Township of The Archipelago



COUNCIL CORRESPONDENCE

Regular Meeting of Council October 18, 2024

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Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness

Office of the Minister

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77, rue Grenville, 11e étage Toronto (Ontario) M7A 1B3 Tél. : 416 326-3074



September 24, 2024

Bert Liverance Reeve Township of The Archipelago bliverance@thearchipelago.ca

Dear Reeve Liverance:

I am pleased to share that the governments of Canada and Ontario are investing up to \$1.5 million in our new Agricultural Workforce Equity and Diversity Initiative (AWEDI) to help minority groups start and grow businesses in the agri-food sector.

Funded through the Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership (Sustainable CAP), AWEDI provides grants of up to \$100,000 to support agribusiness ventures led by underrepresented groups, including Indigenous peoples, 2SLGBTQI+ people, persons with disabilities, youth, women or members of French linguistic minority communities.

AWEDI is open to applications from organizations, research bodies, municipalities or Indigenous communities. Successful projects will support underrepresented groups in accessing spaces and equipment to grow or process agri-food products, as well as resources to help with financing.

Applications will open on October 8, 2024, and will be open until December 3, 2024.

Our government is committed to increasing the entrepreneurial diversity of our agricultural sector through our Grow Ontario Strategy. AWEDI will reinforce additional efforts our government has taken to cultivate agri-food talent, while enabling more Ontarians to share in the success of our growing agri-food industry. Should you have any questions about this or any other Ministry programs, please call 1-877-424-1300.

Sincerely,

Rob Flack

Minister of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness



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Ontario

Le 24 septembre 2024

Bonjour,

Je suis heureux de vous annoncer que les gouvernements du Canada et de l'Ontario investissent jusqu'à 1,5 million de dollars dans notre nouvelle Initiative pour l'équité et la diversité dans le secteur agricole (IEDSA) afin d'aider les groupes minoritaires à lancer et à faire croître des entreprises dans le secteur agroalimentaire.

Financée dans le cadre du Partenariat canadien pour une agriculture durable (PCA durable), l'IEDSA offre des subventions pouvant atteindre 100 000 \$ pour appuyer les agroentreprises dirigées par groupes sous-représentés, y compris des Autochtones, des personnes 2SLGBTQI+, des personnes handicapées, des jeunes, des femmes ou des membres de collectivités francophones minoritaires.

L'IEDSA accepte les demandes d'organismes, d'organismes de recherche, de municipalité ou de collectivités autochtones. Les projets retenus appuieront des groupes sous-représentés dans l'accès à des lieux et à du matériel pour cultiver ou transformer des produits agroalimentaires, ainsi qu'à des ressources pour les aider avec le financement.

La période de réception des demandes s'amorce le 8 octobre 2024 et se poursuivra jusqu'au 3 décembre 2024.

Notre gouvernement est déterminé à accroître la diversité entrepreneuriale de notre secteur agricole grâce à notre stratégie Cultiver l'Ontario. L'IEDSA renforcera les efforts additionnels consentis par notre gouvernement pour cultiver le talent agroalimentaire, tout en permettant à une part plus importante de la population ontarienne de participer au succès de notre industrie. Si vous avez des guestions concernant ce programme ou d'autres programmes du ministère, veuillez composer le 1 877 424-1300.

Veuillez recevoir mes plus cordiales salutations.

Le ministre de l'Agriculture, de l'Alimentation et de l'Agroentreprise,

Rob Flack





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Reply Attention of: Cale Henderson

Telephone Extension: 305

Internet Address: chenderson@thearchipelago.ca

September 30, 2024

Mr. Taylor Elgie, Director of Planning Seguin Township 5 Humphrey Drive Seguin, Ontario P2A 2W8

Delivered via email (telgie@seguin.ca)

Dear Mr. Elgie:

RE: Clear Lake Subdivision, Seguin Township

With the recent development of the Clear Lake Subdivision in Seguin Township, the ongoing use of the creek connecting Clear Lake and Crane Lake has been a growing concern within our community. The Township previously raised concerns with the use of the creek in 2018, as per the attached letter.

This past summer, it was reported to both the Township of The Archipelago and the Ministry of Natural Resources that the creek has been cleared of any obstructions, including a beaver dam, to allow for the transportation of floating docks and navigation through the creek. Township of The Archipelago Council and the Crane Lake Community is concerned with any further alterations to the creek and degradation to the natural environment.

To avoid further impacts, Township of The Archipelago Council has directed me to outline these concerns and explore opportunities to resolve these matters, including the possibility of Seguin Township creating an access point on Clear Lake to avoid further impacts to the creek.

At your earliest convenience, we would be pleased to schedule a meeting to further discuss these matters.

Regards,

Cale Henderson

Manager of Development & Environmental Services

The Township of The Archipelago

cc. Parry Sound Work Centre, Ministry of Natural Resources (psdistrict.mnrf@ontario.ca)





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Reply to Attention of:
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October 26, 2018

Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry 7 Bay Street
Parry Sound, ON P2A 1S4

Attention: Mr. Dan Duggan

District Manager, Parry Sound

Dear Mr. Duggan:

Re: Clear Lake Subdivision, Seguin Township

Council for the Township of The Archipelago has renewed concerns with the potential impacts on the creek connecting Clear Lake with Crane Lake, due to the recent activity regarding the draft approved plan of subdivision on Clear Lake in Seguin Township.

Understanding that the Clear Lake Subdivision received draft approval from the Ontario Municipal Board in 1998, Council is concerned with the likelihood of increased use of the creek that flows from Clear Lake into Crane Lake in the Township of The Archipelago. Due to the limited recreational capacity of Clear Lake, the concern is that many of the future Clear Lake residents will utilize the creek to access Crane Lake. This area is identified as Critical (Type 1) fish habitat and is environmentally sensitive. The increased traffic, use and possible modification to the creek, has the potential of significant, negative environmental impacts on the creek and the surrounding natural heritage features.

In addition, due to the amount of time that has lapsed since the original approval, Council for the Township of The Archipelago supports the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry and Seguin Township in implementing current standards of development, where reasonable and legally possible.

Council for the Township of The Archipelago wanted to inform the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry and Seguin Township, of its concerns and is looking forward to working together to protect our community.

Sincerely,

Cale Henderson

Manager of Development & Environmental Services

c. Steve Stone, Seguin Township



Seguin Township Master Servicing Plan for Minister's Zoning Order Lands



Notice of Study Commencement

Introduction

Recognizing the need for more attainable housing in Seguin Township, the Municipality submitted a request to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing for a Minister's Zoning Order (MZO) for an area of land, approximately 309 hectares, located in the north part of the Township immediately adjacent to the Town of Parry Sound. The request was submitted January 5, 2022, along with supporting information including correspondence from neighboring municipalities and community organizations, preliminary environmental constraints and servicing information and planning justification. The Order was granted March 17, 2023. The MZO permits the lands to be developed to facilitate housing and mixed-use development without the need for a zoning by-law amendment application to establish the principle of use. Development of these lands will still require comprehensive studies to establish developable area and servicing requirements, together with detailed planning exercises such as draft plan of subdivision approval and site plan control.

The Township intends for the development to proceed in an orderly, well planned and coordinated manner. At its meeting of July 2, 2024, Township Council authorized staff to proceed with the preparation of a Master Servicing Plan (MSP) for the area to lay the groundwork for Water, Wastewater and Transportation Servicing.

The Study

The Township has retained the services of Ainley & Associates Ltd. to undertake the MSP for the MZO lands. The objective of the MSP is to identify and evaluate options for water and wastewater servicing and transportation (major roads) in order to develop a comprehensive long range plan for infrastructure.

The Process

The study is to follow and satisfy the requirements of Phases 1 and 2 of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Process dated February 2024 prepared by the Municipal Engineers Association. The end product will be a comprehensive document that will be used in support of further specific projects such as water supply and wastewater treatment works.

How to Get Involved

Public input is encouraged throughout this project and will be given consideration during the study. Study notices Lands subject to O. Reg XXX22

Lands to be zoned to the Mixed Use Exception 3 (MJ-3) Zone

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will be published on the Township's website https://letsconnectseguin.ca/mzo-application to inform the public of updates and engagement opportunities. To obtain additional information, provide input, or request to be added to the contact list for this study, please contact either of the following members of the study team.

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Sequin Township
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Sequin, ON P2A 2W8
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preya.balgobin@ainleygroup.com

Information will be collected in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record.

This notice first issued October 2, 2024.



September 25, 2024

The Honorable Doug Ford Premier of Ontario Legislative Building, Queen's Park Toronto, ON M7A 1A1 Sent by Email

Dear: Honourable Doug Ford

RE: Public Sector Salary Disclosure

The Council of the Corporation of Tay Valley Township at its meeting held on September 24th, 2024 adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #C-2024-09-16

MOVED BY: Greg Hallam SECONDED BY: Wayne Baker

"THAT, the Council of the Corporation of Tay Valley Township support the Township of Stirling-Rawdon's resolution regarding Public Sector Salary Disclosure;

THAT, the Public Sector Salary Disclosure Act be updated to reflect the inflation rates since 1996;

THAT, the Act be further updated so that the inflation rate is applied each year to the requirement to report public salaries;

AND THAT, this resolution be sent to the Province of Ontario Premier's Office, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all Ontario Municipalities."

ADOPTED



If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at (613) 267-5353 ext. 130 or deputyclerk@tayvalleytwp.ca

Sincerely,

Aaron Watt, Deputy Clerk

Cc: Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)

All Ontario Municipalities



Clerk's Department

Township of Clearview Box 200, 217 Gideon Street Stayner, Ontario LOM 1S0

<u>clerks@clearview.ca</u> | <u>www.clearview.ca</u>

Phone: 705-428-6230

October 8, 2024

Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing Hon. Paul Calandra

Sent by Email: <u>minister.mah@ontario.ca</u>

RE: Support Resolution – Updates to the Municipal Elections Act

Please be advised at its meeting held on October 7, 2024, Council of the Township of Clearview passed the following resolution supporting AMCTO's advocacy for updates to the Municipal Elections Act:

Moved by Councillor Broderick, Seconded by Councillor Walker, Whereas, election rules need to be clear, supporting candidates and voters in their electoral participation and election administrators in running elections;

Whereas, legislation needs to strike the right balance between providing clear rules and frameworks to ensure the integrity of the electoral process;

Whereas, the legislation must also reduce administrative and operational burden for municipal staff ensuring that local election administrators can run elections in a way that responds to the unique circumstances of their local communities;

Whereas, the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* (MEA) will be 30 years old by the next municipal and school board elections in 2026;

Whereas, the MEA sets out the rules for local elections, the *Assessment Act, 1990* and the *Education Act, 1990* also contain provisions impacting local elections adding more places for voters, candidates, and administrators to look for the rules that bind the local democratic process in Ontario;

Whereas, with rules across three pieces of legislation, and the *MEA* containing a patchwork of clauses, there are interpretation challenges, inconsistencies, and gaps to fill;

Whereas, the Act can pose difficulties for voters, candidates, contributors and thirdparty advertisers to read, to interpret, to comply with and for election administrators to enforce; Whereas, while local elections are run as efficiently and effectively as can be within the current legislative framework, modernization and continuous improvement is needed to ensure the Act is responsive to today's needs and tomorrow's challenges;

Whereas, to keep public trust and improve safeguards the Act should be reviewed considering the ever-changing landscape which impacts elections administration including privacy, the threats of foreign interference, increased spread of mis/disinformation and the increased use of technologies like artificial intelligence and use of digital identities;

Whereas, the Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks, and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO) reviewed the Act and has provided several recommendations including modernizing the legislation, harmonizing rules, and streamlining and simplifying administration;

And Whereas, AMCTO put forward recommendations for amendments ahead of the 2026 elections and longer-term recommendations for amendments ahead of the 2030 elections;

Therefore, Be It Resolved That Council of the Corporation of the Township of Clearview calls for the Province to update the MEA with priority amendments as outlined by AMCTO before Summer 2025 and commence work to review and re-write the MEA with longer-term recommendations ahead of the 2030 elections;

And Be It Further Resolved that this resolution will be forwarded to all municipalities in Ontario for support and that each endorsement be then forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing (minister.mah@ontario.ca), the Minister of Education (minister.edu@ontario.ca), the Minister of Public and Business Service Delivery (todd.mccarthy@ontario.ca), Minister of Finance (Minister.fin@ontario.ca) the Premier of Ontario (premier@ontario.ca), Simcoe-Grey MPP (brian.saunderson@pc.ola.org) and AMCTO (advocacy@amcto.com). Motion Carried.

We look forward to hearing of the continued advocacy regarding this matter and updates on when the Ministry will move ahead with amending the Municipal Elections Act.

Sincerely,

Sasha Helmkay-Playter, B.A., Dipl. M.A., AOMC

Clerk/Director of Legislative Services

Clerk's Department October 8, 2024

cc: Minister of Education

Minister of Public and Business Service Delivery

Minister of Finance Premier of Ontario Simcoe Grey MPP

AMCTO Advocacy



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September 18, 2024

AMCTO Advocacy Team 2680 Skymark Ave, Suite 610 Mississauga, ON L4W 5L6

Senty by Email to: advocacy@amcto.com

Re: Provincial Updates to the Municipal Elections Act

At its regular meeting of Council held on September 18, 2024, the Township of Amaranth Council passed the following resolution.

Resolution #: 3

Moved by: G. Little

Seconded by: B. Metzger

WHEREAS elections rules need to be clear, supporting candidates and voters in their electoral participation and election administrators in running elections.

WHEREAS legislation needs to strike the right balance between providing clear rules and frameworks to ensure the integrity of the electoral process,

WHEREAS the legislation must also reduce administrative and operational burden for municipal staff ensuring that local election administrators can run elections in a way that responds to the unique circumstances of their local communities.

WHEREAS the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* (MEA) will be 30 years old by the next municipal and school board elections in 2026.

WHEREAS the MEA sets out the rules for local elections, the *Assessment Act,* 1990 and the *Education Act,* 1990 also contain provisions impacting local elections adding more places for voters, candidates, and administrators to look for the rules that bind the local democratic process in Ontario.

WHEREAS with rules across three pieces of legislation, and the *MEA* containing a patchwork of clauses, there are interpretation challenges, inconsistencies, and gaps to fill.

WHEREAS the Act can pose difficulties for voters, candidates, contributors and third-party advertisers to read, to interpret, to comply with and for election administrators to enforce.

WHEREAS while local elections are run as efficiently and effectively as can be within the current legislative framework, modernization and continuous improvement is needed to ensure the Act is responsive to today's needs and tomorrow's challenges.

WHEREAS to keep public trust and improve safeguards the Act should be reviewed considering the ever-changing landscape which impacts elections administration including privacy, the threats of foreign interference, increased spread of mis/disinformation and the increased use of technologies like artificial intelligence and use of digital identities.

WHEREAS the Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks, and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO) reviewed the Act and has provided several recommendations including modernizing the legislation, harmonizing rules, and streamlining and simplifying administration.

AND WHERAS AMCTO put forward recommendations for amendments ahead of the 2026 elections and longer-term recommendations for amendments ahead of the 2030 elections.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Township of Amaranth calls for the Province to update the MEA with priority amendments as outlined by AMCTO before Summer 2025 and commence work to review and re-write the MEA with longer-term recommendations ahead of the 2030 elections.

And Be It Further Resolved that this resolution will be forwarded to all municipalities in Ontario for support and that each endorsement be then forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing (minister.mah@ontario.ca), the Minister of Education (minister.edu@ontario.ca), the Minister of Public and Business Service Delivery (todd.mccarthy@ontario.ca), Minister of Finance (Minister.fin@ontario.ca) the Premier of Ontario (premier@ontario.ca), Sylvia Jones MPP (sylvia.jones@ontario.ca) and AMCTO (advocacy@amcto.com)

CARRIED

Please do not hesitate to contact the office if you require any further information.

Yours truly,

Nicole Martin, Dipl. M.A.

CAO/Clerk

cc. All Ontario Municipalities

Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing (minister.mah@ontario.ca)

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Minister of Public and Business Service Delivery (todd.mccarthy@ontario.ca)

Minister of Finance (Minister.fin@ontario.ca)

Premier of Ontario (premier@ontario.ca)

Sylvia Jones MPP (sylvia.jones@ontario.ca)



The Corporation of the City of Temiskaming Shores Regular Council Meeting Tuesday, September 17, 2024

Resolution

Provincial decision regarding alcohol sales in convenience stores and locations that sell fuel to drivers, and the development of a comprehensive provincial alcohol strategy

Resolution No. 2024-332

Moved by: Councillor Whalen Seconded by: Councillor Wilson

Whereas excessive consumption of alcohol has a negative impact on many communities because of detrimental health effects, road safety, and other harms; and

Whereas the number of cases of individuals driving under the influence are increasing in Ontario, and the Timiskaming District has recently seen its highest rate ever for impaired driving infractions with 10 in April of 2024; and

Whereas jurisdictions with broader access to alcohol have higher rates of driving under the influence and crashes associated with alcohol; and

Whereas alcohol causes at least seven types of cancer and is a risk factor for, disease, disability and premature death, and is a direct cause of 4,300 deaths and 195,000 emergency department visits per year in Ontario; and

Whereas alcohol related emergency department visits increased 18 percent after the introduction of alcohol sales in grocery stores in Ontario; and

Whereas 35 percent of youth in grades 10 and 11 in the Timiskaming District have indicated that they consumed alcohol at 13 years or younger; and

Whereas 49 percent of youth in grades 10 and 11 in the Timiskaming District have been drunk at least once in their life; and

Whereas alcohol related harms cost the Ontario economy 7 billion dollars a year; and

Whereas alcohol is a factor in many domestic, sexual and physical assaults in Ontario; and

Whereas most tax revenue generated by the sale of alcohol goes to the province yet the costs and harms that are alcohol related are borne by the municipalities in the form of policing and social services and public health costs.

Therefore be it resolved that Council for the City of Temiskaming Shores requests the Government of Ontario reverse their decision to allow alcohol to be sold in more locations and implement the following recommendations:

- 1. Permit municipalities to opt out of retail alcohol expansion;
- 2. Grant municipalities the powers to use zoning to determine where new alcohol retail locations are acceptable;
- 3. Not permit alcohol sales within 150 m of schools, daycares, or substance use facilities;
- 4. Prohibit the sale of Alcohol at gas stations;
- 5. Require health warning labels on all alcohol containers;
- 6. Dedicate a portion of provincial alcohol revenue to addressing alcohol related harms; and
- 7. Develop and implement a comprehensive provincial alcohol strategy, in partnership with municipalities, that prioritizes health and safety and considers the costs associated with alcohol consumption.

Further that a copy of this resolution be provided to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health; the Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General; the Honourable Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation; John Vanthof, MPP Timiskaming Cochrane; AMO; FONOM; ROMA; Temiskaming Municipal Association (TMA); Timiskaming Health Unit (Planet Youth Timiskaming); Temiskaming Shores OPP Detachment Board; and all Ontario Municipalities.

Carried

Certified True Copy City of Temiskaming Shores

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Logan Belanger Municipal Clerk

Municipality of Tweed Council Meeting Council Meeting

Resolution No.

462.

Title:

Mayor D. DeGenova

Date:

Tuesday, September 10, 2024



Moved by

J. Palmateer

Seconded by

P. Valiquette

WHEREAS the Corporation of the Municipality of Tweed is entering into an agreement to receive Canada Community-Building Funds, which is administered by the Association of Ontario Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) on behalf of the Federal government;

AND WHEREAS the funding allocations are less that 2% year over year for the next 5 years;

AND WHEREAS the amounts allocated in the past 5 years were less than 2% year over year;

AND WHEREAS non-residential construction price inflation has risen by 29% since the end of 2020 and municipalities are facing soaring costs for infrastructure projects without a corresponding growth in revenue:

AND WHEREAS there is a requirement for municipalities to complete an asset management plan and a housing needs analysis;

AND WHEREAS both of these plans show the large funding gap between infrastructure and housing needs and funds available from property taxation;

AND WHEREAS the Corporation of the Municipality of Tweed has over \$195 million in core infrastructure assets and, like other municipalities, its infrastructure is aging and in need of upgrades and replacement;

AND WHEREAS the Municipality's Asset Management Plan requires \$15.1 million annually to maintain existing assets which, based on current available funding, is resulting in an annual infrastructure deficit of over \$14.4 million;

AND WHEREAS municipalities are facing a gap in federal infrastructure funding as the 10-year Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program has come to an end;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Corporation of the Municipality of Tweed calls on the Federal Government to provide a supplement to the allocations provided to municipalities under the AMO CBBF agreement for 2024 - 2028 for the same amount that was allocated, effectively doubling the allocation for those years;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to MFOA, AMO, MP Shelby Kramp-Neuman, and Federal Finance Minister Chrystia Freeland, and all Municipalities in Ontario.



OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL CLERK

150 Frederick Street, 2nd Floor Kitchener ON N2G 4J3 Canada Telephone: 519-575-4400 TTY: 519-575-4608 Fax: 519-575-4481 www.regionofwaterloo.ca

September 26, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada

Dear Prime Minister:

Re: Solve the Crisis

Please be advised that the Council of the Regional Municipality of Waterloo at their regular meeting held on September 25, 2024, approved the following motion:

Whereas there is a humanitarian crisis in cities, large and small, urban and rural, across Ontario. We need immediate action at all levels of government, starting with the Province; and

Whereas the homelessness, mental health and addictions crisis continues to grow with 3432 drug related deaths in Ontario in 2023 as well as with an estimated 234,000 Ontarians experiencing homelessness and over 1400 homeless encampments across Ontario communities in 2023; and

Whereas the province has provided additional funding for mental health, addictions and homelessness programs, including the recently announced Homelessness and Addiction Recovery Treatment (HART) Hubs, it does not adequately address the growing crisis and the financial and social impact on municipalities and regions across the province; and

Whereas municipalities and regions are stepping up and working with community partners to put in place community-specific solutions to address this crisis, but municipalities and regions lack the expertise, capacity, or resources to address these increasingly complex health care and housing issues alone; and

Whereas this is primarily a health issue that falls under provincial jurisdiction and municipalities and regions should not be using the property tax base to fund these programs; and



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Whereas there is no provincial Minister focused on this crisis leading to unanswered questions that span over a dozen ministries, and a lack of support to manage the increasing needs of those who are unhoused.

Now Therefore be it resolved that the Region of Waterloo supports the Solve the Crisis Campaign;

And calls on provincial and federal governments to commit to immediate action to solve the Humanitarian Crisis that Ontario is facing as the numbers of unhoused individuals and those suffering with mental health & addictions grows exponentially;

AND that the province officially makes Homelessness a Health Priority;

AND appoints a responsible Minister and Ministry with the appropriate funding and powers as a single point of contact to address the full spectrum of housing needs as well as mental health, addictions and wrap around supports;

AND request that the provincial government strike a task force with broad sector representatives including municipalities, regions, healthcare, first responders, community services, the business community and the tourism industry to develop a *Made in Ontario Action Plan*:

AND that this provincial task force reviews current programs developed by municipalities, regions and community partners that have proven successful in our communities, to ensure that solutions can be implemented quickly and effectively to tackle this crisis.

AND provides the adequate, sufficient and sustainable funding to ensure that municipalities have the tools and resources to support individuals suffering with mental health and addictions, including unhoused people and those from vulnerable populations that may be disproportionately impacted;

And that this Council calls on the residents across the Region of Waterloo to join us in appealing to the provincial and federal governments for support by visiting SolveTheCrisis.ca and showing your support;

And further that a copy of this motion be sent to:



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- The Honourable Sean Fraser, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities of Canada
- The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
- The Honourable Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health
- The Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
- The Honourable Michael Parsa, Minister of Children, Community and Social Services
- The Honourable Michael Tibollo, Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addictions
- Local and area MPs, MPPs and Heads of Council
- The Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Ontario's Big City Mayors and Mayors and Regional Chairs of Ontario

Please accept this letter for information purposes only. If you have any questions please contact Regional Councillor Dorothy McCabe Dorothy.McCabe@waterloo.ca

Please forward any written responses to this letter to William Short, Director, Council & Administrative Services/Regional Clerk regionalclerk@regionofwaterloo.ca

Yours sincerely,

William Short, Director Council and Administrative Services/Regional Clerk

cc: Region of Waterloo Councillor Dorothy McCabe <u>Dorothy.McCabe@waterloo.ca</u>



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September 26, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada

Dear Prime Minister:

Re: Solve the Crisis

Please be advised that the Council of the Regional Municipality of Waterloo at their regular meeting held on September 25, 2024, approved the following motion:

Whereas there is a humanitarian crisis in cities, large and small, urban and rural, across Ontario. We need immediate action at all levels of government, starting with the Province; and

Whereas the homelessness, mental health and addictions crisis continues to grow with 3432 drug related deaths in Ontario in 2023 as well as with an estimated 234,000 Ontarians experiencing homelessness and over 1400 homeless encampments across Ontario communities in 2023; and

Whereas the province has provided additional funding for mental health, addictions and homelessness programs, including the recently announced Homelessness and Addiction Recovery Treatment (HART) Hubs, it does not adequately address the growing crisis and the financial and social impact on municipalities and regions across the province; and

Whereas municipalities and regions are stepping up and working with community partners to put in place community-specific solutions to address this crisis, but municipalities and regions lack the expertise, capacity, or resources to address these increasingly complex health care and housing issues alone; and

Whereas this is primarily a health issue that falls under provincial jurisdiction and municipalities and regions should not be using the property tax base to fund these programs; and



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Whereas there is no provincial Minister focused on this crisis leading to unanswered questions that span over a dozen ministries, and a lack of support to manage the increasing needs of those who are unhoused.

Now Therefore be it resolved that the Region of Waterloo supports the Solve the Crisis Campaign;

And calls on provincial and federal governments to commit to immediate action to solve the Humanitarian Crisis that Ontario is facing as the numbers of unhoused individuals and those suffering with mental health & addictions grows exponentially;

AND that the province officially makes Homelessness a Health Priority;

AND appoints a responsible Minister and Ministry with the appropriate funding and powers as a single point of contact to address the full spectrum of housing needs as well as mental health, addictions and wrap around supports;

AND request that the provincial government strike a task force with broad sector representatives including municipalities, regions, healthcare, first responders, community services, the business community and the tourism industry to develop a *Made in Ontario Action Plan*:

AND that this provincial task force reviews current programs developed by municipalities, regions and community partners that have proven successful in our communities, to ensure that solutions can be implemented quickly and effectively to tackle this crisis.

AND provides the adequate, sufficient and sustainable funding to ensure that municipalities have the tools and resources to support individuals suffering with mental health and addictions, including unhoused people and those from vulnerable populations that may be disproportionately impacted;

And that this Council calls on the residents across the Region of Waterloo to join us in appealing to the provincial and federal governments for support by visiting SolveTheCrisis.ca and showing your support;

And further that a copy of this motion be sent to:



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- The Honourable Sean Fraser, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities of Canada
- The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
- The Honourable Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health
- The Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
- The Honourable Michael Parsa, Minister of Children, Community and Social Services
- The Honourable Michael Tibollo, Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addictions
- Local and area MPs, MPPs and Heads of Council
- The Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Ontario's Big City Mayors and Mayors and Regional Chairs of Ontario

Please accept this letter for information purposes only. If you have any questions please contact Regional Councillor Dorothy McCabe Dorothy.McCabe@waterloo.ca

Please forward any written responses to this letter to William Short, Director, Council & Administrative Services/Regional Clerk regionalclerk@regionofwaterloo.ca

Yours sincerely,

William Short, Director Council and Administrative Services/Regional Clerk

cc: Region of Waterloo Councillor Dorothy McCabe <u>Dorothy.McCabe@waterloo.ca</u>

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September 19, 2024

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

Dear Premier Ford:

This is to advise that City Council, at a meeting held on August 26, 2024, passed the following resolution regarding Renovictions and Safe and Adequate Housing:

"WHEREAS the City of Kitchener adopted the resolution, "'Renovictions' - Safe and Adequate Housing" on October 18, 2021, advocating to the Province of Ontario to take additional and meaningful steps to address the ever-increasing problem of Renovictions;

WHEREAS the City of Kitchener is taking meaningful steps to help address the issue with the legislated tools available to municipalities including adopting Inclusionary Zoning By-law and a Rental Replacement By-law;

THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED that the City of Kitchener supports the resolution adopted by the City of Toronto to urge the Province of Ontario to proclaim and bring into force all regulations pertaining to Bill 97, Helping Homebuyers, Protecting Tenants Act, 2023,

THEREFORE IT FURTHER BE RESOLVED that the City of Kitchener supports the resolution adopted by the City of Toronto to request to the Province of Ontario to amend the Residential Tenancies Act, 2006, and/or related regulations to:

- a. reintroduce vacancy control legislation which ties rents to residential units rather than tenancies;
- b. introduce rent control to cover units first occupied after November 15, 2018;
- require landlords of residential units to be responsible for finding temporary accommodation or provide sufficient relocation assistance for their tenants for the duration of the renovations if tenants intend to return post - repair/renovation;

- d. require landlords to obtain a building permit before issuing an N13 notice of termination, provide a copy of the applicable permit to tenants together with any N13 notice of termination, require evidence that the permit was delivered with the N13 notice of termination as part of any L2 application to end a tenancy filed on that basis, and require the approved permit be provided to the LTB as part of any L2 application to end a tenancy filed on the basis of an N13 notice of termination;
- e. provide the same rights and compensation afforded to tenants in buildings with five (5) or more units to those in buildings with less than five (5) units;
- f. increase the required compensation for tenants in no-fault evictions:
- g. remove ex parte eviction orders for breached repayment agreements;
- h. require landlords to attach a plain-language tenants' rights information package to N13 eviction notices;
- regulate N11s and buy-out agreements; and
- j. amend Above Guideline Increase (AGI) rules to eliminate the eligibility of capital expenditures that constitute general repair and maintenance of the property; add a new subsection requiring landlords to save 10 percent of rental income to be accessed for capital expenditures; and require landlords to notify tenants of the decrease in advance of the date when rent is required to be reduced as specified in an order permitting an AGI related to eligible capital expenses;

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Kitchener supports the resolution adopted by the City of Toronto to urge to the province of Ontario to make the following operational changes to the Landlord Tenant Tribunal (LTB):

- a. allow tenants the right to in-person LTB hearings to eliminate technological barriers for individuals who do not have access to digital devices or reliable internet connection;
- b. simplify LTB notices with plain language so they are easily understood and ensure all forms include a tracking number that is linked to a public registry; and
- c. establish a provincial rental registry that tracks building ownership, rental rates, AGIs and their expiry dates, and LTB eviction filings and their outcomes; and monitor data on N12 and N13 evictions.

THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that a copy of this motion be sent to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Premier of Ontario, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and housing, all other municipalities within Ontario, the Region of Waterloo and other Municipalities for their consideration and possible endorsement."

Yours truly,

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Director of Legislated Services & City Clerk

Cc: Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and

Housing

Colin Best, President, Association of Municipalities Ontario

Will Short, Clerk, Region of Waterloo

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Sloane Sweazey, Senior Policy Advisor, City of Kitchener

The Corporation of the Municipality of St. Charles RESOLUTION PAGE

Regular Meeting of Council

Agenda Number:

7.4.

Resolution Number 2024-325

Title:

Resolution stemming from May 15, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council - Item 10.1 -

Correspondence #12

Date:

August 14, 2024

Moved by:

Councillor Loftus

Seconded by:

Councillor Laframboise

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of St.-Charles hereby supports Resolution #26-24 passed by Public Health Sudbury and Districts, regarding recommendations for Government Regulations of nicotine pouches;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, Doug Ford; the Deputy Premier and Minister of Health, Sylvia Jones; our local member of Provincial Parliament (MPP); the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); the Public Health Sudbury & Districts; and all Ontario Municipalities.

CARRIED



April 22, 2024

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

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

Dear Premier Ford:

Re: Recommendations for Government Regulation of Nicotine Pouches

In July 2023, Health Canada gave approval to Imperial Tobacco Canada to sell Zonnic under the Natural Health Product Regulations as a Nicotine Replacement Therapy (NRT) product. Consequently, Zonnic is sold under the Health Canada approval without adhering to the restrictions of the Federal Tobacco and Vaping Products Act, 1997 and the Smoke-Free Ontario Act, 2017.

Since this time, nicotine pouches have become widely available to youth. These flavoured pouches can be legally purchased by those under 18 years of age in Ontario. The unrestricted sale, display, and promotion of nicotine pouches contribute to accessibility, normalization, and potential health hazards. Nicotine is highly addictive and its use, in any form, is unsafe for children¹ and youth². Exposure to nicotine can have adverse effects on the developing brains of children and youth and increases the likelihood of initiation and long-term use of tobacco².

In March 2024, Public Health Sudbury & Districts released an advisory alert to local health system partners sharing concerns related to nicotine pouches. Additionally, letters were sent to education directors, educators, and parents to increase awareness of the availability and risks of nicotine pouches to children and youth.

At its meeting on April 18, 2024, the Board of Health for Public Health Sudbury & Districts took further action and carried the following resolution #26-24:

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Elm Place

10 rue Elm Street Unit / Unité 130 Sudbury ON P3C 5N3 t: 705.522.9200 f: 705.677.9611

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1 rue King Street Box / Boîte 58 St.-Charles ON POM 2W0 t: 705.222.9201 f: 705.867.0474

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The Honourable Doug Ford April 22, 2024 Page 2

WHEREAS Health Canada approved nicotine pouches for sale under the Natural Health Product regulations providing no restrictions on advertising or sale to children and youth; and

WHEREAS the unrestricted sale, display, and promotion of nicotine pouches contribute to their accessibility, the normalization of nicotine use, and potential health hazards; and

WHEREAS nicotine is highly addictive and its use, in any form, is unsafe for children and youth; and

WHEREAS exposure to nicotine can have adverse effects on the developing brains of adolescents and young adults and increases the likelihood of initiation and long-term use of tobacco products; and

WHEREAS the emergence of nicotine pouch products occurred rapidly without requiring adherence to the restrictions of the federal <u>Tobacco and Vaping Products Act, 1997</u>, and the <u>Smoke-Free Ontario Act, 2017</u>; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Health for Public Health Sudbury & Districts strongly encourage Health Canada to take immediate action to close the regulatory gap that permits the sale of nicotine pouches to youth under 18 years of age; and

FURTHER THAT the Board of Health urge Health Canada to strengthen regulations to restrict the sale of new and emerging tobacco and nicotine products, ensuring that nicotine availability to children and youth never occur again; and

FURTHER THAT the Board of Health for Public Health Sudbury & Districts strongly encourage the Government of Ontario to exclusively sell nicotine pouches from behind pharmacy counters, limit their display in retail settings, and restrict their promotion, especially to youth; and

FURTHER THAT the Government of Ontario expand the Smoke-Free Ontario Strategy to create a comprehensive, coherent public health-oriented framework for the regulation of vaping and all nicotine-containing products.

We strongly encourage the Government of Ontario to follow immediately the Government of British Columbia and the Government of Québec to exclusively sell nicotine pouches in pharmacies, specifically behind the counter. This decision reduces product availability, restricts their promotion, and limits their display in retail settings.

Until tighter restrictions of nicotine pouches are implemented, the widely available and accessible product will continue to expose children and youth to nicotine. The Board of Health for Public Health Sudbury & Districts strongly encourages the Government of Ontario to expand the Smoke-Free Ontario Strategy to create a comprehensive, coherent public health-oriented framework for the regulation of vaping and all nicotine-containing products.

The Honourable Doug Ford April 22, 2024 Page 3

We thank you for your speedy attention to this important issue, and we continue to look forward to opportunities to work together to promote and protect the health of Ontarians.

Sincerely,

René Lapierre

Chair, Board of Health

M. Mustafa Hirji, MD, MPH, FRCPC

Acting Medical Officer of Health and Chief Executive Officer

cc: Honourable Mark Holland, Minister of Health of Canada

Honourable Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health

Honourable Ya'ara Saks, Canada's Minister of Mental Health and Addictions and

Associate Minister of Health

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Michael Mantha, Member of Provincial Parliament, Algoma-Manitoulin

Viviane Lapointe, Member of Parliament, Sudbury

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www.cdc.gov/tobacco/sgr/ecigarettes/pdfs/2016 sgr entire report 508.pdf.



April 22, 2024

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

The Honourable Mark Holland Minister of Health of Canada House of Commons Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0A6

Dear Minister Holland:

Re: Recommendations for Government Regulation of Nicotine Pouches

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In March 2024, Public Health Sudbury & Districts released an advisory alert to local health system partners sharing concerns related to nicotine pouches. Additionally, letters were sent to education directors, educators, and parents to increase awareness of the availability and risks of nicotine pouches to children and youth.

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the Natural Health Product regulations providing no restrictions on advertising or sale to children and youth; and

WHEREAS the unrestricted sale, display, and promotion of nicotine pouches contribute to their accessibility, the normalization of nicotine use, and potential health hazards; and

WHEREAS nicotine is highly addictive and its use, in any form, is unsafe for children and youth; and

WHEREAS exposure to nicotine can have adverse effects on the developing brains of adolescents and young adults and increases the likelihood of initiation and long-term use of tobacco products; and

WHEREAS the emergence of nicotine pouch products occurred rapidly without requiring adherence to the restrictions of the federal <u>Tobacco and Vaping Products Act, 1997</u>, and the <u>Smoke-Free Ontario Act, 2017</u>; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Health for Public Health Sudbury & Districts strongly encourage Health Canada to take immediate action to close the regulatory gap that permits the sale of nicotine pouches to youth under 18 years of age; and

FURTHER THAT the Board of Health urge Health Canada to strengthen regulations to restrict the sale of new and emerging tobacco and nicotine products, ensuring that nicotine availability to children and youth never occur again; and

FURTHER THAT the Board of Health for Public Health Sudbury & Districts strongly encourage the Government of Ontario to exclusively sell nicotine pouches from behind pharmacy counters, limit their display in retail settings, and restrict their promotion, especially to youth; and

FURTHER THAT the Government of Ontario expand the Smoke-Free Ontario Strategy to create a comprehensive, coherent public health-oriented framework for the regulation of vaping and all nicotine-containing products.

We applaud your pledge to take action to review the approval process for flavoured nicotine sales and advertising. We acknowledge the advisory Health Canada issued in March stating nicotine pouches should be used for nicotine replacement therapy in adults and the emphasis on keeping them out of reach of children and youth.

However, only until tighter restrictions of nicotine pouches are implemented, the widely available and accessible product will continue to expose children and youth to nicotine. The Board of Health for Public Health Sudbury & Districts strongly encourages the federal government to take immediate action to close the regulatory gap by restricting the sale of nicotine pouches to those under 18 years of age. We also support Health Canada in their assertion to halt the legal purchasing loophole and ensure that nicotine availability to children and youth never occurs with new and emerging products.

The Honourable Mark Holland April 22, 2024 Page 3

We thank you for your attention to this important issue, and we continue to look forward to opportunities to work together to promote and protect the health of Canadians.

Sincerely,

René Lapierre Chair, Board of Health

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M. Mustafa Hirji, MD, MPH, FRCPC Acting Medical Officer of Health and Chief Executive Officer

cc: Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Honourable Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health
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Resolution # 2024- 100

Date: September 18, 2024

Moved by:

Seconded by:

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of Hilliard received correspondence from the Municipality of Tweed dated June 17, 2024 regarding a request for the government to implement sustainable funding for small rural municipalities by reabsorbing the cost of the Ontario Provincial Police Force back into the provincial budget with no cost recovery to municipalities;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of Hilliard does hereby endorse the letter from the Municipality of Tweed and request the Government to immediately implement sustainable funding for small rural municipalities by reabsorbing the cost of the Ontario Provincial Police Force back into the provincial budget with no cost recovery to municipalities and; FURTHERMORE that a copy of the resolution be circulated to Premier Doug Ford, Minister of Solicitor General, Minister of Finance, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all Municipalities in Ontario.

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REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

HELD September 24th, 2024

2024-204 Moved by Councillor Champagne Seconded by Councillor Trahan

WHEREAS on February 27th, 2024, Council for the Municipality of East Ferris supported a resolution received from the Town of Petrolia calling upon both the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) and Ontario Good Roads Association (OGRA) Boards to re-establish a combined OGRA and ROMA annual conference:

AND WHEREAS on May 16th, 2024, correspondence was received from ROMA Chair, Robin Jones, stating that in 2019 the ROMA Board of Directors and the OGRA Executive Committee decided not to hold a joint conference, but agreed that there are matters the organizations can work together on;

AND WHEREAS with ROMA being the rural voice of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) it makes great sense for the ROMA and AMO conferences to be a combined conference, not only financially for municipalities but also for availability for participation of members of Council and staff:

AND WHEREAS these conferences afford a vital opportunity for delegations with members of our provincial parliament, moving to a combined ROMA/AMO conference provides a better respect to their availability and participation;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council for the Municipality of East Ferris call upon both the ROMA & AMO Boards to establish a combined ROMA/AMO annual conference;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED should the conferences be combined and held during the winter months, as has been past practice for the ROMA conference, that a hybrid participation option be considered as winter weather can be unpredictable and not all persons who wish to attend can do so in person;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be forwarded to ROMA, AMO, MPP Vic Fedeli, and all municipalities in Ontario.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

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CERTIFIED to be a true copy of Resolution No. 2024-204 passed by the Council of the Municipality of East Ferris on the 24th day of September, 2024.

Kari Hanselman, Dipl. M.A.

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Clerk



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September 13, 2024

Sent via email – councilmeeting@toronto.ca

John D. Elvidge, City Clerk City of Toronto

Re: Resolution Regarding Requesting the Province to Support Family Physicians

We acknowledge receipt of your correspondence dated July 31, 2024, regarding the above-mentioned matter.

The said correspondence was provided to Stratford City Council for their information as part of the September 9, 2024, Council meeting Consent Agenda (CA-2024-140). Council adopted the following resolution:

THAT CA-2024-140, being a resolution from The City of Toronto regarding Provincial Support for Family Physicians, be endorsed.

Sincerely,

T. Dafoe

Tatiana Dafoe Clerk

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cc: Hon. Mark Holland, Minister of Health

Association of Municipalities of Ontario

All Ontario municipalities



Resolution

Town of Cobourg 55 King Street West, Cobourg, ON, K9A 2M2 clerk@cobourg.ca

Sent via email

September 27, 2024

Please be advised that the Town of Cobourg Council, at its meeting held on September 25, 2024, passed the following resolution:

WHEREAS the increased importation and use of non-Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) aftermarket batteries is presenting a significant increase in fire and explosion, putting citizens and responding personnel in danger; and

WHEREAS these aftermarket batteries are not Underwriter Laboratories of Canada (ULC) certified but can be imported into Canada without any associated regulations; and WHEREAS unlicensed persons and locations can store and modify lithium-ion batteries in our communities without regulations, providing dangerous conditions within a community and charging these batteries within the home or multi-unit dwellings can result in larger fires with grave results; and

WHEREAS as Canada becomes more aware of Green Energy solutions, these batteries are used more often, increasing the danger to our communities.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Cobourg supports the resolution from the from Municipality of Wawa regarding regulations for the importation of safe use of lithium-ion batteries; and

FURTHER THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Cobourg does hereby support the Ontario Fire Marshal's program to educate citizens on the danger associated with lithium-ion batteries and encourage every municipality to actively promote safe practices for the use of lithium-ion batteries; and

FURTHER THAT Council does hereby call upon all levels of government to enact regulations for the importation, sale, storage, and use of non-OEM or ULC certified lithium-ion batteries and that this resolution be shared with the Township of Otonabee-South Monaghan, the Ontario Municipal Fire Prevention Officers Association and all Ontario Municipalities.

Sincerely,

Kristina Lepik

Deputy Clerk/Manager, Legislative Services



Chief Administrative Officer's Report

September 2024

Mission Statement

To foster healthier communities by economically providing caring human services that empower and enable the people we serve to improve their quality of life.

Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Conference 2024

In August, I attended the AMO conference in Ottawa alongside my NOSDA counterparts to advocate for the issues impacting the North.

Along with my fellow NOSDA counterparts, we attended deputations with the following ministries:

- Ministry of Health
- Ministry of Long-Term Care
- Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services.



- Ministry of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development
- Solicitor General.

Also, of interest to our work is a campaign by Ontario's Big City Mayors who are calling on the provincial and federal governments to devote more resources to tackling a surge in homelessness and addictions in communities across the province (see: Solve the Crisis campaign).

At the conference, Minister Jones announced that Ontario will ban consumption and treatment services sites within 200 metres of schools and child care centres, which will lead to the closure of 10 facilities. That measure will mean the closure of nine sites funded by the provincial government and another self-funded site. Five of the 10 sites set to close are in Toronto, with all but one located in southern Ontario. The Minister also announced plans for addiction recovery with new treatment hubs focusing on mental health and addictions. A total of 375 "highly supportive housing units" will be added, focusing on treatment without safe supply.

Media Release: <u>Protecting Community Safety and Connecting More People to Addiction Recovery Care | Ontario Newsroom</u>







Home Depot Orange Door Campaign Results

Between June 4th to July 7th, Home Depot customers across Canada were empowered to be a part of the change by making a donation in support of a local charity that provides housing and supportive services during this year's Orange Door Campaign.

During this time, our local store in Parry Sound raised \$7,930.90! Esprit Place Family Resource Centre would like to thank the Home Depot Canada Foundation, staff at the local store, and all donors for their incredible support.



Shelter Campaign -Shoppers Drug Mart

The Shoppers Foundation for Women's HealthTM believes that all women should have access to the care and support they need to be healthy and safe. But with more than 2 in 5 women experiencing some form of intimate partner violence in their lifetime, many women in Canada are suffering. Violence against women has a direct and negative impact on the health of women and their families.

Their annual fall 'Giving Shelter' campaign unites all their stores in a fundraising effort to support



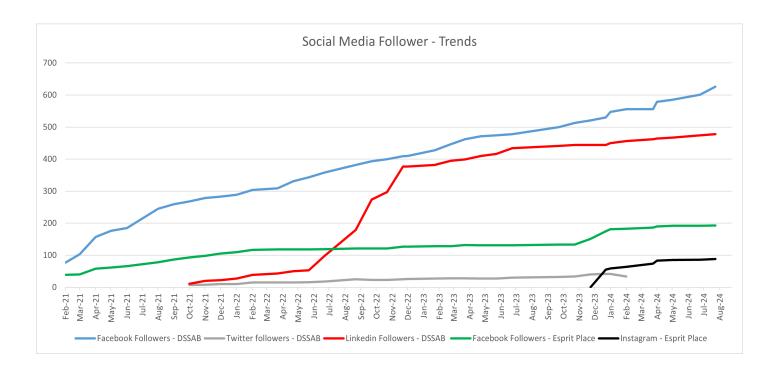
over 310 local women's shelters and programs across Canada. 100% of donations raised in-store stay in the local community, and this year, **Esprit Place Family Resource Centre** has been chosen as the recipient. This campaign will run from September 7th to October 4th, and Esprit Place staff plant to be on site regularly to support the campaign with information about our programs and services.

Facebook Pages



A friendly reminder to follow our Social Media Pages

- FACEBOOK District of Parry Sound Social Services Administration Board
- FACEBOOK Esprit Place Family Resource Centre
- FACEBOOK—EarlyON Child and Family Centres in the District of Parry Sound
- LINKEDIN—District of Parry Sound Social Services Administration Board
- ♦ INSTAGRAM—Esprit Place Family Resource Centre



Social Media

Facebook Stats

District of Parry Sound Social Services Administration Board	MAR 2024	APR 2024	MAY 2024	JUNE 2024	JULY 2024	AUG 2024
Total Page Followers	556	579	585	601	626	642
Post Reach this Period (# of people who saw post)	3324	5,647	5024	5213	5510	6261
Post Engagement this Period (# of reactions, comments, shares)	413	724	621	599	609	512

Esprit Place Family Resource Centre	MAR 2024	APR 2024	MAY 2024	JUNE 2024	JULY 2024	AUG 2024
Total Page Followers	186	190	192	192	193	196
Post Reach this Period (# of people who saw post)	241	310	299	421	526	1782
Post Engagement this Period (# of reactions, comments, shares)	127	43	67	102	26	91

DSSAB LinkedIN Stats https://bit.ly/2YyFHlE	MAR 2024	APR 2024	MAY 2024	JUNE 2024	JULY 2024	AUG 2024
Total Followers	462	464	467	474	478	485
Search Appearances (in last 7 days)	68	102	125	178	226	184
Total Page Views	54	30	56	26	26	26
Post Impressions	697	846	773	1089	1251	1241
Total Unique Visitors	25	12	22	15	11	13

Instagram - Esprit Place Family Resource Centre https://www.instagram.com/espritplace/	MAR 2024	APR 2024	MAY 2024	JUNE 2024	JULY 2024	AUG 2024
Total Followers	64	74	83	85	86	93
# of accumulated posts	21	23	25	27	29	34

Licensed Child Care Programs

Total Children Utilizing Directly Operated Child Care in the District July 2024

Age Group	Fairview ELCC	First Steps ELCC	Highlands ELCC	Waubeek ELCC	НССР	Total
Infant (0-18M)	2	1	0	2	15	20
Toddler (18-30M)	8	4	15	10	24	61
Preschool (30M-4Y)	15	11	20	41	43	130
# of Active Children	25	16	35	53	82	211

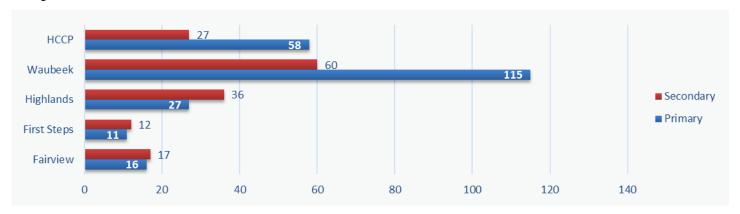
Programs have been able to keep enrollments steady for the summer months to meet the staffing challenges so staff can take some summer vacations. Waubeek ELCCC completed the licensing revisions and has transferred all the children over to 66A Waubeek Street.

School Age Programs July 2024

Location	Enrollment	Primary Waitlist	Secondary Waitlist
Mapleridge After School	26 enrolled for Sept	8	0
Mapleridge Before School	8 enrolled for Sept	0	0
Mapleridge Summer Program	12	N/A	N/A
Sundridge Centennial After School	10 enrolled for Sept	2	0
Home Child Care	42	6	1
# of Active Children	54		

Mapleridge summer program was at capacity for July and August. Both Mapleridge and Sundridge After School Programs are enrolled to capacity and ready to reopen September 2nd.

Directly Operated Child Care Waitlist by Program July 2024



These waitlist numbers are not reflective of the actual need in the district and are duplications as most families apply to more than one licensed child care program. Child care supervisors have been communicating with families on the waitlists to see what their current needs are as we transition to the new District of Parry Sound Child Care Application Portal (OneHSN).

Inclusion Support Services July 2024

Age Group	EarlyON	Licensed ELCC's	Monthly Total	YTD Total	Waitlist	New Referrals	Discharges
Infant (0-18M)	0	3	3	4	2	1	0
Toddler (18-30M)	1	2	3	12	4	1	0
Preschool (30M-4Y)	2	33	35	45	3	1	1
School Age (4Y+)	9	31	40	27	5	0	2
Monthly Total	12	69	81	-	14	3	3
YTD Total	13	75	-	88	36	28	13

EarlyON Child and Family Programs July 2024

Activity	Monthly Total	YTD
Number of Children Attending	913	7089
Number of New Children Attending	48	271
Number of Adults Attending	590	5586
Number of Virtual Programming Events	4	65
Number of Engagements through Social Media	1273	4392
Number of Views through Social Media	21659	95796

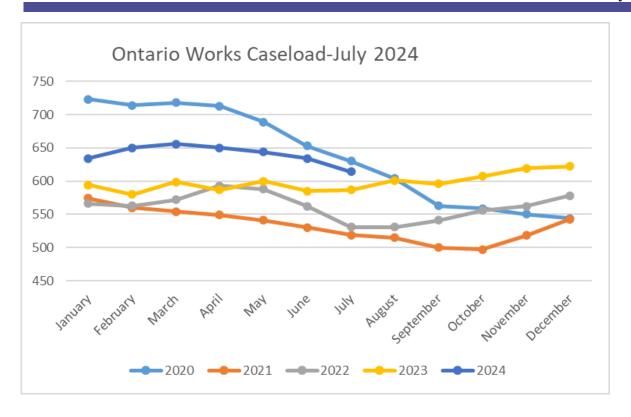
Funding Sources for District Wide Childcare Spaces - July 2024

Funding Source - Active	# of Children	# of Families
CWELCC*	71	66
CWELCC Full Fee	188	187
Extended Day Fee Subsidy	23	22
Fee Subsidy	105	75
Full Fee	9	8
Ontario Works	5	4
Total	401	362

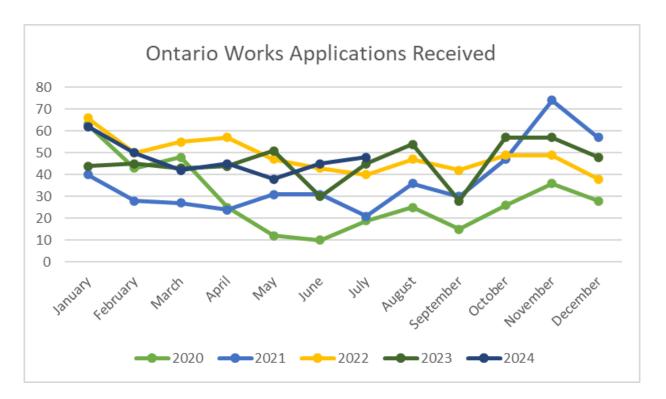
Exits	# of Children	# of Families
Fee Subsidy	4	3
CWELCC Full Fee	2	2
Extended Day Fee Subsidy	2	2
Total	8	7

Funding Source - New	# of Children	# of Families
CWELCC*	2	2
CWELCC Full Fee	6	6
Extended Day Fee Subsidy	18	17
Fee Subsidy	76	53
Full Fee	1	1
Ontario Works	4	3
Total	107	82

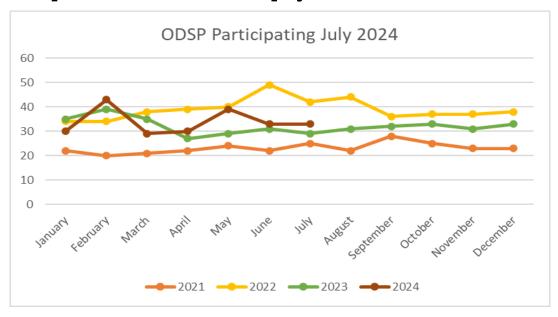
^{*} CWELCC: Canada-Wide Early Learning Child Care; eligible for children 0 - 6



Ontario Works Intake - Social Assistance Digital Application (SADA) & Local Office Ontario Works Applications Received

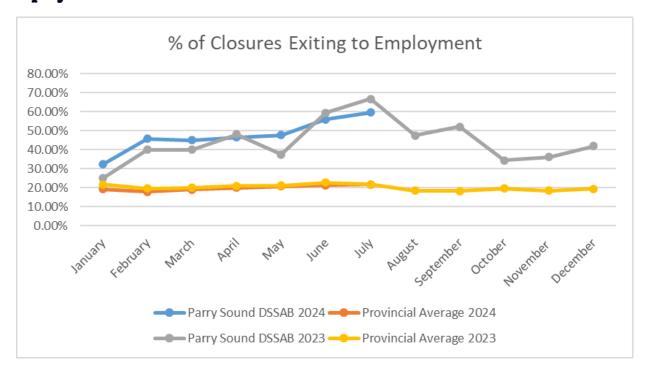


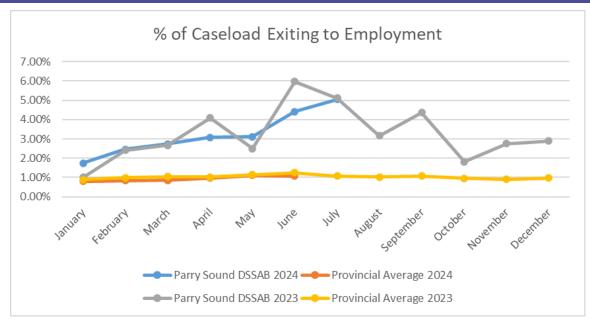
ODSP Participants in Ontario Works Employment Assistance



The OW Caseload continues to trend down to **614**. We are supporting **33** ODSP participants in our Employment Assistance program. We also have **58** Temporary Care Assistance cases. We received **48** Ontario Works Applications, 40 (80%) of which were online through SADA and managed through IBAU in the month of July.

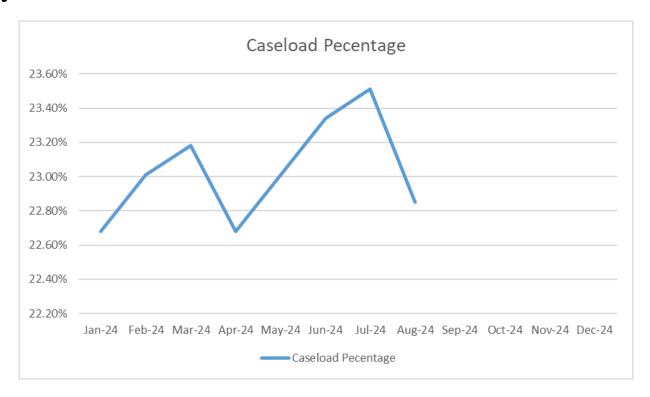
Employment Assistance & Performance Outcomes



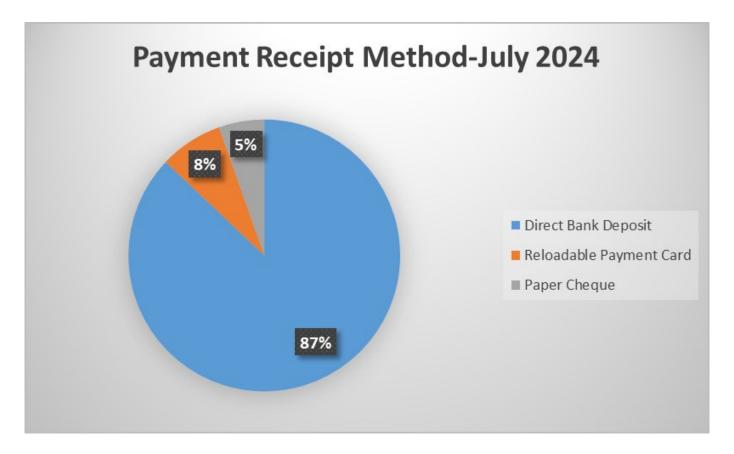


We continue to perform well in our Employment Outcomes. We remain at or near our 2023 levels and remain well above the provincial average.

MyBenefits Enrollment 2024



DBD Enrollment



Housing Stability Program - Community Relations Workers

Support

All services performed, provided, or arranged by the Homelessness Prevention Program staff to promote, improve, sustain, or restore appropriate housing for individuals active with the Homelessness Prevention Program, periodically within the month, not requiring intense case management.

July 2024 Income Source	East	West
Senior	12	14
ODSP	12	26
Ontario Works	5	20
Low Income	23	25

Intense Case Management

Intense Case Management involves the coordination of appropriate services and the provision of consistent and on-going weekly supports, required by the individual to obtain, and sustain housing stability.

Contact/Referrals

July 2024	East	West	YTD
Homeless	0	3	29
At Risk	1	2	53
Program Total (Esprit In Shelter Clients calculated in Homelessness Numbers)			82
Esprit Outreach Homeless	0	0	0
Esprit Outreach at Risk	0	0	0
Esprit in Shelter	1		3

July 2024 Income Source	East	West
Senior	12	18
ODSP	18	14
Ontario Works	14	15
Low Income	9	35

Short Term Housing Allowance

	Active	YTD
July 2024	6	11

Housing Stability: Household Income Sources and Issuance from HPP:

July 2024 Income Source	Total	НРР
Senior	1	\$1000.00
ODSP	9	\$2403.66
Ontario Works	1	\$5331.59
Low Income	5	\$1180.58

July 2024 Reason for Issue	Total
Rental Arrears	\$1500.00
Utilities/Firewood	\$2180.58
Transportation	\$115.00
Food/Household/Misc	\$6120.25
Total	\$9915.83

Ontario Works: Household Income Sources and Issuance from HPP

July 2024 Income Source	Total	НРР
Senior	2	\$1047.04
ODSP	13	\$9098.89
Ontario Works	8	\$5787.59
Low Income	7	\$7040.28

July 2024 Reason for Issue	Total
Rental Arrears	\$4969.20
Utilities/Firewood	\$2227.62
Transportation	\$772.87
Food/Household/Misc.	\$14721.61
Emergency Housing	\$282.50
Total	\$22,973.80

By-Name List Data September 1, 2021- July 31, 2024



Housing Programs

Individuals

Total Waitlist Unduplicated

Total

Social Housing Centralized Waitlist Report July 2024					
	East Parry Sound	West Parry Sound	Total		
Seniors	53	146	199		
Families	117	465	582		

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Social Housing Centralized Waitlist (CWL) 2023 - 2024 Comparison Applications and Households Housing from the CWL

183

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Month 2023	New App.	New SPP	Cancelled	Housed	SPP Housing	Month 2024	New App.	New SPP	Cancelled	Housed	SPP Housing
Jan	5	1	13			Jan	3		2	1	
Feb	5	1	10			Feb	5		11	1	
Mar	6		35			Mar	7		3	3	
Apr	11		17	6		Apr	10	1	7		
May	13	2	9	2		May	4	1	5	1	
June	9	1	2	1		June	1		15	3	
July	5	1	5	1		July	9	1	19		
Aug	14	1	3	1		Aug					
Sept	12		4			Sept					
Oct	8	1	1	4	2	Oct					
Nov	12		3			Nov					
Dec	1		2	3	3	Dec					
Total	101	8	104	18	5	Total	39	3	62	9	

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SPP = Special Priority Applicant

- Housing Programs approved 9 new applications to the centralized waiting list in the month of July, with 1 application being approved Special Priority Placement.
- We are wrapping up our annual waitlist update and had 19 applications cancelled for varying reasons. Some of these reasons include: requested cancellations, arrears with housing providers, no contract, and income in excess.

Parry Sound District Housing Corporation July 2024

Activity for Tenant Services

	Current	YTD
Move outs	0	23
Move in	1	21
L1/L2 forms	0	4
N4 - notice of eviction for non payment of rent	1	3
N5 - notice of eviction disturbing the quiet enjoyment of the other occupants	1	3
N6 - notice of eviction for illegal acts or mis- representing income for RGI housing	0	0
N7 - notice of eviction for willful damage to unit	0	1
Repayment agreements (formal & informal)	0	44
No Trespass Order	0	4
Tenant Home Visits	28	207
Mediation/Negotiation/Referrals	18	116
Tenant Engagements/Education	1	26

Property Maintenance & Capital Projects July 2024

Pest Control		3 buildings are currently being inspected monthly for bedbugs; 6 units have been treated for bedbugs
Vacant Units	13	one-bedroom (10); multiple bedroom (3) (asbestos abatement, and significant repair contributes to longer vacancy times)
Vacant Units - The Meadow View	6	5-one bedroom, 1-studio vacant
After Hours Calls		Fire Supervisory Signal trouble reset, partial power outage in unit, hot water tank trouble, bathroom light flickering, laundry door locked, smoke detector batteries, leak under sink, water in basement
Work Orders	92	Purchase Orders were created for maintenance work and related materials
DSSAB Ticket	44	DSSAB Tickets are logged for maintenance or repairs required for any of the DSSAB buildings (separate from the Housing Stock)
Annual Inspections	1	One apartment building

Capital information is captured in Quarterly Reports.

Esprit Place Family Resource Centre

Emergency Shelter Services	July 2024	YTD
Number of women who stayed in shelter this month This month's stats include women who were housed in a hotel	1	31
Number of children who stayed in the shelter this month This month's stats include women who were housed in a hotel	0	14
Number of hours of direct service to women (shelter and counselling)	17	853
Number of days at capacity	0	0
Number of days over capacity	0	0
Overall capacity %	-	-
Resident bed nights (women & children)	-	-
Phone interactions (crisis/support)	32	209

- Please note: Esprit Place closed for renovations mid April, statistics are reflective of minimum occupancy during closure preparations, but accurately reflect outreach and business day crisis line management.
- We are also currently housing 2 families in transitional housing units.

Transitional Support	July 2024	YTD
Number of women served this month	3	7
Number of NEW women registered in the program	3	6
Number of public ed/groups offered	0	0

Child Witness Program	July 2024	YTD
Number of children/women served this month	3	7
Number of NEW clients (mothers and children) registered in the program	1	4
Number of public ed/groups offered	1	1