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1244/20

September 16, 2020

**MINISTRY OF MUNICIPAL
AFFAIRS AND HOUSING**
17th Floor, 777 Bay street
TORONTO, ON
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ATTN: THE HON. STEVE CLARK

Dear Minister Clark:

At a special meeting of council held on August 24, 2020, members discussed concerns regarding the 2018 municipal election.

In the last six weeks of the 2018 municipal election in Wollaston Township, seasonal property owners presented signed leases with family members for sleeping cabins, bunkies and sheds. The \$100.00 leases added a significant number of new non-resident electors to the voters' list.

Although concerns were raised regarding the Township's Comprehensive Zoning By-law and non-use of the standard lease form, the leases were used as eligibility, allowing the children of seasonal property owners access to a Township election for the first time.

Because this gave the appearance of a pay to play campaign, and because the leases were with family members, and because no people actually lived in these structures that lacked hydro, running water and washroom facilities, this was reported to the OPP, who have a duty to enforce the rules and regulations of the *Municipal Elections Act*.

The OPP did not proceed with charges because they said there was no case law.

The following Motion was adopted:

MOTION NO.: 03
MOVED BY: TIM CONLIN
SECONDED BY: DARLENE COLTON

MINISTRY OF MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS AND HOUSING
THE HON. STEVE CLARK
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BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of Wollaston Township 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 turn into ballots for garden sheds.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County of Wollaston Township 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 Council of Wollaston Township 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 Council of Wollaston Township 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.

CARRIED

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the above, do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



BERNICE CROCKER
Clerk/Administrator

cc. Premier Doug Ford, Daryl Kramp, M.P.P. for Hastings-Lennox and Addington, AMO and all Ontario Municipalities.

Lesley Donnelly

From: AMCTO | The Municipal Experts <amcto@amcto.com>
Sent: September 21, 2020 10:02 AM
To: Brock Clerks
Subject: Advocacy Update: Legislation Announced on a Municipal Voters' List

AMCTO members claim small victory towards efforts to update municipal voters' list legislation
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September 21, 2020

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

AMCTO members claim small victory towards efforts to update municipal voters' list legislation

MISSISSAUGA, Ontario – September 21, 2020 – The Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO) is pleased with the Province's **announcement** regarding the introduction of legislation that would create a single register of voters for municipal and provincial elections to take effect January 1st, 2024 ahead of the 2026 municipal election.

The accuracy of this list is *essential* to AMCTO members, who are responsible for administering local government elections. This is particularly important should alternative voting mechanisms such as internet voting or wider mail-in voting be utilized to administer an election during an emergency such as the COVID-19 health pandemic.

"We are pleased to see the government take action after years of advocacy on behalf and by our members," says AMCTO President, Rob Tremblay. "While the 2024 timeframe is disappointing, as Returning Officers are preparing for the next municipal election in 2022, AMCTO appreciates the opportunity this would provide the Association to collaborate with Elections Ontario."

This has been a leading issue for AMCTO members since 2004. After conducting research and collecting feedback from members, the Association released **two position papers** supporting the need for transformational change to the municipal voters' list. In April 2019, AMCTO supported the recommendation of Ontario's Chief Electoral Officer to make Elections Ontario responsible for municipal voters' list.

With 2,000+ members in nearly every municipality, AMCTO's membership includes municipal clerks who serve as municipal chief electoral officers in their respective communities and who are charged with ensuring the integrity of municipal elections. AMCTO will continue to work with members on this and will be monitoring the progress of the Bill.

For more information or to get involved in AMCTO's advocacy efforts, please contact:

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About AMCTO

AMCTO represents excellence in local government management and leadership. AMCTO has provided education, accreditation, leadership, and management expertise for Ontario's municipal professionals for the past 80 years. With 2,000+ members working in municipalities across Ontario, AMCTO is Ontario's *largest* voluntary association of local government professionals, and the leading professional development organization for municipal professionals.

AMCTO is known as 'The Municipal Experts' due to the breadth of expertise and knowledge of its members across a range of municipal operation areas and legislative issues. AMCTO is recognized as an influential voice for local government professionals regarding key management and legislative issues affecting the sector.

The Association continues to grow and to search out new opportunities to provide municipal professionals with the tools they need to succeed in the continually evolving municipal environment.

Please visit the AMCTO [website](#) for more information and details on how to become a member.

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Lesley Donnelly

From: Michael Jubb
Sent: September 21, 2020 8:13 AM
To: Council; Brock Clerks; clerks@durham.ca
Subject: Fwd: Concerns with Supportive Housing Project

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From: Maureen Nicitopoulos <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, September 21, 2020, 8:09 a.m.
To: Michael Jubb
Subject: Concerns with Supportive Housing Project

Hello,

My

Hello,

My name is Maureen Nicitopoulos and I reside at 191 Nine Mile Road in Beaverton. My husband and I have two children and have been residents of Beaverton since 2013.

I have been in the social service field for more than fifteen years in a different Municipality. I support people in the community who are homeless or at risk of homelessness by providing wrap around supports and referrals to appropriate programs and services. I have extremely strong concerns about what your housing plan is for these at risk Individuals. Beaverton has no transportation (both transit or taxi), no grocery store that is within walking distance, no police presence, lack of employment opportunities, lack of drop in centres for mental health and addiction, and no social services office. Moving at risk individuals to a community that lacks all the mentioned resources and probably more will create isolation. As you may imagine with my employment I am one for inclusiveness and diversity in our community. I am passionate in my advocacy for individuals who are homeless, at risk of homelessness and/or experiencing issues surrounding mental health and addiction. I am unable to be quiet when I see people being moved to what only feels like a "dumping ground". I would like to understand more what your thoughts are on why Beaverton would be the place of choice in Northern Durham to house 50 at risk individuals.

Lesley Donnelly

From: Ontario Heritage Trust | Fiducie du patrimoine ontarien
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Sent: September 21, 2020 9:22 AM
To: Brock General
Subject: Reminder: September news from the Ontario Heritage Trust | Nouvelles du mois de septembre de la Fiducie du patrimoine ontarien

September 2020

Heritage Matters ... *more!*



From top left, clockwise: Take a virtual helicopter ride over Niagara Falls (Photo: Destination Ontario); Learn about the Hammond Museum of Radio in Guelph; Discover the local history of Timmins through the Timmins Public Library; Enjoy a virtual visit to the Warsaw Caves; See how Thunder Bay's Courthouse Hotel has adapted over time; Join the Grand River Conservation Authority for exclusive access to the Shand Dam's infrastructure

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

Doors Open Ontario – Discovering the story behind every door

Since 2002, the Ontario Heritage Trust has worked with communities across the province to open the doors, gates, trails and courtyards of their unique and most fascinating cultural sites so that you can explore the stories inside. Over the ensuing years, more than 8.3 million visits have been made to thousands of sites and spaces. We've worked with our partners to explore communities of all sizes – from Chatham to North Bay – including sites from Cold War-era bunkers to historical generating stations.

Doors Open Ontario connects people to places and their stories. We've learned about the people who lived on this land for thousands of years before the first settlers arrived, about

the building up of towns and cities, urban and rural areas, about the waves of immigration that have followed, and about the remarkable individuals who have been part of that journey over time.

Making connections for people to the places that we value has been harder in the COVID-19 world of 2020, but we still want to learn and explore, to be inspired and challenged – and, so, Doors Open Ontario has gone digital. From historical sites to modern marvels of construction, Digital Doors Open Ontario features virtual tours and online activities so that you can take a journey across the province to discover the buildings, natural spaces, infrastructure and cultural landscapes that shape and define our communities and tell our stories. We have some excellent “staytrip” suggestions below to assist with your journey. Be sure to keep an eye on the Digital Doors Open Ontario page, as we’re adding more content every week!

Some sites are open (with restrictions) and we also encourage you to tour the province and visit places like [Huron Historical Parks](#), the [Royal Botanical Gardens](#), [Niagara Parks](#) and the sites at [St. Lawrence Parks Commission](#). We’ve also included some suggested tours that you can enjoy from your vehicle or on foot, and the accompanying digital content will enhance those experiences. However you choose to participate, I encourage you to join me in exploring this vast and magnificent province. There really is a story behind every door!

Share this newsletter with your friends and colleagues!



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 **now 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.

Getting the most out of Digital Doors Open



The graphic features a dark background with a stylized white outline of a door. At the top center is the logo for DOORS OPEN ONTARIO, with 'ONTARIO HERITAGE TRUST' written in smaller text below it. Below the logo, the text 'Discover the story behind every door' is written in a large, white, sans-serif font. Underneath this, there is a line with 'PRESENTING SPONSOR' on the left and the TD logo with 'TD READY COMMITMENT' on the right. A paragraph of text follows: 'The Ontario Heritage Trust works with communities across the province to open the doors, gates and courtyards of their unique and most fascinating cultural sites so you can explore the stories inside.' Below this is the phrase 'Start planning your excursion today.' At the bottom left, there is a small caption: 'Muskoka Discovery Centre, Gravenhurst (Photo: David Campbell)'. A white arrow points downwards from the bottom center of the graphic.

There are many ways to explore the digital content on our Doors Open Ontario website. Follow these steps and you'll get the most out of your digital experience:

- Visit the [Doors Open Ontario website](#) and select a community to see the digital sites that are participating there. Build your own digital itinerary, based on your own interests.
- Go to the [Digital Doors Open page](#) where you can find the type of content that you want (e.g., [Virtual tours](#), [Videos](#), [Activities and games](#), or [Collections and resources](#)). Scroll through the digital offerings for each type and explore sites through their various assets.
- Many sites offer virtual reality options – especially for tours. Plug in with your VR glasses for a truly immersive experience.

Digital Doors Open

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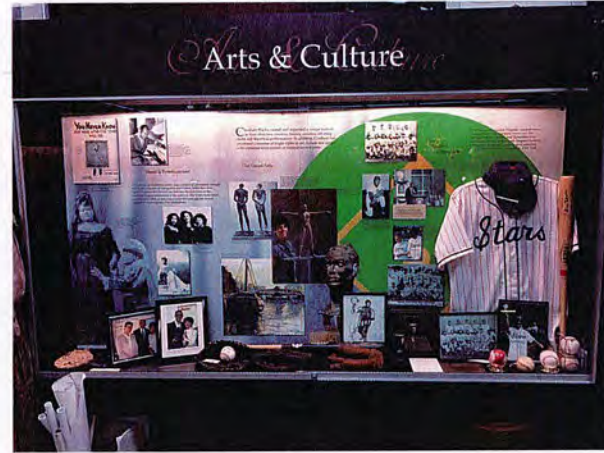


Expanding the narrative with Digital Doors Open



The Trust is committed to challenging the traditional narratives of our history and how they have been presented over time. In the context of over 10,000 years of cultural history in Ontario, what we have shared is only a small fragment of our province's mosaic. During Digital Doors Open, take time to explore some of many sites that help expand the narrative around Ontario's diverse heritage:

- [The Chatham-Kent Black Historical Society and Black Mecca Museum](#) is dedicated to the discovery, research, and preservation of the region's Black history. Check out their unique exhibits, including a website dedicated to the Chatham Coloured All-Stars baseball team.
- [Myseum](#) was made for Digital Doors Open! This Toronto museum exists throughout the city, and showcases the history, spaces and cultures that make up Toronto through digital exhibits or walking tours.
- [The ArQuives](#) was established to help recover and preserve Canada's LGBTQ2+ histories. It is the largest archive of its kind in the world. Explore their collections and artifacts, and learn more about the people who preserve them.
- The [Mnjikaning Fish Weirs National Historic Site](#) is a place that was cared for and used by the Huron-Wendat in the centuries before 1650. Today, the Anishinaabeg are stewards of the site. Check out a video about the history of this site, and its future.
- The [Saint Joseph's Indian Residential School Memorial](#) marks the site of the Thunder Bay residential school, and for Digital Doors Open, visitors can explore the history and legacy of Canada's residential school system through the stories and experiences of survivors.



Inside the Chatham-Kent Black Mecca Museum



Watch this video about the Saint Joseph's Indian Residential School Memorial in Thunder Bay

Learn more about Expanding the narrative

Supporting Ontario's tourism sector

Many museums and historical sites of all types and sizes are beginning to welcome back visitors, consistent with both the Province's framework for reopening Ontario and with local public-health guidelines. The grounds of many sites are open to visit, and some are offering tours of interior spaces as well. You will see appropriate health measures being implemented to provide for the safety of visitors and staff and to ensure an enjoyable experience.

We have missed the opportunity to visit our favourite Doors Open Ontario sites in person this year. But we have found other ways to support the cultural attractions we cherish, many of which have been hit so hard by the pandemic.

It is exciting that Ontario is gradually reopening its doors to tourism safely and responsibly. While Doors Open Ontario has gone digital for 2020, the Trust is working with our many community partners toward resuming in-person events as soon as possible. As well as enjoying the virtual experiences offered by Digital Doors Open Ontario, there are lots of opportunities to travel locally and regionally to reacquaint ourselves with the cultural treasures we find on our doorsteps and in our own backyards.



Top: The Art Gallery of Ontario has reopened to the public for visits, but they also have lots of great online content to explore.

Middle: The Hollinger House in Timmins is one of over 300 homes built to house workers from the Hollinger Mine. (Photo: Photography by Mark & Lynn Clement)

Below: The Elora Cataract Trailway offers excellent cycling through the beautiful Elora Gorge



Take a “staytrip”



Digital Doors Open Ontario is a great way to learn more about your favourite sites or to take a trip around the province without leaving home.

Mix and match some Digital Doors Open sites and you're bound to find something that interests everyone in your group.

- Visit the breathtaking [Sleeping Giant Provincial Park](#) in the morning, followed by learning about Ontario's Black heritage at [Uncle Tom's Cabin Historic Site](#). Then, make a stopover in Ottawa to explore the [Canadian War Museum](#) (and play their popular online game), followed by an exploration of the ancient [Mnjikaning Fish Weirs](#) in Orillia. Finish your day with a thrilling virtual fireworks display at [Canada's Wonderland](#).
- Wander through the evocative [Brockville Railway Tunnel](#). Then take a zipline adventure across [Niagara Falls](#). Stop by [Camp X](#) for some spy training fun. Visit the [Warsaw Caves Conservation Area](#) for some socially distanced spelunking. And end the day at the [David Dunlap Observatory](#) by taking a peek at the stars.
- Start your day in Thunder Bay with a [walking tour](#) of one of the city's fascinating districts. Discover your inner artist at the [Art Gallery of Ontario](#). Go bird watching at [Tommy Thompson Park](#) (don't forget to download your free birder's guide). Take an aerial tour of the beautiful Olmsted gardens at Brockville's [Fulford Place](#) mansion. And round out the day with an online performance of a Shakespeare classic at the [Stratford Festival](#).

What will your staytrip look like?



Dundurn Castle, Hamilton

Did you know?

Dundurn Castle was built in the 1830s by Sir Allan Napier MacNab, premier of the Province of Canada from 1854-56. The Duchess of Cornwall is MacNab's great-great-great-granddaughter and became the royal patron of Dundurn Castle in 2010. Today, while the site is partially open, you can still enjoy some great digital experiences through Digital Doors Open.

To meet its mandate, the Trust raises more than 65% of its funding. Join us in protecting Ontario's heritage.

Give today

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.



Septembre 2020

Questions de patrimoine... toujours plus!

Resolution #8

Moved by: C. Gerrits – Seconded by: H. Foster BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Council of the Township of Amaranth support the City of Oshawa's motion and they be so advised.

Whereas the government of the Canada and the Province of Ontario have committed through the Canada Council for Arts will continue to work with the Government of Canada, as well as through provincial, territorial and municipal partners, to ensure the strength of the cultural sector;

And Whereas to date there has been no further indication as to tools, funding measures, or financial support provided;

And Whereas the Township of Amaranth is requesting support of their motion to request the Federal, Provincial and Regional Government to help municipalities assist their local social cultural, service clubs and children/youth minor sporting organizations with clear and definitive relief funding programs;

Further a copy of this resolution be sent to the Right Honourable Prime Minister of Canada, the Premier of Ontario, and all neighbouring municipalities in County of Dufferin.

CARRIED.

Thank you, Nicole

Nicole Martin, Dipl. M.A.

Acting CAO/Clerk | Township of Amaranth

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Tel: 519-941-1007 ext. 227 | Fax: 519 - 941-1802 All municipal facilities and parks are closed until further notice during the COVID-19 pandemic. Staff is working to keep critical services operational during this difficult time. Updates will be posted to our website (www.amaranth.ca) and through our Facebook accounts. Calls to the office at 519-941-1007 will be answered as soon as possible.

For accurate information on COVID-19 please visit: www.ontario.ca/COVID-19

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From: Claudia Paterson <cpaterson@gorebay.ca>

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To: office@doriontownship.ca; Matthew Wilson <MWilson@amo.on.ca>; amo@amo.on.ca; accesshalton@halton.ca; accessyork@york.ca; admin@acwtownship.ca; admin@dnetownship.ca; admin@eganville.com; admin@englehart.ca; admin@frontofyonge.com; admin@greatermadawaska.com; admin@hiltontownship.ca; admin@jocelyn.ca; admin@minden hills.ca; admin@nipissingtownship.com; admin@northmiddlesex.on.ca; admin@papineaucameron.ca; admin@porthope.ca; Admin <admin@puslinch.ca>; admin@southbrucepeninsula.com; admin@southfrontenac.net; admin@sundridge.ca; admin@zorrra.on.ca; administration@calvintownship.ca; administration@county-lambton.on.ca; administration@greenstone.ca; colin.carrie@parl.gc.ca; administration@lambtonshores.ca; administration@valharty.ca; Administration-Office-General@grimsby.ca; adminoffice@gordonbarrieisland.ca;

The Council of the Township of Amaranth support the Township of South Glengarry motion and they be so advised.

Whereas the Township of Amaranth urges the Ontario Government to provide funding to increase the fulltime positions in place of casual and part time labour in long term care homes;

And Whereas they further request the Ministry of Long-Term Care to enact regular inspections of all long-term care homes.

CARRIED.

Thank you, Nicole

Nicole Martin, Dipl. M.A.

Acting CAO/Clerk | Township of Amaranth

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The Corporation of The Town of Amherstburg

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VIA E

The Right Honourable Raymond Cho, Minister for Seniors and Accessibility
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Re: AODA Website Compliance Extension Request

At its meeting of September 14, 2020, Council passed the following for your consideration:

Resolution # 20200914-281

- “1. **WHEREAS** Section 14(4) of O Reg 191/11 under the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act requires designated public sector organizations to conform to WCAG 2.0 Level AA by January 1, 2021;
2. **AND WHEREAS** the municipality remains committed to the provision of accessible goods and services;
3. **AND WHEREAS** the municipality provides accommodations to meet any stated accessibility need, where possible;
4. **AND WHEREAS** the declared pandemic, COVID-19, has impacted the finances and other resources of the municipality;
5. **AND WHEREAS** the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act contemplates the need to consider the technical or economic considerations in the implementation of Accessibility Standards;
6. **BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT** the municipality requests that the Province of Ontario extend the compliance deadline stated in Section 14(4) of O Reg 191/11 to require designated public sector organizations to meet the compliance standards, by a minimum of one (1) year to at least January 1 2022; **AND**,
7. **BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT** the municipality requests that the Province of Ontario consider providing funding support and training resources to meet these compliance standards.”

The impacts of the pandemic on municipal finances and resources affect the ability of municipalities to meet the January 1, 2021 deadline for full compliance with WCAG 2.0 Level AA.

We humbly request the Ontario government consider an extension request, in addition to financial support and training due to the unprecedented impacts of the global pandemic

Regards,



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The Right Honourable Doug Ford Premier of Ontario
The Association of Municipalities of Ontario
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The Corporation of The Town of Amherstburg

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Hon. Lisa McLeod, Minister of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries
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Re: Request for Consideration of Amendments to Bill 108 re. The Ontario Heritage Act

At its meeting of September 14, 2020, Council passed the following for your consideration:

Resolution # 20200914-258:

“WHEREAS Royal Assent has been granted to Bill 108 entitled ‘More Homes, More Choice Act, 2019’ on June 6, 2019; and,

WHEREAS Schedule 11 of Bill 108 contains amendments to the Ontario Heritage Act which require appeals under the Ontario Heritage Act to be heard by the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal not the Conservation Review Board; and,

WHEREAS the Conservation Review Board is an adjudicative tribunal that, through the mandate provided by the Ontario Heritage Act, considers a number of matters such as:

- The proposed designation of a property as having cultural heritage value or interest;
- Applications for the repeal of a By law on a specific property;
- Applications related to the alteration of a property covered by a By law; and,
- Matters related to archaeological licensing. AND,

WHEREAS Schedule 11 of Bill 108 will come into effect on a date to be proclaimed by the Lieutenant Governor; and,

WHEREAS the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal are not experts in heritage matters unlike members of the Conservation Review Board; and,

WHEREAS the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal decisions are binding decisions unlike the Conservation Review Board non-binding recommendations; and,

WHEREAS the Ontario Heritage Act provides a means for municipalities to protect and preserve the cultural heritage value or interest of the municipality for generations to come; and,

WHEREAS the Conservation Review Board currently provides reports to municipal council’s setting out its findings of fact, and its recommendations so that a final decision can be rendered by municipalities about what is valuable in their community;

WHEREAS the Town of Amherstburg remains committed to the preservation and protection of property of cultural heritage value or interest;

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Amherstburg strongly recommends that Schedule 11 of Bill 108 be amended to remove the powers provided to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal, retaining authority for hearing certain appeals by the Conservation Review Board; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Town of Amherstburg strongly recommends that Schedule 11 of Bill 108 be amended to return the authority for final decisions to municipal council's as the elected representative of the communities wherein the property and its features of cultural heritage value exist; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this motion be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, Lisa McLeod the Minister of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries, Andrea Horwath, MPP and Leader of the Official Opposition and the Ontario NDP Party, MPP John Fraser Interim Leader of the Ontario Liberal Party, Mike Schreiner MPP and Leader of the Green Party of Ontario, Taras Natyshak MPP Essex County; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this motion be sent to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), all MPP's in the Province of Ontario, the County of Essex and all Municipalities in Ontario for their consideration."

We strongly recommend that the Ontario government consider amendments to Bill 108 to return the final authority to municipal Council s to determine what is of cultural heritage value or interest in their communities with the benefits of the expert and professional advice provided by the Conservation Review Board.

Regards,



Tammy Fowkes
Deputy Clerk Town of Amherstburg
(519) 736-0012 ext 2216
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cc:

The Right Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Andrea Horwath, MPP, Leader of the Official Opposition and the Ontario NDP Party
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Mike Schreiner, MPP and Leader of the Green Party of Ontario
Taras Natyshak, MPP of Essex County
All Ontario Municipalities

Lesley Donnelly

From: AMO Communications <Communicate@amo.on.ca>
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Subject: AMO Policy Update – Provincial Regional Gathering Restrictions, DC/CBC Regulations

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September 21, 2020

AMO Policy Update – Provincial Regional Gathering Restrictions and DC/CBC Regulations

Provincial Gathering Restrictions and Increased Enforcement

On Saturday, September 19th, the Ontario government announced the limit reduction on the number of people permitted to attend unmonitored and private social gatherings for the entire province. Last Thursday, the Province put these restrictions on for Toronto, Peel Region, and Ottawa.

This sets a new limit on the number of people allowed to attend an unmonitored social gathering or organized public event provincially to:

- 10 people at an indoor event or gathering (previous limit of 50); or
- 25 people at an outdoor event or gathering (previous limit of 100).

As was the case under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* (EMCPA), all police officers, First Nations Constables, and special constables may enforce orders that have been continued in effect under the *Reopening Ontario (A Flexible Response to COVID-19) Act, 2020* (ROA). In addition, the following enforcement personnel are designated to enforce orders that have been continued in effect under the ROA:

- all provincial offences officers designated by a minister of the Crown;
- all municipal law enforcement officers;
- all by-law enforcement officers of a municipality or local board of a municipality;

- all officers, employees, or agents of a municipality or local board of a municipality whose responsibilities include enforcement of by-laws, Acts, or regulations.

Decision Notices – Regulations for Development Charges and Community Benefit Charges

The Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing posted four decision notices on Friday (links are below). These are linked together for regulations on development charges (DC), community benefit charges (CBCs), and parkland dedication. These regulations were expected to be finalized following the passage of Bill 197 in July which outlined a new regime for development charges in Ontario.

Notable items from the decision notices include:

- The in-force date of September 18, 2020 starts the two-year transition period for municipalities to implement a new framework.
- The percentage of land value that determines the maximum community benefit charge is 4%. This percentage decreased from the previous regime which was expected. The Ministry states that this percentage was determined based on extensive feedback during their consultation; however, additional analysis is required to determine how it works for municipalities.
- Several other key details set out in CBC and parkland regulation within the *Planning Act* include:
 - the percentage of land value that would determine the maximum community benefits charge payable
 - the timelines for land value appraisals where the CBC amount is disputed
 - the types of development that would be exempt from community benefits charges
 - the content requirements for a CBC strategy
 - the notice requirements for passing a CBC by-law and a parkland by-law
 - the interest rate for CBC and parkland refunds upon successful appeals to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT)
 - the reporting requirements related to community benefits and parkland.
- Municipalities are required to annually prepare reports to provide information about the amounts in the community benefits charges and parkland dedication special accounts. This includes opening and closing balances, transactions, capital acquired, and other items outlined within the regulation.

As municipal governments make the shift toward this new regime, AMO will monitor the progress and highlight any issues that arise during the transition period. For full information and access the full decision notices on the Environmental Registry, click below:

- [ERO - 019-0184](#) - proposed changes to O. Reg. 82/98 under the *Development Charges Act* related to Schedule 3 of Bill 108 - *More Homes, More Choice Act, 2019*
- [ERO - 019-0183](#) - proposed new regulation pertaining to the community benefits authority under the *Planning Act*
- [ERO - 019-1406](#) - proposed regulatory matters pertaining to community benefits authority under the *Planning Act*, the *Development Charges Act*, and the *Building Code Act*
- [ERO - 019-0017](#) - Bill 108 - (Schedule 3) - the proposed *More Homes, More Choice Act: Amendments to the Development Charges Act, 1997*.

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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Subject: Hydro Seasonal Ruling, Targeting Tax webinar, Algal blooms & more

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Advocacy, Policy & Program Updates

BREAKING NEWS:

OEB orders Hydro One to eliminate the Seasonal Rate Class

On September 17, 2020, the **Ontario Energy Board (OEB)** ruled that Hydro One will eliminate the Seasonal Rate Class, and shall move all customers into one of their other, density-based rate classes. This decision has been preceded by numerous rate applications and intervenor submissions by FOCA and others over the past five years.

FOCA remains extremely concerned about the financial impacts this change will have on the estimated 78,000 seasonal customers that will be moving to the R2 (low density) residential class and will face increases of \$60/month or more, based on Hydro One's last estimates. Read more here:

<https://foca.on.ca/electricity-pricing/>

Ontario climate change impact assessment

August 17, 2020 - The Ontario government has selected a consulting team to conduct the province's **first-ever multi-sector climate change impact assessment**. Get more details and related information, on FOCA's website:

<https://foca.on.ca/climate-change-and-waterfront-ontario/>

COVID-19 impacts on rural businesses

The **Rural Ontario Institute** has released analysis about business closures from January to April 2020 in "non-metro" (rural) versus "metro" areas of Ontario.

[Click to download the info from ROI](#); PDF, 3 pages.



FOCA continues to post news about cottage country pandemic impacts, here: <https://foca.on.ca/covid-19-update-from-foca/>

A video update from FOCA

Spend a minute with our Executive Director, to hear about FOCA's upcoming events this Fall. Click the image below to start the video, posted to YouTube:



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Next FOCA Webinar: Targeting Tax More Cottage Succession Planning Thursday, September 24, 2020 at 7:00pm

Following on the popularity of the FOCA Cottage Succession introductory webinar in June, **estate lawyer Peter Lillico** has agreed to speak again, this time taking a deeper dive into a significant part of the cottage succession process: **targeting tax**. Find out how capital gains tax works; how to avoid it; techniques to reduce or defer it; and planning approaches to fund it. Peter will speak for about 1 hour, and then take questions for an additional 20-30 minutes. Questions can be submitted ahead of time, or during the webinar.



To register: email info@foca.on.ca with the words **"Targeting Tax"** in the Subject Line, and remember to include your FOCA affiliation (e.g., Association or Supporter status) in your message.*

NOTE: If you previously registered by email to info@foca.on.ca, you will receive the event link by the end of business on Wednesday.

* This webinar is free to all FOCA members, but pre-registration is required.
Not yet a member? Consider becoming a [FOCA Supporter](#) to receive access to this, and other benefits.

TARGETING TAX!



Tax Tactics for Cottage Owners

Waterfront Living

Inaugural Septic Sense Week 2020

FOCA's colleagues at the **Ontario Onsite Wastewater Association (OOWA)** partnered with their western Canada counterparts to create **Septic Sense Week** from September 14 to 18, 2020. This provides an opportunity to remind property owners that a septic system is critical infrastructure for your rural home. Get online tips from OOWA, [by clicking here](#).



Septic Sense Week, Day 3

Do

Have a professional install an effluent filter on the outlet baffle of your septic tank to prolong the life of your leaching bed.

Don't

Forget to have your effluent filter cleaned on a regular basis.

Get more information here: www.oowa.org

Ontario Onsite Wastewater Association (OOWA)

Septic Sense Week, September 14th-18th



FOCA Cottage Country Septic System Video

Could you use (or know someone else who would benefit from) a 10-minute video overview about septic system parts, maintenance and signs of trouble? Here's the link to reach FOCA's video about septic systems:

<https://youtu.be/5VeTGVnkYA4>

Assessing economic impacts of climate change

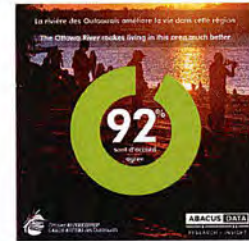
September 2020 - as reported this month by our media colleagues at **Water Canada**, new research released by the **Water Institute of the University of Waterloo** will help quantify the economic impacts and options in times of water disruptions on the Great Lakes. For more, visit FOCA's Great Lakes webpage:

<https://foca.on.ca/great-lakes-strategy-and-action/>

Survey confirms the value of water

September 2020 - new data released by **Ottawa Riverkeeper** and Abacus Data, about the attitudes of Ottawa watershed residents, demonstrates the value they place on the river. FOCA bets you'd say the same about your own local lake/river/waterbody! See more here:

<https://www.ottawariverkeeper.ca/abacus-river-survey/>



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Regional Notices & Partner Events

Muskoka Summit on the Environment

POSTPONED to next year: October 2021. "*Creating Climate-Resilient Communities.*"



Great Lakes stressors

Tuesday, September 22, 2020 from 10:30am to noon by webinar. The **International Joint Commission (IJC)** Great Lakes Science Advisory Board - Science Priority Committee is hosting a webinar about the board's recent report, "*An Evaluation of Stressor Interactions in the Great Lakes.*" Get more information on the registration page, [by clicking here](#).



Safe Quiet Lakes' stakeholder meeting

Friday, September 25, 2020 from 9:00 to 11:00am by webinar. FOCA is pleased to be participating in the SQL annual meeting. Get details from SQL, including the registration link, [by clicking here](#).



European gypsy moth technical webinar

Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2020 at 10:30am by webinar. Our colleagues at the Invasive Species Centre are hosting a webinar on the topic of gypsy moth control. Details are available on the registration page, [by clicking here](#).



For more about gypsy moths, including FOCA's July webinar and Q&A sheet on the topic, visit: <https://foca.on.ca/invasive-species/>

Georgian Bay water level symposium

Saturday, October 24, 2020 from 10am to 2pm by webinar. FOCA member group, the Georgian Bay Association (GBA), and Georgian Bay Forever are co-hosting this event to bring together scientists, policy makers, engineers and academics on the issue of fluctuating water levels in the region. Get information on the GBA website, including the registration link, [by clicking here](#).



Lake Links 2020

Saturday, October 24, 2020 from 10:00 to noon by webinar. The theme is *"Effective Engagement for Positive Action."* **FOCA is an event sponsor and one of the featured speakers** at this year's edition of the annual Lake Links Workshop, usually held in Perth. FOCA will feature ways volunteer lake associations are staying connected and engaging members, in this unique year. Get details and register, here: <https://watersheds.ca/lake-links-2020/>



The Lake Links organizers have also asked groups to submit short write-ups on their own recent engagement initiatives, to share with attendees. Interested groups can fill in the online form, [by clicking here](#).

Internet coverage in northeastern Ontario

The **Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM)** believe Elon Musk's Starlink satellite internet program is the long-awaited solution to the region's internet coverage issues. More info is available from links on this FOCA webpage:

<https://foca.on.ca/utilities-and-rural-services-overview/>



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Detecting invasive species: eastern Ontario volunteers sought

Established in 2015, **Early Detection and Rapid Response (EDRR) Network Ontario** is a community action project that aims to train and equip volunteers with the skills and resources needed to better detect and reduce invasive species in Ontario, one community at a time. FOCA's colleagues at the **Invasive Species Centre (ISC)** are seeking volunteers in eastern Ontario for EDRR training. [Click here for a short video](#) about the opportunity, and email info@invasivespeciescentre.ca for more information.

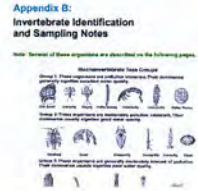


Benthic monitoring: a partner video

Georgian Bay Biosphere, in partnership with **Seguin Township**, have released an informative video about recent benthic monitoring on local lakes. Watch the video on YouTube, [by clicking here](#).



For more about benthics and other water quality monitoring parameters, consult **FOCA's publication about citizen science at the lake**, available for free download, here: <https://foca.on.ca/a-guide-to-citizen-science-at-the-lake/>



Looking for a doctor in eastern Ontario?

The **Perth Medical Clinic** has announced that new physicians joining their team are seeking new patients. To register with the clinic, email PMCwaitlist@gmail.com with your full name (as it appears on your health card) and best phone number to reach you during the day.

Lake lessons about blue-green algae

Granite Lake in northwestern Ontario experienced a **blue-green algal bloom** this summer, and **LOWDSA** (the Lake of the Woods District Stewardship Association) and their **LakeSmart** team jumped into action in August with site visits, a webinar and online information that included links to FOCA and other related resources. As LOWDSA noted, "what's good for Granite Lake is good for all lakes." Find out more about sources of phosphorus that can lead to algal blooms, precautions for pets and people during a blue-green algal bloom, and download the algae info sheet from the LOWDSA webpage [by clicking here](#).



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For more about phosphorus variability in northwestern Ontario lakes, read the blog of the **Lake of the Woods Water Sustainability Foundation**, informed by data from the Lake Partner Program of water quality monitoring, here: <https://lowwsf.com/blog/176-phosphorus-variability-in-lake-of-the-woods>



Invasive Species

Algae and Grass Carp

Great Lakes Members: **Did you know Grass Carp can increase the abundance of harmful algae in your lake?** Grass Carp eat a large quantity of the aquatic plants that are responsible for filtering nutrients and providing shade. Increased nutrients and sunlight in the



water column create ideal conditions for algae to multiply. Learn more here:
<https://foca.on.ca/asian-carp/>

FOCA's Operations Continue

In light of the ongoing pandemic, FOCA staff continue to work away from our Peterborough office, to physically distance. **We carry on serving our members during regular business hours.** [Our contact information is here.](#) You can still leave phone messages, although email inquiries may be addressed more rapidly.

Staying in Touch

Please encourage fellow members and waterfront neighbours to provide their consent to receive monthly Eler messages like this, from FOCA.

Your Role

You can circulate this call-to-action:

Join over 10,000 subscribers and get on the Eler list for monthly cottage country updates from FOCA: http://bit.ly/FOCA_Eler

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<https://foca.on.ca/member-services/benefits/>.

FOCA Member Services & Success Stories

Member Benefit: Legal Helpline for FOCA Associations

an update from Cade Associates Insurance Brokers

If your Association is insured through the [FOCA Association insurance program](#), we are delighted to announce that you have free access to a Legal Helpline! Provided by **DAS Legal Protection Inc.**, this helpline provides your Association with free, easy, unlimited access to a lawyer to discuss legal issues for which you may need guidance. Available 8am to midnight, 7 days per week, the lawyer can help answer your questions and provide you with assistance in determining your legal rights under provincial or federal laws - at no charge.



To request information about how to access the Helpline, please ask one of your Association executive or board members to send an email, including your Association's full name, to:
clientservices@cadeinsurance.com.

If your Association is not yet taking part in FOCA's Association insurance program, we invite you to request a quote by [clicking here](#) or calling the Cade team of Brokers at 416-234-9980.

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<https://foca.on.ca/toolkit-overview/>



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In Memoriam

Canada loses a water champion

Former PM **John Turner**, who was an outspoken champion for Canada's water, has passed away. Watch his comments from years past about water quality, and the future of the Lake of the Woods in particular, in a video from **Lake of the Woods Water Sustainability Foundation**: <https://youtu.be/EyIA6jTK3vQ>





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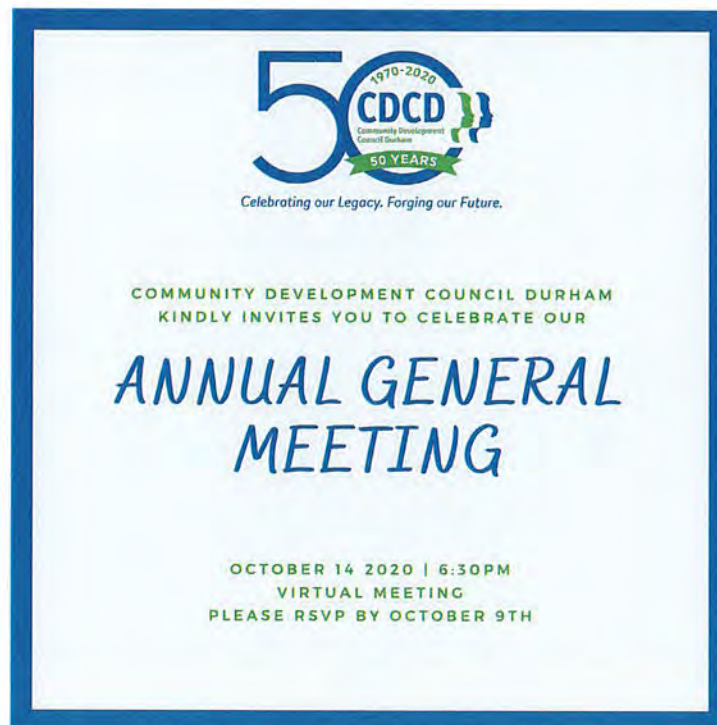
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To: Brock General
Subject: You're Invited! CDCD's Annual General Meeting

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You are invited!
CDCD's Annual General Meeting

"Celebrating our Legacy. Forging our Future."



Please RSVP by October 9th, 2020.

Early bird registrants (by October 2nd) will receive a copy of our Annual Report by mail. If you would like a copy, please ensure you include your address with

your registration.

Please register for CDCD Annual General Meeting on Oct 14, 2020 6:30 PM EDT at:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/842695807968332302>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Please note that this event will be recorded.



DID YOU KNOW?

CDCD History Trivia

Participate in weekly CDCD Trivia for prizes from local businesses!



Celebrating our Legacy, Forging our Future.

Round 2!

Complete this weeks Trivia for a chance to win a prize from local businesses! Click the image to visit the trivia link. Good luck!

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Dr. Gerry Green D.V.M.

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Brock Township Council and
C.A.O. Robert Lamb

The decision made at the July 13 council meeting regarding my Lilac Hedge was very unfair. The decision was unfair because it was based on misinformation and assumptions – not true facts. The basic premise of the entire item discussed was incorrect. I wasn't requesting replacement of the hedge – just reimbursement for the MC Tree service fee I paid to repair the damage done to the Hedge (on private property).

A short history on this hedge. When we built the house there was a typical fencerow at the road, filled with various tree species. One evening, during a storm, one of the tall trees shorted out the hydro line and cut off power right back into Cannington. Ontario Hydro came and discussed replacing the fencerow with a Lilac Hedge because it is a low growing shrub and wouldn't interfere with the hydro line in the future **AND WOULDN'T SPREAD**. I agreed to this idea and they planted the hedge. Do you think Ontario Hydro would plant this hedge on Township property? **NO, NOT LIKELY**. It was planted 3.5 feet away from the road allowance boundary. Also, this hedge didn't spread. Yes, some branches bent and **TOUCHED** the adjacent road allowance but no part of the hedge grew on the road allowance. A Lilac Hedge isn't like a mature tree with branches 15 feet long growing horizontally. It grows vertically and spreads approximately 6 feet wide with no underground rhizome spread.

I got the impression from the council meeting video that my hedge had spread and was growing on the road allowance blocking the “line of site” as expressed by Mayor Bath Hadden. The only deterrent to line of site was, and is, the brush and tallgrass to the north and the south of this hedge. This brush and tall grass is growing to the edge of the road. When Ontario Hydro planted this hedge they also graded the road allowance and I planted grass which I mow a couple times each week. There is **NOTHING** growing on the road allowance except mowed grass. One might say that I’m helping alleviate the Township’s strained budget for brush control by planting grass on Township property and cutting it.

As stated in my first letter there is an Ontario Hydro pole on the edge of the road allowance. Also, there is a Bell Canada junction box south of the hydro pole. This junction box is also near the edge of the road allowance. Judging by the position of my hedge, the hydro pole and the junction box both Ontario Hydro and Bell Canada responsibly determine the edge of the road allowance before doing any work. It’s disappointing to learn that the Works Department doesn’t. The procedure isn’t time consuming and gives accurate guidance to employees out on the road doing the work.

Last fall we had telephone trouble. The Bell Canada technician came out, took the junction box apart to find a mouse nest inside. He never complained about or had to cut hedge branches covering the junction box yet the Township employee cut the hedge back about 2 feet behind this junction box **on my property**. The brushing to the South of the Hedge is 16 feet from the edge of the road. Brushing was done recently north of the Hedge and it is also 16 feet from the edge of the road. I also visited a couple other brushing jobs done in the Township and all were also 16 feet from the road edge. A new ditching project near Sonya extended 16 feet from the road edge. Why did the brushing of my hedge extend over 23 feet from the road edge?

The Invoice attached to my first letter was the cost to me to radically prune the mature damaged wood from the hedge. This mature Lilac Hedge would never have repaired the damage done with the Brush Machine. As a result of the pruning the hedge is looking healthy once again and will possibly bloom again in a couple years. I must say that I didn't ask MC Tree Service to **"charge me whatever he wanted because Brock Township would be paying the bill"**. That was a very unfair statement by Mr. Lagrandeur. I asked MC Tree Service for a fair price and it was. It was a 2 day job for two men with chainsaws, 2 trucks and a wood chipper.

The final decision voted on was the Council **"didn't want to set a precedent"**. To arrive at that very unfair decision you compared my hedge to a Cedar Hedge **GROWING ON THE ROAD ALLOWANCE**. My hedge is definitely not growing on road allowance, as described above, so the comparison is unfounded. I agree that you have the right to cut any overhanging foliage but is it necessary to cut a hedge back almost to it's centre when it's growing 3 ½ feet away from the road allowance on private property.

An interesting observation on the July 13 meeting. The two councillors who were kind enough to come out and observe the damage voted in my favour. I'm assuming they did so because they had the facts. I urge the other council members to come out (and talk to me) and also observe the facts so they can make an informed decision. My telephone number is (705)437-1262. Also, with this information, maybe some new guidelines can be put in place to prevent further recurrences like this again in the Township.

Thank you for your consideration.

Gerry Green



Lake Simcoe Region
conservation authority

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Meeting No. BOD-10-20

Friday, September 25, 2020
9:00 A.M.

AGENDA

Virtual Meeting (Access Details to be Provided)

Minutes and agendas are available on our website: <http://lsrca.on.ca/>

Upcoming Events
2020

Friday, October 23rd **Board of Directors' Meeting**
(being rescheduled to Oct 30th) *Virtual Meeting*
9:00 a.m.

Events are also listed on our Events Page on our website: <http://lsrca.on.ca/events/>

I. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Pages 1-4

RECOMMENDED: THAT the content of the Agenda for the September 25, 2020 meeting of the LSRCA Board of Directors be approved as presented.

III. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

a) Board of Directors

Pages 5-14

Included in the agenda are the draft minutes of the Board of Directors' Meeting No. BOD-08-20 held on Friday, July 24, 2020

RECOMMENDED: THAT the minutes of the Board of Directors' Meeting No. BOD-08-20, held on Friday, July 24, 2020 be approved as circulated.

b) Board of Directors

Pages 15-16

Included in the agenda are the draft minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Directors No. BOD-09-20 held on Friday, September 4, 2020

RECOMMENDED THAT the minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Directors No. BOD-09-20 held on Friday, September 4, 2020 be approved as circulated.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

V. PRESENTATIONS

a) LSRCA Chemical Contaminants Report

Manager, Environmental Science and Monitoring, David Lembcke, will share the work his team has been doing on chemical contaminants and the report they have recently completed. This presentation will be provided at the meeting.

RECOMMENDED THAT the presentation by Manager, Environmental Science and Monitoring, David Lembcke, regarding chemical contaminants be received for information.

b) LSRCA Restoration Services Department Updates

Manager, Restoration Services, Christa Sharp, will highlight some of the projects underway by the Restoration Services department. This presentation will be provided at the meeting.

RECOMMENDED: **THAT the presentation by Manager, Restoration Services, Christa Sharp, regarding Restoration Services department updates be received for information.**

VI. HEARINGS

There are no Hearings scheduled for this meeting.

VII. DEPUTATIONS

a) **Mr. Kent Elson, Elson Advocacy** **Pages 17-26**

Mr. Kent Elson of Elson Advocacy will make a deputation regarding the permit issued on June 18, 2020 regarding Maple Lake Estates property in the Town of Georgina. This permit was subsequently surrendered by the property owner. Mr. Elson's submissions on this matter are included in the agenda.

b) **Mr. Colin Dobell, ClearWater Farm** **Pages 27-36**

Mr. Colin Dobell of ClearWater Farm will make a deputation regarding a proposed pilot project. Mr. Dobell's submission on this matter is included in the agenda.

VIII. DETERMINATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION
(Reference Page 4 of the agenda)

IX. ADOPTION OF ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

X. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

XI. CLOSED SESSION

There are no Closed Session items for this meeting.

XII. OTHER BUSINESS

Next Meeting

The next meeting is currently scheduled for Friday, October 23rd. Chair Emmerson has requested that this meeting be rescheduled to Friday, October 30th. This meeting will be held virtually, access details to be provided.

RECOMMENDED: **THAT the next regular meeting of the Board of Directors be rescheduled from 9:00 a.m. Friday, October 23rd to 9:00 a.m. Friday, October 30th.**

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Correspondence

Pages 37-48

The following correspondence items are included in the agenda:

- a) July 29, 2020 letter from the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry regarding the Pefferlaw Dam ownership;
- b) August 11, 2020 letter from the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry regarding Conservation Ontario's Client Service and Strategic Initiative;
- c) September 10, 2020 letter from the Ministry of Environment, Conservation, and Parks regarding an amendment to Minister's Directives for Conservation Authorities regarding the COVID-19 Outbreak.

RECOMMENDED: **THAT correspondence listed in the agenda as Item 1a) to 1c) be received for information.**

2. Proposal Call for External Audit Services

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RECOMMENDED: **THAT Staff Report No. 40-20-BOD regarding Proposal Call for External Audit Services be received; and**

FURTHER THAT staff's recommendation to appoint BDO Canada LLP to provide external audit services for the period 2020 to 2024 inclusive, subject to annual review, at an annual fee of \$18,500 for 2020, \$19,000 for 2021, \$19,500 for 2022, \$20,000 for 2023 and \$20,500 for 2024 be approved.

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AMO Update: 2020 Federal Throne Speech Lays Out Priorities Including Climate Action, Expanding Rural Broadband, Improved Housing Access, Child Care and Long-Term Care Standards

Her Excellency, Governor General Julie Payette, delivered the Trudeau government's [Speech From The Throne](#) today in the Senate. Throne Speeches lay out broad directions and priorities the government proposes to implement through legislation, policy, spending and other actions during the coming Parliamentary session. Prime Minister Trudeau will address Canadians regarding the priorities in the Speech later this evening.

The federal government is in a minority government situation and a Throne Speech requires the confidence of the House of Commons. This means that the government will require the support of opposition members to pass the Speech. The government and opposition parties will now be assessing the ability to pass the Speech.

Headline Speech commitments include expanding COVID-19 testing capacity to reduce delays; targeted financial support in the event of future localized lockdowns; and creation of 1 million jobs.

Significant commitments of interest to Ontario municipal governments include:

- Keeping the Canada Emergency Response Benefit (CERB) into 2021 and changing Employment Insurance in the long-term to include gig workers, the self-employed;
- Keeping supports such as the Canada Employment Wage Subsidy (CEWS) and the creation of a new disability benefit;
- Investments in infrastructure such as public transit and active transportation; flooding and fire prevention; clean energy and building energy efficiency upgrade supports; affordable housing and reduction of homelessness – including recent initiatives for rapid housing;
- Rural broadband expansion through “accelerating the timelines and ambitions” of the Universal Broadband Fund;
- Action on long-term care with national standards, supports for ageing in place and “*Criminal Code* amendments to explicitly penalize those who neglect seniors under their care;”
- Investing in a childcare and early learning system as well as creating a strategy for women in the economy;
- Banning single use plastics next year and improving recycling as well as creating a Canadian Clean Water Agency;
- Modernizing the *Environmental Protection Act* and legislating the goal of net-zero energy emissions by 2030 as well as expanding electric vehicle charging; and
- Targeted support for travel and tourism, cultural and performing arts, and hospitality industries that have been hardest hit from the pandemic.

Of specific interest to municipal governments, the Speech promised action to continue municipal ability to ban handguns; expanding urban parks and access to greenspace and changes to improve civilian oversight of policing including the RCMP as part of its priority to reduce systemic racism.

Many of the items included in the speech were [proposed by AMO](#) to the federal and provincial government as investments that could help communities recover from the economic fall out of the pandemic. Municipal officials are encouraged to [watch or read the Throne Speech](#) to assess items of interest for their own communities. AMO will continue to analyze the Speech and monitor the progress of commitments made within it and report to members on relevant developments.

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AMO Policy Update – New Legislation, Regional Gathering Restrictions, and Pre-Federal Throne Speech Submission

Provincial Legislation Introduction

Minister Steve Clark, Municipal Affairs and Housing, has [introduced legislation](#) that will, if passed, provide a residential rent freeze and extend suspension of commercial evictions for 2021 as well as change the future management of the municipal electors' list. Although the actual legislation is not available at this time, we are able to provide the following details.

Rent Freeze for Residential Tenants

The *Helping Tenants and Small Businesses Act* would, if passed, freeze rent in 2021 over a one-year period for tenants of most rent-controlled and non-rent-controlled residential units. This includes municipally funded community housing rental units.

Suspension of Commercial Evictions

The Bill, if passed, would change the *Commercial Tenancies Act* to extend the temporary ban on evictions for commercial tenants. The ban will prevent small businesses from being locked out or having their assets seized during COVID-19.

Municipal Electors' List

Minister Clark also announced legislation to change the *Municipal Elections Act* and *Elections Act* to create one unified Electors' List for provincial and municipal elections which will be in place for 2024 and subsequent municipal elections. The Minister first announced the intention to move forward with a single list in October 2019. Challenges with the Electors' List for municipal elections have been identified for some time, making election campaigns and administration more difficult for candidates and municipal staff. The proposed changes should reduce duplication and efforts by municipal elections officials to verify information and improve the voting experience for the public.

AMO will review the legislation once publicly available and will provide updates to members when required.

Regional Gathering Restrictions and Increased Enforcement

The Ontario government has amended order [O. Reg 364/20](#): Rules for Areas in Stage 3 under the *Reopening Ontario (A Flexible Response to COVID-19) Act, 2020*, to set a new limit on the permitted number of people to attend social gatherings and organized public events in the Toronto, Ottawa, and Peel Region public health unit areas that have higher rates of transmission of COVID-19. This includes functions, parties, dinners, gatherings, BBQs, or wedding receptions held in private residences, backyards, parks, and other recreational areas.

This amended order sets a new limit on the number of people allowed to attend an unmonitored social gathering or organized public event in three specific regions to:

- 10 people at an indoor event or gathering (previous limit of 50); or
- 25 people at an outdoor event or gathering (previous limit of 100).

Additionally, to increase compliance with public health guidelines, both within these three regions and across Ontario, amendments to the *Reopening Ontario (A Flexible Response to COVID-19) Act* would, if passed, create:

- a new offence regarding hosting or organizing a gathering in residential premises or other prescribed premises that exceeds limits under an order
- a minimum fine of \$10,000 for organizers of these gatherings
- authority for the Lieutenant Governor in Council to prescribe additional types of premises for the purpose of the new offence
- authority for a police officer, special constable, or First Nations constable to order the temporary closure of a premise where there are reasonable grounds to believe that any gathering exceeding the number of people allowed is taking place and require individuals to leave the premises.

Pre-Federal Throne Speech Submission

With the Federal Throne Speech expected next Wednesday, September 23, AMO President, Graydon Smith, wrote to Prime Minister Trudeau and Minister Freeland

yesterday, regarding "[Supporting Communities: Driving Recovery in the Wake of COVID-19](#)".

In navigating the COVID-19 environment, AMO recognizes that Ontario's municipal governments can drive aspects of economic recovery and ongoing safety to ensure a path toward greater national prosperity. To that end, AMO is outlining policy priorities that align with the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM). These priorities can lead to a fair, safe, and inclusive recovery for all Canadians.

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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