



# Town of Newmarket Council Information Package

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**The Council of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville****Resolution No. CC-098-2026****Date:** May 21, 2026Moved by *Alic Hoogenboom*Seconded by *Michael Cameron*

**WHEREAS** municipalities are responsible for the planning, construction, operation, rehabilitation, and replacement of critical public infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS** municipal engineers play a key role in supporting safe, reliable, and cost-effective infrastructure systems for residents and businesses; and

**WHEREAS** the Municipal Engineers Association has raised concerns and recommendations regarding the Province's proposed harmonization of municipal road construction standards, which have implications for municipal operations, long-term asset management, and financial sustainability; and

**WHEREAS** the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville supports advocacy that promotes effective infrastructure planning, responsible funding frameworks, and realistic implementation requirements for municipalities;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville supports the Municipal Engineers Association's position regarding the Province's proposed harmonization of municipal road construction standards, particularly the concerns about the exemption approval process, mandatory annual reporting, lack of clarity around governance/co-stewardship, and the need for meaningful municipal consultation before implementation proceeds; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** Council urges the Province of Ontario to engage with municipalities and the Municipal Engineers Association to implement practical solutions that reflect municipal capacity, infrastructure needs, and local government realities; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** a copy of this resolution be circulated to the Minister of Transportation, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Minister of

Infrastructure, the local Member of Provincial Parliament (MPP), the Municipal Engineers Association (MEA), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA), and Ontario municipalities.

Carried  Defeated  Deferred

  
Corinna Smith-Gatcke, Warden



**Date:** 13 May 2026

**15**

**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;

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**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

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**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

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Carried

Defeated

Deferred



Honourable Doug Ford,  
Premier of Ontario  
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Honourable Sylvia Jones  
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May 25, 2026

Honourable Marjorie  
Michel, Minister of Health  
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sc.gc.ca

The Ontario Medical  
Association  
Via Email: info@oma.org

RE: Township of Puslinch Support Resolution No.2026-128, Regarding Consent item 6.8  
Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus Finlay's Law on Emergency Room Reform

Please be advised that Township of Puslinch Council, at its meeting held on May 6, 2025  
considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

**Resolution No. 2026-128:**

Moved by Councillor Bailey and  
Seconded by Councillor Sepulis

**That the Consent Agenda item 6.8 be received; and**

**Whereas Council supports the WOWC resolution that Council direct staff to send a  
support resolution accordingly.**

**CARRIED**

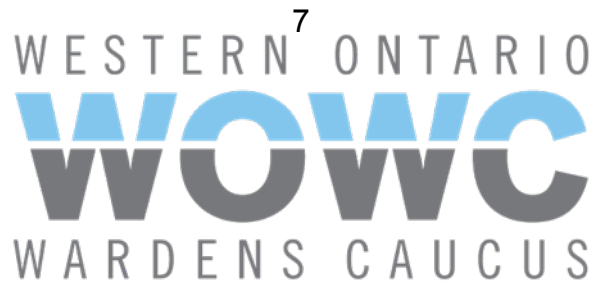


As per the above resolution, please accept a copy of this correspondence for your information and consideration.

Sincerely,

Justine Brotherston  
Municipal Clerk

CC:  
The Ontario Hospital Association (OHA)  
The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
Ontario Big City Mayors  
Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus



Monday, April 20, 2026

Premier of Ontario  
Hon. Doug Ford  
Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
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Sent via email: premier@ontario.ca

**Re: Support of Finlay's Law on Emergency Room Reform**

At its regular meeting on April 10, 2026, the Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus adopted the following motion in support of Finlay's Law on Emergency Room Reform:

**#11 Moved by D. Bailey seconded by B. Clark:**

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

**WHEREAS** Health Quality Ontario data from October 2025 reports that patients needing admission to the hospital waited an average of 19-20 hours, with high-urgency patients waiting close to 5 hours on average to be seen by a physician; and

**WHEREAS** in December 2023, the Auditor General of Ontario reported 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 ER wait times were increasing significantly with the longest wait times recorded in over 15 years and that provincial funding was \$21.3 billion short to maintain current health programs through 2028; and

**WHEREAS** according to the Ontario Hospital Association (OHA), Ontario has had the lowest per capita hospital expenditure in Canada since 2018; and

**WHEREAS** according to the OHA, approximately 4,200 alternate level care (ALC) patients remain in acute beds (40% awaiting long term care), worsening ER delays; and

**WHEREAS** Canadian ER researchers have highlighted that between 8,000 and 15,000 Canadians die prematurely as a result of ER overcrowding; and

**WHEREAS** reports of patients dying in crowded ERs across Canada are increasing, such as 16-year-old Finlay van der Werken who waited over 8 hours in an Oakville ER without being seen by a physician and tragically passed away on February 9, 2024 from pneumonia that developed into sepsis; and

**WHEREAS** ER delays are contributing to excessive ambulance offload times, adding undue strain on response capacity of municipal paramedic services across Ontario; and

**WHEREAS** the Provincial Government has taken important steps to improve health care in Ontario, however additional funding and staffing resources for hospitals to reduce ER wait times and increase capacity to provide timely access to care for all patients in ER's remains critical; and

**WHEREAS** despite growing concerns regarding staffing shortages in and closures of ERs across Ontario, as well as failure to meet federal standards such as the Canadian Triage and Acuity Scale, the Provincial Government continues to receive full contributions of Canada Health Transfers from the federal government.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Western Ontario Wardens Caucus calls on the Provincial Ministry of Health to take immediate action to reduce ER wait times with consideration for the importance of enhanced ER triage protocols and increased funding to strengthen emergency readiness;

**AND THAT** the Western Ontario Wardens Caucus calls on the Provincial Ministry of Health to introduce Finlay's Law to ensure that no child in Ontario is left without timely emergency medical care in hospitals by:

- Setting legal maximum ER wait times for children under 18 (e.g., physician assessment within 2 hours, admission within 8 hours).
- Mandating safe pediatric nurse-to-patient and physician-to-patient ratios in emergency settings.
- Establish independent oversight to audit hospitals, investigate pediatric ER deaths, and enforce compliance.
- Mandate public, independent, and timely (within 1 year) inquiry by the Chief Coroner of Ontario of every pediatric death in an ER waiting area.
- Fund better pediatric emergency readiness, including staffing, training and infrastructure

**AND THAT** the Western Ontario Wardens Caucus calls on the Federal Ministry of Health to enforce the principles and requirements of the Canada Health Act through its spending power of Canada Health Transfers to Ontario by:

- monitoring compliance to national health standards, such as Canadian Triage and Acuity Scale (CTAS) in ERs;
- and establishing and ensuring compliance with a new sepsis care

**AND THAT** a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, the Ontario Minister of Health, the Federal Minister of Health, the Ontario Medical Association (OMA), the Ontario Hospital Association (OHA), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO).

**Carried.**

Please contact the office if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely,



Marcus Ryan  
Chair, Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus

cc.  
Hon. Marjorie Michel, Federal Minister of Health  
Hon. Sylvia Jones, Ontario Minister of Health  
Ontario Medical Association  
Ontario Hospital Association  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
Ontario Big City Mayors  
Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus  
Western Ontario Municipalities

**From:** [Regional.Clerk](#)  
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On May 21, 2026 Regional Council made the following decision:

1. The Regional Clerk circulate this report to local municipalities.

The original staff report is available for your information at the following link:

**[2023 to 2027 Strategic Plan Year 3 \(2025\) Progress Report](#)**

Please contact Karen Antonio-Hadcock, Senior Director, Strategies and Initiatives at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 75903 if you have any questions with respect to this matter.

Regards,

**Christopher Raynor (he/him)** | Regional Clerk, Regional Clerk's Office, Corporate Services Department

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**From:** [Regional.Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Regional Council Decision - 2024 to 2027 Plan to Support Seniors - Implementation Update  
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On May 21, 2026 Regional Council made the following decision:

1. Council endorse the 2024 to 2027 Plan to Support Seniors (Plan) Advocacy Priorities “Strengthening Seniors’ Health and Well-Being in York Region” (Attachment 1), which includes five advocacy priority areas:
  - a. Sustain and expand funding for Community Paramedicine
  - b. Establish a provincial coordinating body for seniors’ programs and services
  - c. Expand seniors’ access to digital technology and improve digital literacy
  - d. Fund annual in-home or virtual health professional visits for seniors 75+
  - e. Improve long-term policy planning and funding for seniors’ health, housing and social care
2. Regional Chair write to the Federal Secretary of State (Seniors), Federal Minister of Health, Federal Minister of Finance and National Revenue, Federal Minister of Artificial Intelligence and Digital Innovation, Federal Minister of Housing and Infrastructure, Provincial Minister of Seniors and Accessibility, Provincial Minister of Health, Provincial Minister of Long-Term Care, Provincial Minister of Finance, Provincial Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Provincial Minister of Children, Community and Social Services, and Provincial Minister of Infrastructure requesting support and further investments to advance priorities listed in Attachment 1.
3. Regional Clerk circulate this report for information to the Provincial Minister of Long-Term Care, Provincial Minister of Seniors and Accessibility, Provincial Minister of Health, York Region Members of Provincial Parliament and Members of Parliament, local municipalities, York Region Human Services Planning Board, Ontario Health atHome – Central, Ontario Health Teams in York Region, local hospital CEOs, Ontario Health Central Region, AdvantAge Ontario, Ontario Long-Term Care Association, Ontario Community Support Association, Ontario Municipal Social Services Association and Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

The original staff report is available for your information at the following link:

**[2024 to 2027 Plan to Support Seniors - Implementation Update](#)**

Please contact Julia Roitenberg, General Manager, Paramedic and Seniors Services, Community and Health Services at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 74024 if you have any questions with respect to this matter.

Regards,

**Christopher Raynor** (he/him) | Regional Clerk, Regional Clerk's Office, Corporate Services Department

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**Date:** May 26, 2026 8:34:14 AM

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On May 21, 2026 Regional Council made the following decision:

1. The Regional Clerk circulate this report to the Ministry of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade, Invest Ontario, Toronto Global, ventureLAB, York University, Ontario Centre of Innovation and local municipalities.

The original staff report is available for your information at the following link:

[2024-2027 Economic Development Action Plan Update](#)

Please contact Jonathan Wheatle at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 71503 if you have any questions with respect to this matter.

Regards,

**Christopher Raynor** (he/him) | Regional Clerk, Regional Clerk's Office, Corporate Services Department

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**Date:** May 26, 2026 8:41:19 AM

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On May 21, 2026 Regional Council made the following decision:

1. The Regional Clerk circulates this report to Clerks of the Region's nine local municipalities, Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation, Environment and Climate Change Canada, Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority, and Toronto and Region Conservation Authority.

The original staff report is available for your information at the following link:

**[2025 Annual Regional Greening Strategy Achievements and State of the Forest](#)**

Please contact Lindsay Milne, Director, Waste Management and Forestry, Operations and Services, Public Works at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 75714 if you have any questions with respect to this matter.

Regards,

**Christopher Raynor** (he/him) | Regional Clerk, Regional Clerk's Office, Corporate Services Department

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**Subject:** Regional Council Decision - 2025 Annual Waste Management Report  
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On May 21, 2026 Regional Council made the following decision:

1. The Regional Clerk circulate this report to the Clerks of local municipalities and the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.

The original staff report is available for your information at the following link:

**[2025 Annual Waste Management Report](#)**

Please contact Lindsay Milne, Director, Waste Management and Forestry at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 75714 if you have any questions with respect to this matter.

Regards,

**Christopher Raynor (he/him)** | Regional Clerk, Regional Clerk's Office, Corporate Services Department

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**Subject:** Regional Council Decision - Community Safety Zone Policy Update  
**Date:** May 26, 2026 8:45:29 AM

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On May 21, 2026 Regional Council made the following decision:

1. Council approve the updated Community Safety Zone Warrant Criteria policy, as indicated in Appendix A.
2. The Regional Solicitor and General Counsel prepare the necessary bylaws.
3. The Regional Clerk circulate this report to the Clerks of the local municipalities, Chief of York Regional Police and York Region school boards.
4. The Commissioner of Public Works continues to submit bylaw updates for Council approval without an accompanying report, under the updated Policy.

The original staff report is available for your information at the following link:

[Community Safety Zone Policy Update](#)

Please contact Joseph Petrunaro, Director Roads, Traffic and Fleet at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 75220 if you have any questions with respect to this matter.

Regards,

**Christopher Raynor** (he/him) | Regional Clerk, Regional Clerk's Office, Corporate Services Department

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**Subject:** Regional Council Decision - Public Health 2025 Updates and Future Priorities  
**Date:** May 26, 2026 8:39:16 AM

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On May 21, 2026 Regional Council made the following decision:

1. The Regional Clerk circulate this report and Attachment 1 to Ontario's Minister of Health, Ontario's Chief Medical Officer of Health, Clerks of the local municipalities, York Region's Human Services Planning Board, and the Association of Local Public Health Agencies.

The original staff report is available for your information at the following link:

**[Public Health 2025 Updates and Future Priorities](#)**

Please contact Dr. Fareen Karachiwalla, Medical Officer of Health at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 77239 if you have any questions with respect to this matter.

Regards,

**Christopher Raynor** ([he/him](#)) | Regional Clerk, Regional Clerk's Office, Corporate Services Department

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**Date:** May 26, 2026 8:46:56 AM

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On May 21, 2026 Regional Council made the following decision:

1. The Regional Clerk circulate this report to Ontario Ministers of Transportation, Municipal Affairs and Housing, and Infrastructure, Clerks of local municipalities, Building Industry and Land Development Association, and the Ontario Home Builders' Association.

The original staff report is available for your information at the following link:

**[Roads Capital Infrastructure Status Update](#)**

Please contact Salim Alibhai, Director, Capital Delivery – Transportation, Public Works at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 75229 if you have any questions with respect to this matter.

Regards,

**Christopher Raynor (he/him)** | Regional Clerk, Regional Clerk's Office, Corporate Services Department

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**From:** [Regional.Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Regional Council Decision - Sewer Use Bylaw Enforcement Program Fees for 2027 through 2032  
**Date:** May 26, 2026 8:42:18 AM

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On May 21, 2026 Regional Council made the following decision:

1. Council approve 2027–2032 fees for the Sewer Use Bylaw Enforcement Programs, as outlined in Appendix A.
2. Schedule “A” of the Fees and Charges Bylaw (Bylaw No. 2020-04) be amended to implement the proposed fees as outlined in Appendix A.
3. The Regional Clerk circulate this report to the Clerks of the local municipalities.

The original staff report is available for your information at the following link:

[Sewer Use Bylaw Enforcement Program Fees for 2027 through 2032](#)

Please contact Richard Walker at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 75311 if you have any questions with respect to this matter.

Regards,

**Christopher Raynor** (he/him) | Regional Clerk, Regional Clerk’s Office, Corporate Services Department

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**Subject:** Regional Council Decision - Water and Wastewater Capital Infrastructure Status Update  
**Date:** May 26, 2026 8:43:44 AM

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On May 21, 2026 Regional Council made the following decision:

1. The Regional Clerk circulate this report to the Ontario Ministers of Environment, Conservation and Parks, Municipal Affairs and Housing, and Infrastructure; Clerks of the local municipalities; Building Industry and Land Development Association; and Ontario Home Builders' Association.

The original staff report is available for your information at the following link:

**[Water and Wastewater Capital Infrastructure Status Update](#)**

Please contact Pina Accardi, Director, Capital Delivery, Water and Wastewater, Public Works at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 75355 if you have any questions with respect to this matter.

Regards,

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**Date:** May 26, 2026 8:44:47 AM

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On May 21, 2026 Regional Council made the following decision:

1. The Regional Clerk circulates this report to Clerks of local municipalities, York Regional Police, York Region school boards and Ontario Ministry of Transportation.

The original staff report is available for your information at the following link:

[York Region Vision Zero Traveller Safety Plan Annual Report](#)

Please contact Joseph Petrunaro, Director Roads, Traffic and Fleet at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 75220 if you have any questions with respect to this matter.

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MOVED BY:

- Jason Cote  
 Marc Lepine  
 Ray Maltais  
 Bert McDowell

SECONDED BY:

- Jason Cote  
 Marc Lepine  
 Ray Maltais  
 Bert McDowell

RESOLUTION # 26 – 061

Date: April 13, 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 service;

**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 significantly lower contribution level;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Baldwin 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



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**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 Honourable 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 neighbouring municipalities for their support.

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CAO/Clerk – Administrator/Treasurer  
Holly Zahorodny

I DECLARE THIS RESOLUTION

- Carried
- Defeated
- Deferred

  
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Mayor

RECORDED VOTE		
	For	Against
V. Gorham	—	—
J. Cote	—	—
M. Lepine	—	—
R. Maltais	—	—
B. McDowell	—	—

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Date: May 26, 2026

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.

<b>Moved by:</b>	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"/>

<b>Seconded by:</b>	Blakelock, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Brandt, Jerry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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	Ward, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Declaration of Pecuniary Interest by: \_\_\_\_\_

Recorded vote requested by: \_\_\_\_\_

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- Brandt, Jerry
- Haggart-Davis, Dorothy
- Ward, Rod
- Whitwell, Wendy

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# Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin

## Council Resolution

**Date:** May 27, 2026

### **Request for Provincial Review of CVA-Based Apportionment for Shared Municipal and Provincially Mandated Services**

**Resolution Number:** 2026-173

**Moved By:** Mayor Gould

**Seconded By:** Councillor Manson

WHEREAS many provincially mandated services, shared municipal services, and board-imposed levies are apportioned among municipalities using Current Value Assessment (CVA) or weighted assessment formulas; and

WHEREAS CVA-based apportionment formulas are intended to reflect municipal assessment capacity, but often do not adequately account for population, service access, geographic isolation, infrastructure constraints, or the differing realities of small and rural municipalities; and

WHEREAS municipalities with significant industrial assessment, utility corridors, resource infrastructure, protected lands, seasonal properties, or large geographic areas may experience disproportionately high per-resident levy impacts despite limited local services and lower resident incomes; and

WHEREAS some municipalities contribute substantially toward regional services such as long-term care, policing, conservation authorities, social services, and other provincially mandated boards and agencies, while residents may have limited local access to those services due to geography, travel distance, or service availability; and

WHEREAS increasing levy pressures are creating significant financial strain for small and rural municipalities and their residents;

NOW THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Council of the Municipality of Calvin requests that the Province of Ontario, including the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and the Minister of Finance, undertake a review of policies, legislation, and regulations governing the use of Current Value Assessment (CVA) and weighted assessment as the basis for apportioning provincially-mandated levies and shared municipal service costs;

AND THAT the Province consider developing fairer and more balanced apportionment models which may include:

- hybrid formulas incorporating both CVA and population;
- consideration of service access and service availability;
- household count or permanent population metrics;
- ability-to-pay considerations for small and rural municipalities;
- rurality and geographic isolation factors; and
- measures to limit disproportionate per-resident levy impacts on smaller municipalities; and


AND THAT the Province work with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA), rural municipalities, municipal service boards, and regional service providers to develop best practices and model apportionment frameworks for shared municipal services and provincially mandated boards;

AND THAT this resolution with the mayor's report attached, be circulated to:


- the Premier of Ontario;
- the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing;
- the Minister of Finance;
- The Minister of Rural Affairs
- the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO);
- the Rural Ontario Municipal Association
- local Member of Provincial Parliament;
- all Ontario municipalities;
- and relevant municipal service boards and associations for consideration and support.

**Result: Carried**

CERTIFIED to be a true copy of  
Resolution No. 2026-173 passed by the Council of  
The Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin  
on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2026.



Trish Araujo  
Deputy Clerk



Report to Council by: Mayor Richard Gould Date: May 26, 2026

Subject: Request for Provincial Review of, and Change to CVA-Based Apportionment

The purpose of this report is to provide background information and supporting rationale for the attached resolution requesting that the Province of Ontario review the use of Current Value Assessment (CVA) and weighted assessment formulas as the basis for apportioning costs for provincially-mandated services, regional boards, and shared municipal services.

The report focuses on the growing financial impacts that CVA-based apportionment can have on small and rural municipalities, particularly where assessment values do not accurately reflect resident income levels, service access, or local municipal capacity.

Many shared municipal services and provincially-mandated boards in Ontario allocate costs among participating municipalities using Current Value Assessment (CVA) or weighted assessment formulas.

Examples include: Long-Term Care facilities; District Social Services Administration Boards (DSSAB); policing costs; conservation authorities; health and social service boards; and School boards and other regional service arrangements.

Under these formulas, municipalities with higher assessment values contribute a larger percentage of overall costs.

The intent of the current CVA-based apportionment is only a reflection of the municipalities "ability to pay." However, in many rural municipalities, assessment values do not accurately represent:

- or the actual level of services available within the municipality
- resident income levels;
- local economic strength;
- access to services;
- population density;
- transportation challenges.

As a result, some rural municipalities experience disproportionately high levy impacts on a per-household or per-resident basis.

#### Rural and Northern Municipal Realities

Small rural municipalities often differ significantly from urban centres in both geography and service availability.

In many cases:

- residents must travel substantial distances to access healthcare and government services;
- municipalities may lack public transit;
- municipalities may not have local hospitals, long-term care homes, or other major services;
- populations may be older and more geographically dispersed;
- infrastructure costs may be high due to large geographic areas and low population density.

At the same time, rural municipalities may contain:

- pipelines;
- hydro corridors;
- industrial infrastructure;

- protected lands;
- provincial parks;
- seasonal properties;
- or large acreages.

These features can substantially increase municipal assessment values while providing little indication of the financial capacity of local residents. This creates a disconnect between the assessed property value; and actual household ability to absorb increasing levy costs.

The Municipality of Calvin is a small rural municipality with approximately 230 households.

A significant portion of municipal assessment is influenced by industrial infrastructure, including a major pipeline corridor. The municipality also contains multiple provincial parks and large acreages, much of which limits future residential or commercial development opportunities.

Many residents live on inherited rural properties and have fixed or modest incomes. While assessment values may appear significant on paper, they do not necessarily reflect disposable household income or enhanced municipal service levels.

The Township has no hospital, no long-term care facility, no public transit, and limited local health and social service infrastructure.

Despite these limitations, the Township contributes toward many regional services through CVA-based apportionment formulas.

#### Cassellholme Capital Cost Example

The attached Appendix "A" illustrates the distribution of Cassellholme redevelopment capital costs among participating municipalities using:

- the current CVA formula;
- a household-based formula; and
- a hybrid formula combining CVA and household count.

The analysis demonstrates substantial differences in per-household impacts between municipalities.

Under the current CVA model:

- Calvin households contribute approximately \$393.89 per household;
- South Algonquin contributes approximately \$377.48 per household;
- Mattawan contributes approximately \$283.74 per household.

By comparison:

- Mattawa contributes approximately \$94.50 per household;
- Chisholm contributes approximately \$193.18 per household;
- North Bay contributes approximately \$203.56 per household.

Under a purely household-based model, the contribution would be approximately \$209.09 per household across all municipalities.

The analysis suggests that CVA-based formulas can create substantial disparities in per-household costs between municipalities, particularly in smaller rural communities where industrial or resource-based assessment inflates municipal valuation figures.

### Hybrid and Alternative Models

The report recommends that the province review whether the current reliance on CVA alone remains the most equitable method of apportionment in all circumstances.

Alternative approaches could include:

- hybrid formulas combining CVA and household count;
- formulas incorporating permanent population;
- service availability considerations;
- rurality and geographic isolation factors;
- ability-to-pay considerations;
- or mechanisms to limit disproportionate impacts on smaller municipalities.

The attached example demonstrates that even a partial hybrid approach can reduce extreme disparities while still recognizing assessment capacity.

### Broader Provincial Relevance

This issue extends beyond the Municipality of Calvin.

Many rural Ontario municipalities face similar circumstances where; industrial assessment; utility corridors, hydro infrastructure, pipelines, resource lands, or protected lands, increase municipal assessment values without proportionally increasing local service access or household financial capacity.

As provincial and regional levy pressures continue to rise, concerns regarding the fairness and sustainability of existing apportionment models are likely to become increasingly significant for rural municipalities across Ontario.

### Conclusion

The current use of CVA and weighted assessment formulas was developed to reflect municipal assessment capacity. However, the growing divergence between assessment values and the realities facing many rural municipalities suggests that a provincial review is warranted.

The Municipality of Calvin is requesting that the Province of Ontario review the use of CVA-based apportionment for provincially-mandated and shared municipal services and consider more balanced approaches that better reflect:

- household impacts;
- rural realities;
- service access;
- and municipal capacity.
- The attached resolution seeks to initiate that broader provincial discussion.
- Recommendation:

That Council adopt the attached resolution requesting a provincial review of Current Value Assessment (CVA)-based apportionment formulas for shared municipal and provincially-mandated services.

## Appendix A:

## Distribution of Capital cost for Cassellholme construction:

This chart shows the distribution of costs based on current CVA, Per Household, and a Hybrid of 75% per household and 25% CVA.

Municipality	Households	Current CVA			Per Household			Hybrid 75/25		
		Current CVA Pct	Current CVA Annual	Per household	Household based PCT	Household Based Annual	by household only	Hybrid PCT	Hybrid Annual	hybrid by household
North Bay	23470	79.187%	\$4,777,615.40	\$203.56	81.34%	4,907,375.69	209.09	80.8000%	4,874,935.62	207.71
East Ferris	1890	7.742%	\$467,100.64	\$247.14	6.55%	395,182.79	209.09	6.8480%	413,162.25	218.60
South Algonquin	530	3.316%	\$200,065.32	\$377.48	1.84%	110,818.45	209.09	2.2066%	133,130.17	251.19
Bonfield	890	3.237%	\$195,298.99	\$219.44	3.08%	186,091.37	209.09	3.1225%	188,393.27	211.68
Papineau-Cameron	405	1.726%	\$104,135.33	\$257.12	1.40%	84,682.03	209.09	1.4842%	89,545.35	221.10
Chisholm	510	1.633%	\$98,524.33	\$193.18	1.77%	106,636.63	209.09	1.7338%	104,608.55	205.11
Calvin	227	1.482%	\$89,414.00	\$393.89	0.79%	47,463.75	209.09	0.9605%	57,951.31	255.29
Mattawa	860	1.347%	\$81,269.00	\$94.50	2.98%	179,818.62	209.09	2.5721%	155,181.22	180.44
Mattawan	70	0.329%	\$19,861.73	\$283.74	0.24%	\$14,636.40	209.09	0.2642%	15,942.73	227.75
TOTAL	28852		\$6,033,284.73		99.99%	\$6,032,705.73	209.09	1.00	6,032,850.48	

Totals      65693                      \$6,033,284                      \$6,033,333                      \$6,033,333

Total Capital rebuild cost is and estimate of \$121,000,000 plus \$110,000,000 interest, minus the \$50,000,000 arranged by the province to be divided in each of the first years of the loan. This is a Total of \$181,000,000. Divided over the next 30 years this equals \$6,033,333 per year.

**CORPORATION OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF NORTH GLENGARRY  
Council Meeting**

**Resolution #** 10

**Date:** Monday May 25, 2026

**Moved by:** Jamie MacDonald

**Seconded by:** Carma Williams

**THAT** the Council of the Township of North Glengarry support the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus resolution 2026-03: Ontario Most Outdated Property Reassessment in Canada: A Call to Return to Property Tax Reassessment Cycle, as presented.

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** a copy of this resolution be circulated to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable peter Bethlenfalry, Minister of Finance; EOWC Members of Provincial Parliament; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario; the Rural Ontario Municipal Association; the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation; the Ontario Big City Mayors; the Western Ontario Wardens 'Caucus; the Mayors and Regional Chairs of Ontario; the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities; and all EOWC municipalities."

**CARRIED**  


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**MAYOR / DEPUTY MAYOR**

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**Councillor:** Jacques Massie

**Councillor:** Brian Caddell

**Councillor:** Jeff Manley

**Councillor:** Michael Madden

**Councillor:** Gary Martin

**Mayor:** Jamie MacDonald

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**Resolution 2026-03: Ontario Most Outdated Property Reassessment in Canada: A Call to Return to Property Tax Reassessment Cycle**

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**Date: May 8, 2026**

**Moved by: Warden Jennifer Murphy, County of Renfrew**

**Seconded by: Warden Robert Mullin, County of Hastings**

**WHEREAS** the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus (EOWC) serves over 1.1 million residents across 13 upper-tier and single-tier municipalities, encompassing a total of 103 municipalities in Ontario;

**AND WHEREAS** municipalities in Ontario are currently required to calculate property taxes based on property valuations from 2016, over a decade ago;

**AND WHEREAS** all other provinces in Canada have continued regular reassessment cycles, resulting in properties being reassessed multiple times since 2016, making Ontario the most outdated in Canada;

**AND WHEREAS** the prolonged pause in the reassessment cycle has created significant distortions in assessed values, resulting in inequities among property classes; and

**AND WHEREAS** outdated assessments negatively impact investment decisions, economic competitiveness, municipal planning, and disproportionately affect independent small businesses; and

**AND WHEREAS** the continued pause on property tax reassessment in Ontario creates uncertainty for municipalities, property owners, and investors regarding future tax liabilities;

**AND WHEREAS** a current and predictable assessment system is essential to supporting strong communities, maintaining fairness in taxation, and encouraging economic investment consistent with the Ontario government's objective of being "Open for Business";

**AND WHEREAS** the lack of clarity regarding the timing of the next reassessment is contributing to delayed or deferred investment decisions, thereby impacting economic competitiveness across the province;

**AND WHEREAS** municipal governments, particularly in rural and small-urban communities, rely on a stable and updated assessment system to address financial pressures including inflation, rising labour costs, and increasing service demands;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the EOWC formally requests that the Government of Ontario commit to a clear and prompt return to the property tax reassessment cycle;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the Province provide a defined timeline and transparent plan for implementing future reassessments on a regular and predictable basis;

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**Carried**

Signed by:

EOWC Chair Bonnie Clark

[info@eowc.org](mailto:info@eowc.org)

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EOWC Chair Bonnie Clark



Signed by:

**Carried**

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May 28, 2026

To whom it May Concern:

**RE: Resolution – support Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) Resolution No.2026-02 - Establishment of a Northern Ontario Policing Grant**

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Please be advised that at the Township of Larder Lake's Regular Council Meeting held on Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2026, the following resolution of support was adopted:

Resolution #15, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Moved by: Councillor Hull

Seconded by: Councillor Kelly

**Carried**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Larder Lake supports the resolution from the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) regarding the Establishment of a 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 increases 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;

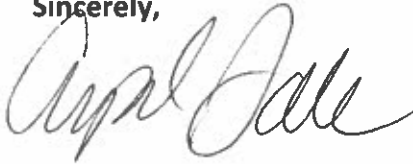
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities call on the Government of Ontario to establish a \$100 million Northern Ontario Policing Grant, phased in over three years, to support the 157 municipalities across Northern Ontario served by both the Ontario Provincial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

AND THAT the grant include 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 recognizes 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 of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA), and all Northern Ontario Municipalities.

Sincerely,



**Crystal Labbe**  
**CAO/ Clerk Treasurer**

**Encl.**

**cc:** Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Michael Kerzner, Minister of the Solicitor General  
Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance  
George Pirie, Minister of Northern Economic Development and Growth  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA)

May 29, 2026

Please be advised that during the regular Council meeting of May 26, 2026 the following resolution regarding the Better Regional Governance Act was carried.

**RESOLUTION NO.** 2026-246

**DATE:** **May 26, 2026**

**MOVED BY:** **Councillor MacNaughton**

**SECONDED BY:** **Councillor Branderhorst**

**WHEREAS** electoral representation is the keystone of Canadian democracy; and,

**WHEREAS** the Better Regional Governance Act, 2026 (Act) received royal assent on May 7th; and,

**WHEREAS** the Act allows the provincial government to interfere with shape and composition of certain local and regional governments in Ontario without consultation, clear rationale or democratic process; and,

**WHEREAS** the Act allows the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, without consultation, clear rationale, or democratic process to appoint or vacate heads of council; and

**WHEREAS** the Act allows any appointed, non-elected head of council to have the voting rights of an elected mayor which may include strong chair powers; and

**WHEREAS** these changes are part of a series of anti-democratic decisions that undermine municipal authority and centralize local decision making at the province;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Prince Edward County Council, in solidarity with the impacted municipalities, urge the Province to recommit to local democracy, empower municipalities to determine their own composition, and restore the requirement that all local governments and regional council members including regional chairs be directly elected by their communities to ensure heads of council remain directly accountable to local voters; and,

**THAT** Council urge the province to restrict any further changes or expansion of the Act in any way that could undermine the democratic vigour of any additional municipality; and,

**THAT** this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Rob Flack, and Member of Provincial Parliament, Tyler Allsop; and



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**THAT** this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Catalina Blumenberg".

Catalina Blumenberg, **CLERK**

cc: Mayor Steve Ferguson, Councillor MacNaughton, Councillor Branderhorst





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Friday, May 29, 2026

SENT VIA E-MAIL

**RE: Municipal Heritage Register Extension**

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Grimsby at its meeting held on Monday May 25, 2026, approved the following motion:

*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 many municipalities have been actively engaging in research, documentation, and consultation to ensure that listed cultural heritage resources are adequately evaluated 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 irreversible alteration or demolition before municipalities have the opportunity to properly evaluate their cultural heritage value or interest; and*

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



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*Whereas since 2023, the Town of Grimsby has consulted over 200 property owners regarding designation, started the designation process on 63 properties, and completed designation on 49 properties, 47 of which did not go to the Ontario Land Tribunal; and*

*Whereas the Town of Grimsby values its heritage resources and has also been working with property owners and developers on plans to restore, adapt, and meaningfully incorporate heritage buildings into their upcoming new, large scale rental housing developments. This collaborative work is evidence that protected heritage properties are not obstacles that inherently restrict development, but valuable assets that have the potential to contribute to the betterment of both the site and future of the community; and*

*Whereas since 2023, the Town of Grimsby has implemented the new heritage property grant program and tax relief incentive program to support the long-term preservation of the Town's invaluable heritage resources. Thus far, 13 heritage property grants and 26 tax relief rebates have been awarded; and*

*Whereas the Grimsby Heritage Advisory Committee, at its meeting of May 12, 2026, recommended that Council advocate to the Province of Ontario for a further extension to the current deadline;*

*Therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Grimsby endorse the recommendation of its Heritage Advisory Committee and respectfully request that the Province of Ontario further amend the Ontario Heritage Act to maintain the municipal heritage registers indefinitely, or if more appropriate extend the deadline to January 1, 2030, for issuing Notices of Intention to Designate for properties listed on municipal heritage registers as of December 31, 2022.*

*Be it further resolved that the extension of the deadline to January 1, 2030, or another reasonable timeframe, will provide municipalities with adequate time to complete heritage evaluations and make informed designation decisions; and*



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*Be it further resolved that 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.*

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

Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'V Steele'.

Victoria Steele  
Town Clerk

CC:

Hon. Graham McGregor, Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism

Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Hon. Sam Oosterhoff, Associate Minister of Energy-Intensive Industries

Association of Municipalities of Ontario

Ontario Municipal Heritage Committee Association

All Ontario Municipalities

May 29, 2026

Please be advised that during the regular Council meeting of May 26, 2026 the following resolution seeking support for sustainable funding for Public Health Units was carried.

**RESOLUTION NO.**    **2026-244**

**DATE:**                    **May 26, 2026**

**MOVED BY:**            **Councillor Roberts**

**SECONDED BY:**      **Councillor Nieman**

**WHEREAS** Ontario public health units and agencies provide a vital service to Ontarians that keeps people healthy, out of hospitals and out of the acute care system;

**WHEREAS** rural-urban equity in Ontario's public healthcare delivery is essential for a thriving provincial economy that keeps people at work and contributing;

**WHEREAS** Ontario's public health units & agencies sector has received a mere 1% in its annual budget increase from Queen's Park since 2018, a sum significantly below inflation and real-world cost increases;

**WHEREAS** public health faces steadily increasing demands, such as a 231% increase in respiratory outbreaks supported in Ontario's long-term care homes, hospitals, and retirement homes since 2018, as well as a 637% increase in Infection Prevention & Control complaints follow-ups;

**WHEREAS** according to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), municipalities across Ontario spend close to \$4 billion on health despite receiving less than \$2 billion in provincial grants, and Canada's Constitution Act 1867 clearly asserts provincial responsibility for health;

**WHEREAS** Ontario consistently ranks at the bottom for provincial health spending per capita, at \$876 below the average of other provinces using 2022-2023 data;

**WHEREAS** 60% of Ontario's hospitals are overwhelmed and in dire operating deficits, yet the Canadian Public Health Association asserts that investment in Ontario public health's preventative and health promotion initiatives delivers a 4:1 return on investment, for example, for every dollar spent on upstream public health vaccine immunization of children, \$16 in downstream hospital and primary health care costs are saved;

**WHEREAS** municipalities are being asked to shoulder an escalating percentage of public health unit costs while also asked to solve complex social determinates of health such as rural homelessness and food insecurity but with limited revenue tools;

**WHEREAS** the province and federal governments continue to collect significant revenue from local/municipal property transactions through the Land Transfer Tax and Goods & Services Tax;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** The Council of the Corporation of the County of Prince Edward requests:

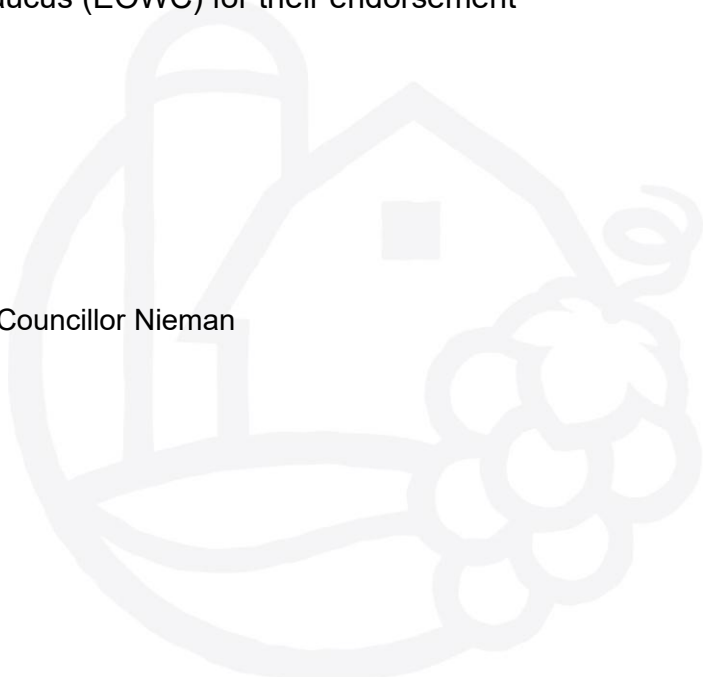
1. **THAT** the Provincial Government redistribute a portion of the Land Transfer Tax to municipalities to address public health funding gaps and the rising % share of municipal contributions to public health units;
2. **THAT** when the province announces its new Ontario Public Health Standards, it also commits to minimum annual funding increases tied to Ontario's consumer price inflation, currently holding at 2.4%;
3. **THAT** this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Mark Carney, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Bay of Quinte Member of Parliament, Chris Malette, and Member of Provincial Parliament, Tyler Allsop; and
4. **THAT** this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) and the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus (EOWC) for their endorsement and advocacy.

Yours truly,



Catalina Blumenberg, **CLERK**

cc: Mayor Steve Ferguson, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Nieman





—The TOWNSHIP of—  
**NORTH DUMFRIES**

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June 1, 2026

Sent via Email: 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

**RE: Resolution – Request to the Province of Ontario to Extend the Deadline for Notices of Intention to Designate Listed Heritage Properties**

Please be advised, at the Council Meeting held on May 25, 2026 the Township of North Dumfries Council considered the enclosed resolution received from the Township of Woolwich regarding a Request to the Province of Ontario to Extend the Deadline for Notices of Intention to Designate Listed Heritage Properties and adopted the following resolution:

*“THAT the Resolution received from the Township of Woolwich regarding a Request to the Province of Ontario to Extend the Deadline for Notices of Intention to Designate Listed Heritage Properties be received;*

*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 many municipalities, including the Township of North Dumfries do not have dedicated heritage planning staff and must rely on volunteer Heritage Advisory Committee members or external heritage consultants to undertake property evaluations, which can result in additional financial and administrative pressures; and*

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

*NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:*

- 1. The Council of the Township of North Dumfries endorse the recommendation of its Heritage Advisory Committee and respectfully request that the Province of Ontario further amend the Ontario Heritage Act to extend the January 1, 2027 deadline for issuing Notices of Intention to Designate for properties listed on municipal heritage registers as of December 31, 2022; 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.”*

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions, or concerns.

Sincerely,



Ashley Good, Clerk  
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April 28, 2026

Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism  
Legislative Building  
Toronto, Ontario  
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RE: Resolution Passed by Woolwich Township Council – Request to the Province of Ontario to Extend the Deadline for Notices of Intention to Designate Listed Heritage Properties

This letter is to inform you that the Council of the Township of Woolwich passed the following resolution at their meeting held on April 28, 2026:

That the Council of the Township of Woolwich, considering a resolution passed by the Town of Lincoln regarding extending the deadlines for notices of intention to designate listed heritage properties, endorse the resolution:

**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** many municipalities, including the Town of Lincoln, do not have dedicated heritage planning staff and must rely on volunteer Heritage Advisory Committee members or external heritage consultants to undertake property evaluations, which can result in additional financial and administrative pressures; and

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

**WHEREAS** the Town of Lincoln Heritage Advisory Committee, at its meeting of March 12, 2026, recommended that Council advocate to the Province of Ontario for a further extension to the current deadline;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

1. The Council of the Town of Lincoln endorse the recommendation of its Heritage Advisory Committee and respectfully request that the Province of Ontario further amend the Ontario Heritage Act to extend the January 1, 2027 deadline for issuing Notices of Intention to Designate for properties listed on municipal heritage registers as of December 31, 2022; 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.

Should you have any questions, please contact Julia Wushke, by email at [jwushke@woolwich.ca](mailto:jwushke@woolwich.ca) or by phone at 519-669-6004.

Yours truly,



Jeff Smith  
Municipal Clerk  
Corporate Services  
Township of Woolwich

C.c. Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
Mike Harris, MPP  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
Ontario Municipal Heritage Committee Association  
all Ontario municipalities



# The Corporation of the Municipality of Red Lake

## COUNCIL RESOLUTION

MOVED BY: Councillor Geary

NO 104-26

SECONDED BY: Councillor Krystoff

DATE: May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2026

WHEREAS Ontario municipalities are required to maintain a police service or detachment board; and

WHEREAS policing is a provincially legislated responsibility, yet municipalities are bearing the brunt of rising costs to implement provincial mandates; and

WHEREAS the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) has asserted that the fiscal framework that enables municipalities to provide critical policing and public safety services is broken, and AMO requests an urgent update to the provincial-municipal fiscal relationship; and

WHEREAS double-digit increases in municipal annual Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) budgets are unsustainable, especially as Ontario municipal police services tackle provincial responsibilities, including mental health, addictions, and homelessness, which place police resources under enormous financial strain; and

WHEREAS municipalities across Ontario are experiencing increased police operating and capital costs directly attributable to new compliance and operational standards required under the Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019 (the Act); and; and

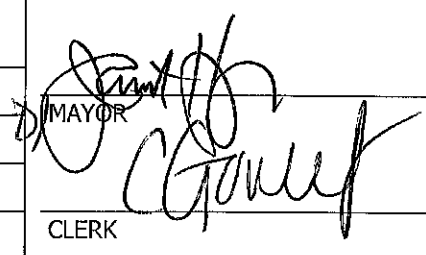
WHEREAS the costs of other measures, such as providing provincial court security, are rising and are not part of providing core, adequate, and effective municipal policing; and

WHEREAS these developments especially negatively impact rural municipalities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Red Lake hereby requests that the Province provide financial assistance to municipalities to offset all additional costs directly and demonstrably incurred as a result of compliance with the Act, not general increases to police budgets; and

FURTHER THAT Council urges the Province of Ontario to expeditiously review and reform its current police grant programs to ensure a more equitable distribution of funding to municipalities, so that communities with changing populations and expanding service demands receive fair and sustainable provincial support; and

THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Solicitor-General of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA), Police Governance Ontario (PGO), and all Ontario municipalities for their endorsement.

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Declaration of Interest (*)	NAME OF COUNCIL MEMBER	YEAS	NAYS		
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	<b>HAGER, Janet</b>				
	<b>KRISTOFF, Jamie</b>				
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June 2, 2026

Hon. Rob Flack  
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
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Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

**Sent by Email:** [rob.flack@pc.ola.org](mailto:rob.flack@pc.ola.org)

**RE: Clearview Council Support Resolution – Vacant Commercial Storefront Tax**

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Please be advised that at its meeting held on June 1, 2026, Council of the Township of Clearview passed the following resolution supporting a Vacant Commercial Storefront Tax:

Moved by Councillor Broderick, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Van Staveren, Whereas Council of the Township of Clearview understands the vitality of main streets across Ontario are essential to the economic, social and cultural health of the community; and,

Whereas numerous long-term vacant commercial storefronts, which detracts from the character of the community, reduces pedestrian traffic, discourages business investment, and negatively impacts the viability of surrounding small businesses; and,

Whereas the current Municipal Act, 2001 does not provide municipalities with the explicit legal authority to implement a "Vacant Commercial Storefront Tax," although other jurisdictions are actively advocating for such tools to address similar challenges;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview hereby support the resolution from Prince Edward County regarding the request to allow municipalities to institute a vacant commercial storefront tax; and,

That Council requests that the Government of Ontario amend the Municipal Act, 2001, to grant Ontario municipalities the permissive authority to implement a "Vacant Commercial Storefront Tax" or similar levy to encourage the productive use of long-term vacant retail properties; and,

That this support resolution be forwarded to the Minister Rob Flack of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Premier Doug Ford, Simcoe Grey MPP Brian Saunderson, and the 444 municipalities of Ontario for their consideration. Motion Carried.

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

Sincerely,



Sasha Helmkey-Playter, B.A., Dipl. M.A., AOMC  
Clerk/Director of Legislative Services

cc: Premier Doug Ford  
Brian Saunderson, Member of Provincial Parliament – Simcoe-Grey  
All Ontario Municipalities



## Village of Merrickville Wolford

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May 26, 2026

### **Re: OPP Detachment Board Resolution of Support - Traffic Calming & Speeding Mitigation Techniques**

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford, at its Regular Meeting on May 25, 2026, passed the following motion pertaining to the OPP Detachment Board Resolution of Support - Traffic Calming & Speeding Mitigation Techniques:

**Resolution #:** R-24-05-25-26

**Moved by:** Councillor Maitland

**Seconded by:** Councillor Ireland

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford receive for information the resolution from the Municipality of North Grenville, Merrickville-Wolford Village OPP Detachment Board dated May 7, 2026 regarding traffic calming and speeding mitigation techniques;

AND THAT Council endorse and support the resolution from the OPP Detachment Board and direct staff to circulate the resolution of support to Premier Doug Ford, the Minister of Transportation, the Minister of Finance, MPP Steve Clark, AMO, ROMA, all Ontario Police Service Boards, and all 444 Municipalities in Ontario.

Carried.

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

Thank you.



Julia McCaugherty-Jansman  
Clerk



May 7, 2026

### **Traffic Calming/Speeding Mitigation Techniques**

The North Grenville, Merrickville-Wolford Village OPP Detachment Board, at its Meeting on May 7, 2026, passed the following motion with the request for municipal support:

**Moved by:** Ian Fraser

**Seconded by:** Jim Goodman

WHEREAS history demonstrates that speeding and public safety concerns are increasing across Ontario;

WHEREAS the Provincial government has shown interest and allocated financial resources to certain municipalities to implement alternative measures to photo radar, reaffirming its ongoing commitment to addressing public safety issues;

WHEREAS this commitment currently applies only to municipalities utilizing photo radar as a deterrent;

AND WHEREAS such funding support would assist municipalities with limited financial resources in protecting their citizens - especially seniors and school-aged children.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Grenville 1 OPP Detachment Board respectfully request North Grenville and Merrickville-Wolford Councils advocate that the province expand its stated interest and financial commitment to include all municipalities in Ontario, adopting a province-wide approach to public safety and thereby ensuring the well-being of all Ontarians;

AND THAT this resolution be sent to the following:

Premier Doug Ford

Minister of Transportation

Minister of Finance

MPP Steve Clark

AMO

ROMA

All Ontario Police Service Boards

And all 444 Municipalities in Ontario

**Carried.**



May, 27, 2026

Re: OPP Detachment Board Resolution of Support - Traffic Calming and Speeding Mitigation Techniques

Please be advised that the Council of the Municipality of North Grenville, at its Regular Meeting on May 26, 2026, passed the following motion pertaining to the OPP Detachment Board Resolution of Support - Traffic Calming and Speeding Mitigation Techniques:

Resolution #: C-2026-215

Moved By: Deputy Mayor John Barclay

Seconded by: Councillor Deb Wilson

THAT Council accept the OPP Board Resolution - Traffic Calming/Speeding Mitigation Techniques as information as submitted and circulated.

FURTHER THAT Council consider the request to support the OPP Board resolution as attached.

Carried.

If you have any questions regarding the above resolution, please do not hesitate to contact me by e-mail at [clerk@northgrenville.on.ca](mailto:clerk@northgrenville.on.ca).

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lindsey Lee".

Lindsey Lee  
Municipal Clerk



May 7, 2026

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Minister of Transportation

Minister of Finance

MPP Steve Clark

AMO

ROMA

All Ontario Police Service Boards

And all 444 Municipalities in Ontario

**Carried.**



## GEORGINA

### Corporate Services Department/Clerk's Division

May 12, 2026

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

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Premier of Ontario  
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Queen's Park Toronto Ontario M7A 1A1

Re: Strengthening Protections for Municipal Workers and Contractors

Honourable Premier:

Please be advised that Council for the Town of Georgina endorsed the position of the Township of East Zorra-Tavistock and Oro Medonte requesting provincial legislation amendments to strengthen protections for municipal workers and contractors. These amendments would help to address an urgent health and safety concern that is increasingly placing municipal workers and subcontractors at risk while they maintain critical infrastructure Ontario communities rely on every day.

Town Council passed the following motion:

“That Council endorse the position of the Township of East Zorra-Tavistock and Oro Medonte regarding the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors request for Provincial Legislation amendments to strengthen protections for municipal workers and contractors and that this endorsement be circulated to the Premier of Ontario, Solicitor-General of Ontario, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response, Minister of Transportation, MPP Caroline Mulroney, Association of Ontario Roads Supervisors (AORS), Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario municipalities.”

The Occupational Health and Safety Act establishes protections against workplace hazards but does not address unsafe working conditions created by interference, harassment and dangerous actions from members of the public. Correspondence from the Township of East Zorra-Tavistock, Oro Medonte and the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors have been attached to provide more details.

Accordingly, we respectfully request your consideration of the request for legislative amendments for the safety of Ontario municipal workers and contractors.

Sincerely,  
FOR THE TOWN OF GEORGINA,



Carolyn Lance  
Council Services Coordinator

cc: Hon. Michel Kerzner, Solicitor General of Ontario, [michael.kerzner@pc.ola.org](mailto:michael.kerzner@pc.ola.org)  
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April 2, 2026

## Re: Township of Oro-Medonte – Association of Ontario Road Supervisors Request for Provincial Legislation Amendments

Please be advised that at their regular meeting on April 1, 2026, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of East Zorra-Tavistock carried the following resolution:

Moved by Councillor Scott Zehr  
Seconded by Councillor Matthew Gillespie

**THAT** Council supports the resolution from Township of Oro-Medonte regarding the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors request for Provincial Legislation Amendments to strengthen protections for municipal workers and contractors.

**AND THAT** a copy of this resolution be sent to:

- The Premier of Ontario
- Michael Kerzner, Solicitor General of Ontario
- Jill Dunlop, Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response
- Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
- Prabmeet Sakaria, Minister of Transportation
- MPP Ernie Hardeman
- Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
- Association of Ontario Roads Supervisors (AORS)
- Ontario municipalities

**CARRIED**

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Yours truly,

*Meaghan Vader*

Meaghan Vader  
Corporate Initiatives Manager/Clerk  
[mvader@ezt.ca](mailto:mvader@ezt.ca)



March 13, 2026

Hon. David Piccini  
 Ministry of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development  
 14<sup>th</sup> Floor, 400 University Ave  
 Toronto ON M7A 1T7

**Re: Request for Provincial Legislation Amendments, Health and Safety Concerns**

Dear Minister Piccini,

At its meeting of Council on March 11, 2026, the Council of the Township of Oro-Medonte received correspondence from Association of Ontario Road Supervisors (AORS) regarding the above-mentioned request for support.

The Township of Oro-Medonte fully supports AORS in their request, as our staff have, on numerous occasions, been subjected to abusive and aggressive behaviour from members of the public. We respectfully request your support in advancing measures that will strengthen protections for municipal workers and contractors. With provincial partnership, municipalities can better safeguard the individuals who work tirelessly to maintain critical services and keep our communities functioning safely.

Sincerely,

Mayor Randy Greenlaw

Cc: Premier Doug Ford  
 Hon. Michael Kerzner, Solicitor General of Ontario  
 Hon. Jill Dunlop, Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response  
 Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Hon. Prabmeet Sakaria, Minister of Transportation  
Hon. Todd McCarthy, Acting Minister of Infrastructure  
Doug Downey, MPP Barrie – Springwater - Oro-Medonte  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
Association of Ontario Roads Supervisors (AORS)  
Ontario Municipalities  
Members of Oro-Medonte Council



Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development David Piccini  
 14<sup>th</sup> Floor, 400 University Avenue  
 Toronto, ON M7A 1T7

February 5, 2026

Dear Minister Piccini,

On behalf of Ontario's municipal public works professionals, we are writing to raise an urgent health and safety concern that is increasingly placing municipal workers and subcontractors at risk while they maintain the critical infrastructure our communities rely on every day.

While the Occupational Health and Safety Act establishes important protections against workplace hazards, it does not adequately address a growing and very real threat: unsafe working conditions created by interference, harassment, and dangerous actions from members of the public.

Through consultations with AORS members across the province, we are hearing consistent and deeply troubling examples of escalating behaviour directed at municipal workers - particularly winter maintenance operators. These are not isolated incidents, but a pattern that is becoming increasingly normalized during significant weather events. Examples reported to AORS include:

- An individual throwing a large chunk of ice at an active piece of municipal equipment while it was operating.
- A resident threatening to kill a sidewalk plow operator.
- A man climbing onto a snow plow and refusing to get off until the operator agreed to plow his road next.
- Two municipal staff members being confronted, accosted, and aggressively yelled at in public - one at a gas station and another while simply standing in line for coffee - by individuals angry about road conditions that were not even under that municipality's jurisdiction, as well as a mailbox that had been struck.
- A voicemail left by a resident threatening to shoot a municipal plow driver with a shotgun the next time the street was plowed.
- A resident angry about snow at the end of their driveway jumping in front of an active plow and refusing to move. The plow was delayed for over an hour during a major snow event, placing service levels and the municipality's overall emergency response at risk. The situation was only resolved once supervisors and by-law officers arrived on scene.

These incidents represent only a small sample of what municipal plow drivers and winter maintenance crews are experiencing across Ontario. What was once limited to disgruntled complaints has escalated into direct threats, physical interference, and dangerous confrontations that place workers, subcontractors, and the public at risk. This issue is becoming a systematic threat to municipal service delivery and is only amplified during significant weather events.

Municipal workers and their contracted partners are responsible for maintaining roads, bridges, sidewalks, and other essential services - often in extreme weather and high-risk environments. When these workers are threatened or obstructed, it becomes not only a workplace safety issue, but a broader public safety concern. In some cases, conditions have become so unsafe that

municipal staff and subcontractors have walked off job sites, jeopardizing timely service delivery during critical events.

We respectfully ask the Province to consider the following changes:

- Under the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act, when a municipality declares a Significant Weather Event, municipal winter maintenance vehicles and operators - including subcontractors working on behalf of municipalities - should be afforded enhanced protection, with interference or obstruction treated with the same severity as interference with police, fire, or paramedic services.
- Establish clear public-safety interference provisions, similar in intent to Ontario's Slow Down, Move Over legislation, that recognize the essential role of municipal roadside workers.
- Consider adopting provisions similar to Manitoba's recently passed Bill 38, an amendment to their Highway Traffic Act effective January 1, 2026, which requires motorists to maintain a minimum distance of 30 metres behind snowplows where speed limits are 80 km/h or lower, and 100 metres where speed limits exceed 80 km/h.

These changes would provide clarity, deterrence, and enforceability—sending a strong message that interference with municipal workers performing essential services will not be tolerated. Just as Ontario protects first responders from obstruction during emergencies, we must extend similar protections to the public works professionals who keep our communities safe, connected, and functioning.

AORS would welcome the opportunity to meet with you and your staff to discuss these concerns further and to collaborate on legislative solutions that better protect municipal workers and subcontractors while strengthening public safety across the province.

Thank you for your consideration of this critical issue.

Sincerely,



Karla Musso-Garcia, CRS-I  
President, Association of Ontario Road Supervisors  
Operations Manager, Township of Oro-Medonte



Kelly Elliott  
Interim Executive Director  
Association of Ontario Road Supervisors

Cc (via e-mail)

Premier Doug Ford

Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response Jill Dunlop

Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Rob Flack

Minister of Transportation Prabmeet Sarkaria

Acting Minister of Infrastructure Todd McCarthy

Scott Butler, Good Roads Executive Director

Walid Abou-Hamde, Ontario Road Builders' Association Chief Executive Officer



Solicitor General of Ontario Michael Kerzner  
George Drew Building, 25 Grosvenor Street  
Toronto, ON M7A 1Y6

February 5, 2026

Dear Solicitor General Kerzner,

On behalf of Ontario's municipal public works professionals, we are writing to raise serious concerns regarding the safety of municipal workers and subcontractors who are increasingly facing harassment, threats, and dangerous interference from members of the public while delivering essential municipal services - particularly during winter maintenance and emergency operations.

Across Ontario, municipal public works teams are responsible for maintaining critical infrastructure that residents depend on every day, including roads, sidewalks, bridges, and drainage systems. During significant weather events, these workers are frontline responders, ensuring emergency vehicles can travel safely and that communities remain connected and accessible. However, the behaviour directed at them has escalated well beyond routine complaints and has become a direct threat to both worker safety and public safety.

Through consultations with AORS members province-wide, we continue to receive troubling reports that illustrate the seriousness of this issue. These include:

- An individual throwing a large chunk of ice at an active piece of municipal equipment while it was operating.
- A resident threatening to kill a sidewalk plow operator.
- A man climbing onto a snowplow and refusing to get off until the driver agreed to plow his road next.
- Two staff members confronted and aggressively accosted in public - one at a gas station and another while simply waiting in line for coffee - by individuals angry about road conditions and a mailbox strike that were not even related to that municipality.
- A voicemail threatening to shoot a plow driver with a shotgun the next time the street was plowed.
- A resident jumping in front of an active plow during a major snow event and refusing to move, delaying operations for over an hour and jeopardizing service levels and overall emergency response.

These examples represent only a small sample of the experiences municipal plow drivers and winter maintenance crews are facing across the province. What was once occasional frustration has escalated into intimidation, threats of violence, and direct interference with equipment and operations.

Equally concerning is that municipalities do not always receive consistent enforcement support when these incidents occur. We have heard directly from members who contacted the Ontario Provincial Police for assistance and were advised that, unless a physical assault had already taken place, the situation was "not a police matter." Waiting until a worker has been physically harmed before intervention is neither preventative nor acceptable.

This gap leaves municipalities and workers vulnerable and sends an unintended message that threatening or obstructive behaviour toward municipal staff carries little consequence. It also places supervisors and by-law officers in situations that may exceed their authority or capacity to manage safely.

We believe a proactive and coordinated response is needed. Municipal workers and their subcontractors should not have to choose between their personal safety and providing critical services during storms and emergencies.

We respectfully ask that the Province of Ontario and the Ontario Provincial Police take a clear and strong stance that interference, threats, and harassment directed at municipal public works staff will not be tolerated. Specifically, we would welcome:

- Clear direction and guidance to police services, including the OPP, that threats, intimidation, and obstruction of municipal workers performing essential duties warrant timely enforcement and support.
- Recognition that interference with winter maintenance and emergency public works operations presents a broader public safety risk, not merely a municipal operational issue.
- Enhanced coordination between municipalities and local police services during significant weather events and emergency responses to ensure worker safety and continuity of service.
- Consideration of legislative or policy tools that provide stronger deterrence and consequences for those who threaten or obstruct municipal staff and contractors.

Municipal public works professionals are essential workers. They keep roads open for ambulances, fire trucks, school buses, and the travelling public. Their safety should be treated with the same seriousness as that of other frontline responders.

AORS would welcome the opportunity to meet with you and your staff to discuss these concerns and explore practical steps to ensure consistent enforcement support and stronger protections for municipal workers across Ontario.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter and for your continued leadership in public safety.

Sincerely,



Karla Musso-Garcia, CRS-I  
President, Association of Ontario Road Supervisors  
Operations Manager, Township of Oro-Medonte



Kelly Elliott  
Interim Executive Director  
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Premier Doug Ford

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June 4, 2026

**Re: Support for the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan – Canada Post Rate Reduction for Libraries**

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Please be advised that at the June 3, 2026, regular Council meeting, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Southgate approved the following:

No. 2026-225

**Moved By** Councillor John

**Seconded By** Councillor Shipston

**Be it resolved** that Southgate Council receive the correspondence from the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan and the Township of Perry for information; and

**That** Council call on the Federal Government to maintain and protect reduced-rate postal distribution rates for library materials; and

**That** a copy of this and associated correspondence be forwarded to the Minister of Government Transformation, Public Services and Procurement, MP Alex Ruff, MPP Paul Vickers and all Ontario Municipalities.

If you have any questions, please contact our office at (519) 923-2110.

Sincerely,

*Lindsey Green*

Lindsey Green, Clerk  
Township of Southgate

Encl: Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan – Canada Post Rate Reduction for Libraries

CC:

Honourable Joël Lightbound, Minister of Transformation, Public Services and Procurement

Alex Ruff, MP Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound

Paul Vickers, MPP Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound

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May 6, 2026

**RE: Canada Post Rate Reduction for Libraries**

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting on May 6th, 2026, Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan approved the following:

**Resolution No: 2026-05-06-09**

**Moved by: Councillor Quade**

**Seconded by: Councillor Keller**

**“Be it resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan support the correspondence from the Township of Perry to maintain and protect reduced-rate postal distribution for library materials, and;**

**And further that this resolution be forwarded to the Township of Perry, Minister of Government Transportation, Public Services and Procurement, Renfrew Nipissing Pembroke MP and MPP and all Ontario Municipalities.”**

**CARRIED**

Sincerely,

Tammy Thompson

Deputy Clerk

Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan



**The Corporation of the  
Township of Perry**

Box 70 1695 Emsdale Road Emsdale, Ontario P0A 1J0

Date: February 18, 2026

Resolution No.: 2026-078

Moved By: Joe Lumley      Seconded By: Paul Sowrey

**Whereas** public libraries play a vital role in ensuring equitable access to information, literacy, education, and culture for all residents;

**And whereas** interlibrary loan services are an essential component of public library operations, particularly for small and rural communities with limited local collections;

**And whereas** reduced postal rates for library materials have historically enabled libraries to share resources efficiently and affordably across Canada;

**And whereas** recent amendments to the Canada Post Corporation Act have removed the legislative requirement to provide reduced postal rates for library materials, creating uncertainty for the continued delivery of this essential service;

**Now therefore be it resolved that** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Perry calls upon the Government of Canada to maintain and protect reduced-rate postal distribution for library materials through legislation;

**And that** Council requests that the Minister responsible for Canada Post ensure continued, affordable postal access for libraries and interlibrary loan services;

**And that** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to The Honourable Joel Lightbound, Minister of Government Transformation, Public Works and Procurement, Scott Aitchison, MP Parry Sound-Muskoka, Hon. Graydon Smith, MPP Parry Sound-Muskoka, and all Ontario municipalities for support.

Carried:

Defeated:

  
Norm Hofstetter, Mayor

RECORDED VOTE		
Council	For	Against
<b>Councillors</b> Jim Cushman		
Joe Lumley		
Margaret Ann MacPhail		
Paul Sowrey		
<b>Mayor</b> Norm Hofstetter		

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June 4, 2026

**Re: Support for the Municipality of Wawa – Opposing Proposed Changes to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act**

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Please be advised that at the June 3, 2026, regular Council meeting, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Southgate approved the following:

No. 2026-226

**Moved By** Deputy Mayor Dobreen  
**Seconded By** Councillor Shipston

**Be it resolved that** the Township of Southgate receive correspondence from the Municipality of Wawa and the Township of Stone Mills re: Proposed Changes to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA); and

**That** Southgate Council oppose the proposed changes to FIPPA; and

1. call on the Province to ensure records related to government business remain accessible to the public; and
2. urge the Province to consult with the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario and the public before proceeding; and

**Further,** that this resolution and supporting documentation be circulated to Premier Doug Ford, the appropriate Minister, all MPPs and Ontario municipalities.

If you have any questions, please contact our office at (519) 923-2110.

Sincerely,

*Lindsey Green*

Lindsey Green, Clerk  
Township of Southgate

Encl: Municipality of Wawa – Opposing Proposed Changes to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

CC:

Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
All MPP's  
All Ontario Municipalities



The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

Tuesday, May 19, 2026

<b>Resolution # RC26106</b>	<b>Meeting Order: 6</b>
<b>Moved by:</b> <i>Joseph Opato</i>	<b>Seconded by:</b> <i>Cathy Cannon</i>

**WHEREAS** the Township of Stone Mills passed Resolution No. 30-706-2026 opposing proposed 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** the Township of Stone Mills has expressed concerns that the proposed amendments may reduce transparency and accountability in government;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa hereby supports Resolution No. 30-706-2026 passed by the Township of Stone Mills regarding the proposed changes to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA);

**AND FURTHER THAT** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Township of Stone Mills, Premier Doug Ford, the appropriate Provincial Ministers, local Members of Provincial Parliament, and Ontario municipalities.

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

**Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof.**

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

Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_

DEPUTY MAYOR – MITCH HATFIELD	CLERK - MAURY O'NEILL
<i>Michelle Hatfield</i>	<i>Maury O'Neill</i>

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May 14, 2026

Sent Via Email Only

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

Dear Hon. Doug Ford,

Re: Township of Stone Mills opposition to the changes to Ontario's Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

Please be advised that during the regular Council meeting of April 13, 2026, Township of Stone Mills Council passed the following motion,

**Resolution 30-706-2026**

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 Stone Mills Township 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.

Moved By Councillor Woodcock  
Seconded By Councillor Milligan  
Carried

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

Sincerely,

Brandi Teeple  
Township Clerk  
Township of Stone Mills  
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cc. All Ontario Municipalities  
All MPP's


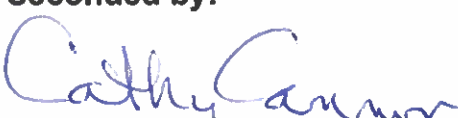


The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

Tuesday, June 2, 2026

<b>Resolution # RC26116</b>	<b>Meeting Order: 5</b>
<b>Moved by:</b> 	<b>Seconded by:</b> 

**WHEREAS** while these changes have improved opportunities for inclusion and independence, the current system of supports is often delivered across multiple programs and providers and may not fully address the long-term need for integrated living environments that combine housing, supports, and meaningful daily participation; and

**WHEREAS** there is an increasing need for innovative, sustainable, and inclusive models of care that support independence, dignity, and community integration for adults with developmental disabilities; and

**WHEREAS** opportunities may exist to explore models that provide safe and supportive living environments for adults with developmental disabilities while also offering structured, voluntary, and supported participation in day-to-day activities that foster a sense of purpose, skill development, and social connection; and

**WHEREAS** such models, if thoughtfully designed, could complement existing care environments and contribute positively to the overall well-being of both participants and residents; and

**WHEREAS** the Regional Municipality of York is responsible for a range of human services including housing, community services, and the operation of long-term care homes, and is therefore well-positioned to explore integrated and interdisciplinary approaches to care;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa supports the resolution passed by the City of Richmond Hill requesting that the Regional Municipality of York consider exploring innovative models of housing and support for adults with developmental disabilities, including the potential for an "Integrated Living and Participation Model"; and

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**THAT** Council supports consideration of opportunities for co-location or partnership with existing regional services, including long-term care and community housing, where appropriate; and

**THAT** Council supports a model that emphasizes voluntary, supported, and meaningful participation in activities that enhance quality of life, social inclusion, and community engagement, without displacing existing workforce roles; and

**THAT** Council supports engagement with relevant stakeholders, including developmental service organizations, families, and advocacy groups, in considering such approaches; and

**THAT** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the City of Richmond Hill, the Regional Municipality of York, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, local MPPs, and Ontario municipalities for information.

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

**Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof.**

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

Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_

MAYOR - MELANIE PILON	CLERK - MAURY O'NEILL



The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

Tuesday, June 2, 2026

<b>Resolution # RC26117</b>	<b>Meeting Order: 6</b>
<b>Moved by:</b> <i>Cathy Cameron</i>	<b>Seconded by:</b> <i>[Signature]</i>

**WHEREAS** the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors has raised serious concerns regarding the increasing incidents of harassment, threats, intimidation, and physical interference directed toward municipal public works employees and winter maintenance operators across Ontario; and

**WHEREAS** municipal public works staff and contractors perform essential services that are critical to maintaining safe roads, sidewalks, bridges, and municipal infrastructure, particularly during significant weather events and emergency situations; and

**WHEREAS** incidents involving threats of violence, obstruction of snowplows and equipment, and dangerous confrontations with municipal workers create unacceptable risks to employee safety, public safety, and municipal service delivery; and

**WHEREAS** the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors has requested that the Province of Ontario strengthen legislative protections for municipal workers by amending the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act, establishing enhanced public safety interference provisions, and considering safe following distance requirements for snowplows similar to Manitoba's Bill 38;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Municipality of Wawa hereby supports the requests and recommendations submitted by the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors to the Province of Ontario regarding enhanced protections for municipal public works employees, winter maintenance operators, and contractors; and

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** Council calls upon the Province of Ontario to review and implement legislative and regulatory changes that improve worker safety, deter interference with municipal operations, and recognize municipal public works employees as essential service providers during significant weather events and emergencies; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Transportation, the Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors, and Ontario municipalities for information and support.

RESOLUTION RESULT		RECORDED VOTE		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>CARRIED</b>	<b>MAYOR AND COUNCIL</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>DEFEATED</b>	Mitch Hatfield		
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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 2, 2026

Resolution # RC26118	Meeting Order: 7
Moved by: <i>Cathy Cannon</i>	Seconded by: <i>[Signature]</i>

**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



The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

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RESOLUTION

**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 Municipality of Wawa supports the resolution passed by the Town of Plympton-Wyoming calling 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

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED 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

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED 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

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** a copy of this resolution be circulated to:

The Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Rural Ontario Municipal Association, Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs, Ontario Professional Fire Fighters Association, Ontario Volunteer Fire Fighters Association, Bill Rosenberg MPP Algoma Manitoulin, 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 and The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario.

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

**Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof.**

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

Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_

MAYOR - MELANIE PILON	CLERK - MAURY O'NEILL

# Service update



EFFECTIVE: JUNE 28, 2026

Post Until: July 12

## Service Changes

The following YRT service changes are effective **Sunday, June 28, 2026** (see table on right).

With the end of the 2025/2026 school year, 400-series School Special routes will be suspended for the summer and reinstated in September with the start of the new school year.

**Note:** the following routes will return to service on Monday, August 31, 2026:

- > 404 – Markville School Special
- > 424 – Keswick School Special
- > 462 – Maple School Special



For more information, visit [yrt.ca/ServiceChanges](https://yrt.ca/ServiceChanges) or call the YRT Contact Centre.

### Revised Service


Viva yellow
8 – Kennedy
9 – Ninth Line
13 – Islington
90 – Leslie
91 – Bayview
320 – Jane Express
360 – Vaughan Mills/Wonderland

## YRT fare changes coming July 1

Discounted YRT fares continue to be offered through PRESTO. For more information, visit [yrt.ca/FareChanges](https://yrt.ca/FareChanges)

YORK REGION TRANSIT	Fares (\$) Effective: July 1, 2026				 <b>Save with PRESTO*</b> Free rides after 40 adult trips, 39 youth trips and 28 senior/child trips in the calendar month, using PRESTO.
	Adult	Youth <sup>1</sup>	Senior <sup>2</sup>	Child <sup>3</sup>	
<b>PRESTO</b>	4.24	3.29	2.60	2.60	 <b>Free transfers with PRESTO*</b> Transfer for free between YRT, Brampton Transit, Durham Region Transit, GO Transit, MiWay and TTC when paying with PRESTO. Must be within applicable transfer window. <small>* Not applicable with PRESTO E-Tickets</small>
<b>Cash, Credit or Debit</b>	4.65	4.65	4.65	4.65	

**1 Youth:** Ages 13 to 19   **2 Senior:** Ages 65+   **3 Child:** Ages six to 12. Children five years and under ride free.  
 All customers must show proof of age upon request. Fares are subject to change. No refunds. Visit [yrt.ca](https://yrt.ca) for complete fare information.

 **PROOF OF PAYMENT REQUIRED ON VIVA**

1 866 MOVE YRT (668 3978) | TTY: 711 | [yrt.ca](https://yrt.ca)



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June 3, 2026

The Honourable Sean Fraser  
Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada  
Legislative Building  
284 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, ON K1A 0H8

Dear Minister Fraser:

**RE: Community Safety Well-Being Plan**

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026, Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan passed the following resolution, supporting the correspondence from the Regional Municipality of Waterloo.

**Resolution No: 2026-06-03-09**  
**Moved by: Councillor Quade**  
**Seconded by: Councillor Banks**

**“Be it resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan support the Regional Municipality of Waterloo regarding the changes to the Community Safety Well-Being Plan as attached.**

**And further that this resolution be forwarded to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all municipalities in Ontario.”**

**Carried.**

Sincerely,

Tammy Thompson  
Deputy Clerk  
Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan

cc: All Ontario Municipalities, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)


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April 2, 2026

**Hon. Sean Fraser**  
 Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada  
 Legislative Building  
 284 Wellington Street  
 Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0H8

Dear Minister Fraser:

**Re: Notice of Motion, Councillor C. James re: Community Safety and Well-Being Plan**

Please be advised that the Council of the Regional Municipality of Waterloo at their regular meeting held on March 25, 2026, approved the following motion:

**Whereas the Region of Waterloo's Community Safety and Well-Being Plan, developed under the requirements of the Community Safety and Policing Act, identifies systemic racism, hate, and discrimination as critical risk factors impacting community safety, belonging, and well-being;**

**And whereas the display of a noose is widely recognized as a symbol of racial terror, violence, and intimidation, particularly against Black communities, rooted in the history of anti-Black racism;**

**And whereas symbols of hate, when displayed publicly, contribute to fear, trauma, and exclusion, and undermine the Region's commitments to equity, inclusion, and proactive prevention within its Community Safety and Well-Being Plan;**

**And whereas the Government of Canada has introduced Bill C-9 to strengthen tools to address hate-motivated offences, including provisions related to the public display of certain hate symbols;**

**And whereas the current draft of Bill C-9 does not explicitly include the noose as a prohibited symbol, despite its well-**


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**documented use as an instrument of racial intimidation and its direct relevance to community safety and well-being outcomes;**

**And whereas addressing hate symbols through federal legislation complements municipal efforts by strengthening upstream prevention, reducing harm, and supporting safer, more inclusive communities;**

**Therefore be it resolved that:**

- 1. The Regional Municipality of Waterloo formally request that the Government of Canada amend Bill C-9 to explicitly include the noose as a prohibited hate symbol within the legislation;**
- 2. This motion be circulated to all Ontario municipalities, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for endorsement and support as a measure that strengthens community safety and well-being across jurisdictions.**

Please accept this letter for information purposes only. If you have any questions, please contact Councillor C. James, [CJames@regionofwaterloo.ca](mailto:CJames@regionofwaterloo.ca).

Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael Oliveri".

**Michael Oliveri  
 Legislative Services Specialist  
 Region of Waterloo**

**cc: All Ontario Municipalities, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)**



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June 3, 2026

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

**RE: Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box**

Dear Mr. Ford,

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026, Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan passed the following resolution, supporting the correspondence from the Municipality of Bluewater.

**Resolution No: 2026-06-03-08**  
**Moved by: Councillor Banks**  
**Seconded by: Councillor Quade**

**"Be It resolved** that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan support the Municipality of Bluewater Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box, as attached.

**And further that** this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Minister of Rural Affairs, Renfrew Nipissing Pembroke MPP and, and all municipalities in Ontario."

**Carried.**

Sincerely,

Tammy Thompson  
Deputy Clerk  
Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan

cc: Premier of Ontario, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Minister of Rural Affairs, Renfrew Nipissing Pembroke MPP and, all municipalities in Ontario



March 17, 2026

**RE: Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box**

The Council of the Municipality of Bluewater passed the following resolution at their March 16, 2026 regular meeting:

**MOVED:** Councillor Harris **SECONDED:** Councillor Hessel

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

**WHEREAS** 'ineligible' sources, which producers are not responsible for, include industrial, commercial, and institutional locations (IC & I) such as businesses, places of worship, daycares, campgrounds, public-facing and internal areas of municipal-owned buildings, and not-for-profit organizations, such as shelters and food banks; and

**WHEREAS** failure to include 'ineligible sources under the Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box program is in essence a provincial tax on ineligible sources; and

**WHEREAS** should a municipality continue to provide services to the 'ineligible sources, the municipality will be required to oversee the collection, transportation, processing of the recycling; and

**WHEREAS** changes may result in many small businesses and not-for-profit organizations losing access to comparable recycling services and force them to seek providers at a much higher cost than the previous services rendered through the Blue Box collection system; and

**WHEREAS** the rising costs of collection of recycling for industrial, commercial and institutional recycling may lead to the abandonment of recycling entirely, increasing environmental damage; and

**WHEREAS** landfilling needs throughout the Province of Ontario are already at capacity in many communities; and

**WHEREAS** The Municipality of Bluewater has approximately 150 or more "non-eligible" sources that will not be provided service from the Producer Responsibility Organization;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Municipality of Bluewater Council hereby request that the province amend Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box so that producers are responsible for the end-of-life management of recycling products from small businesses and not-for-profit organizations within the industrial, commercial and institutional sectors; and

**FURTHER THAT** Council hereby request the support of all Ontario Municipalities; and

**FURTHER THAT** this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable Todd McCarthy, Minister of the Environment, Conservation, and Parks; the Honourable Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; and the Honourable Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs and the local MPP for Huron-Bruce.  
**CARRIED.**

Sincerely,



Chandra Alexander  
Acting CAO  
Manager of Corporate Services/Clerk



June 5, 2026

Sent to: [dwilson@parachute.ca](mailto:dwilson@parachute.ca)

Dear David Wilson:

**RE: Proclamation and Lighting Request – July 6, 2026 – Canadian Injury Prevention Day**

On behalf of the Town of Newmarket Council I am pleased to recognize July 6, 2026 as Canadian Injury Prevention Day.

In addition, the Riverwalk Commons and Fred A. Lundy Bridge located on Water Street will be illuminated in green on July 6, 2026 from sunset until 11:00 PM.

Thank you for submitting your request and for your contributions to the community.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Taylor".

John Taylor  
Mayor



**Emily Thomas-Hopkins**  
Legislative Coordinator  
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June 5, 2026

Sent to: [dwilson@parachute.ca](mailto:dwilson@parachute.ca)

Dear David Wilson:

**RE: Proclamation and Lighting Request – July 6, 2026 – Canadian Injury Prevention Day**

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I am writing to advise that your proclamation request has been approved in accordance with the Council-approved [Proclamation, Lighting Request and Community Flag Raising Policy](#), and the Town of Newmarket will proclaim July 6, 2026 as Canadian Injury Prevention Day. Approved proclamations, lighting requests, and community flag raisings will be listed on the Town's website. Approved lighting and community flag raisings will also be communicated to the public through the Town's social media.

In addition, the Riverwalk Commons and Fred A. Lundy Bridge located on Water Street will be illuminated in green on July 6, 2026 to recognize Canadian Injury Prevention Day. Please note that the lighting will occur from sunset until 11:00 PM.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "ETH", written in a cursive style.

Emily Thomas-Hopkins

Legislative Coordinator