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Good Afternoon,

Please note at their meeting on March 17th, 2021 Peterborough County Council approved the following resolution:

Be it resolved that County Council supports the Niagara Region's resolution dated February 25, 2021 regarding Homelessness, Mental Health and Addiction in Niagara.

For your convenience I have attached the original letter from Niagara Region.

Should you have any questions or concerns please contact Kari Stevenson at kstevenson@ptbocounty.ca.

Thanks,

Marissa Martin

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Subject: Niagara Region Motion Respecting Homelessness, Mental Health and Addiction in Niagara

Good afternoon,

Please see the correspondence attached hereto regarding the above-noted subject matter.

Kelly Lotimer
Legislative Coordinator
Office of the Regional Clerk

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Minute Item No. 5.1, February 16, 2021

MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPALITIES OF ONTARIO (AMO)

SENT ELECTRONICALLY

Motion respecting Homelessness, Mental Health and Addiction in Niagara

Minute Item No. 5.1

Regional Council, at its meeting held on February 25, 2021, approved the following resolution from its Public Health and Social Services Committee:

WHEREAS Niagara Region prides itself as being a caring and compassionate community that continually strives to be a place where people want to live, work and play;

WHEREAS providing access to safe, adequate and affordable housing for everyone is fundamental to achieving that goal;

WHEREAS Niagara Region acknowledges that mental health, mental illness, addiction and homelessness, while important issues, are not homogenous, interchangeable or consistently interconnected, and doing so may over simplify exceptionally complex issues that require targeted policy solutions and intervention;

WHEREAS Niagara Region's 10-year Housing and Homelessness Action Plan (HHAP), A Home For All, outlines the Region's vision, challenges, and the actions required to achieve its goals;

WHEREAS Niagara Region has embarked on an ambitious effort to end chronic homelessness through participation in the national Built for Zero campaign;

WHEREAS Regional Council formally adopted Mental Health and Wellbeing (2.2) and Addressing Affordable Housing Needs (2.3) as strategic priorities for the current term of our Council;

WHEREAS a recent KPMG report commissioned by Niagara Region indicated that Council invests more levy funding than its peers into homelessness, demonstrating a steadfast commitment to addressing the issue;

WHEREAS Niagara Region acknowledges that people living in shelters are part of the crisis and not the solution;

WHEREAS Niagara Region has two planned housing projects that would directly address those in Niagara who experience chronic homelessness;

WHEREAS the implementation plan for Council's strategic objectives states that staff will identify gaps within the mental health system to increase the functionality and collaboration within it;

WHEREAS the same implementation plan directed staff to partner with Ontario Health (formally the LHIN) to review the local landscape to identify opportunities, including new investment;

WHEREAS the treatment and supports for mental illness, addiction, and homelessness are predominantly funded and directed by the Province;

WHEREAS the success of the Region's Housing and Homelessness Action Plan is dependent on a commitment of sustained and increased funding (both operational and capital) from all levels of government to address the issues of housing insecurity and homelessness in Niagara; and

WHEREAS the needs of the community far outweigh Niagara Region's available resources and funding required to effectively address these issues, and the support of both the Provincial and Federal governments are needed to meet these needs.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. That Niagara Region Council officially **ACKNOWLEDGE** that a significant crisis exists in Niagara in regard to the prevalence of chronic homelessness and the lack of affordable housing that far surpasses the Region's ability to meet the vision dictated in its 10-year Housing and Homelessness Action Plan (HHAP);
2. That the Regional Chair **BE DIRECTED** to send advocacy letters directly to the appropriate Federal and Provincial ministries outlining Niagara's current situation and requesting additional funding be provided to ensure Niagara can meet the vision outlined in its housing action plan;
3. That the Regional Chair **BE DIRECTED** to advocate to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and the Minister of Families, Children and Social Development for the required operational funding for the planned supportive and bridge housing initiatives;
4. That Regional staff **BE DIRECTED**, in alignment with the planned review of Council's strategic priorities, to produce a report specifically highlighting the progress being made and critical gaps in regard to services related to mental health, addictions and wellbeing;
5. That Regional staff **BE DIRECTED** to continue providing Regional Council updates on the HHAP and Built for Zero initiatives;
6. That Regional staff **BE DIRECTED** to request an update from the Overdose Prevention and Education Network of Niagara (OPENN) regarding the current status of the actions being taken to address addiction related issues in Niagara; and

7. That a copy of this motion be sent to all members of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO).

Yours truly,



Ann-Marie Norio

Regional Clerk

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Good afternoon! Hope you're doing well.

I just wanted to send a quick reminder that early bird registration for the **Canadian Rural and Remote Housing and Homelessness Symposium** is only open for 3 more weeks. This event will be a great opportunity for you to reach and connect with a wider cross-section of housing providers, frontline service agencies, and municipal representatives-- during a time when traditional outreach is on hold. This virtual event will take place June 1-3, 2021.

We hope you take advantage of the \$60 discount before tickets go full price on **April 15, 2021**. We also have discounted rates if registering 3+ people from the same organization. You can take a look at all the ticket prices here: [Registration Page](#)

This year, we are excited to announce our three keynote speakers, including Jesse Thistle, best-selling author and Indigenous-rights activist; Avi Frieman, professor and world-renowned architect; and Margaret Pfoh, the CEO at the Aboriginal Housing Management Association (AHMA).

We hope you will be able to join us to share the ways your team (and your community) have adapted to this "new normal". Looking forward to seeing you there.

Regards,

Kelly Petraschuk

Office Manager &
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Sent on Behalf of Jo-anne Marr, President and CEO, Markham Stouffville Hospital

Dear Mayor Bath-Hadden,

I wanted to provide you with another COVID-19 update from Markham Stouffville Hospital (MSH).

This month marks one year since we saw the first COVID-19 patient admitted to our hospital – a sombre reminder of the triumphs in the wake of some of the toughest challenges we have had to face, of the lives lost and those saved throughout the pandemic.

In recent weeks, we emerged from wave two of the pandemic, which in many ways was more demanding than the first – cases grew at an exponential rate, increased outbreaks reported in facilities and general pandemic fatigue amongst everyone. Throughout it all, our staff and professional staff rose to the challenge, putting patients and public health and safety above all else.

Currently, our inpatient COVID-19 cases are fluctuating daily at lower volumes from what we saw during waves one and two. Regardless, our staff and professional staff continue to work tirelessly at the hospital as well as supporting long-term care, retirement homes, other congregate facilities and schools, and continuing medical and surgical services.

On March 2, in partnership with the Eastern York Region North Durham (EYRND) Ontario Health Team (OHT), York Region Public Health, and with the support of the City of Markham, we officially opened the COVID-19 Community Vaccination Centre located at the Cornell Community Centre. Online appointment bookings for the vaccinations started on Monday, March 1, 2021 and were fully booked within hours of launching the booking schedule.

A model of true collaboration, the vaccination centre is operated by nurses, support services, MSH staff and professional staff, local family physicians, community specialist clinics and community service organizations.

While the hospital continues to respond to the pandemic, we are also focused on supporting the delivery of essential programs and services to our patients. We are using innovative approaches and remain flexible so we can take action against the pandemic while still delivering an extraordinary patient experience.

Our Surgical Services Program is an example of a service that continues to flex

according to the circumstances in the community while still caring for the highest priority patients. In January, the program reduced surgical services given the pressures from COVID-19 on the hospital's capacity for staffing and beds. By Mid-February, they resumed surgical volumes and continue to monitor overall capacity closely with a focus on striking the appropriate balance between the need for surgical and procedural care with pressures across the organization.

MSH also enhanced our capabilities to provide orthopaedic care at both our Markham and Uxbridge sites, bringing the very best in medical and surgical care to these communities. At the Markham site, we opened a newly renovated Orthopaedic Joint Assessment Centre (OJAC) that adds another 11 clinic rooms for dedicated orthopaedic care and consultations. At the Uxbridge site, a satellite surgical clinic officially opened earlier this year, offering more services closer to home for the residents of Uxbridge. Physicians will now be accompanied by advance practice physiotherapists to see patients without having to redirect them to Markham for additional consultations.

It truly has been a year like no other and through it all our staff, professional staff and volunteers demonstrated bravery, compassion and expertise on the frontlines.

I want to thank you again for your ongoing support and please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.

Jo-anne



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The nomination process is now open for those wishing to run for FCM’s 2021-2022 Board of Directors. Are you interested in making local priorities heard at the federal level? Put yourself forward as a candidate for a Director or a Table Officer position so you can drive change on a national scale. We all benefit from a strong FCM Board.

Check out our [Board election page](#) to learn more about the commitment these positions require, as well as to find nomination and consent forms. Elections will take place online during FCM’s virtual Annual Conference and Trade Show, May 31-June 4, 2021.

We encourage you to put your name forward.

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Want to help homeowners in your community save money on energy costs?

Our new funding offer helps create financing programs for home energy upgrades in municipalities across Canada. Join us on Wednesday, March 24 for a free info session about the Community Efficiency Financing initiative. Learn how to design and implement a program that will help your community save money, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and drive investment in the local economy.



WEST op-ed: priorities for Budget 2021

The chairs of FCM's Western Economic Solutions Taskforce (WEST) have published an op-ed calling on the federal government to take immediate action in Budget 2021 to support western communities. They also highlighted WEST's budget recommendations to help protect western jobs, families, and industries.

The op-ed has appeared in a number of newspapers, including the *Regina Leader-Post*, *Saskatoon Star Phoenix*, *Edmonton Journal*, *Edmonton Sun*, *Edmonton Examiner*, and *Calgary Herald*. This widespread publication shows the importance of WEST's budget asks, as well as the strength of our collective voice.

[READ THE OP-ED](#)

FCM argues for local democracy at the Supreme Court

On March 16, FCM intervened at the Supreme Court of Canada to defend local democracy in the City of Toronto's appeal against Bill 5, which completely re-wrote municipal electoral boundaries during an ongoing election. The hearing reflected the active conversations happening across the country about the modern role of local governments in our national architecture, with leading rights advocates from across the country calling on the Supreme Court to protect free and fair elections at the local level.

[READ MORE](#)

New Feminist Response and Recovery Fund

The pandemic has deepened the already existing inequalities women face within our system including significant job losses, reduction in work hours and unpaid responsibilities in the home. In response to these ongoing challenges, Status of Women Canada has issued a call for proposals for the Feminist Response and Recovery Fund. Funding is offered to eligible organizations responding to the current impacts of COVID-19 on women through systemic change projects.

[READ MORE AND SHARE WITH YOUR NETWORKS](#)

LC3 Centres will accelerate urban climate solutions in Alberta

The Alberta Ecotrust Foundation announced the receipt of their \$43.4 million endowment from the federal government on March 17. Part of the Low Carbon Cities Canada (LC3) network, they will host two LC3 Centres in the cities of Edmonton and Calgary, supporting both cities as they reach their carbon emissions reduction targets and achieve their respective climate goals.

The LC3 network is made possible by an endowment from the Government of Canada, with funds distributed by FCM's Green Municipal Fund.

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New video: local leaders salute FCM

Municipal leaders from across the country have come together in a compelling new video to share what FCM's support during the COVID-19 pandemic has meant to them—and what local leaders can achieve when they work together. This video is a must-watch.

In the words of Roddickton-Bide Arm, NL Mayor Sheila Fitzgerald: "Being a part of FCM made me feel, as a community leader, that I was not alone, and that my challenges and my struggles were not just mine."

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Digital transformation best practices for municipalities

Learn about real-world strategies, best practices, and techniques to help you ensure the successful delivery and execution of your municipal digital transformation projects with Ceridian's Gianluca Cairo, Industry Principal, Public Sector and Tom Noorkah, Director of Financial Systems at the City of Columbus.



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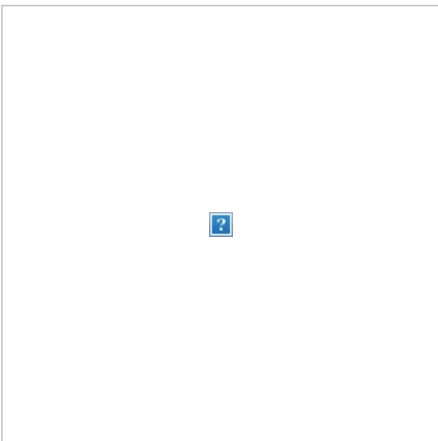


Mar 19: Are you interested in making local priorities heard at a national level? Put yourself forward as a candidate for a position on FCM's 2021-2022 Board of Directors. We all benefit from a strong FCM Board that helps communities across Canada thrive.
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Mar 21: Today is the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination. We remain committed to fighting racism, both within our organization and in the #cdnmuni we represent. This includes a new Standing Committee on Anti-Racism and Equity. <https://bit.ly/3cVcaFN>

Mar 21: "As this pandemic continues, millions of Canadians are depending on municipalities to keep essential services running. And many municipalities are still taking extraordinary measures for residents". -- FCM, CEO [@carolesaab](#)

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AMO Policy Update



March 22, 2021

AMO Policy Update – OPP Detachment Board Composition Process, Personal Support Worker Temporary Pay Extended, and By-Name Lists

OPP Detachment Board Composition Process

Late last week, the Ministry of the Solicitor General sent notice to all municipal governments and First Nations that Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) detachment boards under the *Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019* (CSPA) are to be developed and submitted in the next 2½ months.

Municipal governments and First Nations receiving services from an OPP detachment are being asked to work together to submit one proposal (per detachment) regarding their selected composition of their board and, if needed, a rationale for multiple boards and the composition of each additional board. To assist the proposal process, the Ministry has developed a digital form included [here](#).

We understand that the Ministry will work with municipalities and First Nations to obtain outstanding information/proposals and support the completed proposal. If, however, a proposal still does not meet the minimum requirements, or a proposal is not submitted and/or if no consensus is reached on the composition of the board, then the Ministry has indicated that they will determine the composition of the detachment board.

Completed proposals are to be submitted to the Ministry by **Monday, June 7, 2021**.

Temporary Wage Enhancement for Personal Support Workers to June 30, 2021

The government [announced](#) that it is investing \$239 million to extend temporary wage enhancements for personal support workers and direct support workers in publicly funded home and community care, long-term care, public hospitals, and social services sectors. These temporary wage enhancements will continue until June 30th, 2021. Their purpose is to help stabilize, attract, and retain the workforce needed to provide a high level of care during the COVID-19 pandemic. There will be a review to determine next steps after June 30th.

Ontario Directs Use of By-Name Lists to Combat Homelessness

The Ontario government is [directing](#) all municipal service managers to begin collecting detailed, up-to-date information from individuals experiencing homelessness using by-name lists. This approach is to help connect people with local housing and homelessness supports that better respond to their needs. Ontario is partnering with the Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness to support service managers throughout the process including through a best practices guide, training, workshops, coaching, and online tools.

AMO's [COVID-19 Resources](#) page is being updated continually so you can find critical information in one place. Please send any of your municipally related pandemic questions to covid19@amo.on.ca.

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Good Afternoon,

Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED) has issued a consultation to solicit input regarding the requirement for Public Consultations for proposed radiocommunication facilities to be conducted in both official languages. Additionally, other modifications to the CPC 2-0-03 document are being proposed as some of the other legislation referenced by CPC 2-0-03 have changed.

The consultation can be viewed here: <https://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/smt-gst.nsf/eng/sf11666.html>

CRINS-SINRC is positioned such that it will and does conduct consultations in both official languages as required. However, we note that we are rarely called upon to do so unless the public consultations are in New Brunswick where the province is officially bilingual.

Of ISED's proposed changes, Option 1 – a requirement for consultations to be conducted bilingually across Canada - may have the most impact on municipalities, especially those who are not CRINS-SINRC members and may not have bilingual resources readily available on their planning staff.

Option 2 – a requirement to provide bilingual services where the minority official language represents at least 5% of the population would have the most negligible impact. Those municipalities are often providing bilingual services today.

ISED has invited CRINS-SINRC to provide comments as part of the consultation. We would welcome any feedback from members on the consultation to be taken into consideration before we respond, and please feel free to share this with your colleagues in other municipal units who are not CRINS-SINRC members and may find this of interest.

We anticipate formulating CRINS-SINRC's response starting April 7th, 2021, and would appreciate your feedback before then.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Regards,

Todd White
Executive Director

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RE: Ontario Fire College Closure

Please be advised that the Council of the Municipality of Grey Highlands, at its meeting held March 17, 2021, passed the following resolution:

2021-195

Moved by Aakash Desai, Seconded by Danielle Valiquette

Whereas Council received the resolution 59/21 from the Township of Howick; and

Whereas, the Province of Ontario has announced that as of March 31, 2021 the Gravenhurst campus of the Ontario Fire College will be permanently closed; and

Whereas, the Province of Ontario announced plans to modernize and expand access to firefighter training in Ontario; and

Whereas, there has been no clear plan communicated by the Province of Ontario on how to obtain firefighter training in the absence of the Ontario Fire College campus; and

Whereas, there has been no clear plan communicated by the Province of Ontario on how firefighter training in Ontario will be modernized and expanded; and

Whereas, there has been no clear plan communicated by the Province of Ontario regarding the costs or funding for modernized and expanded firefighter training in Ontario; and

Whereas, the Municipality of Grey Highlands is a small municipality that operates a volunteer fire department to provide fire protection;

Now therefore, be it resolved that Council respectfully request a clear plan be communicated that establishes how the Province intends to modernize and expand firefighter training ensuring equal access to all municipal fire departments in Ontario, and as well, present a plan for funding to subsidize and/or regulate the cost for firefighter training in the Province of Ontario; and

**That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Solicitor General, MPP Bill Walker, the Ontario Fire Marshal, the Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and all Ontario Municipalities.
CARRIED.**

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

Sincerely,



Jerri-Lynn Levitt
Deputy Clerk
Council and Legislative Services
Municipality of Grey Highlands

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March 3, 2021

Premier Doug Ford

By email only premier@ontario.ca

Dear Premier Ford:

Please be advised that the following resolution was passed at the March 2, 2021 Howick Council meeting:

Moved by Deputy Reeve Bowman; Seconded by Councillor Hargrave:

Whereas, the Province of Ontario has announced that as of March 31, 2021 the Gravenhurst campus of the Ontario Fire College will be permanently closed; and

Whereas, the Province of Ontario announced plans to modernize and expand access to firefighter training in Ontario; and

Whereas, there has been no clear plan communicated by the Province of Ontario on how to obtain firefighter training in the absence of the Ontario Fire College campus; and

Whereas, there has been no clear plan communicated by the Province of Ontario on how firefighter training in Ontario will be modernized and expanded; and

Whereas, there has been no clear plan communicated by the Province of Ontario regarding the costs or funding for modernized and expanded firefighter training in Ontario; and

Whereas, the Township of Howick is a small rural municipality that operates a volunteer fire department to provide fire protection;

Now therefore, be it resolved that Council respectfully request a clear plan be communicated that establishes how the Province intends to modernize and expand firefighter training ensuring equal access to all municipal fire departments in Ontario, and as well, present a plan for funding to subsidise and or regulate the cost for firefighter training in the Province of Ontario. Carried.

Resolution No. 59/21

If you require any further information, please contact this office, thank you.

Yours truly,

Carol Watson

Carol Watson, Clerk
Township of Howick

Cc Solicitor General Sylvia Jones
Huron-Bruce MPP Lisa Thompson
Ontario Fire Marshal Jon Pegg
Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs Mark McDonald
AMO President Graydon Smith
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March 20, 2021

Anthony McLean added as keynote for 2021 AMO Conference

Issues of diversity, bias, inclusivity, and mental health are not new. But these important issues have all been brought into clearer focus by events in 2020. Whether these issue are new to you or painfully familiar, we all benefit from an open conversation about what they mean to our communities and the people around us.

AMO is pleased to announce the addition of commentator **Anthony McLean** to the lineup of speakers at the 2021 virtual AMO Conference.

With a background in theatre, Anthony McLean delivers lively presentations on mental health, diversity, and inclusion. He has delivered hundreds of inspiring talks across Canada, the US, and Australia. As a respected voice in his field, he has appeared on CBC News, Global Toronto's *Morning Show*, and *Breakfast Television*. Delivering research-backed tools and actionable strategies, McLean always leaves his audiences inspired to bring their best every day.

McLean adds to AMO's growing lineup of important and influential speakers, which includes **Sheila Watt-Cloutier** on the social, cultural, and economic impacts of climate change and what that means for your communities.

Returning by Popular Demand - AMO's Women's Leadership Forum

Last year's *Women's Leadership Forum* was the highest rated session at the conference. We had three remarkable leaders on our virtual stage sharing their insights and incredible leadership experience. We are happy to inform members that there will be another *Women's Leadership Forum* at the 2021 AMO Conference with details to be announced soon. Stay tuned.

Thank You!

Thank you for your interest in the 2021 AMO Conference. Responding to COVID-19 and supporting our members through challenging times has been AMO's number one priority. A virtual conference in 2021 is an important part of AMO's commitment to serve our members. The AMO 2021 virtual conference will ensure AMO members have safe access to up-to-date information, insights on the economic recovery, and critically important networking opportunities that bring Ontario municipalities together in the service of our communities.

Register Today

Registration is open, and early bird rates apply until April 30, 2021. To register, [click here](#).
 If you have questions that are not answered there, please send them to events@amo.on.ca

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Re: Town of Gravenhurst Resolution – Ontario Fire College

Please be advised that on March 10th 2021 the Town of Plympton-Wyoming Council passed the following motion to support the Town of Gravenhurst – Ontario Fire College.

Motion #13 – Moved by Netty McEwen, Seconded by Tim Wilkins that Council support item “v)” from the Town of Gravenhurst regarding the Ontario Fire College.

Motion Carried.

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College Campus has been in operation in Gravenhurst since 1958; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College Campus is one of the primary sources of certified training for Ontario Firefighters; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College Campus has built a reputation of integrity, credibility, and reliability in providing some of the best training to our Fire Services within the Province of Ontario; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College Campus has been used to train and certify both Volunteer, Part-Time and Career firefighters throughout Ontario; and

WHEREAS the Regional Training Centers are not all created equal and similar in function to the Ontario Fire College Campus; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College Campus gives Ontario Firefighters another option other than Regional Training Centers to obtain National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) certifications; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College Campus is the most cost-effective method for municipalities to certify Firefighters to NFPA Standards in Ontario; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Government enacted and revoked O. Reg. 379/18: Firefighter Certification in 2018; and

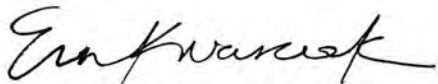
WHEREAS when the Ontario Government revoked O. Reg. 379/18: Firefighter Certification, it was made known by the Office of the Solicitor General that the act would be amended and brought back in the future; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Plympton-Wyoming requests that the Province of Ontario reverse their decision to close the Ontario Fire College Campus in Gravenhurst as the OFC is one of the best and most cost-effective methods for municipalities to train their firefighters which assists us in protecting our residents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this Resolution is forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Sylvia Jones; Ontario Solicitor General, the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Ontario Fire Marshal; Jon Pegg, and all municipalities within the Province of Ontario.

If you have any questions regarding the above motion, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email at ekwarciak@plympton-wyoming.ca.

Sincerely,



Erin Kwarciak
Clerk
Town of Plympton-Wyoming



Sent via Email

February 11, 2021

RE: TOWN OF GRAVENHURST RESOLUTION – ONTARIO FIRE COLLEGE

At the Town of Gravenhurst Committee of the Whole meeting held on February 9, 2021 the following resolution was passed:

**Moved by Councillor Lorenz
Seconded by Councillor Murray**

WHEREAS the site of the Ontario Fire College has been in institutional use since 1902 as the Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives and the site of many heritage buildings that require protection;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Gravenhurst has been home to the Ontario Fire College since 1957, providing world-class training and camaraderie to thousands of Firefighters from across the Province in a unique setting;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College has established the reputation to certify both Volunteer and Career firefighters in a cost effective manner, offering top-tier training to all Fire Departments in Ontario;

AND WHEREAS there is concern from several municipalities and firefighters across the Province that the closure is detrimental to their training and that downloading of training is simply too expensive for municipalities and not included in their 2021 budgets;

AND WHEREAS the Fire Marshal has a duty (F.P.P.A.S 9.2(e)) to operate and maintain a central fire college and that regional training facilities are unproven and the closure of the Ontario Fire College was implemented with no stakeholder consultation;

AND WHEREAS the community of Gravenhurst has benefitted from the employment opportunities that the Ontario Fire College has provided;

AND WHEREAS the closure of the facility will result in significant job losses and would be a detriment to the broader community;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Province of Ontario reconsider the closure of the Ontario Fire College;

AND THAT if the closure occurs, the facility and site in the Town of Gravenhurst be considered to be the location of a Regional Training Centre for Fire and Emergency Services, for all the people of Ontario;

AND THAT the Province engage the Town of Gravenhurst and community partners to use the site in a matter that fosters growth of the community in a responsible way;

AND FINALLY THAT this motion be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Sylvia Jones, Ontario Solicitor General, the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, MPP Norm Miller, the Ontario Fire Marshal, Jon Pegg and all Ontario Municipalities.

CARRIED

Sincerely,



Kayla Thibeault
Director of Legislative Services / Clerk
Town of Gravenhurst

DRAFT MOTION:

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Re: Colour Coded Capacity Limits

Please be advised that on March 10th 2021 the Town of Plympton-Wyoming Council passed the following motion to support the challenges local businesses are facing with respect to the colour coded system within the Province's COVID-19 Response Framework.

Motion #13 – Moved by Netty McEwen, Seconded by Tim Wilkins that Council support item "x)" from City of Sarnia regarding Colour Coded Capacity Limits.

Motion Carried.

If you have any questions regarding the above motion, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email at ekwarciak@plympton-wyoming.ca.

Sincerely,

Erin Kwarciak
 Clerk
 Town of Plympton-Wyoming

Cc: All Ontario Municipalities
 Ms. Marilyn Gladu, MP Sarnia-Lambton
 Mr. Bob Bailey, MPP Sarnia-Lambton



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The Honourable Doug Ford
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Dear Premier Ford,

Re: Colour Coded Capacity Limits

At its meeting held on March 1, 2021, Sarnia City Council discussed the challenges local businesses are facing with respect to the colour coded system within the Province's COVID-19 Response Framework. The following motion was adopted:

That Sarnia City Council strongly advocate to the Province of Ontario that they adjust the capacity limits for dining, restaurants, sporting and recreational facilities, places of worship, event centers, and all retail/small businesses as part of the colour coded system.

The following rationale was provided with the introduction of the motion:

- The red zone currently only allows 10 people indoors at a dining or a sporting / recreational facility (regardless of the size), places of worship are capped at 30% or 50 people, and retail / small business is limited to a 50% capacity.
- These businesses and organizations have heavily invested in facility improvements and expensive upgrades to ensure safe social distancing and have all the appropriate safety and protection measures in place.
- Businesses in particular cannot properly plan under the current uncertainty and that means the loss of jobs and income for both workers and owners as well as mental health challenges.

- Indoor capacity limits for restaurants, dining, sporting / recreational facilities, event centers, retail / small business, and places of worship should not involve arbitrary numbers (regardless of size), but instead be changed to the amount of people per facility which ensures that strict and safe social distancing can be maintained.

Sarnia City Council has requested that all municipalities in Ontario join this advocacy effort.

On behalf of Sarnia City Council, I look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,



Amy Burkhart
Acting City Clerk

Cc: All Ontario Municipalities
Ms. Marilyn Gladu, MP Sarnia-Lambton
Mr. Bob Bailey, MPP Sarnia-Lambton



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March 19th 2021

Sent via e-mail

Re: Carbon Tax

Please be advised that on March 10th 2021 the Town of Plympton-Wyoming Council passed the following motion to support the Norfolk County Agricultural Advisory Boards letter regarding the application of the carbon tax on primary agriculture producers. It is the recommendation of Norfolk County Council that the Federal Government consider the concerns of the agricultural community and move to exempt all primary agriculture producers from current and future carbon taxes.

Motion #13 – Moved by Netty McEwen, Seconded by Tim Wilkins that Council support item “q)” from Norfolk County regarding Carbon Tax on Agriculture Producers.

Motion Carried.

If you have any questions regarding the above motion, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email at ekwarciak@plympton-wyoming.ca.

Sincerely,

Erin Kwarciak
 Clerk
 Town of Plympton-Wyoming

cc. Association of Municipalities of Ontario
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The Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau
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Dear Ministers,

I am writing to advise that Norfolk County Council supports the attached Norfolk County Agricultural Advisory Board's letter regarding the application of the carbon tax on primary agriculture producers. It is the recommendation of Norfolk County Council that the Federal Government consider the concerns of the agricultural community and move to exempt all primary agriculture producers from current and future carbon taxes. Please find attached the full recommendation.

Thank you for your attention,

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kristal Chopp".

Kristal Chopp
Mayor, Norfolk County

P.c. Norfolk County Council
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Dec 7, 2020

The Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau, MP
Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food House of Commons
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Dear Minister Bibeau

Our agricultural advisory board (AAB) who represents the agricultural sector in Norfolk County, Ontario is very concerned about the federal government's current carbon pricing policies. It is our hope that you consider our concerns and move to exempt all primary agriculture producers from current and future carbon taxes.

Carbon tax remains as a major cost of production for producers in Norfolk County. Although some farm fuel purchases are exempt, it is selective and does not meet the needs of the entire agriculture industry. Currently crop drying, heating/cooling of livestock barns and cooling of perishable commodities are still subject to full carbon taxes.

Currently there are no replacements for fossil fuels in agricultural production. As a result, carbon tax policies are not appropriate for the agricultural sector and only decrease farm margins.

Norfolk County which is known as Ontario's garden is home to one of the country's largest diversity of crop production. In addition to the extensive vegetable, fruit and grain production it boasts some of the highest ecological diverse natural habitats, plants and animals in Canada. There is approximately 25% tree cover in the county which is the highest percentage of forested land in Southwestern Ontario. Norfolk County It is also home to over 10,000 acres of woodlots and wetlands protected under Long Point Conservation Authority. In addition to the natural woodlots and wetlands there is also extensive fruit production with 2000 acres of apples and 1000 acres of sour cherries. A mature orchard can fix upwards of 18 mt of CO₂ annually.

The adoption of production practices to protect the soil and environment are advanced in Norfolk County. There has been a wide implementation of cover cropping, planting green and reduced tillage practices all of which sequester carbon. Additional farming practices of 4R nutrient management coupled with precision technology ensure that appropriate nutrients are applied at the right time, place and rate. In many cases sensitive water sources around ponds and wetlands are planted with buffer strips and soil erosion control measures of grassed waterways and windbreaks are also common practices. ALUS (alternative land use) programs have been embraced across the county, taking unproductive land out of production, and returning it to natural native grass plantings, trees and constructed wetlands. Currently there are 1148 active projects with 189 producers covering 1573 acres in Norfolk County managed under the ALUS program.

The agriculture industry has made great strides to protect the environment and will continue to improve production practices that reduces the carbon footprint in food production.

The AAB board believes that all on farm fuels used in agricultural production should be exempt from carbon tax. This should include natural gas, propane, gas, and diesel. We strongly urge the government to be consistent with a sector wide exemption to current carbon tax policies.

Sincerely,

Dustin Zamecnik
Chair of Norfolk County Agriculture Advisory Board

Maralee Drake

From: Durham Food Policy Council <noreply@campaign.eventbrite.com>
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Help us develop Durham's Food System Report Card

The Durham Food Policy Council is inviting you to hear about our food system report card research and help select the indicators we will use to measure our food system's health.

We hope you'll join us via Zoom for **How Do You Measure a Food System? A DFPC Symposium**, April 22, 2021 at 1:00 PM.

Learn more and register by visiting our Eventbrite page.

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How do you Measure a Food System?

A Durham Food Policy Council Symposium

Thursday April 22, 2021
1:00 - 3:30 pm

Virtual Event

Register at [EVENTBRITE](#)

KEYNOTE SPEAKER:

Measuring Food Systems

Phil Mount, PhD, is Associate Director at Just Food in Ottawa, Chair of the Board at Sustain Ontario, Adjunct Professor with the Department of Geography and Environmental Studies at Carleton University, and Associate Farmer to his wife Denise at Flat Earth Farms.



For more information and opportunities to support the Durham Food Policy Council please connect with us at: info@durhamfoodpolicycouncil.com

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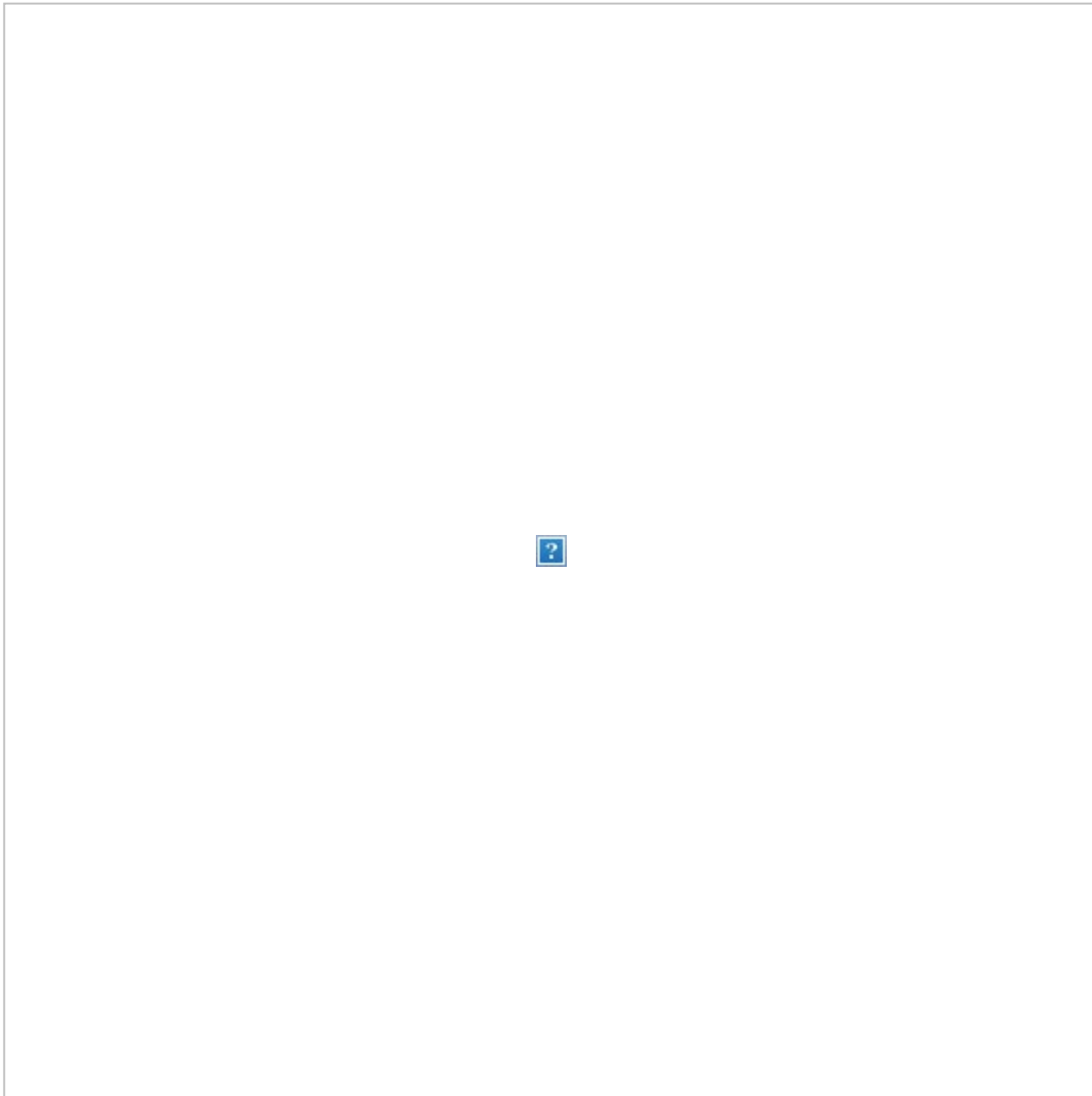
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FOCA Elert ~ March 2021



FOCA's Strategic Plan 2020-2023

As presented by the Board of Directors at the FOCA Annual General Meeting earlier in March, a refreshed Strategic Plan will guide our organization through the coming years.

Please download and share FOCA's new Strategic Plan:

[FOCA's Strategic Plan \(download PDF, 1.4 MB\)](#)



The Elert sub-headings below have been updated to reflect the 6 priority areas of FOCA's new Strategic Plan:

- promoting healthy lands, lakes and rivers
- advocating for responsive government
- serving local lake and road associations
- championing affordable and safe rural living
- fostering community, and
- building FOCA's capacity.

We hope you see your concerns addressed in these priorities.

Find out more about FOCA's work, here: <https://foca.on.ca/about/our-work/>

FOCA Promotes Healthy Lands, Lakes & Rivers

Welcoming new waterfront owners!

As discussed at FOCA's AGM & Spring Seminar earlier this month (more on that, below), Ontario cottage country was hugely popular in 2020 as the pandemic and travel restrictions led people to isolate at their waterfront properties. **We know there will be new owners and visitors this year as well, and many may be having their first cottage country experience.** What might they not know about the special considerations of living at the waterfront? How will you welcome them, and shepherd them into the community of lake stewards and waterfront enthusiasts?



FOCA has great publications like [A Shoreline Owner's Guide to Healthy Waterfronts](#) that we encourage you to share.

Also, see the Event Summary from the Spring Seminar (below) for a "Welcome Binder" or "Welcome Sheet" template your association can adapt.

recent event: Ontario Invasive Species Forum

March 1-4, 2021 (virtual) - FOCA participated in the Forum, and presented during the "**Community Action**" session on March 2nd about the great work being done on-the-ground across the province, by lake and cottage associations to prevent the spread, and mitigate the effect, of invasive species.



[Visit FOCA's Invasive Species webpage.](#)

upcoming event: Abandoned Boats webinar

Wed., April 7, 2021 from 4-6pm (virtual) - our partners at **Boating Ontario** are hosting a webinar about abandoned boats, including Transport Canada speaking about the '**Wrecked, Abandoned or Hazardous Vessels Act**'. No

registration is necessary for this free event.

[Click here to join the webinar at the start time above](#)



FOCA Advocates for Responsive Government

Dock Foam Bill moving forward

March 22, 2021 - FOCA spoke to the **Ontario Legislative Committee** in support of the Private Member's Bill 228, 'Keeping Polystyrene Out of Ontario's Lakes and Rivers'. This would apply to new docks, not existing structures. Learn more about the Bill, and the plastic problems it seeks to address, here:

[FOCA Microplastics webpage](#)

image: Georgian Bay Association website



upcoming event: Drinking Water Source Protection

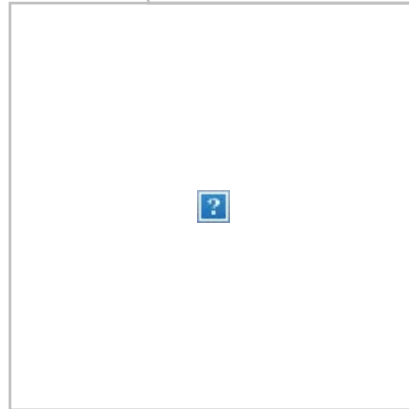
March 24, 2021 (10am-noon) - Join legal counsel from the **Canadian Environmental Law Association** and FOCA's Terry Rees, for the launch of CELA's quarterly "**Water Conversations**." In the March edition they will discuss the state of legal protections for our drinking water, and the steps required to make the Clean Water Act more effective to serve the needs of First Nations and rural residents.

[Register for the webinar here.](#)



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FOCA Serves Lake & Road Associations

***event recap:* 2021 FOCA AGM & Spring Seminar for Lake Associations**

We went virtual on March 6th, and had our largest **FOCA AGM & Spring Seminar** of the past decade, with over 140 of you in attendance!

Instead of a full day of seminars, we enjoyed a whirlwind 2.5 hours of updates on FOCA's files, programs and Strategic Plan, Lake Partner Program, Phragmites update, and a presentation about pandemic volunteer considerations (including liability issues) for lake associations in 2021.

All FOCA members are welcome to download the extensive **Event Summary** which includes links to the slides:
<https://foca.on.ca/2021-agm-spring-seminar/>

NOTE: You'll need your Member Login for this. Don't have, or can't recall the Login? [Contact us for assistance.](#)

Members who did not register to attend the 2021 AGM & Spring Seminar, but want to watch the full webinar recording, can still [purchase digital access here.](#)



2020 FOCA Achievement Award

Congratulations to the **Long Point Ratepayers' Association** (LPRA) on Lake Erie, the recipients of the **2020 FOCA Achievement Award**, which was presented at the 2021 AGM & Spring Seminar event on March 6th.

LPRA was nominated under the category "political involvement" - read all the details in the Event Summary (see the link in the item above), or an overview on the [FOCA Achievement Award webpage](#).

image: John Henderson of LPRA receives the Award from Tony Lepine, Chair of FOCA's Member Services & Benefits Committee



FOCA Champions Affordable & Safe Rural Living

Seasonal Rate reclassification: Got questions?

If you received a letter from Hydro One over the past month, indicating you will be one of the 147,000 families moved out of the collapsing 'Seasonal Rate' class and into one of three existing density classes, **you may have questions**.

Whether you think you should be moved to an alternate rate classification, or you've changed your usage and need to update Hydro One that you're living there year-round (and therefore eligible for the RRRF subsidy that is NOT available to seasonal residents), **call the Hydro One Contact Centre to discuss your concerns: 1-888-664-9376**.



FOCA has submitted to be an intervenor at the next **Ontario Energy Board** hearing about the implementation of the elimination of the Seasonal Rate Class. Get background on this file here: <https://foca.on.ca/electricity-pricing/>

Fire & carbon monoxide safety reminder

*"When 2 of my smoke/carbon monoxide alarms started to 'chirp' within hours of each other this past week, I realized I had forgotten the rule to **replace the batteries in smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, each time the clocks change!**"*, says Michelle L, FOCA's Communications Coordinator.

Have you changed your batteries yet? Please, do it today.
[FOCA posts related safety information here.](#)



EORN Announcement: Better cellular services coming to Eastern Ontario residents & businesses

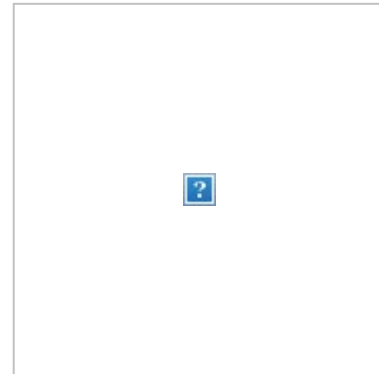
FOCA was pleased to be part of a press conference held by the **Eastern Ontario Regional Network (EORN)** on March 19,

2021 to announce a significant investment in cellular coverage in Eastern Ontario. Improvement will begin immediately, with a full roll-out by 2025. [Read more from EORN here.](#)



Watching for high water this Spring

Ontario cottage country communities must be especially vigilant in Spring as melting snow and ice, heavy rainfalls, and high water flows on lakes and rivers can make for rapidly changing conditions. Preventative action can minimize loss to buildings, docks and boathouses, but overland flooding remains a real risk for those located in or near a flood plain.



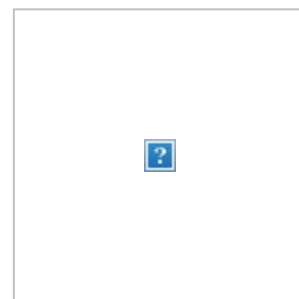
FOCA posts related info, including links to emergency messaging and regular water bulletins for the Great Lakes, Trent Severn & Rideau waterways, and from the Ontario Surface Water Monitoring Centre, here:

[Links to Water Maps & Bulletins](#)

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FOCA Fosters Community

upcoming event: Creating a Cardiac Safe Cottage Community

Wednesday, April 21, 2021

12:00pm-1:00pm

Register to join us for a one-hour "lunch and learn" with FOCA and our partners at Action First Aid, about the importance of 24/7 access to Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) and how to create a cardiac safe cottage community.



Highlights of the agenda:

- hear a story from a Sudden Cardiac Arrest (SCA) survivor
- understand the difference between SCA and Heart Attack, and when to use an AED
- learn how to use crowdfunding to place 24/7 accessible AEDs in your cottage community!

Registration is open to all FOCA Association Members, and Individual/Family Supporters. There is **no charge** to attend, as the event is sponsored by Action First Aid.

[Register for the webinar now](#)

BONUS: Everyone who attends the April 21st event will be entered into a draw to win one of 3 seats in Action First Aid's new on-line training program: **CPR/AED & Basic First Aid Awareness.**

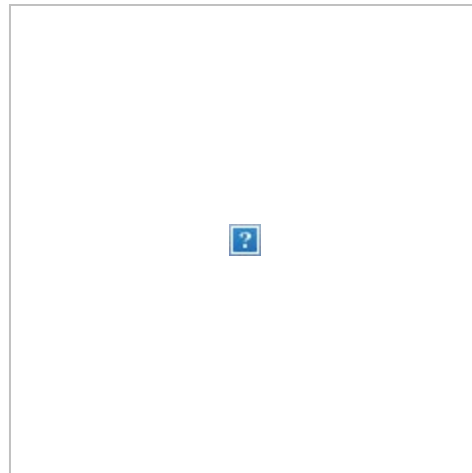


FOCA at the Virtual Cottage Life Show

FOCA's Terry Rees is speaking THIS WEEKEND at the **Virtual Cottage Life & Outdoor Living Show** (March 26-28). This year, you can attend for free to hear expert speakers, view DIY presentations, and connect with cottage country product and service providers, all from the comfort of your own home. Register for all the fun, and start planning for brighter days, here:

[Free registration for the Cottage Life Show!](#)

Terry will present "**Top Tips for extending your time at the lake this year.**" Ready to 'make the jump'? Here's what you need to know. Plan your virtual visit to the show to coincide with one of Terry's talk times:
Friday, March 26th at 11:00am EDT
Saturday, March 27th at 11:00am EDT
Sunday, March 28th at 11:00am EDT



FOCA is Building our Capacity

Welcome, Kirk!

With FOCA's Membership & Programs Coordinator **Deanna Forgie** away on maternity leave, **FOCA is pleased to welcome Kirk Kuipers as our Membership Coordinator.**

Kirk is a graduate of McMaster University with a degree in History, and in 2019 he complete the accelerated Paralegal degree program at Seneca College. Kirk has worked in inventory management and in immigration law before he moved to Peterborough and began his new role with FOCA.

Kirk has enjoyed many summers at his family's cottage at Crow Lake in South Frontenac. Kirk can be reached at the main FOCA email address: info@foca.on.ca



Partner Updates & Regional Notices

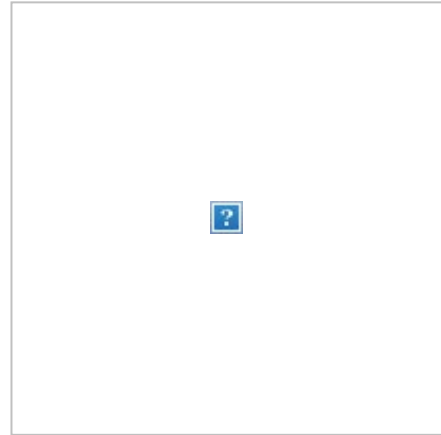
Ontario Waterpower

Coincident with the **Ontario Waterpower Association's** (OWA) annual Queen's Park Day on March 24, MPP Mike Mantha (Algoma - Manitoulin) is introducing a private

member's bill that would see June 20th in Ontario declared as "**Waterpower Day**". Fully one quarter of the province's electricity comes from this renewable source.

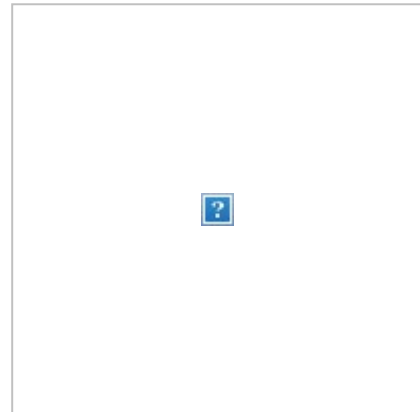


FOCA recently wrote about waterpower and our data sharing partnership with OWA, to map where waterfront property owners and the waterpower industry overlap on the landscape. Read the article in the [2020 Lake Stewards Newsletter](#) (page 15), or [contact the office](#) if you have local questions, as the map is not posted publicly, but is accessible by FOCA.



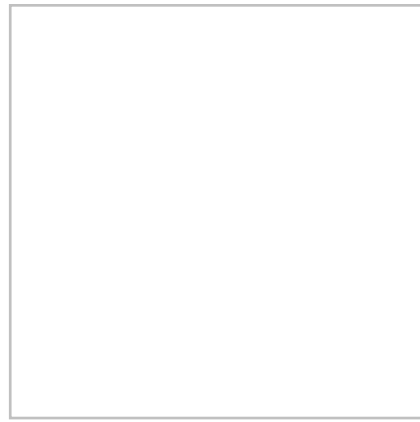
Kawartha Conservation Mapping Tool

Members in the Kawartha Conservation (KC) region can now consult an **online mapping tool** to see if your property is in a regulated area or impacted by source water protection considerations. If so, you will need to apply for the appropriate permit or Source Protection Notice before any development, construction or site alteration such as grading, fill placement or excavation. [Visit the online map.](#)



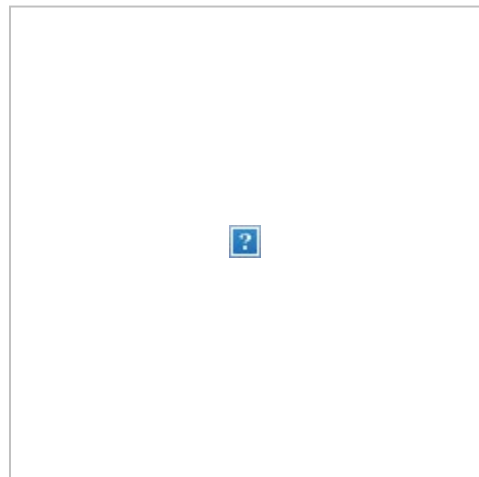
Short Term Rental Survey: Tiny Twp.

The Township of Tiny is in the process of developing a licensing framework for **Short Term Rental** (STR) properties in Tiny, and is seeking feedback from residents to guide the process. [Click here for information and a link](#) and remember to take the survey **by 4:30pm on April 2, 2021.**



Lake of the Woods water quality

Tuesday, March 30, 2021 - You are invited to have your say about the future of Lake of the Woods water quality! Take part in an online webinar meeting and town hall discussion, organized by the **Lake of the Woods Water Sustainability Foundation** in partnership with the **Lake of the Woods District Stewardship Association**, to connect you directly to the Lake of the Woods policy team at **Environment and Climate Change Canada**. Click the appropriate link to register for your preferred time: midday: [March 30/21 at 12pm \(CT\)](#) or evening: [March 30/21 at 7pm \(CT\)](#)



Unavailable to attend either webinar?
Visit the website launched by Environment and Climate Change Canada, instead: www.placespeak.com/lakeofthewoods to join active discussions, get notifications, and share relevant materials

Waste Bin Site Transition ongoing

The **District Municipality of Muskoka** released its 2020 annual report on the status of the removal of all unlicensed **waste bin sites** by 2023, as mandated by the Ministry of the Environment Conservation and Parks (MECP). **FOCA has several member associations affected by the removal of these waste bins**, which have especially served island cottages at landing points. The plan was modified in mid-2020 due to the pandemic and "on-going waste operations challenges" and is now a multi-year effort of transition planning for each community. [Read the full 2020 Report online](#), or jump to the [community-by-community summary from the Appendix](#).

Tackling climate change in eastern Georgian Bay

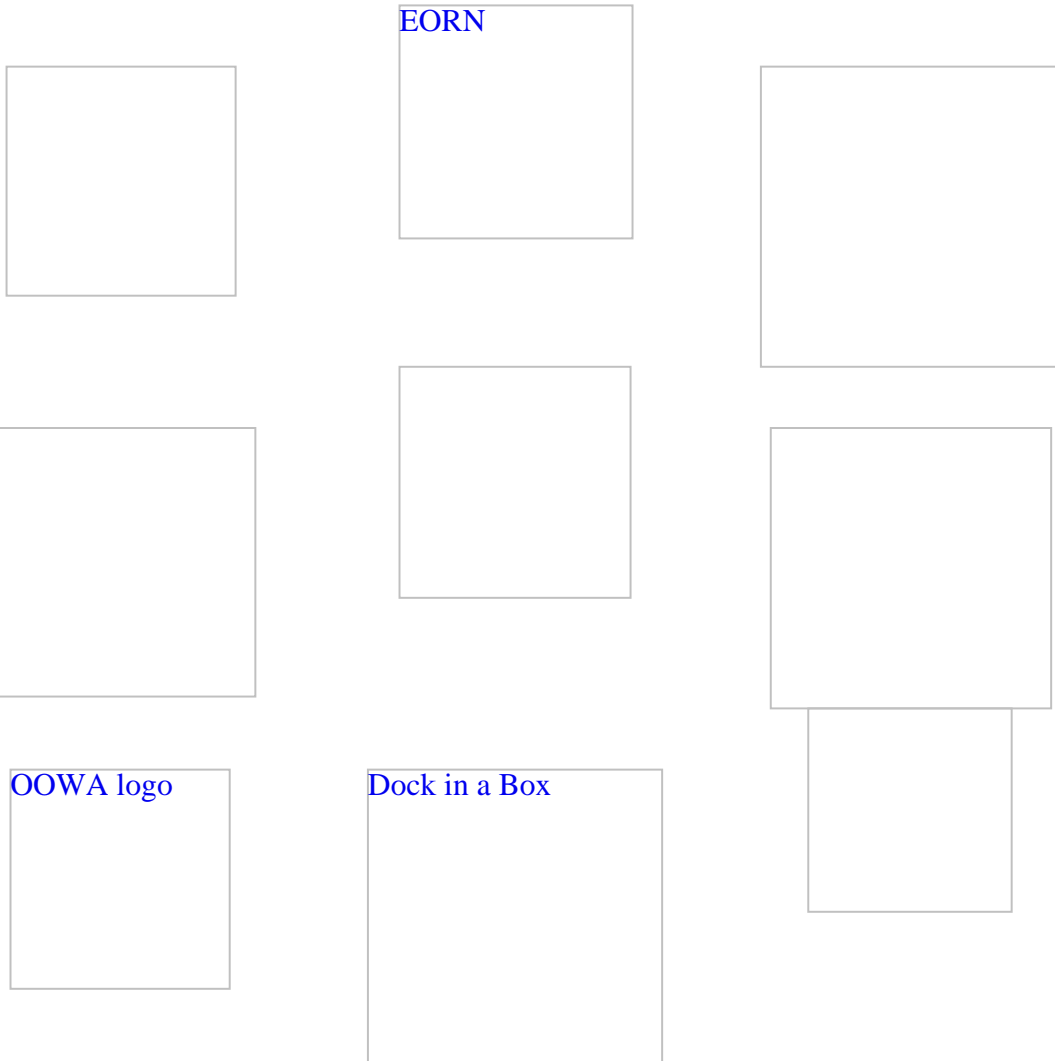
ICECAP (the Integrated Community Energy and Climate Action Plans) reached a milestone in its first year, recently

releasing a model to help participating **Georgian Bay municipalities inventory carbon emissions**. To assist in the calculations, the **Georgian Bay Biosphere** (GBB) developed a '[Carbon Calculator](#)' online tool which can be used by anyone.



Among other things, the results underscore how important boating transportation is to the region. The next steps involve working with each community to set targets to model achievable greenhouse gas emissions and consulting with councils and community members of Local Climate Action Plans. [Learn more from GBB here.](#)

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Final Thoughts

Enjoy every season!

Thanks to Jennifer K. who shared these spectacular pictures of her family's lake ice curling rink on Round Lake in Havelock, from earlier this season. She wrote: *"I used flour and food colouring for the rings and a cement mold with epoxy for my rocks."*

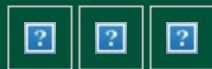
We love it! Thanks for sending us the pictures.

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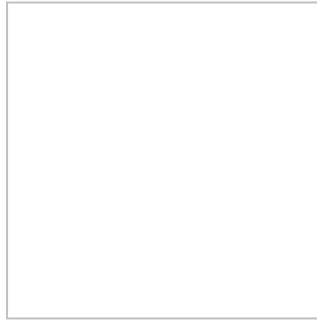
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The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
 Room 281, Legislative Building, Queen's Park
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Honourable and Dear Sir:

Re: Town of Lincoln – McNally House Hospice’s Life in Every Moment Campaign

Please be advised the Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie at its meeting of March 22, 2021 received and supported correspondence from the Town of Lincoln dated March 18, 2021 requesting the Province of Ontario and the Niagara Region to support McNally House Hospice’s Life in Every Moment Campaign.

Attached please find a copy of the Town of Lincoln’s correspondence dated March 18, 2021.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours very truly,

Carol Schofield, Dipl.M.A.
 Manager, Legislative Services/Clerk

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The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
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Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

RE: REQUEST FOR SUPPORT – MCNALLY HOUSE HOSPICE AND END OF LIFE CARE

Please be advised that Council of the Corporation of the Town of Lincoln at its Special Council Meeting held on March 8, 2021, endorsed and passed the following motion in support of the McNally House Hospice's Life in Every Moment Campaign.

Moved by: Councillor Tony Brunet; Seconded by: Councillor Lynn Timmers

That the Council of the Town of Lincoln request the Provincial government, Regional government, all Niagara MP's and MPP's as well as municipalities to recognize and support the overall health of the Niagara community and end of life care required to alleviate the burden on hospitals; and

That the Council of the Town of Lincoln direct staff to report back on a financial contribution towards McNally House Hospice Expansion, commencing in 2022 to be funded over a five-year term.

CARRIED

Regards,

Julie Kirkelos
Town Clerk
jkirkelos@lincoln.ca

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Association of Municipalities of Ontario Members:

Re: Niagara Region – Homelessness, Mental Health and Addiction in Niagara

Please be advised the Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie at its meeting of March 22, 2021 received and supported correspondence from the Niagara Region dated March 4, 2021 acknowledging a significant crisis exists in Niagara regarding the above; and that the Niagara Region be directed to send advocacy letters to the appropriate Federal and Provincial Ministers and advocate to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and the Minister of Families, Children and Social Development for the required funding; to align with the Niagara Region's Strategic Plan and request an update from the Overdose Prevention and Education Network of Niagara regarding the current status of the actions being taken to address addiction related issues in Niagara.

Attached please find a copy of the Niagara Region's correspondence dated March 4, 2021.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours very truly,

Carol Schofield, Dipl.M.A.
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Minute Item No. 5.1, February 16, 2021

MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPALITIES OF ONTARIO (AMO)
SENT ELECTRONICALLY
Motion respecting Homelessness, Mental Health and Addiction in Niagara

Minute Item No. 5.1

Regional Council, at its meeting held on February 25, 2021, approved the following resolution from its Public Health and Social Services Committee:

WHEREAS Niagara Region prides itself as being a caring and compassionate community that continually strives to be a place where people want to live, work and play;

WHEREAS providing access to safe, adequate and affordable housing for everyone is fundamental to achieving that goal;

WHEREAS Niagara Region acknowledges that mental health, mental illness, addiction and homelessness, while important issues, are not homogenous, interchangeable or consistently interconnected, and doing so may over simplify exceptionally complex issues that require targeted policy solutions and intervention;

WHEREAS Niagara Region's 10-year Housing and Homelessness Action Plan (HHAP), A Home For All, outlines the Region's vision, challenges, and the actions required to achieve its goals;

WHEREAS Niagara Region has embarked on an ambitious effort to end chronic homelessness through participation in the national Built for Zero campaign;

WHEREAS Regional Council formally adopted Mental Health and Wellbeing (2.2) and Addressing Affordable Housing Needs (2.3) as strategic priorities for the current term of our Council;

WHEREAS a recent KPMG report commissioned by Niagara Region indicated that Council invests more levy funding than its peers into homelessness, demonstrating a steadfast commitment to addressing the issue;

WHEREAS Niagara Region acknowledges that people living in shelters are part of the crisis and not the solution;

WHEREAS Niagara Region has two planned housing projects that would directly address those in Niagara who experience chronic homelessness;

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WHEREAS the implementation plan for Council's strategic objectives states that staff will identify gaps within the mental health system to increase the functionality and collaboration within it;

WHEREAS the same implementation plan directed staff to partner with Ontario Health (formally the LHIN) to review the local landscape to identify opportunities, including new investment;

WHEREAS the treatment and supports for mental illness, addiction, and homelessness are predominantly funded and directed by the Province;

WHEREAS the success of the Region's Housing and Homelessness Action Plan is dependent on a commitment of sustained and increased funding (both operational and capital) from all levels of government to address the issues of housing insecurity and homelessness in Niagara; and

WHEREAS the needs of the community far outweigh Niagara Region's available resources and funding required to effectively address these issues, and the support of both the Provincial and Federal governments are needed to meet these needs.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. That Niagara Region Council officially **ACKNOWLEDGE** that a significant crisis exists in Niagara in regard to the prevalence of chronic homelessness and the lack of affordable housing that far surpasses the Region's ability to meet the vision dictated in its 10-year Housing and Homelessness Action Plan (HHAP);
2. That the Regional Chair **BE DIRECTED** to send advocacy letters directly to the appropriate Federal and Provincial ministries outlining Niagara's current situation and requesting additional funding be provided to ensure Niagara can meet the vision outlined in its housing action plan;
3. That the Regional Chair **BE DIRECTED** to advocate to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and the Minister of Families, Children and Social Development for the required operational funding for the planned supportive and bridge housing initiatives;
4. That Regional staff **BE DIRECTED**, in alignment with the planned review of Council's strategic priorities, to produce a report specifically highlighting the progress being made and critical gaps in regard to services related to mental health, addictions and wellbeing;
5. That Regional staff **BE DIRECTED** to continue providing Regional Council updates on the HHAP and Built for Zero initiatives;
6. That Regional staff **BE DIRECTED** to request an update from the Overdose Prevention and Education Network of Niagara (OPENN) regarding the current status of the actions being taken to address addiction related issues in Niagara; and

7. That a copy of this motion be sent to all members of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO).

Yours truly,



Ann-Marie Norio

Regional Clerk

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Sent via email: premier@ontario.ca

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

Honourable and Dear Sir:

Re: Niagara Region – Amend Bill 197, COVID-19 Economic Recovery Act, 2020

Please be advised the Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie at its meeting of March 22, 2021 received and supported correspondence from the Niagara Region dated March 4, 2021 requesting the Province of Ontario to amend Bill 197, COVID-19 Economic Recovery Act, 2020 to eliminate the development approval requirement provisions from adjacent municipalities and the “hosts” municipality be empowered to render final approval for landfills within their jurisdiction.

Attached please find a copy of the Niagara Region’s correspondence dated March 4, 2021.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours very truly,

Carol Schofield, Dipl.M.A.
Manager, Legislative Services/Clerk

cschofield@forterie.ca

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CL 4-2021, February 25, 2021***DISTRIBUTION LIST******SENT ELECTRONICALLY*****Re: Schedule 6, Bill 197, COVID-19 Economic Recovery Act, 2020**

Regional Council, at its meeting held on February 25, 2021, passed the following resolution:

WHEREAS Schedule 6 of Bill 197, COVID-19 Economic Recovery Act, 2020 considers amendments to the Environmental Assessment Act relating to municipal autonomy and the principle that municipalities can veto a development outside their municipal boundary in an adjacent municipality;

WHEREAS Bill 197 empowers multiple municipalities to 'veto' development of a landfilling site within a 3.5 km zone inside the boundary of an adjacent municipality;

WHEREAS Bill 197 establishes a dangerous precedent that could be expanded to other types of development;

WHEREAS Bill 197 compromises municipal autonomy and the authority of municipal councils to make informed decisions in the best interest of their communities and municipal taxpayers; and

WHEREAS amendments in Schedule 6 could cause conflict in the effective management of landfill sites, put significant pressure on existing landfill capacity, and threaten the economic activity associated with these sites.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That while the Region of Niagara supports the Act's open-for-business approach, the municipality **CALLS** upon the Government of Ontario (Ministry of the Environment, Conservation & Parks (MOECP) to amend Bill 197, COVID-19 Economic Recovery Act, 2020, to eliminate the development approval requirement provisions from adjacent municipalities and that the 'host'

municipality be empowered to render final approval for landfills within their jurisdiction;

2. That a copy of this motion **BE FORWARDED** to Premier Doug Ford, Jeff Yurek, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local M.P.P.s., and the Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO) and;

3. That a copy of this resolution **BE FORWARDED** to all Ontario municipalities with a request for supporting motions to be passed by respective Councils and copies of the supporting motion be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Jeff Yurek, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Provincial Parliament, and the Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO).

In accordance with the resolution, it is respectfully requested that your municipality consider passing a supporting resolution to be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Jeff Yurek, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Provincial Parliament, and the Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO).

Yours truly,



Ann-Marie Norio
Regional Clerk

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Honourable and Dear Sir:

Re: City of Sarnia - Advocate the Province of Ontario to Adjust the Capacity Limits as part of the COVID-19 Colour Coded System

Please be advised the Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie at its meeting of March 22, 2021 received and supported correspondence from the City of Sarnia dated March 4, 2021 advocating the Province of Ontario to adjust the capacity limits for dining, restaurants, sporting and recreational facilities, places of worship, event centers, and all retail/small businesses as part of the COVID-19 Colour Coded System.

Attached please find a copy of the City of Sarnia's correspondence dated March 4, 2021.

Thank you for your attention to this matter

Yours very truly,

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The Honourable Doug Ford
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Dear Premier Ford,

Re: Colour Coded Capacity Limits

At its meeting held on March 1, 2021, Sarnia City Council discussed the challenges local businesses are facing with respect to the colour coded **system within the Province's COVID-19 Response Framework**. The following motion was adopted:

That Sarnia City Council strongly advocate to the Province of Ontario that they adjust the capacity limits for dining, restaurants, sporting and recreational facilities, places of worship, event centers, and all retail/small businesses as part of the colour coded system.

The following rationale was provided with the introduction of the motion:

- The red zone currently only allows 10 people indoors at a dining or a sporting / recreational facility (regardless of the size), places of worship are capped at 30% or 50 people, and retail / small business is limited to a 50% capacity.
- These businesses and organizations have heavily invested in facility improvements and expensive upgrades to ensure safe social distancing and have all the appropriate safety and protection measures in place.
- Businesses in particular cannot properly plan under the current uncertainty and that means the loss of jobs and income for both workers and owners as well as mental health challenges.

- Indoor capacity limits for restaurants, dining, sporting / recreational facilities, event centers, retail / small business, and places of worship should not involve arbitrary numbers (regardless of size), but instead be changed to the amount of people per facility which ensures that strict and safe social distancing can be maintained.

Sarnia City Council has requested that all municipalities in Ontario join this advocacy effort.

On behalf of Sarnia City Council, I look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'AB', written in a cursive style.

Amy Burkhart
Acting City Clerk

Cc: All Ontario Municipalities
Ms. Marilyn Gladu, MP Sarnia-Lambton
Mr. Bob Bailey, MPP Sarnia-Lambton

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MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor John Grant, Brock Township
From: Cynthia Davis, President and CEO
Date: Wednesday, March 24, 2021

Subject: Organizational Change

I would like to share with you that Susan deRyk is leaving her position as EVP and Chief Transformation Officer at Lakeridge Health.

Since joining the organization in 2017, Susan has been an integral part of the team as we prepare Lakeridge Health for an ambitious future. She has made many significant contributions over this time, including advancement of the Clinical Information System (CIS), leadership in the development of the Durham Ontario Health Team, successful planning of the Bowmanville Hospital expansion, and preparation for the development of a new long-term care home adjacent to the Ajax Pickering Hospital. In her role as Interim CEO, Susan's visible and steady leadership during the pandemic was commendable.

Susan has been a passionate advocate and strategic visionary for the health care needs of the Durham Region, as evidenced by her leadership in the establishment and execution of Lakeridge Health's strategic plan and master plan. On behalf of the entire organization and our community partners, I want to thank Susan for her work in setting Lakeridge Health up for the next chapter on our transformational journey towards a more integrated system of care. Susan will leave the organization immediately and we wish her the very best in her future endeavors.

At Lakeridge Health, we have all demonstrated incredible resilience and leadership during this unprecedented time. The pandemic has reaffirmed that our plan towards more integrated and connected all-round care is essential to building a high-functioning health system that meets the needs of our community - both for our patients and our colleagues. We are lucky to have great leaders within who are well positioned and willing to step up and continue this important work.

Effective immediately, Natalie Hovey, Vice President Finance and Chief Privacy Officer, will assume leadership of the Development and Capital portfolio. Kirsten Burgomaster, Interim Regional Vice President Cancer Services and Interim Vice President of People and Ethics, will now oversee Corporate Strategy.

Strategic Communications and Information Technology, including the implementation of the Clinical Information System, will report directly to myself.

This revised structure provides a seamless and connected internal alignment to deliver on current priorities and achieve our vision of one system, best health.

Please join me in wishing Susan the very best, and thanking Natalie and Kirsten for taking on these expanded roles.

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- Group Buying webinar: Bridge-in-a-Box.
- Road & Sidewalk Assessment webinar.
- Training on delegation of planning decisions - April 23.
- Careers: AMO and Durham Region.

Provincial Matters

The [Creating More Inclusive Ontario: age-friendly community planning guide for municipalities and community organizations](#) and its three supporting documents can be used to develop and support age-friendly communities in Ontario.

The [Community Building Fund](#) will support two streams - the operating stream will open to nonprofits on March 31, while the capital funding stream for municipalities and nonprofits will open later in 2021. The \$50 million capital funding stream will go to municipalities and non-profit organizations to carry out sport and recreation facility infrastructure repairs, including retrofits and rehabilitation to meet COVID-19 public health protocol requirements.

Eye on Events

What are your municipality's legal and ethical obligations to persons with disabilities? AMO's partner, [eSolutionsGroup](#), addresses current Ontario legislation and how it affects content and systems compliance, technical aspects of updating and maintaining accessible content on your website. Register now for the [April 8](#) or [April 15](#) webinar.

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[EPT Spotlight](#): If you are enrolled in the LAS [Natural Gas](#) or [Electricity](#) programs, this consumption data can be automatically imported into EPT! Save time and keep your database accurate and up-to-date with this helpful perk. [Contact us](#) to learn more.

Municipalities own thousands of small bridges, many in need of repair or replacement. Modular bridges offer a quick and cost-effective solution. The [Municipal Group Buying Program](#) offers bridge-in-a-box through Armtec, available in single or double lane configurations with spans from 6m to 24.5m. [Register here](#) for our webinar April 7 at 10 am EST or [contact Tanner](#) to learn more.

Does your municipality need an updated road or sidewalk study? [Join us April 8 at 2pm EST](#) to hear how our [Road & Sidewalk Assessment Service](#) ensures every dollar spent on your surface assets makes the most impact. FCM funding is available to cover up to 90% of project cost.

Municipal Wire*

The Ontario Professional Planners Institute (OPPI) will lead a conversation with municipal council and staff on how delegation of planning approvals could be leveraged to help Council agendas focus on the strategic, support efficient processes, and improve service delivery while maintaining accountability. [Register for this free education opportunity on April 23.](#)

Careers

[Policy Advisor - AMO](#). Working in a dynamic work environment, the ideal candidate must be an excellent public policy analyst with a related post secondary degree. You excel in policy research and analysis, are proactive in issue identification and problem solving with an advanced understanding of the current public policy and municipal, provincial and federal political environments. Please apply in confidence by email to: careers@amo.on.ca by April 1, 12 PM.

[Manager, Administrative Services \(Job ID 14177\) - Region of Durham](#). Reports to: Commissioner, Planning & Economic Development. Position status: Full-Time, Regular. To learn more about this opportunity, please visit [Durham Region](#) and apply online directly to Job ID# 14177 no later than April 5, 2021.

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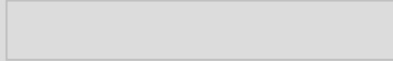
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Monthly Update

- Elexicon Energy continues to operate in its current Pandemic Mode of Operations, with management continually assessing corporate protocols and making updates as required. We are communicating with partners, suppliers and selective clients to determine if there will be any impacts to our current work in progress, and we are adjusting as necessary and will continue to notify and support them when required.
- Between mid-February and early-March, Elexicon Energy exhausted its [CEAP](#) and [CEAP-SB](#) funding and closed access to the program portals.
 - On March 10, the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) received a letter from the Minister of Energy, Northern Development and Mines. The Minister's Letter indicated that the Ministry is currently pursuing options to provide more assistance to customers through these programs.
 - The Minister's Letter also requested that the OEB work with utilities to ensure that they continue to accept application forms even if their program funding has been depleted, with the understanding that these applications will be processed on a first come, first served basis once additional funding amounts are confirmed.
 - Elexicon Energy has re-opened the CEAP and CEAP-SB portals, and is awaiting on additional funding so it can once again begin processing applications.
- On February 23, electricity rate relief ended and residential and small business customers resumed paying [Time-of-Use \(TOU\) and Tiered pricing](#) under the Regulated Price Plan at prices that were set by the OEB on December 15.
- Residential and small business customers paying TOU prices can [choose to switch](#) to Tiered prices, and those that do can switch back at any time.
 - To date, 4,130 Elexicon Energy customers have changed their pricing structure or are in the process of doing so.
 - The OEB has a [bill calculator](#) to help customers who are considering a switch in pricing plans.



- Scammers continue to target hydro customers during the pandemic, posing as utility representatives, threatening disconnection and offering rebates. Elexicon Energy is issuing regular reminders to look out for scams and steps to take if they suspect they are being contacted by a scammer.
- As outlined by the [Ontario Energy Board](#), electricity distributors are prohibited from disconnecting residential customers for non-payment from November 15 to April 30, but can continue to charge late payment fees on past due amounts during this period. Elexicon Energy continues to encourage customers to contact us to learn about extended bill payment options and financial assistance programs.

Ongoing

- Elexicon Energy offices remain closed to the public
- 24/7 System Control Centre and crews available to respond to outages
- Regular Executive Leadership Team meetings
- Extended bill payment options and financial assistance programs are available to customers
- Model and stress testing our ability to operate in this fashion for an extended period of time – considering what work can be done safely and without disruption to customers after the curve flattens
- Engaging with the province and industry bodies on additional measures being considered to support customers

Priorities

- Commitment to health and safety
- Zero transmission of COVID-19 at our offices and worksites
- Providing a reliable hydro system to power our customers' homes and businesses while offering outstanding customer support
- Key initiatives continue to move forward, and financial obligations are being met

Contact

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TOWNSHIP OF EDWARDSBURGH CARDINAL

March 22, 2021

Resolution Number: 2021-100

Moved By: John Hunter

Seconded By: [Signature]

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WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College has been in operation since 1949, where its primary responsibility is to develop and delivery academically sound educational and hands on training programs to meet the needs of both today's and tomorrow's fire services; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College's main objective is to assist the students to become the best trained and most professional members of the Ontario fire service; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College is one of the primary sources of certified training for Ontario and Municipal Firefighters; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College has built a reputation of integrity, credibility, and reliability in providing some of the best training for our fire services within the Province of Ontario; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College has been utilized by the Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal for numerous years to train and certify our volunteer fire fighters; and

WHEREAS the Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal Volunteer Fire Department is on call 24/7 for 365 days a year, with regular jobs and families that expect them to come home safely each and every time; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College provides fire fighters with another option other than Regional Training Centres to obtain their National Fire Protection Association certification; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College is the most cost effective method to certify fire fighters to National Fire Protection Association standards in Ontario; and

WHEREAS when the Government of Ontario enacted and revoked Ontario Regulation 379/18: Firefighter Certification, it was made known by the Office of the Solicitor General that the Act would be amended and brought back in the future; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire Service stakeholders were not consulted regarding the closure of the Ontario Fire College training facility in Gravenhurst; and

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Mayor: [Signature]

RECORDED VOTE REQUESTED BY: _____

NAME	YEA	NAY
Councillor H. Cameron		
Councillor S. Dillabough		
Councillor J. Hunter		
Deputy Mayor T. Deschamps		
Mayor P. Sayeau		
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TOWNSHIP OF EDWARDSBURGH CARDINAL

March 22, 2021

Resolution Number: 2021- _____

Moved By: _____

Seconded By: _____

WHEREAS municipalities in the Province of Ontario are mandated to establish a program including public education and fire prevention, and provide fire protection services as it deems may be necessary with its needs and circumstance.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVES THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal hereby strongly requests that the Government of Ontario reverse their decision to close the Ontario Fire College as it is one of the best and most cost effective methods for municipalities to educate and train their firefighters which assists in protecting all residents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT if the Government of Ontario chooses to not reverse its decision to close the Ontario Fire College, the Province should provide direct financial support to municipalities to offset the increased training costs of providing Provincially mandated firefighting services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Sylvia Jones; Ontario Solicitor General, the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and House, the Ontario Fire Marshal, and all municipalities within the Province of Ontario.

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Mayor: _____

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Update on the Employment Standards Development Committee Final Recommendations Report

The Government of Ontario has posted the Employment Standards Development Committee's Final Recommendations Report online. To view the final report, please go to: [Employment Standards Committee Final Report](#)

Under the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005 (AODA)*, accessibility standards are required to be reviewed by a dedicated Standards Development Committee (committee) five

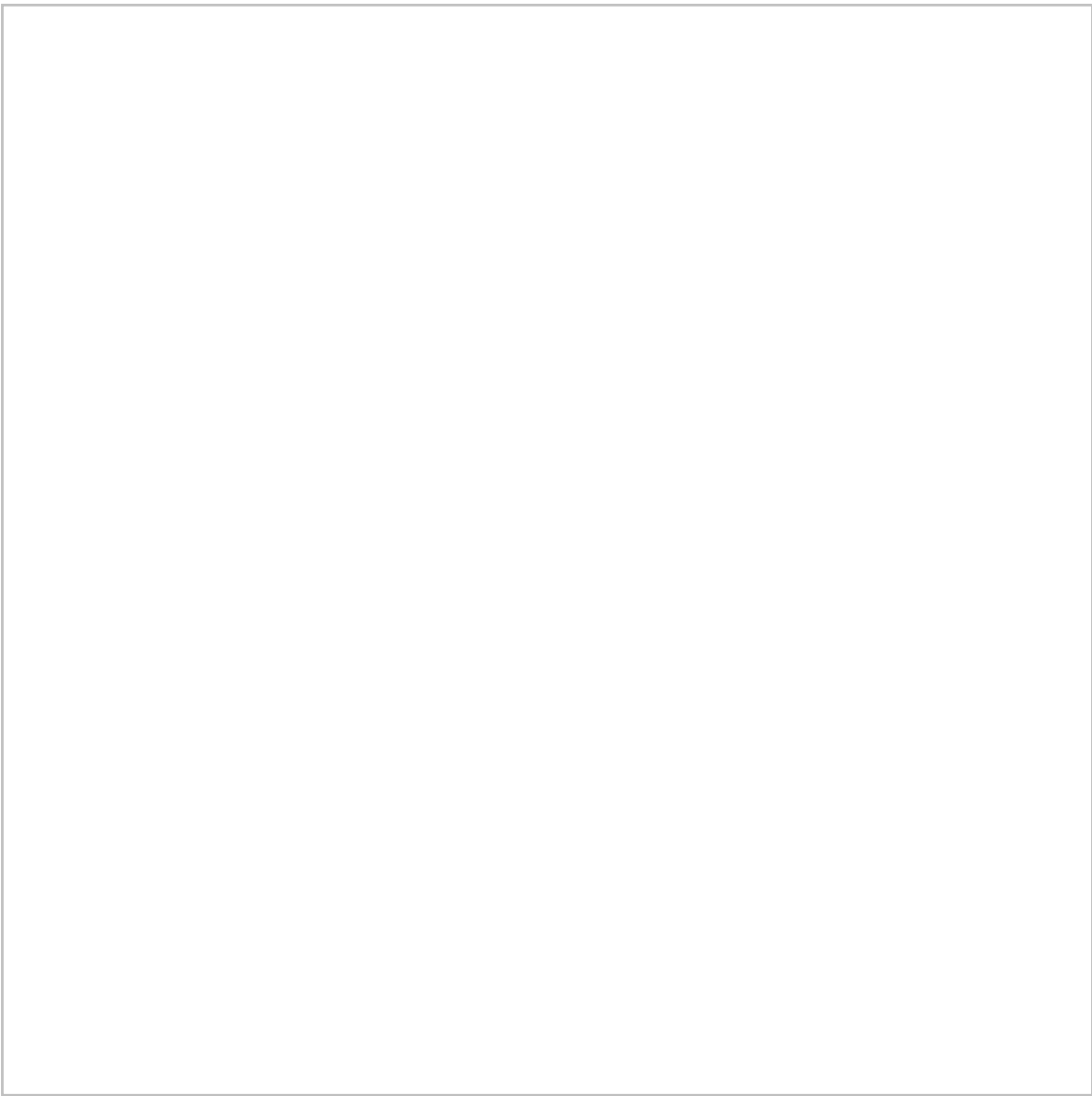
years after they become law. This review is meant to determine if the standards are continuing to address barriers to accessibility as intended; and to allow for adjustments to be made, as required.

The Employment Standards Development Committee was established in 2016 and began meeting in early 2017 to review the accessible employment standards in the *Integrated Accessibility Standards Regulation (IASR)* under the AODA. In the summer of 2018, the committee's Initial Recommendations Report was posted for public feedback.

The committee took this feedback under consideration and submitted their final recommendations report to the Minister for Seniors and Accessibility in January 2019. The government is now carefully reviewing the committee's recommendations.

To learn more about the process, click here: [Standards Development Committees](#).

For businesses and non-profits with 20 or more employees, the deadline to file an accessibility compliance report has been extended to June 30, 2021



Ontario has Accessibility Laws - Businesses and non-profits with 20 or more employees must submit an Accessibility Compliance Report before June 30, 2021.

Learn how to file your 2020 Accessibility Compliance Report at: ontario.ca/AccessibilityReport

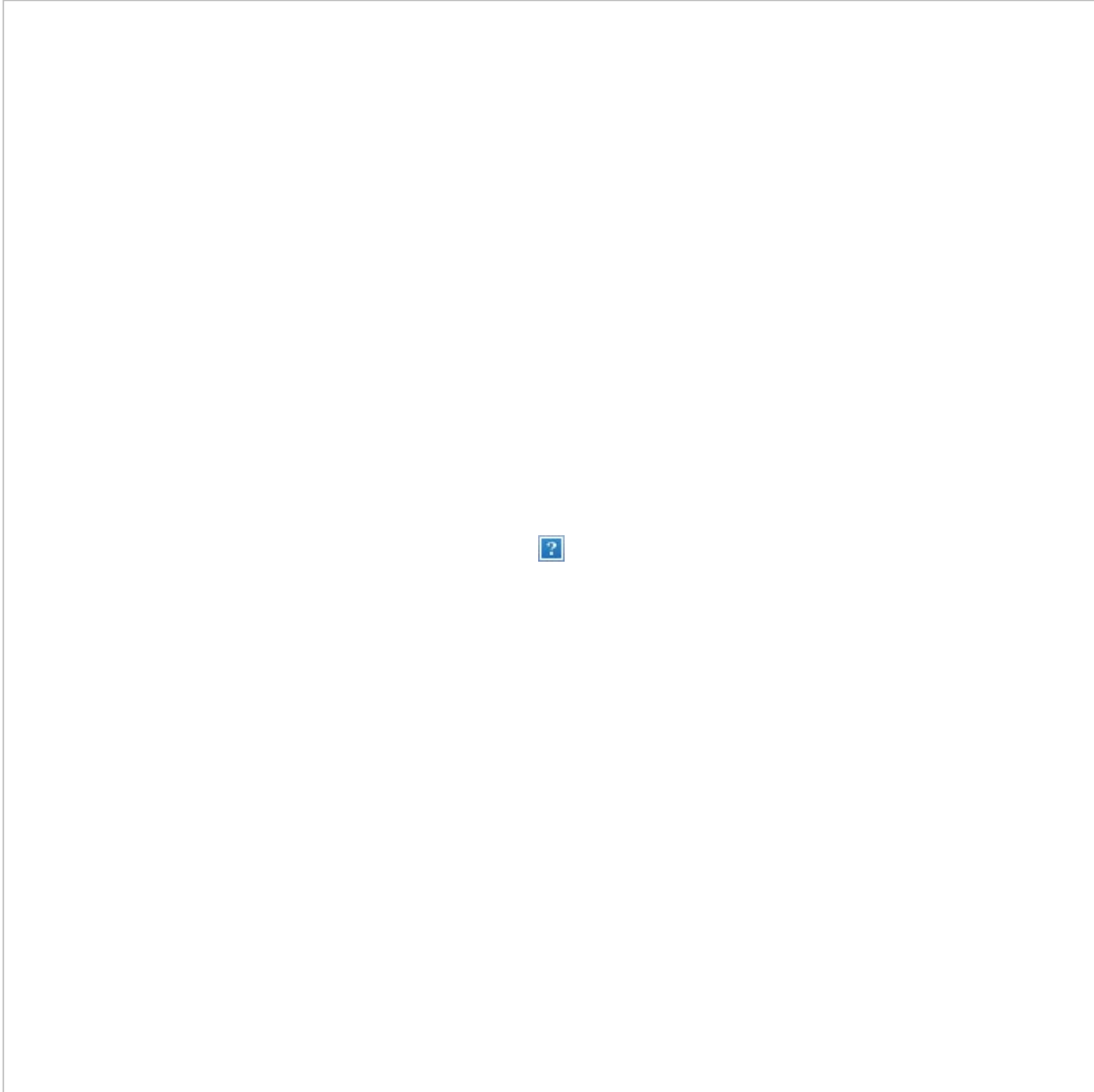
Learning About Accessibility Can Be Fun

The partnership between the Government of Ontario and Ryerson University's G. Raymond Chang School of Continuing Education that brought us a [collection of open textbooks on digital accessibility](#) has also produced The Accessibility Maze, a serious game aimed at teaching digital accessibility awareness to those new to the topic.

Players navigate through the secret catacombs beneath the old school library in search of the Accessibility Master, collecting objects to exchange for a reward at the end. Puzzles give players firsthand experience with digital accessibility barriers that people with disabilities may experience as part of daily life. Each puzzle is followed by a quick accessibility lesson.

In addition to teaching players about digital accessibility, a key goal in developing the game was to make it playable with a screen reader. The game can be played with the current versions of the NVDA or JAWS screen readers, which both support the advanced accessibility features needed to make complex interactivity on the Web accessible to assistive technology users.

[Play The Accessibility Maze](#) (For best performance, please use Chrome, Firefox or Safari)



Screenshot of the Accessibility Maze game

George Brown College – Ontario Deaf and Hard of Hearing Adults Survey Available Now

George Brown College's Deaf Learn Now is the first online literacy and basic skills program in the world for Deaf, deafblind, deafened and hard of hearing adults (Ontario residents only). All courses are FREE, are operated by George Brown College and funded by Employment Ontario

Deaf Learn Now Program has partnered with Deaf Literacy Initiative to develop a province-wide

survey for Deaf, deafblind, deafened and hard of hearing Ontario adults. Through the survey, the program aims to learn more about the needs and barriers to employment and education for this specific Ontario cohort.

The survey can be found at <https://deaflearnnow.ca/survey/> (in English and ASL)

For more information about Deaf Learn Now and their offered courses, please go to <https://www.deaflearnnow.ca/> or email: deaflearnnow@georgebrown.ca

Deaf Literacy Initiative is Ontario's umbrella organization for literacy in the Deaf and Deaf-Blind community. Services are accessible, culturally appropriate and include: training, research, networking, and resources. For more information please visit: <https://www.deafliteracy.ca/>

Canadian Hearing Services - 200,000 virtual clinical visits and counting!

Canadian Hearing Services (CHS) has reached an important milestone – 200,000 virtual clinical visits provided to Deaf and hard of hearing Canadians since the COVID-19 pandemic led to a national lockdown in March 2020.

The pandemic challenged CHS to find innovative ways to continue to support their diverse community, while ensuring the safety of their staff, clients, and their families. CHS moved as many services as possible to a virtual medium. It allowed their clients and staff to continue to engage while also complying with the Public Health guidelines.

CHS offers several virtual services including:

- [Interpretation and Translation Services](#)
- [Hearing Care Counselling](#)
- [CONNECT Mental Health Counselling](#)
- [Employment Services](#)
- [General Support Services](#)

Now, more than ever, clear, accessible communication is crucial.

Increasing your understanding and awareness about accessibility in your community

Improving understanding and awareness about accessibility is important – in fact, it's one of the four key areas of Ontario's Advancing Accessibility Framework. One way that you can improve your own understanding and awareness about accessibility is to learn about the lived experiences of people with disabilities. In the digital age, expanding your understanding of accessibility has never been easier. There are lots of content creators with disabilities, on almost every social media platform! Consider subscribing, following, watching, or listening to a new content creator with a

disability. There are many options: from podcasts and YouTube channels; to accessibility focused Twitter and Instagram accounts; to TED Talks.

Taking into account that the lived experiences of people with disabilities are diverse, consider subscribing to a range of content creators across the spectrum of disability and content type. Some creators design content with the specific goal of educating and informing people about accessibility. Some are vloggers who discuss their lived experiences navigating accessibility systems, or just life in general.

A quick internet search with keywords like “content creators with disabilities” or “Influencers with disabilities” coupled with your preferred platform should yield many options.

Another great way to improve your understanding and awareness about accessibility is to learn about accessibility in your own community. One place to start is to learn about the work your local [Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee \(AAC\)](#) is doing. AACs are required for all municipalities with a population of over 10,000.

Made up of volunteers with disabilities, they advise municipal councils about the requirements of Ontario’s accessibility laws. They also advise on a wide range of municipal processes to help make public services or facilities accessible to everyone.

Did you know that many AAC meetings are open to the public? Consider attending a meeting or reviewing some of the meeting minutes posted on the web page of your local municipality.

<https://www.ontario.ca/page/list-ontario-municipalities>

RGD’s Accessibility in Design Webinar Series

[The Association of Register Graphic Designers \[RGD\]](#) continues to educate graphic designers, the wider communication arts communities and the general public with [a series of webinars on accessibility](#) that continues into June.

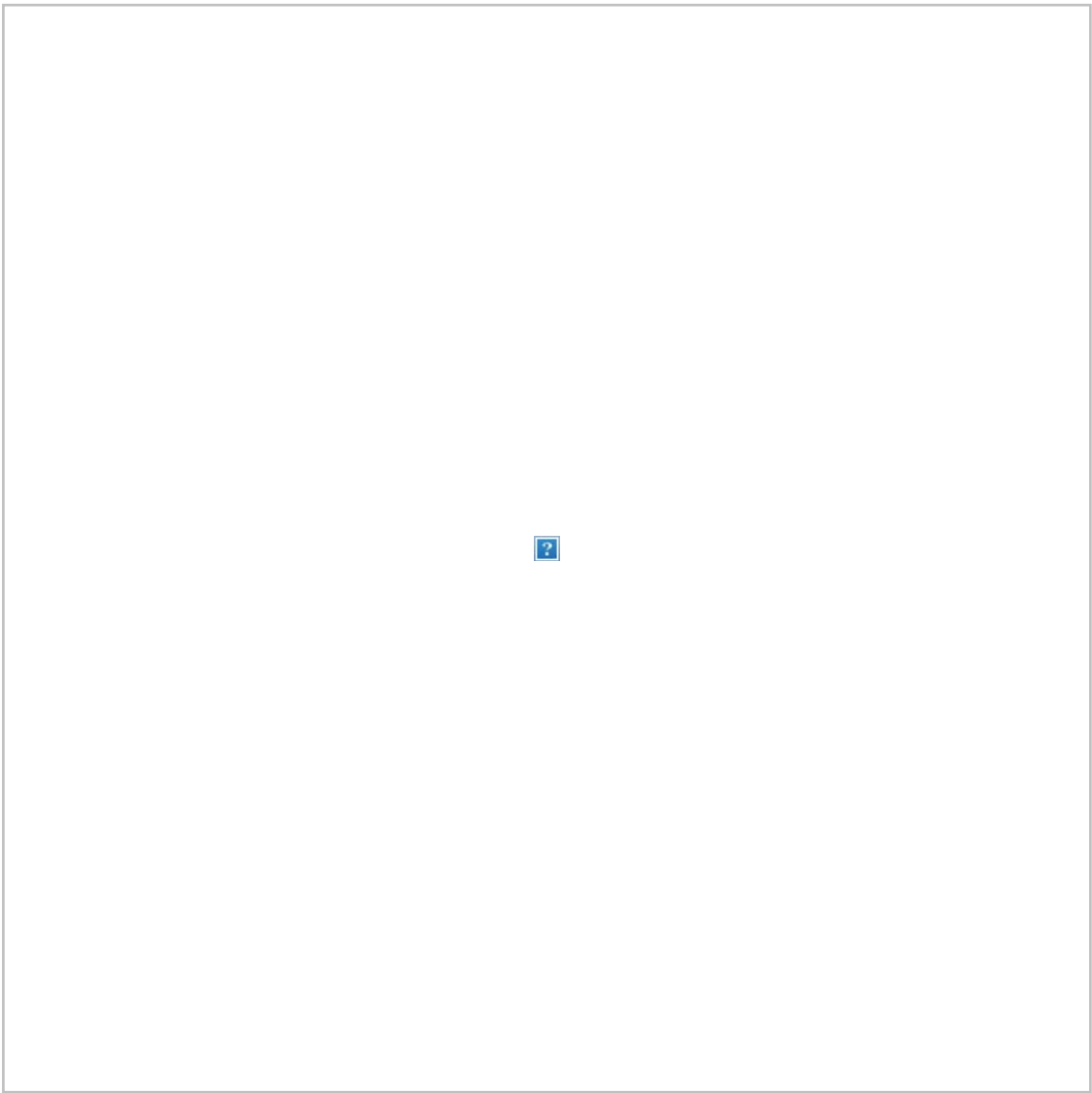
RGD has recruited a number of well qualified experts to cover a wide range of topics for creators and producers of products and services covered by the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act’s Information and Communication Standards.

Magued Hanna, RGD, will moderate the series that will educate, remind and maybe even enlighten you on these topics:

[Accessibility for the Web](#) – Natalya Chilina and Ben Hagon, RGD, will take you through the benefits of building an accessible and usable website that goes beyond just passing the AODA and WCAG standards;

[Designers' Accessibility Toolkit](#) – Monica Ackermann, with panellists Hugo Mejia and Nelson Moutinho, will discuss how they helped shape Scotiabank’s journey in fostering a culture of accessibility across various digital product designs;

[Creating Accessible Mobile Apps](#) – Simon Kim and Janis Lee will discuss why it’s important to take on this challenge, think ahead and consider the needs of all potential users/customers.



Screenshot of the Tips & Tools Webinar Series for Accessible Design

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Do you know someone who is interested in accessibility? If you liked this newsletter and know others who would also benefit from receiving these updates, feel free to forward them this link so that they can subscribe to the newsletter, or visit ontario.ca/accessibility.

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Resolution

DATE March 9, 2021

NO. 2021-052

MOVED BY Sandy Cross

SECONDED BY Heather Olmstead

“WHEREAS workers in Ontario without paid sick leave often feel forced to work when unwell so they can feed and support their families and are at risk of losing a paycheque or even their jobs if they stay home, and;

WHEREAS the Canada Recovery Sickness Benefit is temporary, not accessible to all and not usable for the crucial first few days of an illness, and;

WHEREAS had legislated paid sick leave been in place before the global pandemic, lives would have been saved because infection rates would have been reduced, and;

WHEREAS the lack of paid sick days has especially hurt Black, Indigenous, workers of colour, women and migrant workers who are over-represented in low-paying frontline jobs with few benefits and a reduced ability to work from home, and;

WHEREAS the Ontario Medical Association, 11 GTHA Mayors and Chairs representing Ontario’s largest municipalities, the editorial board of the Toronto Star, the Toronto Board of Health, the Decent Work and Health Network, the Ontario Nurses Association, and several other professional associations representing thousands of healthcare workers have all called on the provincial government to legislate paid sick days;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipality of Calvin endorses legislated sick leave and calls on the government of Ontario to permanently legislate universal paid sick days for all workers in Ontario during the pandemic and beyond, regardless of workplace size, type of work or immigration status, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this motion be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, Minister of Labour, all Regional MPPs, and all Ontario Municipalities.”

CARRIED 

DIVISION VOTE

<u>NAME OF MEMBER OF COUNCIL</u>	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NAY</u>
<u>Coun Cross</u>	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
<u>Coun Maxwell</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
<u>Coun Olmstead</u>	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
<u>Coun Grant</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
<u>Mayor Pennell</u>	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>

From: [Feeley, Karen \(PC\)](#) on behalf of [Trentsevern \(PC\)](#)
To: [Trentsevern \(PC\)](#)
Subject: Trent-Severn Waterway - Water Level Management Update – Wednesday, March 24, 2021
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Trent-Severn Waterway - Water Level Management Update – Wednesday, March 24, 2021

Parks Canada's water management team continues to actively monitor water levels, flows, and weather forecasts across the Trent-Severn Waterway. These factors are used to determine dam operations on a daily basis for the Trent-Severn Waterway. Parks Canada [maintains the Ontario Waterways Water Management InfoNet](#) on the Trent-Severn Waterway website at www.pc.gc.ca/en/lhn-nhs/on/trentsevern/info/infonet

The InfoNet contains background information on water management practices, water management updates, frequently asked questions about water management, various reports on water management, and the most recent water levels of lakes along both the Rideau Canal and the Trent-Severn Waterway. The information comes from hydrometric gauges located at key points along both waterways and is vetted by trained and experienced Parks Canada water management staff.

This information is intended as supplemental information only. Stakeholders should continue to refer to their respective Conservation Authority or the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry as the primary source for relevant flood forecasting information specific to their area. These are [Kawartha Conservation](#), [Otonabee Region Conservation Authority](#), [Ganaraska Conservation Authority](#), [Lower Trent Conservation Authority](#), [Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority](#) or, in all other areas of the Trent and Severn Watersheds, the [Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry](#).

Weather

The five-day forecast suggests 30-45 mm with air temperatures reaching double digits in the Haliburton areas.

Outlook

With the onset of the snowmelt and forecasted amount of rain coupled with warm temperatures, flows and water levels are expected to increase at all locations as the impacts of the rain and melting snow work their way through the system.

The Trent Severn Water Management team will be active, and the changing conditions will be closely monitored. Any watershed conditions updates will be released by your [Conservation Authority](#) or local Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry District.

Ice on shorelines

The temperature variations around and above the freezing mark makes ice weak along the shoreline, which is then easily broken and moved by windy conditions. The

areas subject to the greatest impact are those facing the primary wind direction. In the event of strong wind conditions, the public should be aware of possible onshore ice movement leading to shoreline damage. The current forecast winds are not overly high. With the warmer temperatures persisting into next week, ice-out should continue.

Haliburton and Northern Areas

With the recent warm temperature event, water levels and flows conditions correspond to the onset of the melt and are rising in northern areas. Snow amounts still remain but are below average for this time of the year in the most northern areas of the Gull River system. Most lakes on the Gull River and Burnt River systems remain below average but are rising due to the onset of the melt. Lake levels are monitored daily and assessed in relation to estimated runoff amounts. The flows on Gull River and Burnt remain below average. Flows on both rivers are anticipated to increase.

Kawartha Lakes and the Otonabee River

Most Kawartha Lakes are below average. Levels on the Kawarthas are expected to rise due to increasing inflows from the Haliburton areas and the forecasted amounts of rainfall. Flows on the Otonabee River are below average for this time of year and will continue to increase.

Rice Lake and the Lower Trent

Water levels on Rice Lake and the Lower Trent are anticipated to increase due to increased inflows from local creeks, the Otonabee River, Crowe River and the forecasted rainfall.

Severn River

Lake Simcoe water levels are below average and are slowly increasing. Black River flows are above average and continue to increase. Operations for Lake St. John in preparation for increased flows on the Black River are complete. Water levels and flows are expected to increase everywhere on the Severn River.

Regards,

Karen F.



For more information about the Trent-Severn Waterway National Historic Site of Canada, visit www.parks canada.gc.ca/trent or follow us on Facebook and Twitter @TrentSevernNHS.

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Dear Premier Ford:

Re: Support for West Grey Resolution – Municipal Insurance Rates

At its Regular meeting held on March 15, 2021, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Owen Sound considered the above noted matter and passed Resolution No. R-210315-010 as follows:

R-210315-010

"THAT in consideration of correspondence received February 24, 2021 from the Director of Administration/Clerk, West Grey respecting Municipal Insurance Rates, City Council directs staff to send a letter in support of the resolution passed by the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of West Grey to the Premier of Ontario, Minister of Finance, Attorney General of Ontario, MPP for Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound, and all municipalities in Ontario."

The resolution passed by the Corporation of the Municipality of West Grey is as follows:

"The Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of West Grey hereby supports the resolution of The Municipality of Grey Highlands dated January 22, 2021 wherein they call on the Province of Ontario to review the seven recommendations of AMO to investigate the following municipal insurance issues, as insurance premiums will soon be out of reach for many communities:

1. The provincial government adopt a model of full proportionate liability to replace joint and several liability.
2. Implement enhancements to the existing limitations period including the continued applicability of the existing 10-day rule on slip and fall cases given recent judicial interpretations and whether a one-year limitation period may be beneficial.
3. Implement a cap for economic loss awards.

4. Increase the catastrophic impairment default benefit limit to \$2 million and increase the third-party liability coverage to \$2 million in government regulated automobile insurance plans.
5. Assess and implement additional measures which would support lower premiums or alternatives to the provision of insurance services by other entities such as non-profit insurance reciprocals.
6. Compel the insurance industry to supply all necessary financial evidence, including but not limited to, premiums, claims and deductible limit changes which support its own and municipal arguments as to the fiscal impact of joint and several liability.
7. Establish a provincial and municipal working group to consider the above and put forward recommendations to the Attorney General; and

That this motion be provided to the Premier of Ontario, Minister of Finance, Attorney General of Ontario, MPP for Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound and all municipalities in Ontario.”

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Jamie Eckenswiller, AMP
Deputy Clerk
City of Owen Sound

cc. Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance
Hon. Doug Downey, Attorney General
Hon. Bill Walker, MPP Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound
All Ontario Municipalities

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Celebrating the grand opening of Kinectrics' Teeswater Laundry Facility

TIVERTON, ON – March 24, 2021 – The Hon. Lisa Thompson, Minister of Government and Consumer Services and MPP for Huron-Bruce, will join Kinectrics and Bruce Power in celebrating the grand opening of Kinectrics' fully operational Laundry Facility in Teeswater. The facility has been instrumental in creating and sustaining jobs in the Municipality of

South Bruce.

David Harris, Kinectrics CEO, and Amy Gottschling, Vice-President Radioactive Materials and Chemistry Services & Site VP Teeswater, will provide an update on the facility, as well as a short tour. The live, virtual event will be held Friday, March 26, between 1 and 2 p.m.

The media and the public can register for the event at www.brucepower.com/event/kinectrics/. A recording will be available following the event.

For more information, contact:

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THE TOWNSHIP OF PICKLE LAKE

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WHEREAS elected Officials of a Municipality, or a Township are expected to be above reproach and to conduct themselves with integrity, truth, justice, honesty and transparency and courtesy,

AND WHEREAS there are people of dubious character who have a criminal record, having been convicted of a Federal Offence, of any of the Federal Statues of Canada, but not limited to the Criminal Code or Narcotic Control Act, Who are currently on Council of a Municipality or have let their name stand for election for Mayor, Reeve or Councillor as a municipal candidate.

NOT WITHSTANDING the provisions of the Ontario Human Rights Code

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Corporation of the Township of Pickle Lake hereby supports the Township of Conmee as they lobby the Provincial Government to amend The Municipal Act and Municipal Elections Act, as may be, so that people with a criminal record who have not had their record cleared from the RCMP Data Base by order of the Governor General of Canada, be prohibited from becoming a candidate in municipal elections.

AND THAT an elected local government official be disqualified from office upon conviction of a serious criminal offence and must resign.

AND THAT the Council direct the Clerk to send a copy of this resolution to the Ontario Premier Doug Ford, NOMA, Attorney general Doug Downey, Solicitor-general Sylvia Jones, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Steve Clark, AMO, ROMA, and MPP Sol Mamakwa, and all Ontario municipalities.

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