett
 Seconded by: Ron McLaren Blair Flowers Pearl Ivens Neil Scarlett

Jun 1, 2026

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Carried by: Lynda Cullen



SMITHS FALLS

RISE AT THE FALLS

June 17th, 2026

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

Re: Support for Sustainable Provincial Grant Funding for Fire Services in Ontario

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Smiths Falls passed the following resolution at their June 15th, 2026 Council meeting:

The Council of the Town of Smiths Falls respectfully calls upon the Province of Ontario to transition the current practice of competitive provincial fire service grant programs into a permanent, stable, and predictable non-competitive provincial funding program that supports municipalities in meeting provincially legislated fire protection requirements;

AND FURTHER THAT this funding be structured to provide equitable and predictable annual support for operational readiness and training costs associated with volunteer, composite and full-time fire departments across Ontario;

AND FURTHER THAT the annual value of this funding be reviewed and adjusted to more appropriately reflect the level of provincial funding support currently provided to other provincially regulated emergency services, including policing and paramedic services;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to:

- Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs
- Ontario Professional Fire Fighters Association
- Ontario Volunteer Fire Fighters Association
- Association of Municipalities of Ontario
- Rural Ontario Municipal Association
- Scott Reid, M.P. Lanark-Frontenac
- John Jordan, M.P.P. Lanark-Frontenac-Kingston
- Minister of the Solicitor General



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- *Minister of Infrastructure*
- *Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing*
- *All Ontario Municipalities*

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions and/or concerns.

Yours truly,

Kerry Costello
Town Clerk

cc: Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs
Ontario Professional Fire Fighters Association
Ontario Volunteer Fire Fighters Association
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
Rural Ontario Municipal Association
Scott Reid, M.P. Lanark-Frontenac
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