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AMO Policy Update



January 12, 2021

AMO Policy Update – New COVID-19 Provincial Emergency Declared, Updated COVID Modelling, and CA Working Group

Second Provincial Emergency Declared to Address the 2nd COVID-19 Wave

Ontario Premier Doug Ford followed the release of new modeling projections (see below) this morning with the declaration of a second provincial emergency for Ontario under s 7.0.1 (1) of the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* (EMPCA) that will be effective immediately.

This declaration means that the government will now make orders under the EMCPA. This action comes as a measure to help curb the rising COVID-19 cases and deaths across the Province by targeting the reduction in the levels of mobility.

Highlights from [today's announcement](#) include:

- **As of Thursday, January 14, 2021 at 12:01 a.m., a stay-at-home order comes into effect** requiring everyone in Ontario to remain at home with exceptions for essential purposes (i.e., trips to the grocery store or pharmacy, accessing health care, for exercise, or essential work).
- **Individuals are now required to wear a mask or face covering in the indoor areas of businesses or organizations that are open.** Additionally, a mask is now recommended outdoors when physical distancing of two metres is not possible.
- **New enforcement measures are set to allow Provincial offences officers, including Police, Municipal Bylaw officers, and First Nations Constables to issue tickets** to individuals, employees, or corporations who do not comply with the stay-at-home order. Additionally, all enforcement personnel now have the authority to close a premise or disperse individuals in contravention of an order.
- **The Province has updated the essential business list** with a few additional

closures, but it remains largely unchanged due to already being in a lockdown setting. This means status quo for municipal construction projects that will continue to remain on the essential business list. For more information, call the ["Stop the Spread" business information line](#).

- **The Small Business Support Grant will be accepting applications in the coming days** for small businesses who are impacted by the lockdown and meet the criteria to receive this support.
- The Ministry of Labour, Training and Skills Development is launching the "Stay Safe All Day" campaign that focuses workplace inspections in areas of high transmission (i.e., lunch or break rooms).

An emergency declaration pursuant to s. 7.0.1 under *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* (EMPCA) is terminated 14 days after being made and may be extended for up to a further 14 days by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. Thereafter, extensions require approval of the Legislature for additional periods of up to 28 days.

The orders currently in force under the *Reopening Ontario (A Flexible Response to COVID-19) Act, 2020* (ROA) remain in effect until January 20, 2021. Under the ROA, orders can be extended for up to 30 days at a time, and the government must continue to report on all order extensions to the Select Committee on Emergency Management Oversight.

A full list of emergency orders under the EMPCA as well as orders under the ROA can be found on the [e-Laws website](#).

Ontario is now in a second provincial emergency due to COVID-19 with a series of orders coming into effect over the next two days. AMO will provide regular updates as more orders of a municipal interest come forward under the EMCPA.

COVID-19 Science Advisory Table Update

The [COVID-19 Science Advisory Table](#) updated their modelling given trends with recent population data. Today's [presentation](#) provides compelling data on the people and health care system impacts if these trends continue unchecked.

Their Key Findings include:

- Growth in COVID-19 cases has accelerated and is over 7% on the worst days.
- Over the last 4 weeks, there has been a:
 - 72.2% increase in COVID hospitalizations
 - 61.2% increase in COVID ICU patients.
- Almost 40% of long-term care homes have active COVID-19 outbreaks. Since January 1st, 198 LTC residents and 2 LTC staff have died of COVID-19. Forecasts suggest more deaths in wave 2 in long-term care than in wave 1.
- COVID-19 ICU occupancy is now over 400 beds. Surgeries are being cancelled and the access to care deficit will continue to increase with real consequences for health.

- Mobility and contacts between people have not decreased with the current restrictions. Survey data show that the majority of Ontarians are helping limit spread by following them. However, case numbers will not decline until more of the population follows their example.
- A new variant of concern of SARS-CoV-2 (B117) (UK variant) could drive much higher case counts, ICU occupancy and mortality if community transmission occurs. The doubling time for cases could drop by more than 2/3. This new variant is now in Ontario.
- Without significant reductions in contacts, the health system will be overwhelmed, and mortality will exceed the first wave totals before a vaccine has time to take effect.

Conservation Authorities Working Group

The Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) has established a multi-stakeholder Working Group to consider proposed regulations impacting conservation authorities and municipalities. Early work will focus on the mandatory programs and services to be delivered by conservation authorities and the MOUs between CAs and municipal governments for non-mandatory programs and services paid for by municipalities.

MECP has posted details of the [Working Group's](#) tasks and membership. AMO will be represented on this working group by Cathie Brown, Senior Advisor.

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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New COVID-19 Ontario Regulations under ROA and EMCPA

[Ontario regulation 10/21](#) under *Reopening Ontario (A Flexible Response to COVID-19) Act, 2020*

Amending O. Reg. 82/20 RULES FOR AREAS IN STAGE 1 Filed: January 13, 2021

[Ontario regulation 11/21](#) under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*
 O. Reg. 11/21 STAY-AT-HOME ORDER Filed: January 13, 2021

[Ontario regulation 12/21](#) made under the *Provincial Offences Act*

Amending Reg. 950 of R.R.O. 1990 Filed: January 13, 2021

PROCEEDINGS COMMENCED BY CERTIFICATE OF OFFENCE – offences under an EMCPA order

[Ontario regulation 13/21](#) made under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*

O. Reg. 13/21 RESIDENTIAL EVICTIONS Filed: January 13, 2021

The Ontario government has issued an [emergency order](#) through the above regulation to temporarily pause the enforcement of residential evictions to make sure that people are not forced to leave their homes during this provincial declaration of emergency and while the stay-at-home-order is in force.

A full list of emergency orders under the EMCPA as well as orders under the ROA can be found on the [e-Laws website](#).

Ontario Gas Tax for Transit Allocations Announced

The Honourable Caroline Mulroney [announced](#) the 2020-21 Ontario Gas Tax funding [allocations](#) to support Ontario municipal transit systems. The Province will provide \$375 million to 109 municipalities as soon as possible in 2021. This funding is in addition to Safe Restart Agreement funding for transit systems and other supports.

The Ontario Gas Tax provides 2 cents/litre of fuel from provincial revenue to fund municipal transit capital and operations across the province. Funding from the Ontario Gas Tax is critical to supporting municipal transit systems in Ontario, especially as they work to adapt to challenges brought by the COVID-19 pandemic.

See AMO's [background information](#) on the evolution of the Ontario Gas Tax, Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF), and other critical infrastructure programs for more details on the importance of the suite of provincial supports to municipal governments.

Update on *Ontario Heritage Act* Amendments

A proposed regulation under the *Ontario Heritage Act* and the legislative amendments made through the *More Homes, More Choice Act*, 2019, were due to come into force on January 1, 2021.

In response to municipal requests, due to ongoing pandemic considerations which have limited the ability to prepare to implement these changes, the proclamation of the amendments and the regulation **have been delayed**. No new proclamation date has been announced.

The Ministry will be posting drafts of the updated Ontario Heritage Tool Kit guide for public consultation at a later date and will communicate further on a proposed proclamation date. Should you have questions the Ministry recommends you contact your regular Ministry contacts or send an email to heritage@ontario.ca and the appropriate staff person will respond.

Firefighter Training Changes

Yesterday, the Province [announced](#) it is expanding firefighter training opportunities across the province, and modernizing the program to bring fire training closer to home. The Ontario Fire College, which has not hosted on-site training since the onset of COVID-19 in March 2020, will be decommissioned and replaced with 20 regional training centres to deliver on-site and online fire safety training in communities where firefighters serve. The Office of the Fire Marshal is also investing in two mobile units that will bring live fire training to local fire services.

The shift to local training opportunities is expected to increase capacity for training and reduce the need for municipal fire departments to pay for travel and costs related to overtime and shift backfills.

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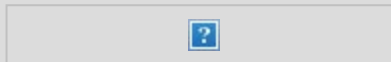
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Good afternoon,

COVID-19 has changed how we think and behave. We know we need to operate our services differently and will continue to monitor and adapt as necessary.

Starting Jan. 23, we are temporarily replacing select GO train service with buses and reducing service on UP Express to make better use of resources while demand is low. To better match customer demand, any train service on the Barrie, Stouffville and Kitchener lines during weekday evenings or weekends will be served by buses, and on UP Express, we'll be running hourly service for parts of the day with a shorter operating day. GO and UP Express are vital to our region.

- Stations will have wayfinding signage posted directing customers to the buses.
- Departures times may be adjusted. Customers should be sure to check gotransit.com and upexpress.com before they travel to ensure they always have the latest schedule information.
- GO buses have a new Toronto home! The new Union Station Bus Terminal opened in December and offers a more comfortable and convenient experience featuring a larger indoor waiting area, Wi-Fi, better connections to Union Station and more. Learn more [here](#).

Barrie Line

- Train service during weekday evenings and weekends on the Barrie GO train corridor will be temporarily replaced by buses to make better use of resources while demand is low.

Stouffville Line

- Starting Jan. 22, weekend train service along the Stouffville corridor will be temporarily replaced by buses to make better use of resources while demand is low.
- Starting Jan. 25, the first morning southbound weekday train and all weekday evening trains will also be temporarily replaced by buses. The last train every weekday will serve all stops to Lincolnville GO.
- If travelling on Jan. 22, it's important to note evening train service will be replaced by buses due to some infrastructure work along the Stouffville corridor.

Kitchener Line

- Train service during weekday evenings on the Kitchener GO train corridor will be temporarily replaced by buses to make better use of resources while demand is low.
- Two existing southbound Route 37 weeknight bus trips will now depart later.

UP Express

- To make better use of resources, UP Express trains will temporarily operate hourly at times of day with typically low ridership; otherwise, trains will continue to operate every 30 minutes. The operating day will also be shortened.
- From Monday to Friday, UP trains will operate hourly in the midday and in the late evening with the last trains departing from Union at 10 p.m. and from Pearson at 10:27 p.m.
- On weekends, UP trains will operate hourly in the mornings and evenings with the first train now departing at 6 a.m. and the last trains departing from Union at 10 p.m. and from Pearson at 10:27

p.m.

As a result of COVID-19, ridership has decreased by more than 90%. We want to make sure we are working with the best use of our resources. As the Province starts to recover, and we welcome more customers back to GO and UP, we will work to reinstate service.

“Safety Never Stops” isn’t a slogan for our team. It’s our commitment. Every day. Every train. Every bus. Every trip. Everyone. But we also know that even though we have taken many measures, such as mandating face coverings, installing physical barriers and hand sanitizer dispensers on vehicles and at stations, and enhancing our cleaning of surfaces, we can’t do it alone. We’re in this together. Your health and safety is a partnership - our shared responsibility.

- Wearing a face covering is mandatory on GO Transit and UP Express. They’re essential to keeping everyone safe on transit and are required for your entire journey with us.
- Wash your hands often. When you can’t, hand sanitizer is readily available along your journey.
- Avoid lining up at the station. Load money onto your PRESTO card using the PRESTO app, or buy your ticket online.
- More details can be found on GO Transit’s [website](#).

Warm regards,
Stakeholder Relations Office

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Please note – the following message was circulated to watershed media today.

Public Safety Message: Why You Should Not Use Stormwater Ponds for Recreation

Newmarket, ON – January 15, 2021 – Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority (LSRCA) is reminding residents not to use neighbourhood stormwater ponds for recreation activities.

While your local stormwater pond may look like a great place to have a game of pick-up hockey or a leisurely skate, don't be fooled. These ponds have a specific job, and that's to continuously collect stormwater runoff from neighbourhoods.

Because of this function, they are designed to have water flowing in and out of them all year long (from rainfall and snowmelt), making them an unsafe place to play. See for yourself – the next time you venture out to a storm pond, look around the edges of the pond and at the water outlets. You will often see open water, even in the winter!

No matter how deep into the winter or how thick the ice may appear, temperature changes can cause major variations in ice thickness. Air pockets are also easily formed under the surface and contaminants like salt weaken the ice. All these factors combined, create dangerous and unpredictable conditions that put your safety at risk.

Now, more than ever, we know the global pandemic and the measures our Provincial government have put in place to keep us safe are creating a need to get outside, be active and enjoy nature. With that in mind, we'd like to assure watershed residents that our conservation areas and trails are open and can be used safely as long as visitors follow the safety guidelines, including:

- Visit only with your immediate family
- Maintain a distance of 2 metres/6 feet from all other park and trail users
- Be patient and respectful to other park and trail users
- Always have a mask on hand (yes, even when you're outdoors) in the event you aren't able to maintain proper social distancing from others.

Find out how to stay safe when visiting a conservation area, close to home, at www.LSRCA.on.ca/enjoytheoutdoors

It is the mission of LSRCA to work with our community to protect and restore the Lake Simcoe watershed by leading research, policy and action.

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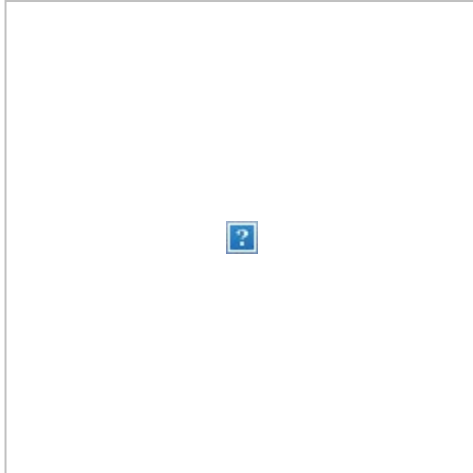
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January 2021

Regional Chair John Henry reflects on 2020

John Henry, Regional Chair and Chief Executive Officer (CEO), sent out a statement reflecting on 2020, and looking ahead to 2021 with optimism and hope. Though COVID-19 was a major focus of last year, the other important work that continued is also highlighted.

Regional Chair Henry concludes with a brief look into Durham's vision for 2021 and beyond. [Read the full statement.](#)



Ontario Trillium Foundation Resilient Communities Fund Recipients in Durham Region

On **December 23**, the Province of Ontario announced the first round of grants awarded through the Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF) Resilient Communities Fund to help 486 non-profit organizations rebuild and recover from the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Congratulations to the following organizations in Durham Region that were successful applicants:

- 420 Wing Royal Canadian Air Force Association (Oshawa)
- A Greener Future
- AIDS Committee of Durham Region
- Alzheimer Society of Durham Region
- Autism Home Base Durham Inc.
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of North Durham
- Boys and Girls Club of Durham

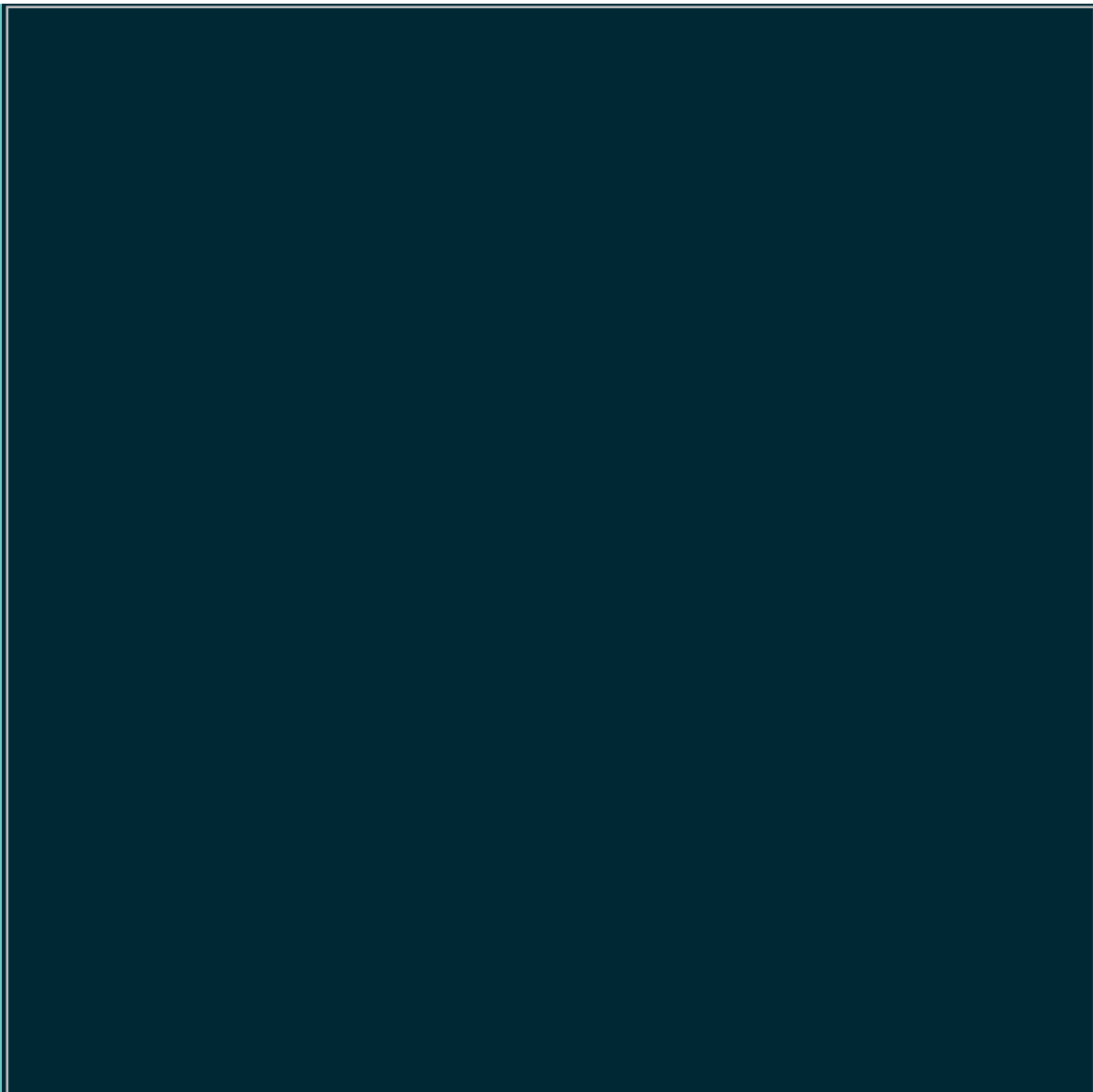
- Community Development Council Durham
- Durham Region International Film Festival (DRIFF)
- Feed the Need in Durham
- L'Assemblée des communautés francophones de l'Ontario, Durham-Peterborough
- Literacy Network of Durham Region
- Brimacombe / Oshawa Ski Club
- ReSound Choir
- The Living Room Community Art Studio
- Town Hall 1873

Visit OTF's [website](#) to learn more about grants received by Durham organizations.

[Learn more about the fund](#)

Opinions Wanted

You have a unique opportunity to influence Ontario's thinking on business and community access for Service & Support Animals



The Service & Support Animal Initiative (SSAI), being led by the City of Pickering, has been tasked with pooling stakeholder input on the challenges and barriers experienced with service and support animals in the community. Challenges continue to grow as more and more owners are accessing the community with their animals. On behalf of the SSAI, we are inviting our stakeholders to please share your insights with the SSAI by completing their [survey](#).

[Start the survey](#)

In addition to the survey, other opportunities are available for helping the SSAI to gain from your awareness and experiences, such as the upcoming Virtual Innovation Lab.

[Learn more about the SSAI & Virtual Innovation Lab](#)

Ontario Small Business Support Grant Now Open

Applications are now open for the new [Ontario Small Business Support Grant](#), which will help small businesses that were required to close or significantly restrict services under the Provincewide Shutdown effective December 26, 2020.

Starting at \$10,000 for all eligible businesses, the grant will provide businesses with dollar for dollar funding to a maximum of \$20,000 to help cover decreased revenue expected as a result of the Provincewide Shutdown.

[Learn more](#)

Roadmap for recovery

On **December 17**, the Honourable Lisa MacLeod, Minister of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries shared [Reconnecting Ontarians: Re-emerging as a Global Leader - A road map for economic and social recovery through Ontario's Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries](#).

Stakeholders are invited to provide feedback on this White Paper to help the Province to develop a clear roadmap for recovery of Ontario's heritage, sport, tourism and culture industries. Comments can be sent to MHSTCIRoadmapforRecovery@ontario.ca.

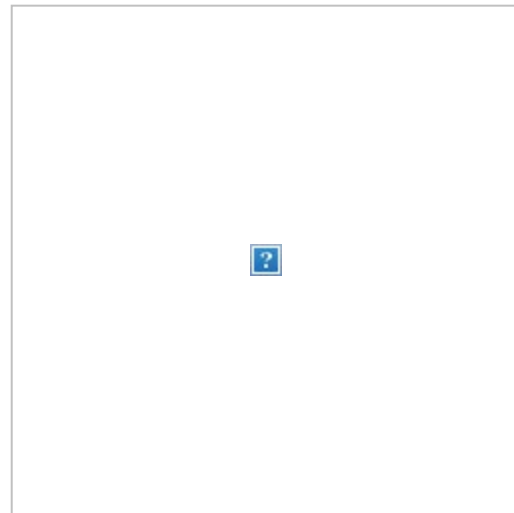
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Destination Ontario COVID-19 Research Reports

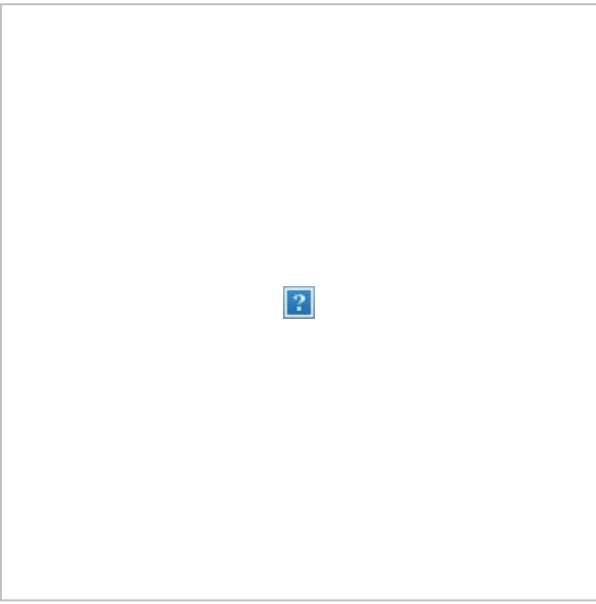
To understand the consumer mindset and to inform marketing recovery strategies,

Destination Ontario has access to various economic and public attitude and behaviour research studies.

Monthly research reports are compiled and are available [here](#), including the [Impact of COVID-19 on the Canadian Economy and Consumer Sentiment report](#) as of December 22.



[Learn more](#)



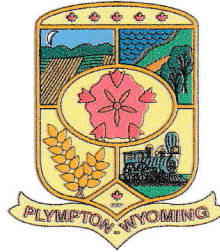
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The Corporation of the Township of Matachewan (via e-mail)
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January 18th 2021

Re: Support of Resolution from Township of Matachewan regarding request for future grant application deadlines be given a longer turnaround time;

Please be advised that on January 6th 2021 the Town of Plympton-Wyoming Council passed the following motion to support the Council of the Township of Matachewan's motion (attached) requesting that the application deadline on any further grants have a longer turnaround time; that was passed on November 25th 2020:

Motion #13 – Moved by Bob Woolvett, Seconded by Gary Atkinson that Plympton-Wyoming Council supports the Township of Matachewan's resolution regarding Extending the Turnaround Time for Grant Applications.

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 sent via e-mail)
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (A.M.O.)
All Municipalities in Ontario



**THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF MATACHEWAN**

December 14, 2020

Honourable Steve Clark
Office of the Minister
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
777 Bay Street, 17th Floor
Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

Dear Honourable Clark:

There have been numerous announcements of available grants for municipalities. We acknowledge and are very appreciative of the opportunity to apply for these grants. For small municipalities with few employees, the turn around time for applications is very short and restrictive.

We would like to request that the application deadline on any further grants have a longer turn around time.

A copy of Resolution 2020-257 is attached. Your consideration and support of this resolution would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Barbara Knauth", written over a large, stylized flourish.

Barbara Knauth
Deputy Clerk Treasurer

Cc: Association of Municipalities of Ontario (A.M.O.)
Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (F.O.N.O.M.)
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DATE: November 25, 2020

RESOLUTION #: 2020-257

Moved by: *Ms. A. Commando-Dubé*
 Seconded by: *Mr. N. Costello*

WHEREAS we have been getting numerous announcements of available grants; and
 WHEREAS we are very appreciative of the opportunity to apply for these grants; however, the turn around time for applications is very short and restrictive for small municipalities with few employees;

NOW THEREFORE we, the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan, send a letter to the Hon. Steve Clarke, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing acknowledging the appreciation of the grants but requesting that the application deadline on any further grants have a longer turn around time; and

FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to A.M.O., F.O.N.O.M. and all municipalities in Ontario.

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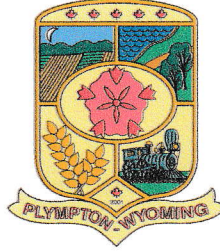
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Clerk

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Municipality of Southwest Middlesex (via e-mail)

January 18th 2021

Re: Support of Resolution from the Council of Southwest Middlesex addressing concerns regarding municipal drainage matters and need for coordination with the national railways.

Please be advised that on January 6th 2021 the Town of Plympton-Wyoming Council passed the following motion to support the Council of Southwest Middlesex's motion (attached) requesting that the Province of Ontario work with the Federal Minister of Transportation to address concerns regarding municipal drainage matters and need for coordination with the national railways.

Motion #13 – Moved by Bob Woolvett, Seconded by Gary Atkinson that Plympton-Wyoming Council supports the Municipality of Southwest Middlesex's resolution regarding Drainage Matters: CN Rail.
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 sent via e-mail)

The Honorable Marc Gardeau, Minister of Transport

The Honorable Ernie Hardeman, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs

Monte McNaughton, MPP Lambton-Middlesex-London

Lianne Rood, MP Lambton-Kent-Middlesex

The Association of Municipalities of Ontario

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The Corporation of the Town of Plympton-Wyoming

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Municipality of Southwest Middlesex

December 7, 2020

Please be advised that the Council of Southwest Middlesex passed the following resolution at it's November 25, 2020 Council meeting:

Drainage Matters: CN Rail

Moved by Councillor McGill

Seconded by Councillor Vink

“WHEREAS municipalities are facilitators of the provincial process under the *Drainage Act* providing land owners to enter into agreements to construct or improve drains, and for the democratic procedure for the construction, improvement and maintenance of drainage works; and

WHEREAS municipal drain infrastructure and railway track infrastructure intersect in many areas in Ontario; and

WHEREAS coordination with national railways is required for the construction or improvement of drains that benefit or intersect with national railways; and

WHEREAS the national railways have historically participated in the process for construction, improvement and maintenance of drainage works; and

WHEREAS currently municipalities are experiencing a lack of coordination with national railways on drainage projects; and

WHEREAS the lack of coordination is resulting in projects being significantly delayed or cancelled within a year; and

WHEREAS municipal drains remove excess water to support public and private infrastructure and agricultural operations;

THEREFORE be it resolved that the Province of Ontario work with the Federal Minister of Transportation to address concerns regarding municipal drainage matters and need for coordination with the national railways; and

THAT Council circulate the resolution to the Provincial Ministers of Agriculture, Food, and Rural Affairs, and Municipal Affairs and Housing, and the Federal Minister of Transportation, the local MP and MPP, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and all municipalities.”

Municipality of Southwest Middlesex Resolution #2020-274

Carried

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Jillene Bellchamber-Glazier". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Jillene Bellchamber-Glazier
CAO-Clerk

Cc: The Honorable Marc Gardeau, Minister of Transport
The Honorable Ernie Hardeman, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs
Monte McNaughton, MPP Lambton-Middlesex-London
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Good afternoon Regional and Municipal Clerks:

The agenda for LSRCA's 70th Annual General Meeting is available on our website and can be accessed via the link below.

Agenda Link: [LSRCA Board Meeting Agendas](#)

This meeting will be held virtually via Zoom. Anyone wishing to attend the meeting may contact me for access details.

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

Best regards!
Trish

Trish Barnett

Coordinator, BOD/CAO, Projects and Services

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Subject: LSRCA's 70th Annual General Meeting - Invitation

Good morning and Happy New Year !

Would you please share the invite below with your Members of Council....thank you !

On behalf of our new Chief Administrative Officer, Rob Baldwin, I am pleased to invite you to attend our 70th Annual General Meeting, being held virtually on Friday, January 22nd. Please see below for additional details.

To RSVP and receive the meeting's Zoom link, please contact Sandra Ingott s.ingott@lsrca.on.ca

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YOU'RE INVITED

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70th Annual General Meeting

Friday, January 22, 2021
9am - 12noon

Meeting Info:
To receive your Zoom link
Please RSVP by January 20
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Lake Simcoe Region
conservation authority

We look forward to seeing you there !

Best regards

Trish

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70th Annual General Meeting

Board of Directors' Meeting No. BOD-01-21

Friday, January 22, 2021

9:00 a.m.

Agenda

Meeting Location:

To be held virtually by Zoom

Minutes and agendas are available at www.LSRCA.on.ca

Upcoming Events

2021 Board of Directors' meeting schedule pending approval

A full listing of events can be found at www.LSRCA.on.ca

Board Member Listing

Representing

City of Barrie
City of Barrie
City of Kawartha Lakes
Durham Region: Township of Brock
Durham Region: Township of Scugog
Durham Region: Township of Uxbridge
Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury
Town of Innisfil
Town of New Tecumseth
Township of Oro-Medonte
Township of Ramara
York Region: At Large
York Region: Town of Aurora
York Region: Town of East Gwillimbury
York Region: Town of Georgina
York Region: Township of King
York Region: Town of Newmarket
York Region: Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville

2020/2021 Board of Directors

Councillor K. Aylwin
Councillor C. Riepma
Councillor E. Yeo
Mayor D. Bath-Hadden (on leave)
Mayor B. Drew
Mayor D. Barton
Councillor P. Ferragine
Councillor A. Waters
Councillor S. Harrison-McIntyre
Councillor R. Greenlaw
No representative appointed
Regional Chairman and CEO W. Emmerson
Councillor W. Gaertner
Mayor V. Hackson
Mayor M. Quirk
Councillor A. Eek
Regional Councillor T. Vegh
Councillor K. Ferdinands

I. Chair's Welcome and Introductions

Roll Call – 2020 Board Members

The 2020 Board Members will introduce themselves and state which municipality they represent.

II. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and Conflict of Interest

III. Approval of Agenda

Pages 1 - 7

Recommended: That the content of the Agenda for the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority's 70th Annual General Meeting held on Friday, January 22, 2021 be approved as presented.

IV. Adoption of Minutes

a) Board of Directors

Pages 8-14

Included in the agenda is a copy of the minutes of the Board of Directors' Meeting No. BOD-14-20 held on Friday, December 18, 2020.

Recommended: That the minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting No. BOD-14-20 held on Friday, December 18, 2020 be approved as circulated.

V. Greetings

Chair Emmerson will call upon guests to bring greetings on behalf of their respective organizations.

VI. Presentations

a) 2020 Year in Review

Chief Administrative Officer, Rob Baldwin will share a presentation on the Authority's 2020 highlights and accomplishments. This presentation will be provided at the meeting and will be available on our website following the meeting.

b) Lake Simcoe Tributary Health

Manager, Environmental Science and Monitoring, David Lembcke will provide a presentation on the health of the Lake Simcoe tributaries. This presentation will be provided at the meeting and will be available on our website following the meeting.

c) Conservation Lands – 2020 Highlights and Trends

General Manager, Conservation Lands, Brian Kemp will provide a presentation on conservation area enhancements, greenspace trends, and future planned enhancements. This presentation will be provided at the meeting and will be available on our website following the meeting.

d) Restoration Services – Top 10 Project of 2020

Manager, Restoration Services, Christa Sharp will provide a presentation on restoration highlights and accomplishments. This presentation will be provided at the meeting and will be available on our website following the meeting.

Recommended: That presentations, Items VI. (a-d) be received for information.

VII. 2020 Business is Concluded

Chair Emmerson will conclude the Year 2020 business, and the Chair will be deemed vacant.

VIII. 2021 Business

The 2021 Business portion of the meeting will be called to order by the Authority's Chief Administrative Officer, Rob Baldwin.

Roll Call – 2021 Board Members

The 2021 Board Members will introduce themselves and state which municipality they represent.

IX. Election of Officers

The election of officers for 2021 will be conducted by Rob Baldwin, Chief Administrative Officer, acting as Chair Pro Temps.

The general rules for the election are as follows:

- a) Only current Directors of the Authority may vote.
- b) Nominations will be called three (3) times and will only require a mover.
- c) The closing of nominations will require both a mover and a seconder.
- d) Each Director nominated will be required to accept the nomination.
- e) In the event of an election, each nominee will be permitted not more than three (3) minutes to speak for the office, in the order of the alphabetical listing of their surnames.
- f) Upon the acceptance by nominees for the position of office, Directors will submit their choice via Zoom private chat to the Coordinator of the Board of Directors.

Positions are required for Chair and Vice Chair of the Authority for 2021 and must be appointed members of the Board of Directors

A. Election of Officers – 2021

- i. **Chair of the Authority**
- ii. **Vice Chair of the Authority**

B. Appointment of the Regulations Sub-committee for 2021

In the event of a Hearing by the Board of Directors, a Regulations Sub-Committee is formed to review the circumstances of the Hearing and report to the Board. This sub-committee normally consists of the Chair, the Vice Chair, and the Member representing the local municipality in which the application under Ontario Regulation 179/06 is received.

Recommended: That the Chair and Vice Chair, along with the Member representing the local municipality in which the application under Ontario Regulation 179/06 is received, shall be members of the sub-committee to review applications and report to the Board of Directors.

C. Appointment to Conservation Ontario for 2021

Conservation Ontario represents the 36 Conservation Authorities in Ontario. It is the practice of the Authority to request the Chair, or his/her designate, and the Chief Administrative Officer to represent the Authority on Conservation Ontario's Committees and Council. The 2021 meeting dates for Conservation Ontario's Council are scheduled to take place from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. April 12th (Annual General Meeting), June 21st, September 27th and December 13th.

Recommended: That the 2021 Chair, or his/her designate, be appointed as the Authority's voting delegate to Conservation Ontario; and

Further that the Chief Administrative Officer be the alternate delegate.

D. Appointment to the Lake Simcoe Conservation Foundation Board of Directors for 2021

It is the practice of the Authority to appoint the Chair and Vice Chair, or two designates, to serve on the Lake Simcoe Conservation Foundation Board of Directors. The 2021 Board meetings for the Foundation are scheduled to take place from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on January 27th, March 24th, May 26th (AGM), July 28th, September 29th and November 24th.

Recommended: That the Chair, _____ and Vice Chair, - _____ be appointed to the Lake Simcoe Conservation Foundation Board of Directors for 2021.

E. Appointment to Solicitors for 2021

The Authority utilizes the services of five (5) legal firms:

1. Stiver Vale Barristers & Solicitors for general administrative advice and land management;
2. Hicks Morley for employment and labour related matters;
3. Hill Hunter Losell Law Firm LLP for regulation advice and litigation;
4. Barriston LLP for general administrative, regulation and planning advice, and litigation; and
5. Beard Winter LLP for general administrative, regulation and planning advice, and litigation.

Recommended: That Stiver Vale, Hicks Morley, Hill Hunter Losell, Barriston and Beard Winter be appointed as Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority's legal firms for 2021.

X. Signing Officers for 2021

The Authority wishes to continue banking with the Bank of Nova Scotia.

Recommended: That an account in the name of Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority (hereinafter called the "Organization") be kept at the Bank of Nova Scotia (hereinafter called the "Bank"); and

Further that the Authority's Chair, Vice Chair, the Chief Administrative Officer/Secretary-Treasurer, and the General Manager, Corporate and Financial Services/CFO, or any two of them are hereby authorized to sign, make, draw, accept, endorse and deliver cheques, promissory notes, bills of exchange, orders for the payment of money and such agreements and instruments as may be necessary or useful in connection with the operation of the said account; and

Further that any one of the above-mentioned officers is hereby authorized for and in the name of the Organization to endorse and transfer to the Bank for deposit or discount with or collection by the Bank (but for the credit of the Organization only) cheques, promissory notes, bills of exchange, orders for the payment of money and other instruments, to arrange, settle, balance and certify all books and accounts with the Bank and to sign receipts for vouchers.

XI. Borrowing Resolution

Each year at the Annual General Meeting, the Board of Directors pass a borrowing resolution which authorizes a maximum amount that is available for borrowing, if required, to cover administrative and/or capital expenditures during the year. The amount of the borrowing

resolution for 2021 is recommended to be set at the traditional level of \$500,000. The Authority has rarely drawn on this operating loan, with the last time being 2010, when it was required to bridge the payment receipts from municipal funding partners and the federal government Lake Simcoe Clean-Up Fund payments, where payments followed project work completion.

Recommended: That signing officers for the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority be empowered to borrow up to \$500,000 on an Operating Loan Agreement, as required, for administration and/or capital expenditures.

XII. Section 28 Permits - Authorized Signatories

Under Section 28 of the Conservation Authorities Act, the Authority issues permits to landowners around the watershed.

Recommended: That the Chief Administrative Officer, the General Manager, Planning, Development and Restoration Services, the Director of Regulations, the Director of Engineering, and the Director of Planning are delegated approval authority to sign and issue permits under S.28 of the Conservation Authorities Act.

XIII. Meeting Schedule

Pages 15-16

Attached is Staff Report No. 01-21-BOD, which seeks the Board of Director's approval on the 2021 Board of Directors' meeting schedule.

Recommended: That Staff Report No. 01-21-BOD regarding the 2021 Board of Directors' meeting schedule be approved.

XIV. Closing Remarks

XV. Adjournment

Board or Directors' Meeting

Board of Directors' Meeting No. BOD-14-20

Friday, December 18, 2020

Held virtually via Zoom

Meeting Minutes

LSRCA Board Members Present

Regional Chairman W. Emmerson (Chair), Councillor P. Ferragine Councillor (Vice Chair), Councillor K. Aylwin, Mayor D. Barton, Mayor B. Drew, Councillor A. Eek, Councillor K. Ferdinands, Councillor W. Gaertner, Councillor R. Greenlaw, Mayor V. Hackson, Councillor S. Harrison-McIntyre, Mayor M. Quirk, Councillor C. Riepma, Regional Councillor T. Vegh, Councillor A. Waters, Councillor E. Yeo

LSRCA Board Members Absent

Township of Brock, Township of Ramara

LSRCA Staff Present

R. Baldwin, T. Barnett, M. Bessey, A. Brown, K. Christensen, M. Critch, P. Davies, S. Jagminas, B. Kemp, K. Kennedy, N. Knight, B. Longstaff, N. O'Dell, G. Peat, K. Read, C. Sharp, C. Taylor, M. Walters, K. Yemm, K. Zeppieri

Guests in Attendance

S. Christensen, R. Cronsberry, L. Dale, G. Dawe, D. Harding, A. Jensen, D. Reddon, T. Smith, K. Wolfe

I. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest or Conflict of Interest

None noted for this meeting.

II. Approval of Agenda

Moved by: K. Aylwin

Seconded by: C. Riepma

BOD-148-20 **Resolved That** the content of the Agenda for the December 18, 2020 meeting of the LSRCA Board of Directors be approved as amended to include Correspondence Items 1c) and 1d) and Staff Report No. 51-20-BOD. **Carried**

III. Adoption of Minutes

a) Board of Directors

Moved by: K. Ferdinands

Seconded by: R. Greenlaw

BOD-149-20 **Resolved That** the minutes of the Board of Directors' Meeting No. BOD-13-20 held on Friday, November 27, 2020 be approved as circulated. **Carried**

b) Conservation Ontario Council

Moved by: K. Ferdinands

Seconded by: R. Greenlaw

BOD-150-20 **Resolved That** the minutes of Conservation Ontario Council's Annual General Meeting held on Monday, September 28, 2020 be received for information. **Carried**

IV. Announcements

- a) Chair Emmerson noted that after 36 years, this is the final meeting for the Authority's CAO, Mike Walters, as he is set to retire on December 31st. Chair Emmerson thanked Mike for his commitment to the Lake Simcoe watershed and wished him and his wife well as they begin retirement life together.
- b) Former Board Chair, Geoff Dawe, congratulated Mike Walters on his retirement, thanked him for his dedication to Lake Simcoe and wished him well. He also congratulated the Authority's next CAO Rob Baldwin.
- c) General Manager, Planning and Development and Restoration Services, Rob Baldwin, was pleased to announce that Glenn MacMillan has been hired to replaced him as he moves to the position of CAO. Glenn will start on January 18th.
- d) Chair Emmerson welcomed Regional Councillor Ted Smith, from the Township of Brock, who was observing the meeting on behalf of Mayor Bath-Hadden.

V. Presentations

a) Asset Management Plan Update

General Manager, Corporate and Financial Services, Mark Critch, provided an update on the Authority's asset management plan, noting that this information is not final, but rather a preliminary look at the financial information at this time. This preliminary information shows an



infrastructure gap of \$29.4M over a 25 year period; however, this does not mean additional asks of our municipal funding partners. Staff will be reviewing mitigation strategies and exploring all funding options. Of note, bridges, dams, trails and other natural assets are not included in the preliminary report but will be incorporated at a later time.

Progress made on asset management planning includes a roadmap forward and the plan. Staff sought external funding for some expert assistance in the process. Condition assessment reports have been completed on the Authority's three major landholdings: Mabel Davis, Scanlon Creek and Sheppard's Bush, and equipment and minor assets (non-building assets), a high-level funding analysis has been conducted. The next phase is looking at options to address the gap and recommend a financial strategy for the next number of years.

To view this presentation, please click this link: [Asset Management Plan Update](#)

Moved by: T. Vegh

Seconded by: K. Ferdinands

BOD-151-20 **Resolved That** the presentation by General Manager, Corporate and Financial Services/CFO, Mark Critch, regarding the Authority's Asset Management Plan be received for information. **Carried**

Staff Report No. 47-20-BOD regarding the Authority's Asset Management Plan was included in the agenda.

Moved by: T. Vegh

Seconded by: K. Ferdinands

BOD-152-20 **Resolved That** Staff Report No. 47-20-BOD regarding an update on the Asset Management plan be received for information; and

Further that Staff be directed to continue to review all options to mitigate the preliminary infrastructure gap identified in this report; and

Further that Staff bring back an updated financial strategy for Board of Director approval in Q1/Q2 of 2021. **Carried**

V. Hearings

There were no hearings at this meeting.

VI. Deputations

The Authority received a request for deputation by Ms. Karen Wolfe regarding Item 3, Staff Report No. 49-20-BOD, the Pefferlaw Dam.

Moved by: V. Hackson

Seconded by: M. Quirk

BOD-153-20 **Resolved That** the request for deputation by Ms. Karen Wolfe regarding Item 3, Staff Report No. 49-20-BOD, the Pefferlaw Dam, be approved. **Carried**

Ms. Karen Wolfe addressed the Board regarding the recommendations contained in Staff Report No. 49-20-BOD regarding the Pefferlaw Dam. She made a request to the Board to defer any decisions about the dam until the Province has confirmed ownership.

Moved by: M. Quirk

Seconded by: A. Eek

BOD-154-20 **Resolved That** the deputation by Ms. Karen Wolfe regarding Staff Report No. 49-20-BOD, the Pefferlaw Dam, be received for information. **Carried**

VII. Determination of Items Requiring Separate Discussion

Items No. 3 and 4 were identified as items requiring separate discussion.

VIII. Adoption of Items not Requiring Separate Discussion

Items No. 1 (a-d), 2 and 5 were identified under items not requiring separate discussion.

Moved by: D. Barton

Seconded by: A. Waters

BOD-155-20 **Resolved That** the following recommendations respecting the matters listed as "Items Not Requiring Separate Discussion" be adopted as submitted to the Board, and staff be authorized to take all necessary action required to give effect to same. **Carried**

1. Correspondence (Item a-d)

BOD-156-20 **Resolved That** correspondence listed in the agenda as Items 1a), b), c) and d) be received for information. **Carried**

2. Amendment to the Administrative By-Laws

BOD-157-20 **Resolved That** Staff Report No. 48-20-BOD regarding amending the Authority's Administrative By-Laws to ensure business continuity be received; and

Further That the amendments to Administrative By-Laws be approved and updated By-Laws be made available on the Authority's website. **Carried**

5. Scanlon Creek Operations Centre

BOD-158-20 **Resolved That** Staff Report No. 51-20-BOD regarding an update on the Scanlon Creek Operations Centre Renovation Project be received; and

Further that the Final Project Cost Summary be received and endorsed; and

Further that increases to the project Purchase Orders in the amounts of \$105,595 for WS Morgan and \$30,000 for Brock McIlroy be approved. **Carried**

IX. Consideration of Items Requiring Separate Discussion

3. Pefferlaw Dam Update

Mayor Quirk introduced an amended motion for consideration, noting she is concerned about the effective dates contained in the recommendations in Staff Report No. 49-20-BOD. She feels the Town of Georgina would require more time to effect the recommended changes. A discussion ensued, and the following amended motion was adopted.

Moved by: M. Quirk

Seconded by: D. Barton

BOD-159-20 **Resolved That** Staff Report No. 49-20-BOD regarding an update on the Pefferlaw Dam be received; and

Further that the following recommendations be approved and implemented as required:

1. That the Authority discontinue operation of the dam effective December 1, 2021;
2. That the Authority begin discussions with the Town of Georgina to transfer the two parcels of land collectively known as the Pefferlaw Dam Conservation Area (Attachment 1) and to finalize this land transfer by December 31, 2021. The legal descriptions of these parcels are as follows: PIN 03539-0059 (LT): PT LOT 23 CONCESSION 5 GEORGINA PT 1 65R4695 PIN 03539-0060 (LT): PT LOT 23 CONCESSION 5 GEORGINA PT 2 65R3240.



3. That Authority staff work with the Town of Georgina in 2021 as a transition period for the operation of the dam, including developing funding opportunities with the Town of Georgina for LSRCA staff and Town staff to install the stop logs together in the spring of 2021, providing the Town of Georgina with all equipment required for the operation of the dam and provide training as required, and discussions on funding opportunities for other costs including any insurance and legal costs related to the dam.
4. That Authority staff assist the Town of Georgina to move forward with preparing documents for submission to the Province affirming the Town of Georgina as having ownership and/or jurisdiction over the river and mill pond (subject to any possible crown interest in "navigable waters" and under original crown patent); and
5. That the Authority work directly with the Town of Georgina to support any future community engagement/consultation they may wish to pursue and assist with potential funding opportunities with other levels of government. **Carried**

4. Bill 229, Schedule 6 Conservation Authorities Act

CAO Walters thanked all our municipal partners and all the other groups who have supported conservation authorities through the proposed changes introduced by the Province. He reviewed the changes to Schedule 6 of Bill 229, which were granted Royal Assent on December 8th. He noted that while there were some concessions regarding governance and enforcement, the other amendments still stand to raise several unprecedented challenges related to planning and permitting. New sections tabled during standing committee regarding MZO's significantly diminish our ability to protect Ontario's environment and ensure people and property are safe from natural hazards. Additionally, the consequences associated with permit appeals will ultimately create more red tape, delays, disruption, and costs which would need to be borne by the taxpayer. He advised that a conservation authorities' working group is being formed by the Minister's office to, among other things, provide input on effectively implementing changes to the Conservation Authorities Act, and he is hopeful this Authority's new CAO, Rob Baldwin, will be invited to participate on it.

Moved by: A. Eek

Seconded by: E. Yeo

BOD-160-20 **Resolved That** Staff Report No. 50-20-BOD regarding the changes introduced by the Province to the Conservation Authorities Act and the Planning Act in Bill 229 be received; and



Further that the CAO be directed to send a letter to the Province of Ontario on behalf of the full Board of Directors requesting that:

- a) The Province collaborative with the Conservation Authorities to develop a transition plan, new guidance materials, and drafting of the regulations; and
- b) that the Province embrace their long-standing partnership with the conservation authorities and provide them with the tools and financial resources they need to effectively implement their watershed management role. **Carried**

X. Closed Session

There were no Closed Session items for this meeting.

XI. Other Business

XII. Adjournment

Moved by: M. Quirk

Seconded by: V. Hackson

BOD-161-20 **Resolved That** the meeting be adjourned at 10:51 a.m. **Carried**

Original to be signed by:

Original to be signed by:

Regional Chairman Wayne Emmerson, Chair

Mike Walters, Chief Administrative Officer

Staff Report

To: Board of Directors

From: Rob Baldwin, Chief Administrative Officer

Date: January 14, 2021

Subject:

Board of Directors' Meeting Schedule 2021

Recommendation:

That Staff Report No. 01-21-BOD regarding the Authority's 2021 Schedule of Board of Directors' meetings be approved.

Purpose of this Staff Report:

The purpose of this Staff Report No. 01-21-BOD is to seek the Board of Directors' approval of the 2021 schedule of meetings for the Board of Directors. It is customary for the meeting schedule for the ensuing year to be approved at the Annual General Meeting.

Background

a) Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Board of Directors' Meetings

It is the practice of the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority's Board of Directors to meet monthly to consider the business of the Authority. In general, the Board meets on the fourth Friday of each month from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Meetings have typically been held at the Authority's offices located at 120 Bayview Parkway in Newmarket; however, in order to comply with provincial guidelines to limit the spread of COVID-19 the Board has been meeting virtually via Zoom since April 2020. We expect this trend to continue for most of 2021. In-person meetings will resume only when it is safe to do so and when restrictions have been lifted. In accordance with the Authority's Administrative By-Laws, the Chair may call a Special Meeting of the Board on three days' written notice.

The proposed Board meeting schedule for 2021 is as follows:

Friday, January 22nd (Annual General Meeting)

Friday, February 26th

Friday, March 26th

Friday, April 23rd

Friday, May 28th

Friday, June 25th

Friday, July 23rd

No August meeting

Friday, September 24th

Friday, October 22nd

Friday, November 26th

Friday, December 17th (3rd Friday)

The above meeting dates may be changed to accommodate Authority requirements.

b) Lakes Simcoe and Couchiching/Black River Source Protection Authority Meetings

The Authority Board also meets as part of the Lakes Simcoe and Couchiching/Black River Source Protection Authority. In years past, these meeting were held quarterly and were typically held from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. on regular Board of Director meeting dates, with the Board of Directors' meeting following @ 10:00 a.m. Since the approval of the Source Protection Plan, meetings have been held less frequently. It is anticipated that there will be two meetings held in 2021, one in February and one in the fall, with the actual dates to be confirmed.

Summary and Recommendations:

It is therefore recommended That Staff Report No. 01-21-BOD regarding the Authority's 2021 Schedule of Board of Directors' meetings be approved.

Prepared by Trish Barnett, Coordinator, BOD/CAO

Signed by:

Rob Baldwin

Chief Administrative Officer



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January 18, 2021

Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing

17th Floor, 777 Bay Street
 TORONTO, ON
 M7A 2J3

Attention: The Honourable Steve Clark

Re: Request for Revisions to Municipal Elections

Dear Minister Clark,

On October 20, 2020 the Council of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills passed a resolution in support of Wollaston Township to request the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to review the *Municipal Elections Act* and provide amendments to provide clearer, stronger wording, to assist municipal Clerks in addressing issues to allow for a more definitive decision to be made when adding names to the voters' list and to ensure that there is a clear and accessible way to report election fraud and that the rules described in the *Municipal Elections Act* are actually enforceable even if there is not a current case law.

A copy of the resolution is attached for your reference.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Russell
 Deputy Clerk
jrussell@mississippimills.ca
 613-256-2064 x 225
 3131 Old Perth Rd, PO Box 400
 Almonte, ON K0A 1A0

cc. Premier Doug Ford, Daryl Kramp, AMO and all Ontario Municipalities

Attachment: Resolution No. 421-20



COUNCIL RESOLUTION

October 20, 2020

Resolution No 421-20

Moved by Deputy Mayor Minnille

Seconded by Councillor Dalgity

CW148-20 Info List Item #6 - Request for Revisions to Municipal Elections

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills ask Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Hon, Steve Clark, to review the Municipal Elections Act and provide amendments to ensure that loopholes are closed on any pay to play schemes in rural communities where non-resident electors are permitted to participate in elections so that \$100.00 leases do not tum into ballots for garden sheds;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills ask the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Hon. Steve Clark, to review the Municipal Elections Act and provide amendments to provide clearer, stronger wording, to assist municipal Clerks in addressing issues to allow for a more definitive decision to be made when adding names to the voters' list;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills ask the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Hon. Steve Clark, to ensure that there is a clear and accessible way to report election fraud;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills ask the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Hon. Steve Clark, to ensure that the rules described In the Municipal Elections Act are actually enforceable even if there is not current case law;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that support for this resolution be sent to Premier Doug Ford, Daryl Kramp, M.P.P. for Hastings-Lennox and Addington, all Ontario Municipalities and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Jennifer Russell'. Below the signature, the name 'Jennifer Russell, Deputy Clerk' is printed in a black, sans-serif font.

Jennifer Russell, Deputy Clerk



From: [Business Advisory Centre Durham \(BACD Inc\)](#)
To: [Becky Jamieson](#)
Subject: New Business Programs, Grants, Events and News
Date: January 18, 2021 2:01:07 PM

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January 18, 2021

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Marlon has joined BACD on a contractual basis as a Business Advisor. Marlon brings experience as an entrepreneur, award winning inspirational speaker and as a speaking coach to support their business development.

A lifelong student of personal and professional development, Marlon's audacious goal is to read 50 books each year to increase his expertise and the value he provides to his clients. In 2018, Marlon was awarded the Distinguished Toastmaster (DTM) designation, the highest level of educational achievement in Toastmasters.

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The Ontario Government's new grant provides a minimum of \$10,000 and up to \$20,000 to help eligible small business owners during this challenging period.



Starting at \$10,000 for all eligible businesses, the grant will provide businesses with dollar for dollar funding to a maximum of \$20,000 to help cover decreased revenue expected as a result of the Provincewide Shutdown.

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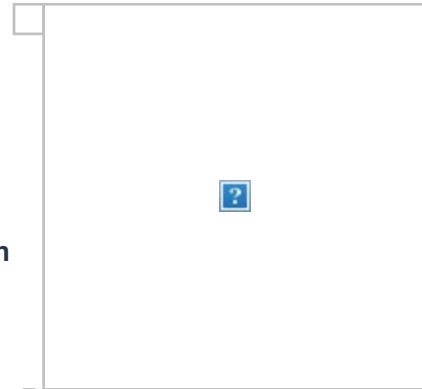


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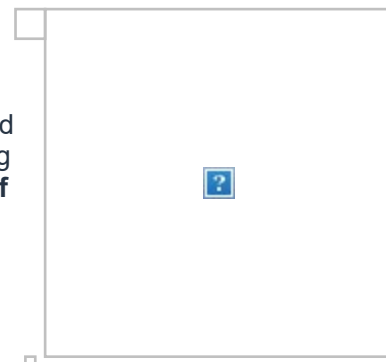
Turn your idea into a business! The program starts in June/July and finishes by Labour Day and **provides Ontario students ages 15-29 up to \$3,000 and hands-on coaching and mentoring to help you start and operate your business.**

There are changes to the program due to COVID. [Learn more](#)



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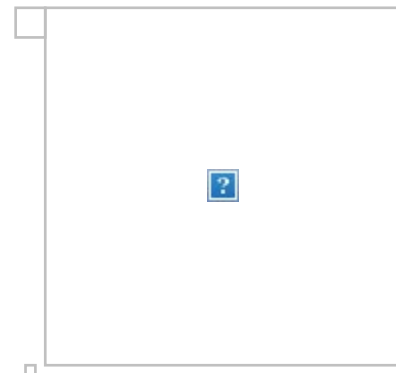
Starter Company PLUS is a great opportunity for existing business owners who are market ready/ready to sell to expand their business through hiring employees, contractors or getting a location or buying a business in Durham Region - **a grant of up to \$5,000.** [Learn more](#)



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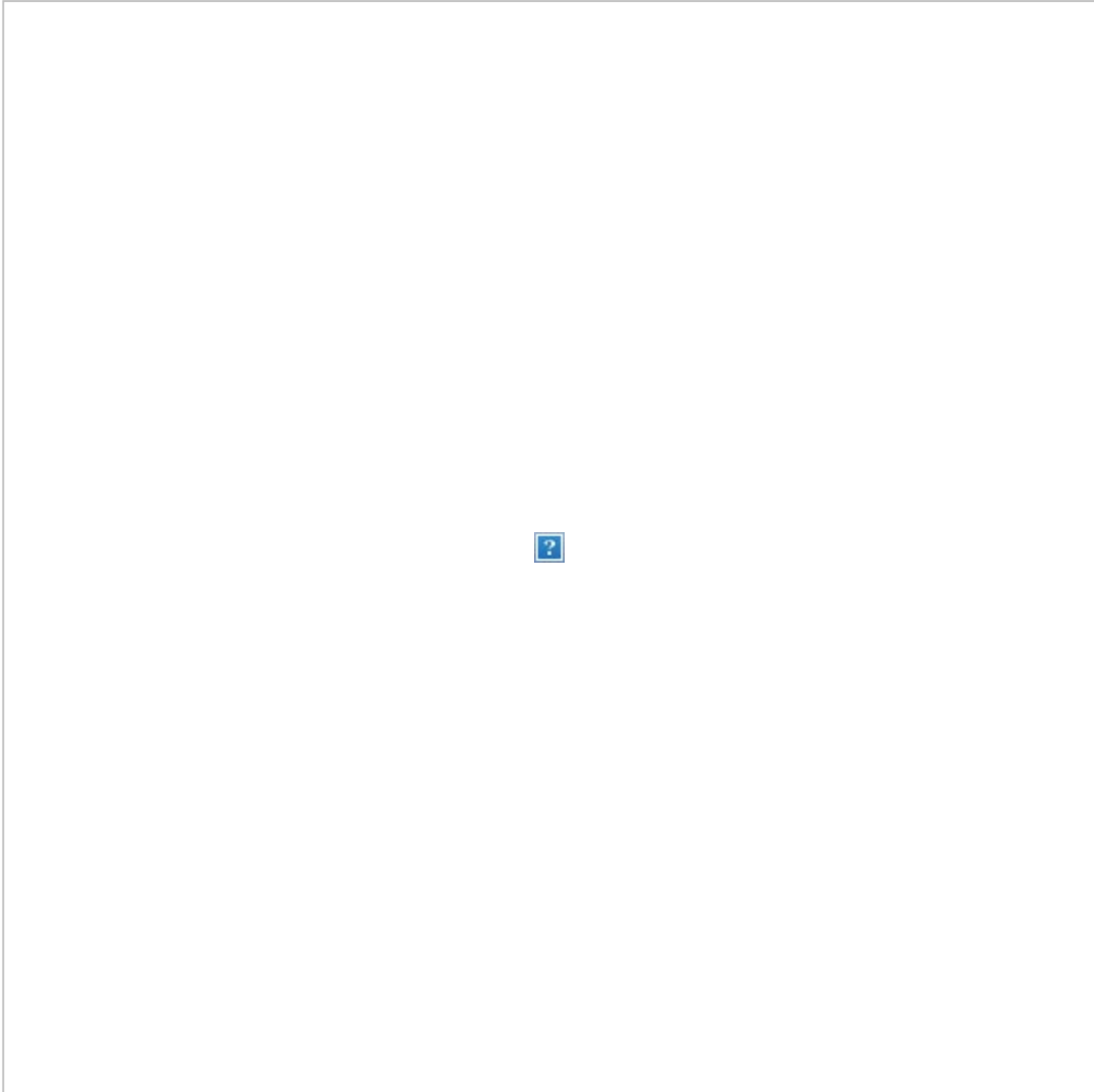
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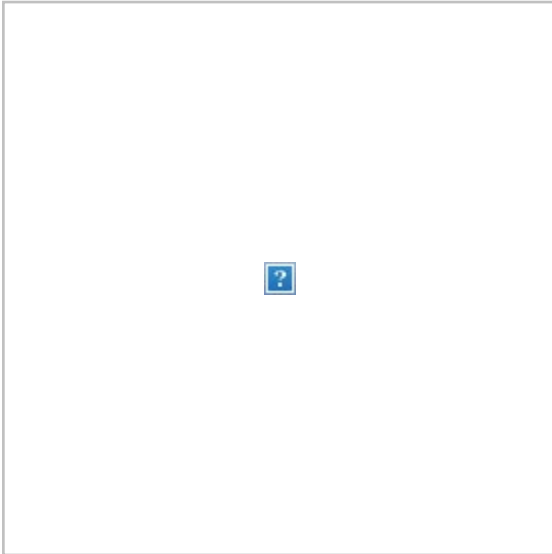
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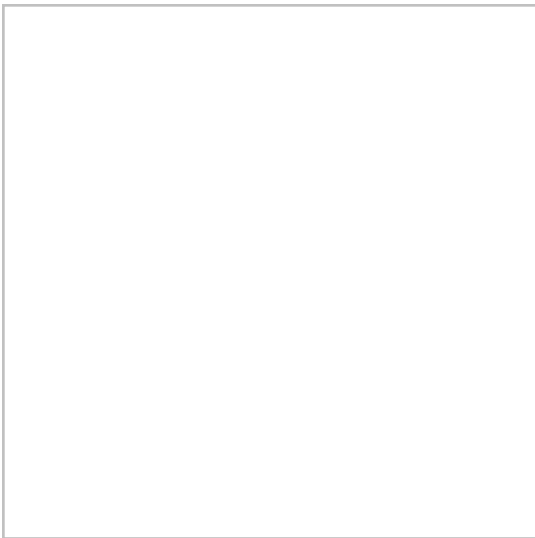
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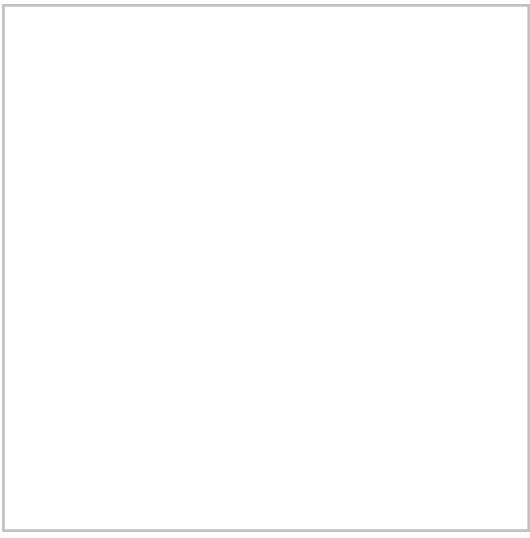
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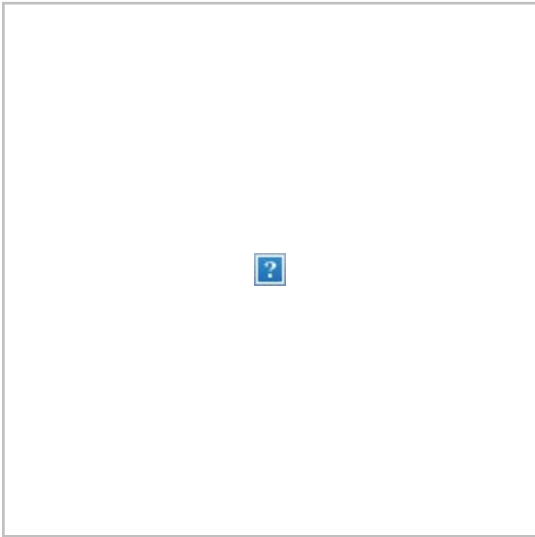
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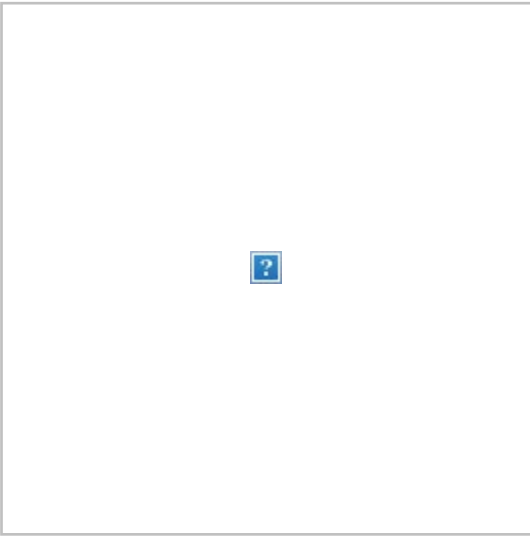
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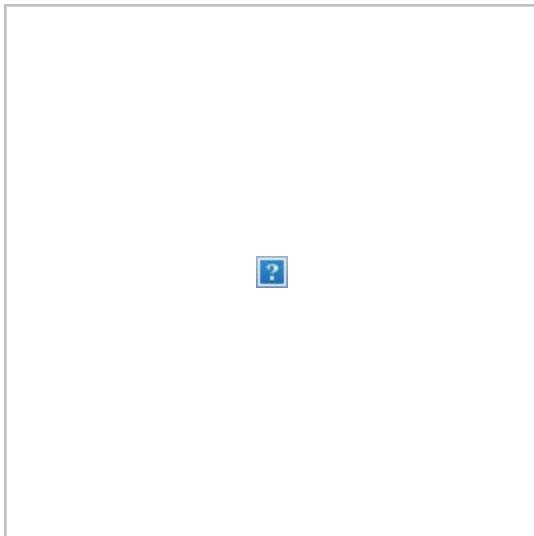
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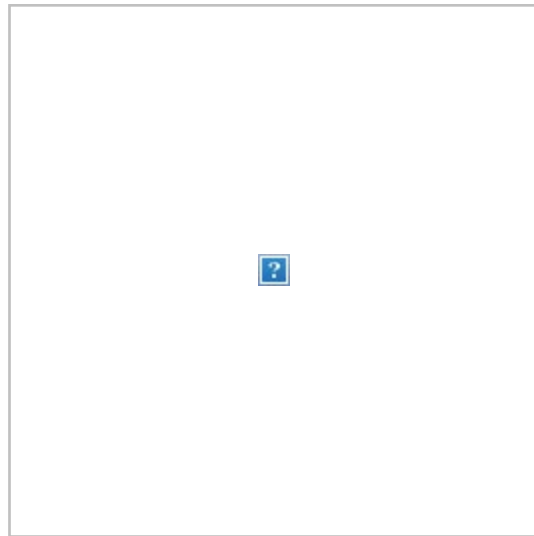
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Business Plan Masterclass: [January 26](#); [February 10; 23](#)
Financials & Operations: [January 27](#); [February 25](#)
Business Planning: [February 4](#)

PARTNER EVENTS

January 21, 28 and February 4, 11, 18 | 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Why Your Business Needs An Online Store - ShopHERE Powered By Google

The goal of ShopHERE Powered By Google is to build and optimize online stores for small independent businesses and artists in just a matter of days. With ShopHERE, businesses get to expand their selling opportunities into the online market. Presented by Digital Main Street.

January 19 | 1 - 2:30 PM

COVID-19's Impact on Business with the Industry Strategy Council

Please join the Perrin Beatty, President and CEO of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce along with, Monique Leroux, Vice-Chairman of Fiera Holdings Inc. and Chair of the Industry Strategy Council, Murad Al-Katib, President and CEO of AGT Foods, and Ben Cowan-Dewar, Co-founder and CEO of Cabot Links to discuss the Industry Strategy Council and Canada's economic competitiveness. Presented by by Canadian Chamber of Commerce.

January 19 | 2 - 3:30 PM

[How to Use Email Marketing to Grow Your Business](#)

This session is an interactive online Q&A session that'll teach you how to start, grow, or scale your email marketing to make more profit. Presented by Digital Main Street.

January 19 | 7 - 8 PM

[Maximizing Your Online Advertising & Digital Marketing Budget](#)

You don't need a big budget to get noticed on the web - you just need creativity! Savvy businesses are using bootstrap digital marketing techniques to amplify their message online. In this hands-on workshop, you'll learn the tricks and tools needed to market your business effectively on a shoestring budget. Webinar by The Ontario Digital Main Street Initiative.

January 20 | 9:30 - 10:30 AM

[Looking Ahead for 2021: A Roadmap for Employers During the Ongoing Pandemic](#)

COVID-19 had a significant impact on both the economy as well as all of our lives in 2020. We expect that to continue for the months ahead in 2021. As we ring in the new year, we invite you to join Dan Condon and Christine Ashton on January 20, 2021 for a webinar which will address the top concerns for employers as 2021 begins in order to ensure that your business is positioned to thrive in 2021. Presented by APBOT.

January 20 | 1 - 2:30 PM

[Cannabis Act Review: Medical Cannabis & Cannabis Health Products](#)

On the second anniversary of legalization of recreational cannabis for adult use, the Canadian Chamber of Commerce's National Cannabis Working Group is launching an industry-led review of the Cannabis Act to provide recommendations on how the government should improve Canada's federal legislative and regulatory frameworks for cannabis. Presented by Canadian Chamber of Commerce.

January 21 | 12 - 1 PM

["All About Specialty Crops" Workshop Series](#)

Learn how you can diversify your business with specialty crops through our 4-part workshop series led by OMAFRA crop specialists. Presented by Invest Durham.

January 26 | 8 - 9 AM

[Let's Talk: Mental Health in the Workplace](#)

Listen to Christina Fuda, Mental Health First Aid Coordinator at Ontario Shores Centre for Mental Health Sciences to listen to her talk about supporting our mental health at work during Covid-19. Presented by Greater Oshawa Chamber of Commerce.

January 27 | 8:30 - 9:30 AM

[Employment Law – Return to Work Considerations](#)

Return to Work Considerations – Pre & Post COVID Vaccinations

This webinar will cover the key elements for employers when managing COVID-19 related issues. Presented by CBOT.

January 28 | 6 PM

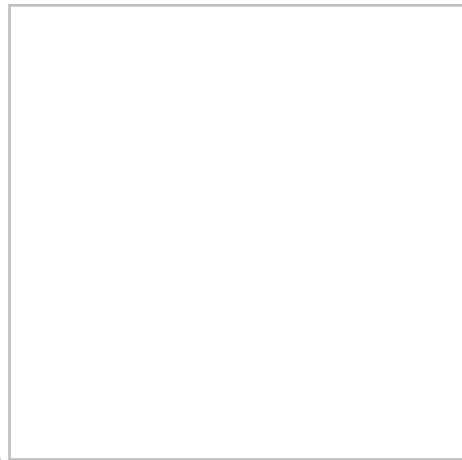
[Startup Grind: Bailey Parnell](#)

Katie Zeppieri of Girl Talk Speakers sits down with one of Canada's Top 100 Most Powerful Women - Bailey Parnell.



Bailey is the Founder and CEO of SkillsCamp - a soft skills training company that works with businesses and educational institutions to help their staff and students develop the essential skills needed for

personal and professional success like personal branding, stress-management, emotional intelligence and more. She is also the Founder of #SafeSocial, an organization that helps people understand the impact that social media has on mental health. Presented by Spark Centre in partnership with BACD.

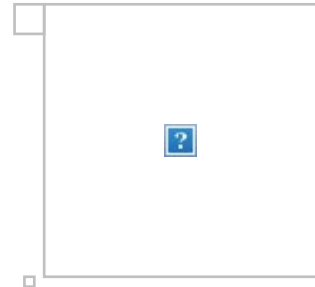


More events can be found on the [Invest Durham calendar](#) and from local Boards of Trade and Chambers of Commerce

[CPA Canada Podcast](#)

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COVID-RELATED RESOURCES

[Ontario Building On Supports for Employers During COVID-19](#)

New Ontario Small Business Support Grant to Provide up to \$20,000 for Eligible Businesses

[Ontario supports employers and employees impacted by COVID-19](#)

For employers with non-unionized employees, the government is extending regulatory changes brought forward under the Employment Standards Act to July 3, 2021.

[Canadian Small Business Financial Resources](#)

The CPA Canada Financial Literacy Program has put together resources to help small businesses manage their finances in conjunction with tools you needed because of the pandemic. [Visit website](#)

[Canada Emergency Rent Subsidy and Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy](#)

The government is taking targeted action to support Canadians and Canadian businesses,

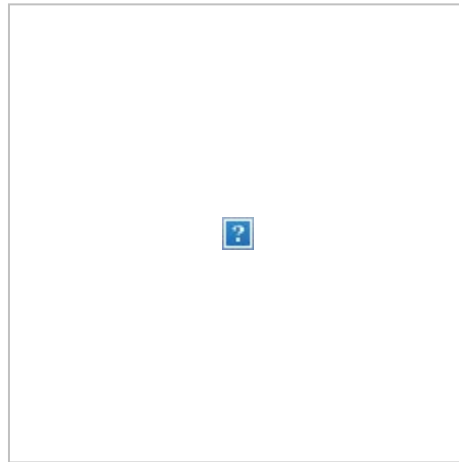
non-profits and charities that continue to face uncertainty and economic challenges because of the COVID-19 pandemic. [Read the media release](#)

[Durham Region COVID-19 Information](#)

- [COVID-19 Response Framework: Keeping Ontario Safe and Open.pdf](#)
- Region of Durham's [Community Reopening Toolkit](#)

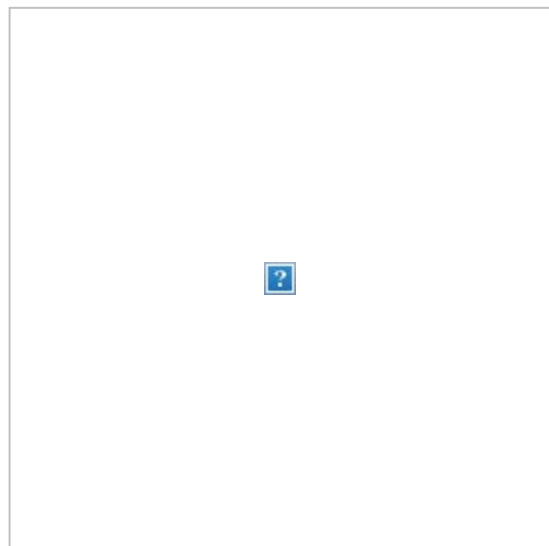
For questions about what will be open or impacts to your business, call the **Stop the Spread Business Information Line** at 1-888-444-3659, or the Durham Health Connection Line at 905-668-2020 or 1-800-841-2729

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January 2021

Heritage Matters ... more!

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Up front | Beth Hanna, CEO of the Ontario Heritage Trust

Conservation and the importance of community involvement

While much of what lies ahead in 2021 remains unclear, a path yet to be designed, one thing seems clear to me: the importance of community, the opportunity to gather together and experience that sense of feeling part of a greater whole. For many, 2020 has provided time to regroup, to focus our minds on, and to protect, what is truly important.

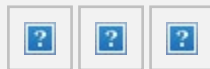
Many people interact with heritage on a community level. What we as a society value, what we choose to share and protect, how we serve as stewards and the stories and traditions that we choose to carry forward. Concepts of identity and public history have been shaped over time by the intersection of community and heritage. That community response derives from our individual relationship with heritage. Perhaps during the pandemic, you have had a new glimpse into collections of art and artifacts. Do the works of masters of art, design, traditional craft and masonry inspire you? In hiking Ontario's trails, as you've stepped into the shade of ancient forests, travelled the trails and portage routes that people have used for thousands of years, are you rooted, reminded of your place in time? Do you see your own Main Street as a landscape where you might walk and shop and dine? We all connect with heritage in our own way; it can be very personal and intimate.

The landscapes of places where we live and do business, be they rural or urban, are significant repositories for community memory. They bring together the tangible heritage of place and artifact with the intangible of story and tradition. They also speak to the importance of the community's involvement and the contributions made by local heritage organizations and volunteers to ensure that our heritage continues to shape those evolving landscapes.

Heritage conservation in Ontario is very much a community-based activity supported by the tireless efforts of heritage organizations, politicians and citizens. Our heritage is preserved and protected, conserved and celebrated by the actions and efforts of individuals and the community. How we interact with our heritage and how we imagine the future are constantly intertwined. Heritage has the potential to inspire, to stimulate creativity, to create communities that are sustainable, diverse and resilient in the face of change. And there is no question that we face change and adversity. History has shown that when we have faced times of difficulty, we have also cherished our culture and heritage, protecting it in times of danger and rebuilding it in the days following adversity.

So, what is the way forward? As we step into 2021 and begin to rebuild following the pandemic, let's step boldly and choose wisely what we pass along to future generations: knowledge, narratives and histories, a thriving natural environment and a diverse and authentic cultural one.

Share this newsletter with your friends and colleagues!



Reconnecting Ontarians: A white paper

The Honourable Lisa MacLeod, Minister of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries, recently released a white paper, which is intended as the "beginning of a discussion about how we – in government, in business and in our communities – can work together to ensure the medium and long-term recovery of the heritage, sport, tourism and culture industries" as we emerge from COVID-19.

[Reconnecting Ontarians: Re-emerging as a Global Leader –](#)

An action plan for economic and social recovery through Ontario's Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries

You are invited to provide comments on this white paper by emailing MHSTCIRoadmapforRecovery@ontario.ca.

Remembering Tom Symons (1929-2021)



It is with great sadness that we learned of the passing of Thomas H.B. Symons on New Year's Day.

Throughout Professor Symons' expansive career, he made an indelible mark on history, higher education and heritage preservation in Ontario, across Canada and around the world. He also served as Chair of the Ontario Heritage Trust from 2010 to 2017.

Professor Symons possessed a true passion for scholarship and for the heritage of Ontario and of Canada and made an enormous impact on the Trust through his

scholarship, volunteerism and guidance. His commitment to heritage conservation resonates in the many projects that he supported, and in the many people who he touched. He will be fondly remembered and sadly missed.

“[The] recognition of the integrated nature of heritage, arts and culture is being embraced by citizens and local governments across the province, and indeed the country, as they draw on these creative forces to stimulate the economy, foster innovation and enhance the quality of life within their communities ...” – From [Expanding Horizons, an address to the opening plenary session of the Ontario Land Trust Alliance conference, October 28, 2010, Peterborough.](#)



Getting ready for Black History Month



From top-left, clockwise: Chloe Cooley plaque; Exhibits inside Uncle Tom's Cabin Historic Site, Dresden; watching a video at Uncle Tom's Cabin Historic Site (Photo: Ontario Southwest/Chatham-Kent Tourism); Harriet Tubman (Photo: Smithsonian Institution); Studying a display case at Uncle Tom's Cabin Historic Site (Photo: Ontario Southwest/Chatham-Kent Tourism); Hugh Burnett plaque unveiling; Josiah Henson (Photo: Schlesinger Library, Harvard University)

Through its museum sites, web resources, publications and Provincial Plaque Program, the Ontario Heritage Trust shares the stories of Ontario's Black communities. Here are just a few:

Resources:

- [Uncle Tom's Cabin Historic Site](#)
- [Slavery to Freedom](#) web resource
- [Ontario's Black heritage](#)

Heritage Matters magazine articles:

- [Special edition: From slavery to freedom: Commemorating the 200th](#)

[anniversary of the abolition of the slave trade, August 2007](#)

- [Special Edition: Celebrating the International Year for People of African Descent, November 2011](#)
- Natasha Henry – [We've always been here: Black women's history of voting rights and politics in Canada](#) (the president of the Ontario Black History Society provides some history on Black women's voting rights)
- Nadine Williams – [Poetic expressions](#) (this Jamaican native uses poetry and storytelling to express her culture and community)
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Provincial plaques:

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Exploring new perspectives of our natural heritage properties

In the coming weeks, the Trust will be launching several new videos of some of our featured natural heritage properties, including this debut screening of **Great Manitou Island**. Learn more about this spectacular property on [our website](#) and in the video below.

Great Manitou Island

Did you know?

[Mary Ann Shadd Cary](#) (shown here) was an African-American emigrant who arrived in Canada West in 1851. She established the influential **[Provincial Freeman newspaper](#)** in Windsor in 1853; she moved it to Chatham two years later. Guided by Shadd's commitment to anti-slavery issues, the newspaper (which was published until 1860) successfully promoted Black political discourse and revealed the degree to which middle-class African-Canadian women participated in the public sphere. After the American Civil War, Shadd Cary returned to the United States to work for racial equality.



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Your support allows the Trust to continue the important work of conserving the province's cultural and natural heritage for the people of Ontario. We invite you to join us.

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COVID-19 update: The Trust's cultural sites remain closed to the public to protect the health and safety of the public, staff and partners as we work towards reopening. Some of our natural areas and trails are **open**. **Doors Open Ontario** has gone digital, and we look forward to seeing you back in communities once it is safe to do so. The Trust continues to protect and conserve Ontario's heritage and share our stories. Please check our websites and follow our Facebook, Twitter and Instagram to enjoy exhibits, share stories and explore the province with us.

The Ontario Heritage Trust envisions an Ontario where we conserve, value and share the places and landscapes, histories, traditions and stories that embody our heritage, now and for future generations.



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Questions de patrimoine... toujours plus!

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SFU’s Renewable Cities program to establish LC3 Centre

In a joint press conference with the Government of Canada and our partners on January 12, 2021, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities announced that Simon Fraser University’s Renewable Cities program has been selected to establish the newest Centre in the Low Carbon Cities Canada (LC3) network.

Funded by a \$21.7 million endowment from our federal partners, the Metro Vancouver LC3 Centre will identify, finance and scale up local climate solutions to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, including building retrofits and transportation electrification, and will help cities across the Metro Vancouver region reach their climate change goals. The LC3 Centre is anticipated to launch in September 2021.

[LEARN MORE ABOUT THIS CENTRE AND LC3](#)



Webinar: The five keys to a green municipal project business case

Do you want a strong business case for a green municipal project?

Tune into our webinar on Tuesday, February 2 and discover the five critical focus areas you need to address to get your project started, from financing and partnerships to integrating a triple-bottom-line approach. With presentations from municipal champions who have successfully launched green initiatives, you’ll also gain valuable insights on how to bring your project to life.

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FCM gets results because we bring together thousands of municipalities nationwide. With our strong and united voice, we're securing vital support for cities and communities on the front lines of COVID-19—from the Safe Restart Agreement to the expanded Universal Broadband Fund. By working together, we can continue to see municipalities through this pandemic, and we can position them at the heart of tomorrow's nationwide recovery.

[SEE WHAT WE'VE ACHIEVED FOR OUR MEMBERS](#)



Promoting rail safety this winter

Every winter, fatal incidents increase on Canadian railways. Operation Lifesaver has updated their toolkit for municipalities to promote rail safety in your communities. You can download their new animated rail safety videos for use on social media and municipal websites.

[CHECK OUT THE TOOLKIT](#)

COVID-19 Street Rebalancing Guide

As municipalities continue responding to COVID-19, FCM has released a guide to adapting urban streets for safer commuting, commerce and exercise. It includes practical guidance on installations ranging from cycling lanes to curbside queuing areas to temporary patios. The *COVID-19 Street Rebalancing Guide* is presented by FCM's The Urban Project, which convenes mayors and thought-leaders from across Canada.

[READ THE COVID-19 STREET REBALANCING GUIDE](#)

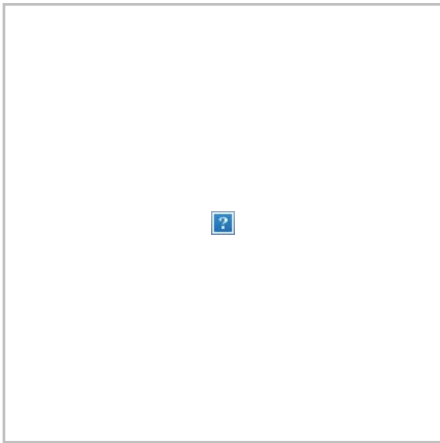


Jan 12: Today, FCM and the #GOC announce the selection of @SFU's @renewablecities to establish an @LC3Canada Innovation Centre for @MetroVancouver. #CDNmuni #climate Read more: <https://bit.ly/3qu4Cz4>

Jan 13: 2M Canadians still can't access a reliable Internet connection. Most of them live in rural, remote and northern communities. High-speed Internet access is about building better lives. <https://bit.ly/368ZPvp> #cdnmuni #universalbroadband #cdnpoli

Jan 12: Simply put, the devastating impact of #COVID19 on Canadian cities extends beyond one year. Now is not the time to be cutting services, and we join Mayor @JohnTory's call for additional Safe Restart funding to keep #publictransit and vital city services strong. #cdnmuni #cdnpoli <https://bit.ly/2XTAukg>

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RESOLUTION

MOVED BY Councillor McGillis

RESOLUTION NO 2021-04

SECONDED BY Councillor Warden

DATE January 18, 2021

THAT the Council of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry request that the Province of Ontario allow for small businesses to immediately reopen with the required health guidelines and protocols in place; and

THAT this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, MPP Jim McDonnell, and circulated to all municipalities in Ontario.

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Frank Prevost
WARDEN

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January 11, 2021

Premier Doug Ford
Legislative Building, Queens Park
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier Ford:

Speeding on provincial, county and municipal roadways continues to put the lives of Ontarians at risk. While we have access to several tools to help mitigate speeding traffic, the one tool that is currently not fully available to us is Automatic Speed Enforcement (ASE) (aka Photo Radar). Over the past decade, in South West Oxford the vast majority of charges laid are for drivers travelling well in excess of the posted speed limit. The cost of providing police time for something that could be done through the use of technology is disturbing to our council. The Council feels that it would be far more effective to have police concentrate on other problems such as Break and Enters, illegal drugs and domestic problems.

We need a way to address the poor behaviours and habits that are putting our citizens at risk and tying up much needed first responder resources that could be better utilized to improve the well-being of our communities. Speeding, particularly through our small villages, creates community concerns for the safety and wellbeing of our children and other vulnerable members. We need your help.

In keeping with this The Council of the Township of South-West Oxford duly moved and carried the following resolution at the regular meeting held on January 5, 2021:

...RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of South-West Oxford provide direction to the Clerk to send a letter to the Premier, MPP Ernie Hardeman, AMO and all Ontario municipalities in support of the use of Automatic Speed Enforcement (photo radar) by municipalities.

Please help municipalities in the Province by passing the necessary regulations for municipalities to use ASE (if they choose) that will bring about the driving behavioural changes we need.

We look forward to your help with this issue.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads 'Mary Ellen Greb'.

Mary Ellen Greb, CAO

c.c. AMO, Honourable Ernie Hardeman, Ontario Municipalities

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Subject: Great Lakes Protection Initiative - Call for Proposals for the Areas of Concern Funding Stream / Initiative de protection des Grands Lacs – Appel de propositions pour le volet de financement « Restaurer les secteurs préoccupants »
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Great Lakes Protection Initiative - Call for Proposals for the Areas of Concern Funding Stream

Today, Environment and Climate Change Canada launched a call for applications under the Great Lakes Protection Initiative for the Areas of Concern funding priority. Applications are now being accepted until 11:59 p.m. eastern on **March 3, 2021**.

To learn more about this funding opportunity and how to apply, please visit www.canada.ca/en/environment-climate-change/services/great-lakes-protection/funding.

For general information on the Great Lakes Protection Initiative, please visit <https://www.canada.ca/en/environment-climate-change/services/great-lakes-protection.html>.

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We appreciate and value your interest in Environment and Climate Change Canada's efforts to protect the Great Lakes. If you wish to update any of your contact information, or to be added or removed from this distribution list, please send an email to ec.grandslacs-greatlakes.ec@canada.ca with your name, the name of your organization, and your email address. As always, your details will be treated as privileged information and will only be used to distribute our Great Lakes information to you. This distribution list is never shared outside of Environment and Climate Change Canada.

Initiative de protection des Grands Lacs – Appel de propositions pour le volet de financement « Restaurer les secteurs préoccupants »

Aujourd'hui, Environnement et Changement climatique Canada a lancé un appel de propositions pour le volet de financement prioritaire « Restaurer les secteurs préoccupants » de l'Initiative de protection des Grands Lacs. Les demandes sont acceptées jusqu'à 23 h 59, HNE, le **3 mars 2021**.

Pour en savoir plus sur cette possibilité de financement, veuillez visiter : <https://www.canada.ca/fr/environnement-changement-climatique/services/protection-grands-lacs/financement.html>.

Pour des renseignements généraux sur l'Initiative de protection des Grands Lacs, veuillez visiter : <https://www.canada.ca/fr/environnement-changement-climatique/services/protection-grands-lacs.html>.



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Nous apprécions et estimons votre intérêt pour les efforts d'Environnement et Changement climatique Canada visant à protéger les Grands Lacs. Si vous souhaitez mettre à jour certaines de vos coordonnées ou que nous vous ajoutions ou retirions de cette liste de distribution, veuillez envoyer un courriel à ec.grandslacs-greatlakes.ec@canada.ca avec votre nom, le nom de votre organisme et votre adresse électronique. Comme toujours, vos détails seront traités de façon confidentielle et ne seront utilisés que pour vous diffuser des renseignements sur les Grands Lacs. Cette liste de distribution n'est jamais transmise à l'extérieur d'Environnement et Changement climatique Canada.

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January 19, 2021

Mayor
Richard (Dick) Beitz

The Honourable Greg Rickford
Minister of Energy, Northern Development
& Mines and Minister of Indigenous Affairs
Whitney Block, Room 5630
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Dear Minister Rickford:

Re: Request for an Interim Cap on Gas Plant and Greenhouse Gas Pollution and the Development and Implementation of a Plan to Phase-Out Gas-Fired Electricity Generation (Item 10.2)

Further to the attached correspondence received from the City of Hamilton dated November 24, 2020, this is to advise that Laird Council passed motion 144-20 on December 17, 2020 which stated the following:

“That council supports City of Hamilton in requesting the Provincial Government place an interim cap on 2.5mega tonnes per year on our gas plant and greenhouse gas pollution and develop and implement a plan to phase-out all gas-fired electricity generation to 2030 to ensure that Ontario meets its climate targets.”

If you require further information, please contact our office.

Yours truly,



Phyllis L. MacKay *FOR*
Clerk-Treasurer

Enclosure

cc. The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Andrea Horwath, Opposition Party Leader, New Democratic Party of Ontario, M.P.P.
Hamilton Centre
Monique Taylor, M.P.P. Hamilton Mountain
Paul Miller, M.P.P. Hamilton East-Stoney Creek
Donna Skelly, M.P.P. Flamborough-Glanbrook
Sandy Shaw, M.P.P. Hamilton West-Ancaster-Dundas
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November 24, 2020

The Honourable Greg Rickford
Minister of Energy, Northern Development
& Mines and Minister of Indigenous Affairs
Whitney Block, Room 5630
5th Floor, 99 Wellesley St. W.
Toronto, ON M7A 1W1

Dear Minister Rickford:

At its meeting of November 11, 2020, Hamilton City Council approved Item 10 of the General Issues Committee Report 20-018, which reads as follows:

10. Request for an Interim Cap on Gas Plant and Greenhouse Gas Pollution and the Development and Implementation of a Plan to Phase-Out Gas-Fired Electricity Generation (Item 10.2)

WHEREAS, the Government of Ontario is planning to increase reliance on gas-fired electricity generation from Ontario's gas-fired power plants, which is anticipated to increase greenhouse gas (GHG) pollution by more than 300% by 2025 and by more than 400% by 2040;

WHEREAS, Canada's temperature is rising more than double the rate of the rest of the world (which is in alignment with climate models and projections impacting northern climates most significantly);

WHEREAS, the Province of Ontario will adversely impact more than a third of the greenhouse gas reductions it achieved by phasing-out its dirty coal-fired power plants, due to a power plan built around ramping up gas-fired generation to replace the output of the Pickering Nuclear Station (scheduled to close in 2024);

WHEREAS, alternative options are available to reversing short sighted cuts to energy efficiency programs and stop under-investing in this quick to deploy and low-cost resource, which include maximizing our energy efficiency efforts by paying up to the same price per kilowatt-hour (kWh) for energy efficiency measures as we are currently paying for power from nuclear plants (e.g., up to 9.5 cents per kWh);

WHEREAS, the Province of Ontario should continue to support renewable energy projects that have costs that are below what we are paying for nuclear power and work with communities to make the most of these economic opportunities;

WHEREAS, the Province of Ontario has alternative options to increasing gas-fired electricity generation, such as the Province of Quebec's offer to receive low-cost 24/7 power from its water powered reservoir system as a possible alternative;

WHEREAS, a fossil-free electricity system is critically important to Hamilton's efforts to reduce GHG emissions by replacing fossil fuel use with electric vehicles, electric buses, electric heat pumps, and other steps dependent on a fossil-free electricity supply; and

WHEREAS, our staff have noted this problem in their report on Updated Timelines and SMART Corporate Goals and Areas of Focus for Climate Mitigation and Adaptation where they warn that "Unless the Province of Ontario changes direction on Ontario's fuel supply mix, it is expected natural gas, and therefore GHG emissions, may continue to increase as the nuclear facilities are refurbished and the Province of Ontario further supplements the electricity grid with natural gas inputs";

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the City of Hamilton request the Government of Ontario to place an interim cap of 2.5 mega tonnes per year on our gas plant and greenhouse gas pollution and develop and implement a plan to phase-out all gas-fired electricity generation by 2030 to ensure that Ontario meets its climate targets; and,
- (b) That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, to the local MPP's, to the Region of Waterloo and local area municipalities.

Therefore, the City of Hamilton respectfully requests your consideration of this matter and looks forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Fred Eisenberger
Mayor

Copied: The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Andrea Horwath, Opposition Party Leader, New Democratic Party of Ontario,
M.P.P Hamilton Centre
Monique Taylor, M.P.P. Hamilton Mountain
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Motion Number: ¹⁴⁴
143-30

Date: December 17, 2020

Moved by: ^{TODD}

Seconded by: ^{ES}

That council supports City of Hamilton in requesting the Provincial Government place an interim cap of 2.5mega tonnes per year on our gas plant and greenhouse gas pollution and develop and implement a plan to phase-out all gas-fired electricity generation to 2030 to ensure that Ontario meets its climate targets.

RECORDED VOTE

For Motion Against Motion

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Signed: 
(Mayor)

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AMO Matters

Professional engineers can now use Notarius technology to apply a regulator-issued digital signature to engineering documents. AMO is pleased to learn that our partner's digital signing solutions is now available to municipal engineers in good standing to securely sign documents remotely while maintaining the integrity of documents.

Eye on Events

Now only days away, the ROMA Conference will engage you in key issues on the municipal radar for 2021. Join your colleagues in getting in front of what is shaping up to be another extraordinary year.

On Friday, January 22, you will receive an email with your ROMA Conference registration information, including: a link to access the conference, your unique credentials to log in and a link to a demo video on how to use the conference platform. You will be able to access the platform on Sunday, January 24.

At the recent meeting of the Ontario Small Urban Municipalities (OSUM) Executive Committee, a decision was made to cancel the 2021 Annual General Meeting and Conference scheduled to be held in Brant County in spring of this year due to the ongoing impact and uncertainty of COVID-19. OSUM plans to connect with small urban municipal leaders through webinars and communications over 2021.

LAS

Webinar February 10 at 10 am: We're excited to add Automotive Parts Supply to our [Municipal Group Buying Program](#). [Register here](#) to learn more about this new category and its supplier, NAPA Auto Parts. Save time and money while keeping your fleet on the move.

Staying entertained during a pandemic can be a bit of a challenge. [Check out this week's blog](#) to see which shows LAS staff are watching to keep boredom at bay.

Municipal Wire*

The Township of Lucan, Ontario [won the Kraft Hockeyville competition](#) in 2018. The grand prize winner will have an opportunity to host an NHL preseason game and receive \$250,000 for arena upgrades. Three-runner up communities will get \$10,000 to purchase new hockey equipment for their minor hockey programs. To submit a nomination visit the [Kraft Hockeyville website](#).

Careers

[General Manager, Infrastructure & Operational Services - Township of Springwater](#). Reports to the Chief Administrative Officer. Apply online by visiting [Springwater Careers](#) and click on Apply Now to submit your cover letter and resume for Competition Number 2021-01. Closing Date: January 29, 2021. Note: Applications that are not submitted online will not be considered.

[Elections Manager - City of Sarnia](#). Reporting directly to the City Clerk, the successful incumbent will provide leadership in the preparation, coordination and management of all related activities for the 2022 Municipal Election. This is a contract position for a period of up to two (2) years. Candidates are invited to submit a resume in confidence to hr@sarnia.ca indicating "2021-04 – Elections Manager" by February 3, 2021.

[Director, Community & Protective Services - Town of Amherstburg](#). This position is responsible for the oversight of the Town's Parks and Naturalized Areas, Recreation Services, Tourism and Culture, Municipal Facilities, and Fire Services divisions. For a detailed job description, visit Careers on the [Town's website](#). Please submit a resume with a cover letter to Michelle Rose, Manager of Human Resources at resumes@amherstburg.ca on or before 4:30 p.m., February 9, 2021.

[Director of Finance & Treasurer - Township of Brock](#). This job posting, and the job description (to be updated), are available at [Township of Brock Careers](#). Interested applicants are invited to submit a cover letter and resume, which clearly describe how the candidate meets the qualifications, marked confidential, by no later than 4:00 p.m. on Monday, February 8, 2021 to: Dean Hustwick, Chief Administrative Officer, hr@townshipofbrock.ca.

[Director, Planning & Development Services - Town of Amherstburg](#). This position is responsible for the oversight of the Town's Planning, Building Services, Licensing and Enforcement divisions, and for the administration of the Town's police services portfolio. For a detailed job description, visit Careers on the [Town's website](#). Please submit a resume with a cover letter to Michelle Rose, Manager of Human Resources at resumes@amherstburg.ca on or before 4:30 p.m., February 9, 2021.

Director, Anti-Racism & Anti-Oppression Unit - City of London. To view the full Position Brief, please visit KCI Talent. For more information about this exciting leadership opportunity, please contact Ellie Rusonik, Associate Vice President, Search + Talent or Samantha David, Senior Search Consultant at KCI (Ketchum Canada Inc.) via email at CityofLondon@kcitalent.com. Please send a resume and letter of interest to the email address in previous sentence by February 15, 2021. All inquiries and applications will be held in strict confidence.

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This update has been provided by the Durham Regional Police Services Board:

January 20, 2021

Durham Regional Police Services Board seeks input into Action Plan to Enhance Trust and Confidence in Policing in Durham Region – UPDATE

Please be advised that the Special Board Meeting to receive input into the draft Action Plan to Enhance Trust and Confidence in Policing in Durham Region, scheduled for January 26, 2021, **has been cancelled.**

The Board strongly encourages members of the public who wish to make a deputation to the Board on this matter to consider providing their views at one of the Board’s regularly scheduled meetings on February 16, 2021 and March 23, 2021. The meetings begin at 8:30 a.m. For those interested in participating in either meeting, you may submit an outline of your deputation in writing to alongo@drps.ca. **The deadline for submissions is one week before each Board meeting.** Deputations will be a maximum of five minutes, in accordance with the Board’s Governance by-law. As a result of ongoing gathering restrictions due to COVID-19, the meetings will take place virtually, and participants will deliver their deputation via a web-based platform (Microsoft Teams). As always, the Board meetings will be livestreamed and a recording will be posted for later viewing, accessible through www.drps.ca.

In the coming weeks, the Board, with the assistance of a polling firm, will also be conducting an on-line community survey, a random telephone survey, and a survey of members of the DRPS to receive feedback on the proposed Action Plan. All are encouraged to participate in these opportunities to express experiences and perspectives that will assist the Board in finalizing the Plan. A copy of the draft Plan is attached.

If a member of the public would like to make a written submission, without a verbal deputation, these will be accepted until March 12, 2021. These submissions will also be welcomed and reviewed by the Board as part of the record of consultation. Please provide your submission to alongo@drps.ca. We look forward to hearing from you.

The Durham Regional Police Services Board is the civilian governing body of the Police Service. Its responsibilities include establishing objectives for policing in consultation with the Chief of the Police, setting policies for the effective management of the Police Service, and hiring and monitoring the performance of the Chief of Police. The Board consists of seven members, three appointed by the Province of Ontario and four chosen by Regional Council.



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Action Plan for Enhancing Trust and Confidence in Policing in Durham Region

DRAFT – FOR CONSULTATION

1. Strengthen transparency in decision-making

Actions:

- a. Conduct community consultation on this action plan, and on the Chief of Police Selection Criteria
- b. Strengthen Board policy related to diversity and anti-racism, considering the recommendations of the Ontario Human Rights Commission
- c. Improve the budget process to be more informative to the community
- d. Publish reports related to discipline, where possible
- e. Adopt body-worn cameras

2. Improve diversity and inclusion practices with the DRPS internally and externally in the delivery of community safety

Actions:

- a. Direct the Chief of Police to ensure that education and training for members accentuates anti-racism learning
- b. Direct the Chief of Police to ensure that processes for recruitment, selection, promotion and performance management of members include and emphasize equity and inclusion
- c. Ensure that the selection of deputy chiefs and chiefs of police includes an assessment of commitment and achievement in the areas of diversity, equity and inclusion

3. Strengthen service delivery related to mental health calls

Actions:

- a. Expand mobile crisis response team and ensure appropriate coverage for mental health related calls for the entire Region
- b. Direct the Chief of Police to examine potential for call diversion in instances where a police response may not be necessary
- c. Ensure that mental health training for members is prioritized

4. Support the Equity and Inclusion Plan and the 4 initiatives to Address Systemic Barriers

- a. Collect race based data
- b. Involve community in recruitment and promotional processes and policy review
- c. Bystander training
- d. Organizational census



DURHAM REGIONAL POLICE SERVICES BOARD

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January 20, 2021

Durham Regional Police Services Board seeks input into Action Plan to Enhance Trust and Confidence in Policing in Durham Region – Update

Please be advised that the Special Board Meeting to receive input into the draft Action Plan to Enhance Trust and Confidence in Policing in Durham Region, scheduled for January 26, 2021, **has been cancelled**.

The Board strongly encourages members of the public who wish to make a deputation to the Board on this matter to consider providing their views at one of the Board's regularly scheduled meetings on February 16, 2021 and March 23, 2021. The meetings begin at 8:30 a.m. For those interested in participating in either meeting, you may submit an outline of your deputation in writing to alongo@drps.ca. **The deadline for submissions is one week before each Board meeting.**

Deputations will be a maximum of five minutes, in accordance with the Board's Governance by-law. As a result of ongoing gathering restrictions due to COVID-19, the meetings will take place virtually, and participants will deliver their deputation via a web-based platform (Microsoft Teams). As always, the Board meetings will be livestreamed and a recording will be posted for later viewing, accessible through www.drps.ca.

In the coming weeks, the Board, with the assistance of a polling firm, will also be conducting an on-line community survey, a random telephone survey, and a survey of members of the DRPS to receive feedback on the proposed Action Plan. All are encouraged to participate in these opportunities to express experiences and perspectives that will assist the Board in finalizing the Plan. A copy of the draft Plan is attached.

If a member of the public would like to make a written submission, without a verbal deputation, these will be accepted until March 12, 2021. These submissions will also be welcomed and reviewed by the Board as part of the record of consultation. Please provide your submission to alongo@drps.ca. We look forward to hearing from you.

The Durham Regional Police Services Board is the civilian governing body of the Police Service. Its responsibilities include establishing objectives for policing in consultation with the Chief of the Police, setting policies for the effective management of the Police Service, and hiring and monitoring the performance of the Chief of Police. The Board consists of seven members, three appointed by the Province of Ontario and four chosen by Regional Council.

From: [AMO Communications](#)
To: [Becky Jamieson](#)
Subject: AMO Policy Update – Community Safety and Policing Grants, Broadband Investments in Northern Ontario
Date: January 21, 2021 2:40:34 PM

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AMO Policy Update – Community Safety and Policing Grants, Broadband Investments in Northern Ontario

Investment through the Community Safety and Policing Grant Program

Today, Solicitor General Jones [announced the investment of \\$2.8 million](#) through the Community Safety and Policing Grant Program. This funding will be assigned to projects that provide police services with tools and resources that enable deployment of frontline officers as well as support police services as they implement public safety and community policing initiatives that focus on local or provincial priorities.

This investment funds a maximum of \$200,000 per project and will be allocated over the 2020-2022 period. The [successful projects](#) require police services to report each year on the outcomes of their initiatives.

Broadband Investments in Northern Ontario Announced

Laurie Scott, the Minister of Infrastructure, has [announced](#) \$10.9 million to support broadband improvements in Northern Ontario towns and First Nations communities. The funding, part of the Province's [Up To Speed](#) strategy that includes the [ICON](#) funding program, will help to:

- build infrastructure that brings high-speed broadband to more areas in Chisholm, Marathon, Terrace Bay, rural Thunder Bay, and Oliver Paipoonge;
- construct a new 22-kilometre fibre backbone network that brings high-speed broadband to Seine River First Nation, Couchiching First Nation, Rainy River First Nations, Ojibways of Onigaming First Nation, Animakee Wa Zhing #37 First Nation, and Big Grassy First Nation; and
- upgrade the speed and capacity of the K-Net network, owned by Keewaytinook Okimakanak and which serves more than 80 First Nation communities, while

supporting future upgrades.

AMO and ROMA have been advocating for better broadband and connectivity for Ontario's rural, northern, and underserved communities for some time.

ROMA recently released [resources](#) to help councils improve connectivity in their communities and will continue to press for better connectivity, including through discussions at the upcoming virtual [ROMA annual conference](#).

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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From: Minister, MECP (MECP) <Minister.MECP@ontario.ca>
Sent: January 22, 2021 8:40 AM
To: Brock General
Subject: Join us virtually on February 11, 2021 to help determine next steps for the Lake Simcoe Protection Plan

Good morning,

We are pleased to invite you to participate in our virtual town hall event on February 11, 2021 starting at 12:30 p.m. (log-in time). The meeting runs from 12:45 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. This event is in support of the 10-year review of the Lake Simcoe Protection Plan. This public event is part of the 75-day engagement period to review the plan, which was launched on December 18, 2020 and closes on March 3, 2021.

All our partners, including the general public, are invited to participate in our virtual town hall session to learn about the Lake Simcoe Protection Plan and highlights of progress made to protect and restore the lake, as well as to hear about other opportunities for engagement. Participants will be encouraged to share their perspectives on the plan and suggest ideas for the plan that could better protect and restore the health of the lake and watershed.

We also encourage you to let us know if you are aware of other community partners or associations that would be interested in participating in this virtual town hall, and we will ensure this invitation is sent to them.

Please visit our consultation page for more details and to register for our virtual town hall event.

If you have any questions regarding the event or the plan review, send an email to: LakeSimcoe@ontario.ca. We look forward to your suggestions and feedback on the Lake Simcoe Protection Plan as we work together to restore and protect Lake Simcoe and its watershed.

Sincerely,

Jeff Yurek
 Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

Andrea Khanjin
 Parliamentary Assistant

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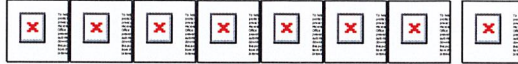
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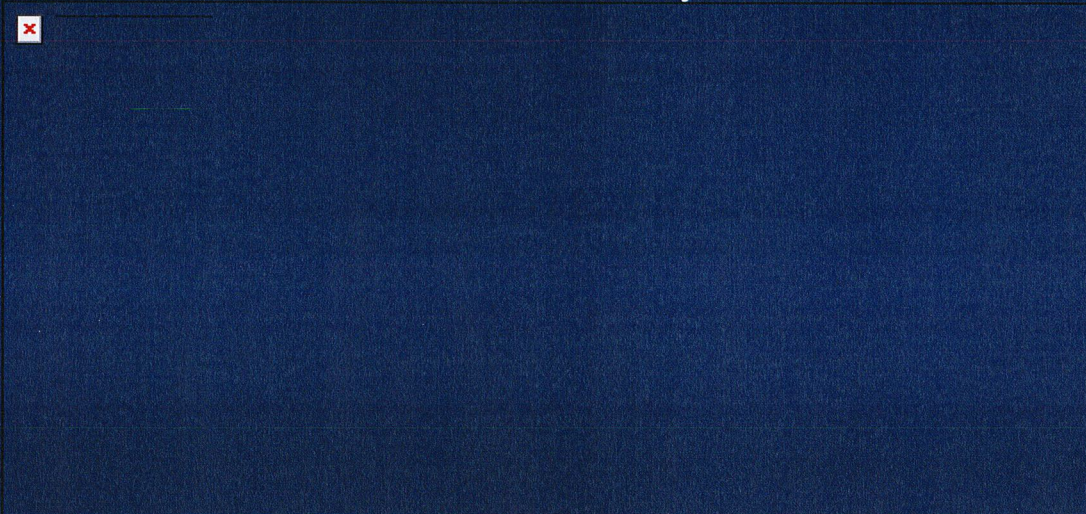
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Winter Safety

Wintering in cottage country for the first time this season? FOCA urges new *and* veteran cottagers to consider a range of seasonal safety concerns:

Ice & Snowmobile Safety

January 16 to 24 is **Snowmobile Safety Week**, but unfortunately there have already been multiple fatalities on Ontario's frozen waterways in 2021, most recently on Georgian Bay last weekend; [read the news here](#) (Madawaska Valley Current). Recent milder-than-usual temperatures suggest that ice thicknesses may continue to fluctuate and be hazardous.

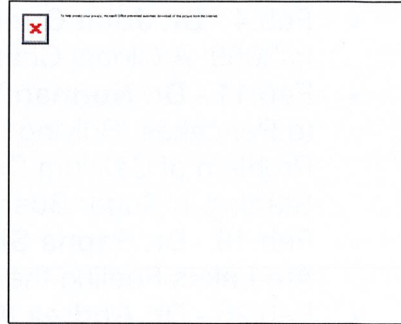
FOCA and our colleagues with the **OPP SAVE Team** would like to remind you that enjoying the out-of-doors in winter can be rewarding and fun, but safety should never take a vacation. Did you know that 35% of all drownings happen

Emergency app for Remote Locations

Also featured in the [podcast mentioned above](#) (starting at minute 14:55) is information about an exciting new app that has FOCA buzzing:

What3Words works globally to help you tell emergency responders exactly where you are, by converting complex latitude/longitude combinations into three unique word sequences.

(Proviso: you still need a bar of internet service in the moment, for the app to generate a new location code.) Download on your mobile device, or check out the functionality from your computer now: [details are online here.](#)



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Upcoming FOCA Events: register now

Register now for the virtual FOCA AGM & Spring Seminar

Saturday, March 6, 2021 - by webinar (9:00am to 11:30am)

It's time to register!

[Register here NOW](#)

Topics include the **Annual General Meeting** of members, as well as updates from the Lake Partner Program, the new FOCA Phragmites project, important file and policy news, and presentation of the FOCA Achievement Award to a member Association. Details, including the event agenda, will be posted in the coming weeks on [the event webpage](#).

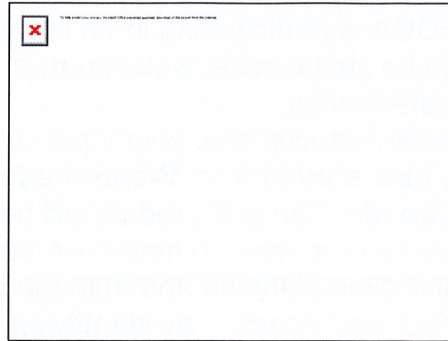


Troubled Waters Forum: five part webinar series

Thursdays, February 4 to March 4, 2021 at 7:00pm - FOCA is pleased to be a partner with the **Greater Sudbury Watershed Alliance** and the **Vale Living with Lakes Centre** for this free digital series:

It only takes a moment to input your address and use the online software to automatically **send an email to your cottage country MPP**. We have provided a template message to make it quick and easy.

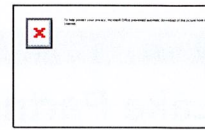
(Pro tip: customize the subject line and first paragraphs to ensure your message gets read! For example, let your MPP know how long your family has been a property owner in their riding, or why your waterfront property matters so much to your family.)



Join hundreds of other concerned citizens, and write your MPP here:

https://foca.good.do/fair_electricity_pricing/

Those in northern and remote areas are especially at risk of being designated to the R2 category and facing big increases in their monthly electricity bill - we need you on the campaign map today! **Then, share this information with 10 friends.**

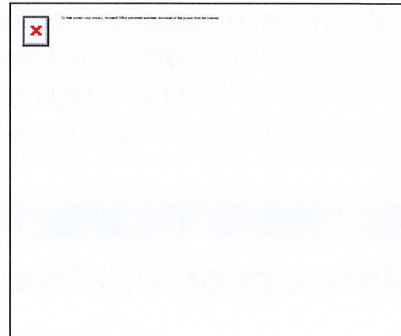


FOCA continues to post background on the subject, here: [Electricity webpage](#).

Ministerial Zoning Orders (MZO): Circumventing good local planning, public input

Since 2019, over three dozen MZOs have been issued by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; these decisions have been applied in municipalities that already have official plans and zoning by-laws in place. A number of these orders authorize controversial development on important agricultural lands, hazard lands, or where there is significant natural heritage. Well-conceived [land use planning](#) provides economic and environmental health in our communities. **FOCA believes the proposed enhancement of Ministerial zoning powers is shortsighted and carries significant risk to our environment.**

The MZO proposal is open for comment on the [Environmental Registry of Ontario \(ERO No. 019-2811\)](#) until January 30, 2021.



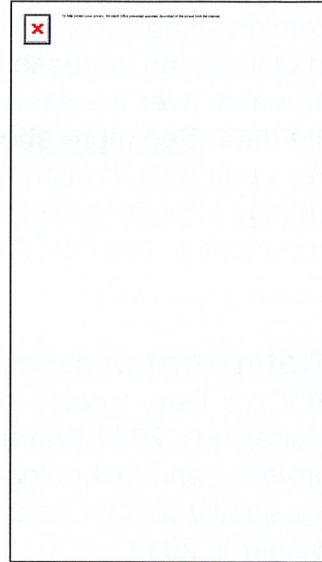
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Better Land Use Planning at the Lake

from the Premier, a Ministers' Forum about rural economic resilience, and a feature on wellbeing as a foundation for rural recovery.

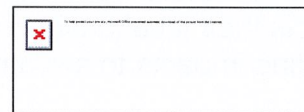
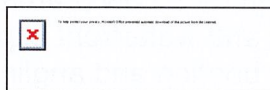
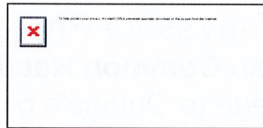
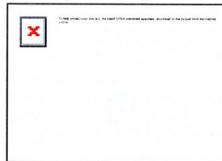
**Citizen Science in Action:
Western Chorus Frog - volunteers wanted
Spring 2021** - your help is needed, monitoring for the threatened **western chorus frog**, an indicator species that reflects the health of the environment around them. The program aims to determine species distribution to inform recovery actions, and enable the conservation community to quickly detect and respond to range declines over time.

Volunteers will receive training materials, be assigned a site (or sites), and asked to conduct short daytime frog call surveys over a 3-week period between March and May, when the frogs start calling. [Find out more online here](#) or [register for a February 6th webinar](#) about the program.



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Lake Environments

Study confirms: extreme streamflow events increasing

information will be invaluable to this important initiative. **A detailed survey to gather your experiences can be found here:**

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/OIPC_Phrag_ON

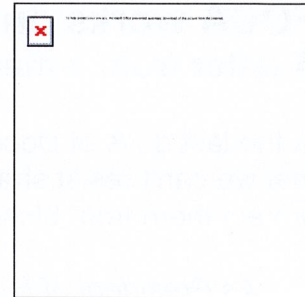
Many thanks in advance for sharing your information.

Through this project, FOCA will also be providing **funding for a number of local eradication projects in 2021**. Details are coming soon! Contact info@foca.on.ca if you are interested.

Municipal Corner: our rural partners

In the past week, we noted a "Call for Community Compassion" email update from the Municipality of Huron Shores that we want to share:

In regards to the general influx of cases that we have seen over the last week or so, we know that it only takes one exposure to lead to increased numbers of COVID-19 cases ... It is important that in small communities such as those in Algoma, we continue to push the message of BEING KIND, and wrapping our small communities and sub-populations in as much support as we can.

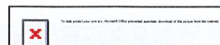


Please do not publicly shame any group or person, or paint an entire community with stigma, but rather wrap support around folks who are ill and need assistance, and combat misperceptions and stigma.

Regardless of whatever local circumstances led the Municipality to issue the statement, FOCA feels the messaging is well worth sharing with all, for the spirit it engenders. We know 2020 exposed cracks in some relationships in our rural communities, and we encourage everyone to work together this year, as our lives and livelihoods remain under stress.

FOCA continues to post cottage country related COVID-19 updates here: <https://foca.on.ca/covid-19-update-from-foca/>

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