



Bruce County Council Agenda

Date: July 2, 2020
Time: 9:30 a.m.
Location: Electronic (Remote) Meeting

Chair: Warden Mitch Twolan

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Declaration of Pecuniary Interest**
4. **Confirmation of Council Minutes**
June 4, 2020
5. **Communications**
 - a. **County of Northumberland**
Re: Provincially Significant Wetlands Designation
 - b. **Western Ontario Wardens Caucus**
Re: Appreciation for Support of Rural Access to Broadband
 - c. **Township of Puslinch**
Re: Requesting the Province of Ontario to review the Farm Property Class Tax Rate Programme
 - d. **Town of Orangeville**
Re: Diversity training and the use of force training and protocols for Police Services
 - e. **Municipality of Chatham-Kent**

Re: Current and long-standing issues being faced by the Long Term Care Sector / support for the Government's Commission on Long-Term Care

f. Municipality of Chatham-Kent

Re: Support for Letter from Alzheimer Society et al Re: Psychosocial and emotional Well-being of LTC Residents

g. Town of Bracebridge

Re: the establishment of a Municipal Financial Assistance Program to offset the financial impact of the COVID-19 pandemic

h. Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO)

Re: Announcing that Shannon L. Johnson is the Winner of AMCTO'S Award for Excellence in Municipal Human Resources

i. Grey County

Re: Broadband Infrastructure Improvement

j. Support for Paramedicine

- Municipality of Kincardine
- Municipality of South Bruce

Referred to the Paramedic Services Committee

k. Municipality of Brockton

Re: requesting Saugeen Mobility and Regional Transit (SMART) to explore the amalgamation of specialized transit services within Grey and Bruce Counties and transition to a County-wide operation to potentially reduce transit duplication and develop transit efficiencies.

l. Township of Lake of Bays

Re: Supporting the resolution from the Township of Armour requesting support for High Speed Internet Connectivity in Rural Ontario

m. Municipality of Mississippi Mills

Re: Support for Rural Broadband

n. Renfrew County

Re: requesting the Governments of Ontario and Canada to fast track the review of

current and previous Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program grant applications in order to provide much needed employment and investment into rural Ontario to provide sustainable infrastructure that will be safe and suitable in a post-pandemic setting.

o. City of Sarnia

Re: Long Term Care Home Improvements

p. Michael Galbraith

Re: C 2020-008 Ransome / By-law 2020-044

The attached comments were received after the public meeting for this application and are forwarded to Council in accordance with Section 17 (20) of the Planning Act.

6. Delegations

7. Reports from Staff

8. Inquiries and Announcements

9. Minutes

June 4, 2020

- Corporate Services Committee
- Executive Committee
- Human Services Committee
- Museum Committee
- Workplace Engagement Services Committee

June 18, 2020

- Corporate Services Committee
- Human Services Committee
- Museum Committee
- Planning and Development Committee
- Transportation and Environmental Services Committee

10. Notice of Motion

11. Other Business

12. By-laws

By-law 2020-041 - a by-law to appoint a Chief Administrative Officer for the Corporation of the County of Bruce

By-law 2020-042 - a by-law to authorize the execution of a Service Agreement between the Corporation of the County of Bruce and M'Wikwedong Native Cultural Resource Centre for the Support of the Giiwe Project under the Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative Funding Allocation

By-law 2020-043 - A by-law to authorize the execution of a Service Agreement between the Corporation of the County of Bruce and the United Way of Bruce Grey for the provision of the Delivery of homelessness prevention services under the Community Homelessness Prevention Program

By-law 2020-044 - A by-law to adopt Amendment Number C-2020-008 to the County of Bruce Official Plan

By-law 2020-045 - A by-law to confirm proceedings of the Council of the County of Bruce at its meeting held the 2nd day of July, 2020

13. Adjournment and Next Meeting Date

August 6, 2020



Bruce County Council Minutes

June 4, 2020

Electronic (Remote) Meeting

Present	Robert Buckle, Councillor Luke Charbonneau, Councillor Anne Eadie, Councillor Steve Hammell, Councillor	Janice Jackson, Councillor Milt McIver, Councillor Chris Peabody, Councillor
Regrets	Mitch Twolan, Warden	
Staff	Sandra Datars Bere, Chief Administrative Officer Bettyanne Cobean Edward Henley, Director of Corporate Services Christine MacDonald, Director of Human Services Cathy McGirr, Director of Museum & Cultural Services Miguel Pelletier, Director of Transportation and Environmental Services Kara Van Myall, Director of Planning and Development Susan Petrik, Director of Workplace Engagement Services	Michael Kirkpatrick, Director of Information Technology Services Brooke McLean, Director of Library Services Donna Van Wyck, Clerk Darlene Batte, Deputy Clerk Matt Meade, Corporate Strategic Initiatives Specialist Lynn Hatten, Deputy Treasurer Jill Roote, Manager of Economic Development Manpreet, Kaur Sangha, Economic Development Officer, Inland Hub
Guests	Traci Smith, BDO	

1. Call to Order

The meeting of Bruce County Council was called to order at 9:30 a.m.

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

3. Confirmation of Council Minutes

Moved by Councillor Luke Charbonneau

Seconded by Councillor Anne Eadie

That the minutes of the May 7, 2020 Council Session be adopted as circulated.

Carried

5. Communications

a. City of Hamilton

Re: Request to Regulate and Enforce Odour and Lighting Nuisances
Related to the Cultivation of Cannabis Plants

b. Town of Grimsby

Re: Support for Commercial Rent Assistance Program

c. Township of Midland

Re: Direct payments of Federal Funds to Municipalities to Waive Property
Taxes

d. Township of Montague

Re: Federal Assistance for Municipalities

e. Township of South Frontenac

Re: Residential Construction

f. City of Kitchener

Re: Universal Basic Income

g. City of Cambridge

Re: Provincial Funding for Rehabilitation Facilities

h. Town of Fort Erie

Re: Request of Support for High Speed Internet Connectivity in Rural
Ontario

i. Municipality of Brockton

Re: Saugeen River Access Points

6. Delegations

There were no delegations.

7. Reports from Staff

There were no reports from staff.

8. Inquiries and Announcements

There were no inquiries or announcements.

9. Minutes

Moved by Councillor Janice Jackson

Seconded by Councillor Chris Peabody

That the minutes of the following meetings be approved:

May 7, 2020

- Corporate Services Committee
- Executive Committee
- Human Services Committee
- Museum Committee
- Paramedic Services Committee
- Workplace Engagement Services Committee

May 12, 2020

- Executive Committee

May 21, 2020

- Corporate Services Committee
- Executive Committee
- Homes Committee
- Planning and Development Committee
- Transportation and Environmental Services Committee

- Workplace Engagement Services Committee

Carried

10. Notice of Motion

There was no Notice of Motion.

11. Other Business

There was no other business.

12. By-laws

Moved by Councillor Anne Eadie

Seconded by Councillor Steve Hammell

That the following by-laws be approved:

By-law 2020-034 - A by-law to govern the proceedings of the Council and Committees of the Corporation of the County of Bruce

By-law 2020-035 - A by-law to provide for the removal of nuisance beavers

By-law 2020-036 - A by-law to authorize the execution of an Amending Agreement between Blue Source Canada ULC, an Alberta Unlimited Liability Company and the Corporation of the County of Bruce

By-law 2020-037 - A by-law to adopt estimates, tax ratios and tax rates for the Year 2020

By-law 2020-038 - A by-law to adopt Amendment Number C-2020-009 to the County of Bruce Official Plan

By-law 2020-039 - A by-law to authorize the borrowing of money to fund the Support the Bruce: Business Sustainability Fund Program

By-law 2020-040 - A by-law to confirm proceedings of the Council of the County of Bruce at its meeting held the 4th day of June, 2020

Carried

13. Adjournment

That the meeting of Bruce County Council adjourn at 9:37 a.m.

Councillor Milt Mclver, Acting Chair

Donna Van Wyck, Clerk



Northumberland
County

Resolution

Moved By _____

Agenda
Item 8i

Resolution No.
2020-05-20-143

Last Name Printed Martin

Seconded By _____

Council Date: May 20, 2020

Last Name Printed Cane

"Now Therefore Be It Resolved That Northumberland County Council supports the resolutions adopted by the Township of Perth South, the Village of Merrickville-Wolford, the Municipality of West Nipissing; and

Further Be It Resolved That Northumberland County requests the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry to review its practices and procedures to include a requirement to provide supporting evidence to impacted municipalities when designating Provincially Significant Wetlands within their boundaries; and

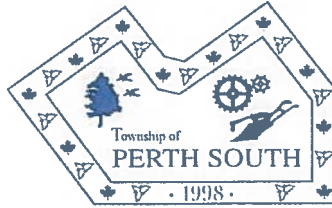
Further Be It Resolved That Council directs staff to send a copy of this resolution to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, MPP David Piccini (Northumberland Peterborough-South), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Rural Ontario Municipal Association, and all Ontario municipalities."

Recorded Vote
Requested by _____
Councillor's Name

Carried 
Warden's Signature

Deferred _____
Warden's Signature

Defeated _____
Warden's Signature



Corporation of the Township of Perth South

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April 16, 2020

Sent by Email

Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
Premier's Office, Room 281
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto, ON M7Z 1A1

Honourable Premier Ford;

Re: Provincially Significant Wetlands Designation

At the regular meeting of Perth South Council held on March 17, 2020 correspondence was received from the Municipality of West Nipissing, the Village of Merrickville-Wolford and Norfolk County (attached hereto) regarding the above noted issue. As a rural municipality, we share the same concerns raised and thoroughly support the resolutions passed and information provided by these municipalities.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter and please contact our office if you require any further information.

Regards,

Lizet Scott
Clerk

Attachments



West Nipissing Ovest

Joie de vivre

The Corporation of the Municipality of West Nipissing
La Corporation de la Municipalité de Nipissing Ovest
101-225, rue Holditch Street, Sturgeon Falls, ON P2B 1T1

P/T (705) 753-2250 (1-800-263-5359)
F/TC (705) 753-3950

March 3, 2020

SENT VIA E-MAIL

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

Honourable Premier Ford:

SUBJECT: PROVINCIALY SIGNIFICANT WETLANDS DESIGNATION

At its regular meeting held on February 25, 2020, Council for the Municipality of West Nipissing passed resolution **2020/080**, attached hereto. The resolution supports a request circulated by the Village of Merrickville-Wolford, asking the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry to respectfully review its practices and procedures to include a requirement to provide supporting evidence, to impacted municipalities, when designating Provincially Significant Wetlands within their boundaries.

We trust the enclosed is self-explanatory.

Respectfully,

Deputy Clerk / Assistant to the
Chief Administrative Officer

\Encl.

cc: Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA)
Ontario Municipalities



The Corporation of the Municipality of West Nipissing /
La Corporation de la Municipalité de Nipissing Ouest

Resolution No.

2020 / 0 8 0

FEBRUARY 25, 2020

Moved by / *Proposé par* :

Seconded by / *Appuyé par* :


WHEREAS the Municipality of West Nipissing received resolution no. R-029-20 from the Village of Merrickville-Wolford, attached hereto; pertaining to the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry's practices and procedures when designating of Provincially Significant Wetlands;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of West Nipissing supports the Village of Merrickville-Wolford requesting that the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry to respectfully provide supporting evidence with respect to the expansion of wetlands designations within their boundaries;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of West Nipissing calls upon the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry to respectfully review its practices and procedures to include a requirement to provide supporting evidence, to impacted municipalities, when designating Provincially Significant Wetlands within their boundaries;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) and all Ontario municipalities.

	YEAS	NAYS
DUHAIME, Yvon		
FISHER, Christopher		
LARABIE, Roland		
MALETTE, Léo		
ROVEDA, Dan		
SÉGUIN, Jeremy		
SÉNÉCAL, Denis		
SÉNÉCAL, Lise		
SAVAGE, Joanne (MAYOR)		

CARRIED: 
 DEFEATED: _____
 DEFERRED OR TABLED: _____

Established 1793
Incorporated
Wolford 1850
Merrickville 1860
Amalgamated 1998



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VILLAGE OF MERRICKVILLE-WOLFORD

February 5, 2020

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

Dear Premier Ford:

Re: Provincially Significant Wetlands Designation

Please find attached the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford's Resolution No. R-029-20, with respect to the Village's concerns surrounding the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry's practices and procedures while implementing designations of Provincially Significant Wetlands.

While the attached resolution is tailored to a Village-specific issue, it is Council's position that the concerns expressed therein are being experienced by municipalities Province-wide.

Thank you in advance for the consideration that you give this matter.

Yours truly,

Doug Robertson
CAO/Clerk/Director, Economic Development

c. Honourable John Yakabuski, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry
Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Andy Brown, CAO of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
Rural Ontario Municipal Association
All Ontario municipalities



VILLAGE OF MERRICKVILLE-WOLFORD

For Clerk's use only, if required:
Recorded Vote Requested By:

Cameron	Y	N
Foster	Y	N
Halpenny	Y	N
Molloy	Y	N
Struthers	Y	N

Resolution Number: R - 029 - 20

Date: January 27, 2020

Moved by: Cameron Foster Halpenny Molloy

Seconded by: Cameron Foster Halpenny Molloy

WHEREAS the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is endeavouring to adopt a new Official Plan as required per Section 17 of the *Planning Act* and the Village is required to incorporate the Provincial Policy Statements of the Act;

AND WHEREAS the Provincial Policy Statements require the Village to provide in its Official Plan the updated provisions of new and expanded Provincially Significant Wetlands designations;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is concerned that the expansion of these wetlands is detrimentally affecting certain landowners and the Village's assessment base;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is concerned that designations of Provincially Significant Wetlands have occurred throughout the Province of Ontario without the provision of supporting evidence;



VILLAGE OF MERRICKVILLE-WOLFORD

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is concerned about the expansion of the Provincially Significant Wetlands in the Northeast quadrant of the Village;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is concerned that these wetlands designations have been expanded without the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry having provided to the Village supporting evidence to justify said expansion;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby respectfully request that the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry provide the Village with supporting evidence with respect to the expansion of these wetlands designations;

AND THAT the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry re-evaluate the subject properties without delay;

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Honourable Premier Doug Ford, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the Rural Ontario Municipal Association and all Ontario municipalities.

Carried / Defeated


J. Douglas Struthers, Mayor



Norfolk County Office of the Mayor

March 1, 2020

Ontario Municipalities

Dear Heads of Council and Councillors:

Re: Issues regarding the mapping of Provincially Significant Wetlands (PSWs)

Norfolk County Council is working to address significant issues that have come to our attention regarding the mapping of Provincially Significant Wetlands (PSWs).

Following the Ministry's updated mapping related to PSWs, the County updated its Official Plan to bring its policies in line with the new mapping. Following that, the County planning staff introduced a Zoning By-Law amendment to update the zoning to reflect the new mapping and to provide consistency between the Zoning By-Law and the Official Plan. Though the mapping is wholly outside the County's process and control, the zoning by-law amendment was not approved by Council, flowing from significant public concern about the updated mapping affecting people's properties. In some cases, some of these changes were very significant.

The County submitted comments to the province as part of the review of the Provincial Policy statement requesting that the process for PSW mapping be significantly improved to allow for transparency and better land owner engagement, including, for example, a right of appeal or formal dispute resolution process. This will allow for land owners to be properly informed and engaged where land use designations that affect their property may result. The current process appears to be severely underfunded and without any meaningful way for affected residents to engage.

The County is seeking support from other rural municipalities who may be affected by this to address this issue with the province.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Yours Truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kristal Chopp".

Mayor Kristal Chopp
Norfolk County

cc. The Honourable Steve Clark,
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing



Monday, June 8, 2020

The Honourable Steve Clark
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
minister.mah@ontario.ca

Appreciation for Support of Rural Access to Broadband

Dear Minister Clark,

On behalf of the Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus and our 15 upper and single-tier municipalities that represent over 300 communities and approximately three million residents, thank you for your letter dated June 4, 2020.

Your commitment to enhance broadband access in Ontario through the Broadband and Cellular Action Plan is appreciated. The \$315 million over five years to expand broadband and cellular infrastructure, will serve to support many of our rural and underserved residents in Southwestern Ontario.

Additional funding for rural broadband in the wake of COVID-19 is essential. As a critical component of the economic relief and stimulus measures, important investments must be made to boost the pace and scale of broadband deployment efforts.

Increased funding from both the Province of Ontario and the Government of Canada is urgently needed to address our region's large connectivity gaps, so that we can close the digital divide and restart our economies. The Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus supports the funding of existing shovel ready, municipally led models that will connect our rural economies at an accelerated pace. We support SWIFT as Southwestern Ontario's funding mechanism to advance the expansion of critical broadband infrastructure across the region. The model works, it delivers results and can be immediately leveraged to upgrade networks and coverage in our region's underserved areas.

Families and business in our rural areas have been shut out of the economy and society as a result of the pandemic. COVID -19 has underscored the need in urgency to address gaps in broadband services across our region.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim Ginn", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jim Ginn
Chair, Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus

cc. The Honourable Navdeep Bains
Minister of Innovation, Science and Industry
Navdeep.Bains@parl.gc.ca

The Honourable Catherine McKenna
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The Honourable Maryam Monsef
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The Honourable Laurie Scott
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Members of Parliament, Western Ontario
Members of Provincial Parliament, Western Ontario
Member Counties of Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus
Heads of Municipal Council (Western Ontario)



June 5, 2020

RE: Mapleton Resolution 2020-04-14 to request the Province review the Farm Property Class Tax Rate Programme, dated May 27, 2020.

- a) Correspondence from Wellington Federation of Agriculture regarding Mapleton Resolution 2020-04-14, dated May 28, 2020.

Please be advised that Township of Puslinch Council, at its meeting held on June 3, 2020 considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

Resolution No. 2020-151: Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Goyda

That the Intergovernmental Affairs correspondence items listed on the Council Agenda for JUNE 3, 2020 Council meeting be received; and

Whereas the Township of Puslinch received correspondence from the Township of Mapleton with respect to requesting the Province of Ontario to review the Farm Property Class Tax Rate Programme in light of economic competitiveness concerns between rural and urban municipalities;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Puslinch hereby supports their Resolution 2020-04-14 passed on March 10, 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this motion be sent to Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Hon. Rod Phillips, Minister of Finance, Hon. Ernie Hardeman, Minister of Agriculture, Food & Rural Affairs, MPP Randy Pettapiece, Hon. Ted Arnott, all Ontario Municipalities, Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) and Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO).

CARRIED



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

Sincerely,
Courtenay Hoytfox
Deputy Clerk

From: Tracy MacDonald <tmacdonald@orangeville.ca>

Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 3:18 PM

Good afternoon,

Orangeville Council at its June 8, 2020 meeting passed the following resolution:

“WHEREAS The Town of Orangeville recognizes there have been questions in the public related to both diversity training and use of force training and protocols for Police Services, including in Ontario;

WHEREAS the Town recognizes that police officers join this profession out of a desire to do good, to serve and to protect the communities they serve;

AND WHEREAS an understanding of community diversity can foster authentic inclusion;

AND WHEREAS empathy training, and de-escalation training, can support understanding other people’s perspectives;

AND WHEREAS the Town recognizes that policing can be a dangerous profession, and officer as well as community safety are critical considerations in law enforcement;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Provincial Police have indicated they have a comprehensive diversity training program, however there may not be the same resources available across the entire province for smaller Police Services;

AND WHEREAS there is concern in the public about the boundaries of use of force, such as neck restraints, and oversight;

AND WHEREAS there isn’t clarity on a common bar on diversity and empathy training or on use of force and oversight;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor write to the Solicitor General to encourage common training requirements for all members of Police Services in Ontario as it relates to diversity, empathy and use of force;

AND THAT the Solicitor General provide clarity on police oversight going forward given the anticipated changes to legislation to ensure effective accountability continues;

AND THAT annual updates or refresher courses be mandatory to ensure our Police Services have the best and current information available to them;

AND THAT THE TOWN request that the use of force protocols be reviewed to ensure they are safe and would meet current standards, and then shared across the province;

AND THAT THE TOWN circulate this resolution to all Ontario municipalities seeking their support.”

Regards,

Tracy Macdonald | Assistant Clerk | Corporate Services
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June 11, 2020

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Honourable Christine Elliott
Deputy Premier and Minister of Health
Ministry of Health
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Honourable Merrilee Fullerton
Minister of Long-Term Care
6th Floor, 400 University Avenue
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Dear Premier Ford, Minister Elliott, and Minister Fullerton:

At its meeting of June 1, 2020, Chatham-Kent Municipal Council unanimously supported a request from Councillor Clare Latimer to submit a letter to the Premier, Minister of Health, and Minister of Long-Term Care (LTC) regarding current and long-standing issues being faced by the LTC sector and to support the government's Commission on Long-Term Care.

The COVID-19 pandemic has exacerbated the human resources crisis that LTC has faced for a number of years. It has also brought homes and the residents who place trust in the system they will be well cared for into the limelight, when all along the number one priority of all levels of government and oversight should be the health, safety, and well-being of some of our most vulnerable citizens.

The LTC and Retirement Home (RH) sectors are chronically understaffed; losing the extra hands of visitors and volunteers during the pandemic, while necessary, has created an additional burden. Homes in Ontario are experiencing increasing difficulty recruiting and retaining Personal Support Workers (PSW), Registered Practical Nurses (RPN) and Registered Nurses (RN), creating long delays in the ability to fill vacant positions. Before the pandemic, many homes were indicating they no longer have a 'pool' of PSWs ready and available to fill vacant shifts. Homes are seeing more PSWs experiencing stress-related illnesses, mental and physical exhaustion, and an increase in work-related injuries. In addition to an already limited available workforce, hospitals are now hiring PSWs to fill support roles, and many RNs or RPNs accept positions in LTC only to resign when an acute care or community health position becomes available. Additional stressors directly related to the pandemic have certainly added to the staffing crisis. The provision of pandemic pay to front-line staff has helped, and while it would be a welcomed addition to the funding envelope moving forward, wage increases alone will not solve the chronic lack of people choosing long-term care as a career.

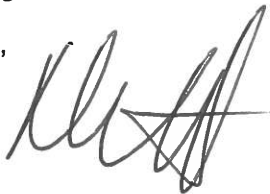
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Staffing ratios have been discussed for several years and there has been lobbying from many avenues to increase the number of direct nursing care hours for residents up to four hours of care per day in order to safely meet the complex needs of the current long-term care population. Without an influx of provincial dollars, coupled with a provincial LTC human resources strategy, homes will not be able to increase direct patient care hours; there simply are not enough human resources to go around. This is difficult for staff in long-term care and retirement homes. They are a determined, passionate bunch who want nothing more than to provide quality care to their residents who call their facilities home.

As a Municipal Council, we have watched the impact the COVID-19 pandemic has had on LTC and RHs across our province. Our municipality has not had any COVID-19 outbreaks in homes in Chatham-Kent; however, we are certainly aware of the ongoing risk and continue to do everything we can to ensure our residents and staff are safe and they have the tools and resources to manage during such a difficult time. As a Council, we support the government's LTC Commission and ask that it remain non-partisan, and be independent of owners and operators including ourselves as the owner and operator of Chatham-Kent's largest LTC home. While we are supportive of the Commission, we are asking for an impartial review of current best practices in both private and publicly operated homes. We are also requesting that the Commission be tasked with recommending best practice standards of care, and accountability protocols regarding documentation, peer reviews, and resident/family reviews.

We appreciate the work involved in any type of large-scale review with the hope the Commission is able to review the current impact of the pandemic and merge these findings with what the sector has known and has been advocating for over the last several years including staffing, governance models, physical structures of homes, and LTC regulations. A comprehensive look at past, current, and future insights will move the sector towards action and real change.

Sincerely,



Darrin Canniff, Mayor/CEO
Municipality of Chatham-Kent

- C Rick Nicholls, MPP Chatham-Kent-Leamington
- Monte McNaughton, MPP Lambton-Kent-Middlesex
- All municipalities in Ontario

June 11, 2020

Honourable Doug Ford
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Honourable Christine Elliott
Deputy Premier and Minister of Health
Ministry of Health
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Honourable Merrilee Fullerton
Minister of Long-Term Care
6th Floor, 400 University Avenue
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Dear Premier Ford, Minister Elliott, and Minister Fullerton:

At its meeting of June 1, 2020, Chatham-Kent Municipal Council received a letter from eleven organizations serving Long-Term Care and Retirement Homes in Ontario. The letter spoke to the importance of psychosocial and emotional well-being of all Long-Term Care (LTC) and Retirement Home (RH) residents. Council agreed there was significant evidence presented within the letter to warrant supporting the call to action and to encourage the government to review and act on the recommendations provided.

The COVID-19 pandemic has presented a variety of challenges to the LTC and RH sectors, as well as the congregate care sector. Many of these challenges involve protecting the physical health of this extremely vulnerable population. Increased infection control requirements, eliminating non-essential visitors, active screening protocols, and restrictions on the movement of LTC and RH staff working between different homes, are a few examples of the measures taken and backed financially by the provincial government. In Chatham-Kent, early and rigorous adoption of these measures has kept COVID-19 out of our LTC and RH facilities. While this is a commendable achievement, it is important to examine the social costs to residents of such an undertaking.

People living in LTC and RHs depend completely on interactions with staff, visitors, volunteers, and other residents to fulfill their social and emotional needs. Losing any one of these groups impacts residents in ways that are difficult to measure quantitatively but qualitatively we see it in our residents' eyes each day as we strive to provide the best care possible for them. The exclusion of non-essential visitors has left a tangible hole in the lives of residents. In Chatham-Kent's municipally-run LTC home, Riverview Gardens (RVG), this order saw the exclusion of 500-600 additional visitors, volunteers, and contract support staff per week. They were cherished, familiar faces; their visits much-anticipated by residents and appreciated by staff.

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Visitors and volunteers provide more than just visiting, they help in the daily care of our residents. Conversations with other LTC and RHs throughout Chatham-Kent show the same losses and the same impacts on residents and staff. Additional stressors directly related to the pandemic have added to the staffing crisis in LTC and RHs. Supporting a strategy for homes to hire additional staff specifically trained to support the psychosocial and emotional needs of residents would alleviate some of the stress on nursing staff and may lead to better outcomes for residents.

Chatham-Kent has always been a community that comes together and rises to the challenges before us. COVID-19 and the impact this has had on our local LTC and RH sectors is no exception. Through our local United Way, volunteers are finalizing an Adopt a Grandparent program similar to pen pals of years past. This program will link teenagers and young adults with one of our LTC and/or RH residents. Young and old, both with different needs, sharing thoughts and ideas and supporting one another through the pandemic. At Riverview Gardens we have created a Resident Support Worker (RSW) position that provides emotional and social support to our residents. RSWs work on the same floor with the same residents each day where they assist residents with feeding, games, crafts, companionship, and outdoor time when the weather cooperates. RSWs also help provide such services as assisting with laundry, as well as sorting, folding, and organizing a resident's personal items. Currently, redeployed municipal staff are fulfilling these roles at RVG but as Ontario moves further with reopening, these staff will be needed back at their home base location and residents in our home will once again be faced with spending much of their day alone. The homes in Chatham-Kent are providing great care to our residents but they can only do so much. This is why the recommendations from the Long-Term Care and Retirement Home sectors are so important.

Chatham-Kent Municipal Council believes people need human interaction. It is what makes the difference between simply being alive, and living. It is time to act, and protect the psychosocial and emotional health of our LTC and RH residents. We support whole-heartedly, the recommendations presented to you from our LTC and RH partners (attached).

Sincerely,



Darrin Canniff, Mayor/CEO
Municipality of Chatham-Kent

Attachment: Letter from Alzheimer Society et al RE: Psychosocial and Emotional Well-being of LTC Residents

- C Hon. Michael Tibollo, Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addictions
- Hon Raymond Cho, Minister of Seniors and Accessibility
- Helen Angus, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Health
- Richard Steele, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Long-Term Care
- Rick Nicholls, MPP Chatham-Kent-Leamington
- Monte McNaughton, MPP Lambton-Kent-Middlesex
- Matthew Anderson, President and CEO, Ontario Health
- All municipalities in Ontario



May 8, 2020

Hon. Doug Ford
 Premier of Ontario
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Hon. Christine Elliott
 Deputy Premier and Minister of Health
 Ministry of Health
 5th Floor, 777 Bay St.
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Hon. Merrilee Fullerton
 Minister of Long-Term Care
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Dear Premier Ford, Minister Elliott and Minister Fullerton,

On behalf of almost 80,000 residents, their families and staff in Ontario's long-term care (LTC) homes, we are writing this letter to urgently request that the provincial government take immediate action to support the psychosocial and emotional wellbeing of residents. COVID-19 has changed every aspect of the lived experience in LTC. Despite fervent efforts and commitment from LTC team members to protect residents from the negative physical outcomes of COVID-19, the psychosocial and emotional impacts remain ignored and under-resourced.

According to a recently released study by Mental Health Research Canada, the number of Canadians expressing high-to-extreme levels of anxiety has quadrupled since the start of the COVID-19 crisis. "Mental Health in Crisis: How COVID-19 is Impacting Canadians." *Mental Health Research Canada*, www.mhrc.ca/our-research/. If that is the reality of people living in the general population, what is happening to the mental health of LTC residents, many of whom are already living with compromised cognitive ability and living in isolation? 'There is no health without mental health' - Minister Elliott.

Thousands of residents are living cohorted and/or isolated lives away from their personal belongings and away from the important people in their lives. Many residents are eating alone, experiencing virtually no human connection aside from 2-3 brief encounters with LTC team members for personal care/meal delivery each day and 1-2 virtual visits with a family member each week, if such a program exists in their home. Team member shortages further exacerbate the sense of isolation, we have heard from residents that there is little to no program or activity to nurture social engagement opportunities during these times.

Pre-COVID-19, the realities of pervasive isolation, depression and loneliness are coined as the 'three plagues' of life in LTC (Dr. Bill Thomas, founder of The Eden Alternative). While person-centered practices combat these plagues, the current reality of LTC living will lead to residents left with broken spirits and the corresponding negative outcomes associated with their psychosocial, emotional health.

People need people. We are writing this letter now to ask that immediate attention and allocated resources be applied to LTC homes to support the psychosocial and emotional wellbeing of residents. The government of Alberta, in recognizing the importance of 'quality of life' for residents, has released substantive directives that clearly define essential visitors as those who contribute to the quality of life of residents in addition to provision of needed physical care. I urge you to follow suit, so that residents can experience the psychosocial and emotional support that has been missing for 7 weeks thus far.

Imagine the new reality when a group of team members (comprised of 'essential visitors' and/or dedicated staff) is incorporated into **every LTC home** to exclusively provide avenues/programs/opportunities for psychosocial and emotional support. Residents will experience **multiple** weekly virtual visits using iPads, tablets or cell phones with friends and family members, and even amongst themselves, providing peer to peer support. Residents will enjoy safe outdoor visits during the warm weather now upon us. Imagine residents being supported in a virtual resident activity, meal or conversation between other residents. Residents will feel engaged and connected to each other once again, to their families, to their environment and to their community. They will be well protected from the negative outcome of prolonged isolation.


This is what is needed:

- Declare psychosocial and emotional wellbeing of residents as essential to their quality of life
- Expand the definition of 'essential visitors' to include people who contribute to the quality of life including psychosocial and emotional health
- Resources for homes to hire and train additional team members/staff whose primary role is to support psychosocial and emotional health via facilitating virtual and safe physical visiting
- Resources for homes to purchase technology and infrastructure required to support virtual visits amongst residents and families
- Creation of a safe plan for residents to enjoy social engagement outdoors in the coming weeks (physical distancing, wearing of masks, etc.), complete with human resources and supplies to make this a reality


We must act now. COVID-19 requires physical distancing, but in order to uphold resident's quality of life and wellbeing we must enable and support social connection.

We look forward to hearing from you soon, as we work together to provide the best care for LTC residents who are the most vulnerable group of Ontarians during this COVID-19 crisis.

Sincerely,



Cathy Barrick
Chief Executive Officer
Alzheimer Society of
Ontario



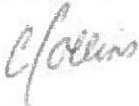
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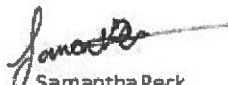
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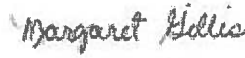
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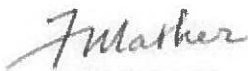
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June 12, 2020

The Honourable Steve Clark,
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
17th Floor, 777 Bay St.
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Dear Minister Clark,

RE: Town of Bracebridge Resolution regarding the establishment of a Municipal Financial Assistance Program to offset the financial impact of the COVID-19 pandemic

At its meeting of June 4, 2020, the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Bracebridge ratified motion 20-TC-089, regarding the Town of Bracebridge support for the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) recommendations contained in their report titled "Protecting Vital Municipal Services", as follows:

"WHEREAS the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) issued a report titled "[Protecting Vital Municipal Services](#)" on April 23, 2020 which included recommendations to the federal government to provide financial assistance for municipalities across the country;

AND WHEREAS the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) recognizes that a collaborative federal-provincial effort is required to provide much needed financial assistance to municipalities and their May 14, 2020 letter (attached) to the Prime Minister and the Premier urges Canada and Ontario to extend their successful collaboration through financial support for municipalities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Bracebridge supports the FCM recommendation and requests that both the Federal and Provincial Governments establish a municipal financial assistance program to offset the financial impact of the COVID-19 pandemic;

AND FURTHER THAT the Town of Bracebridge supports the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) in lobbying the Provincial Government for financial assistance to support Municipalities in offsetting the financial impact of the COVID-19 pandemic;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Honorable Steve Clark, Minister, Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Member of Parliament (MP) and local Member of the Ontario Legislature (MPP), FCM, AMO and its member municipalities, and the Muskoka municipalities."

In accordance with Council's direction I am forwarding you a copy of the associated memorandum for your reference.

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Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can provide any additional clarification in this regard.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "L. McDonald". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Lori McDonald
Director of Corporate Services/Clerk

Copy: Scott Aitchison, MP, Parry Sound-Muskoka
The Honourable Norm Miller, MPP, Parry Sound-Muskoka
The Federation of Canadian Municipalities
Association of Municipalities Ontario and member municipalities
Muskoka Municipalities



May 20, 2020

Warden Mitch Twolan
County of Bruce
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Re: Shannon L. Johnson- Winner of AMCTO's Award for Excellence in Municipal Human Resources.

Dear Warden Twolan:

On behalf of AMCTO, I am extremely pleased to announce that **Shannon L. Johnson** has achieved the highest cumulative grade for this past year upon completing the Municipal Human Resources Program, and as a result, is this year's recipient of AMCTO's **Award for Excellence in Municipal Human Resources**. We believe that this is a tremendous accomplishment and should be observed with pride by your municipality.

AMCTO is the largest municipal professional association in Ontario, and a leading provider of education and accreditation for local government professionals. AMCTO believes that excellence is an ongoing journey, not a destination. We therefore, support and celebrate the accomplishments of our members and other municipal professionals as they undertake their journey of professional excellence.

This year, due to the current COVID-19 situation, we are unfortunately unable to present this Award directly to the individual as we would normally do. Therefore we hope that you, and your colleagues on Council, will publicly recognize **Shannon L. Johnson** for this significant achievement.

Our sincere congratulation on your support for your staff's continued professional development. We believe it is the best investment that a municipal corporation can make.

Yours truly,

Dean Sauriol CMO, AOMC, Dipl.M.M.
AMCTO President

c.c. Award Recipient

June 16, 2020

Hon. Doug Ford
Premier
Premier's Office
Room 281
Legislative Building, Queen's Park

Dear the Honourable Doug Ford:

Please be advised that at its June 11th, 2020 meeting, Grey County Council endorsed the following resolution for your consideration:

CW93-20 Moved by: Councillor Robinson Seconded by: Councillor Keaveney

Whereas now more than ever in our increasingly electronic world, Grey County families and business owners have a need for reliable and affordable broadband to conduct business and stay connected both locally and beyond; and

Whereas broadband is a contributing social and economic driver in supporting the vitality and growth of our communities; and

Whereas families require internet to enable their children to complete school assignments, take online courses, maintain a human connection, or just stream movies at home; and

Whereas Grey County agriculture production, medical, health care, manufacturing, retail and the service industry depend on reliable high-speed connections to support and ensure business continuity and success; and

Whereas connectivity has been a lifeline for those businesses and sectors with access to reliable broadband during this global pandemic; and

Whereas reliable broadband will continue playing an essential role in the economic and social recovery of communities across Grey

County post-pandemic; and

Whereas not all areas of Grey County are within a connectivity coverage area which continues to be increasingly challenging, and amplified by the COVID-19 pandemic; and

Whereas Grey County has unserved areas as well as under-served areas that receive inadequate or disproportionately low levels of service; and

Whereas while it is important for the Provincial Government to look at both the number of people and the number of businesses that can be serviced by broadband expansion, it is essential, as well, that the Province provide broadband service to areas that have a small number of people, yet cover a vast geographical area; and

Whereas the need for broadband infrastructure improvement is now;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that Grey County representing our Grey County residents and business owners alike, call to action Premier Ford; Minister of Infrastructure, Minister Scott; Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, Minister Ernie Hardeman and Associate Minister of Energy & MPP Walker to champion the implementation of broadband in the unserved and under-served areas of Grey County; and

That this resolution be forwarded to all Ontario municipalities for their endorsement.

If you require anything further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,

Tara Warder
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cc Hon. Laurie Scott, Minister of Infrastructure
Hon. Bill Walker, Associate Minister of Energy & Bruce – Grey - Owen Sound MPP
Hon. Ernie Hardeman, Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs
All Ontario Municipalities

▶ June 16, 2020

Donna Van Wyck, Clerk
County of Bruce
30 Park Street
Walkerton, ON, NOG 2V0
Via email: dvanwyck@brucecounty.on.ca

▶ Re: Paramedicine

Dear Ms. Van Wyck,

At the June 15, 2020 Council meeting, the Municipality of Kincardine Council passed the following resolution:

WHEREAS a number of Counties have introduced paramedicine as part of their healthcare services;

AND WHEREAS experience has demonstrated this results in benefits of better health care, reduced pressure on emergency departments, better job of helping orphan patients, reduction of costs resulting in financial savings, etc.;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Kincardine support the County of Bruce reconsidering the option of paramedicine in the County;

AND FURTHER THAT the County of Bruce provide a status update within 120 days as to their progress in implementing this initiative;

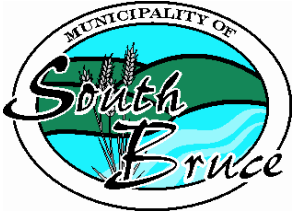
Carried.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any comments or questions.

Yours truly,

Donna MacDougall
Clerk

cc: Municipality of Arran-Elderslie
Municipality of Brockton
Township of Huron-Kinloss
Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula
Town of Saugeen Shores
Municipality of South Bruce
Town of South Bruce Peninsula



Municipality of South Bruce

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June 25, 2020

Donna Van Wyck, Clerk
County of Bruce
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Re: Support Motion Regarding Paramedicine

Please be advised that the Municipality of South Bruce Council met at their regular session of Council on June 23, 2020 at which time the following resolution was passed:

Moved by: Mark Goetz

Seconded by: Wayne Huber

THAT the Council of the Municipality of South Bruce support the resolution received from the Municipality of Kincardine indicating their support for the reconsideration by the County of Bruce regarding the option of paramedicine in the County;

AND FURTHER that this resolution be forwarded to the Clerk for the County of Bruce.

Motion: Carried

Should you have any questions in regards to the above resolution please contact our office.

Sincerely,

Tracy Grubb
Deputy Clerk, Municipality of South Bruce

cc: Municipality of Kincardine



Roger Cook, Manager
Saugeen Mobility and Regional Transit
603 Bruce Line 19, Walkerton, ON N0G 2V0
roger@saugeenmobility.ca

June 17, 2020

Sent by Email

Dear Mr. Cook,

On May 12, 2020 the Council of the Municipality of Brockton passed the following resolution:

Resolution 20-12-04 Moved by D. Leifso Seconded by D. Gieruszak

Whereas Saugeen Mobility and Regional Transit (SMART) supplies an essential specialized transit service for many vulnerable and mobility challenged individuals in our community; and

Whereas the Municipality of Brockton is a member of the SMART organization; and

Whereas each member municipality financially supports the SMART organization and the service provided to each member community; and

Whereas there are multiple agencies supplying specialized transit services across Grey and Bruce Counties creating a fractured service; and

Whereas the duplication of these services is a costly and inefficient way to operate a transit service; and

Whereas the cost for SMART to deliver service continues to rise impacting the burden on taxpayers;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby requests Saugeen Mobility and Regional Transit (SMART) to explore the amalgamation of specialized transit services within Grey and Bruce Counties and transition to a County-wide operation to potentially reduce transit duplication and develop transit efficiencies.

And further that a supporting letter be forwarded to the Councils of Grey and Bruce Counties and all lower-tier municipalities within Grey and Bruce Counties.

Carried.



Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further inquiries, or require additional information.

Sincerely,

Fiona Hamilton, Clerk
Municipality of Brockton
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CC: County of Grey
County of Bruce
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Town of the Blue Mountains
Township of Chatsworth
Township of Georgian Bluffs
Municipality of Grey Highlands
Town of Hanover
Township of Huron-Kinloss
Municipality of Kincardine
Town of Meaford
Municipality of North Bruce Peninsula
City of Owen Sound
Town of Saugeen Shores
Municipality of South Bruce
Municipality of South Bruce Peninsula
Township of Southgate
Municipality of West Grey

June 17, 2020

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

Dear Premier Ford:

RE: Letter of Support for High Speed Internet Connectivity in Rural Ontario

On behalf of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays, this is to advise you that the following resolution was adopted by Council at its meeting held on June 16, 2020.

"Resolution #6(b)/06/16/20

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays supports the attached resolution from the Township of Armour requesting support for High Speed Internet Connectivity in Rural Ontario; and

FURTHER that this resolution be circulated to Scott Aitchison, MP for Parry Sound-Muskoka and Norm Miller, MPP for Parry Sound-Muskoka and all Ontario municipalities requesting their support.

Carried."

For your reference, enclosed is a copy of the correspondence that was sent from the Township of Armour dated April 29, 2020.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our Municipal Office at 705-635-2272.

Sincerely,



Carrie Sykes, *Dipl. M.A., CMO, AOMC,*
Director of Corporate Services/Clerk.

Encl.
CS/cw

cc. Scott Aitchison, M.P for Parry Sound-Muskoka
Norm Miller, M.P.P for Parry Sound-Muskoka
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April 29, 2020

Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
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Re: Support Resolution - High Speed Internet Connectivity in Rural Ontario

At its meeting held on April 28, 2020, the Council of the Township of Armour passed Resolution #6 supporting our Councillor Rod Ward's letter regarding the need to make substantial investments in high-speed internet connectivity in the rural areas of Ontario.

A copy of Council's Resolution #6 dated April 28, 2020 and Councillor Ward's letter is attached for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Charlene Watt
Deputy Clerk

Cc: MPP Norm Miller, MP Scott Aitchison and Ontario Municipalities

Enclosures



CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ARMOUR

RESOLUTION

Date: April 28, 2020

Motion # 6.

That the Council of the Township of Armour supports the letter, dated April 15, 2020 from Councillor Rod Ward, on the need to make substantial investments in high-speed internet connectivity in rural areas. Furthermore, that this resolution and the letter be circulated to Scott Aitchison, MP for Parry Sound-Muskoka, Norm Miller, MPP for Parry Sound-Muskoka and all Ontario municipalities requesting their support.

Moved by:

Blakelock, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brandt, Jerry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
MacPhail, Bob	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ward, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>
Whitwell, Wendy	<input type="checkbox"/>

Seconded by:

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Declaration of Pecuniary Interest by:

Recorded vote requested by:

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Brandt, Jerry	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Whitwell, Wendy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

April 15, 2020

To whom it may concern,

The COVID-19 pandemic in Ontario has highlighted both our positive responses to a crisis, and some definite shortcomings in infrastructure, systems and services which need to be addressed on a long-term basis. Setting priority on solving these issues will be a challenge, given the differing agendas and the strained budgets. Solving fundamental issues should focus on the most basic needs as a starting point. One of the clear needs in a rural community such as the Almaguin Highlands, highlighted further by recent events, is the need for proper high-speed internet connectivity. Healthcare and education are both going down a path where appropriate connectivity is assumed. Like many models that move outward from metropolitan areas, this assumption is lost on rural areas. For the vast majority of households in our community, true high-speed connectivity simply does not exist. For the vast majority of future strategies in healthcare and education, there is an assumption that it does exist.

Even in areas in the Almaguin Highlands which have 'high-speed' internet, the overall infrastructure is still limited. It is certainly not designed to deal with a sudden huge peak in demand. Whereas the capacity in large urban centres is built to handle the added throughput, there are clear limitations here. The best way to explain it is a comparison to hydro. Imagine if everyone went home at the same time and turned their lights on, but because there wasn't enough hydro capacity overall, all lights were 50% dimmer than normal and some appliances simply didn't work. We no longer have to imagine what happens with internet speed during peak usage. Suddenly during the COVID pandemic, people are working from home who have never worked from home. Kids are trying to do courses on-line. People who are not working are turning on-line to stay connected. Video-conferencing, which was a totally foreign concept to many, is now part of daily routine. Any idea how much internet bandwidth video uses? It's no wonder we hit a wall.

The future of healthcare sees patients being monitored and cared for in their own homes, through the use of technology. The future of education sees students doing much of their learning on-line. The future of business and commerce sees the ability to function outside the 'bricks and mortar' of an office location. Malls disappear and on-line shopping is the norm. For some, that future has already arrived. Our area has already been drastically affected by cutbacks in the area of healthcare and education through gradual decreases in budgets and services. Technology offers us the ability to level the playing field to a great extent. High-speed connectivity cannot be seen as a luxury or a nice-to-have, any more than hydro should be seen that way. In order to solve some other problems (i.e. skyrocketing budgets in healthcare and education) the wise investment is in providing connectivity for every resident in the province.



Rod Ward
Councillor
Armour Township



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VIA E-MAIL

June 19, 2020

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Hon. Steve Clark
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Hon. Vic Fedeli
Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade
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Hon. Lisa MacLeod
Minister of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries
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Hon. Laurie Scott
Minister of Infrastructure
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Dear Premier and Ministers,

RE: Support for Rural Broadband

On behalf of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills, this is to advise you that the following resolution was adopted by Council at its meeting held on June 16, 2020.

Resolution No. 246-20
Moved by Councillor Maydan
Seconded by Councillor Dalgity

WHEREAS in December 2016 the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission declared broadband internet an essential service for Canadians;

AND WHEREAS access to internet in many rural communities in Ontario is limited or non-existent;

AND WHEREAS current broadband investment projects across Ontario will still leave many residents unserved;

AND WHEREAS the COVID-19 pandemic has underscored the digital divide leaving many rural residents unable to participate in e-commerce, online schooling, are unable to move businesses online or access healthcare and other services online;

AND WHEREAS communities and municipalities are developing economic recovery plans;

AND WHEREAS there may be potential federal and provincial funding for shovel-ready infrastructure programs to kick-start the economy;


THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipality of Mississippi Mills calls on the provincial and federal governments to include rural broadband investment as part of the economic recovery shovel-ready projects for municipalities;

AND THAT Council direct staff to circulate this resolution to the Prime Minister of Canada; the Federal Minister of Rural Economic Development; the Federal Minister of Innovation, Science and Industry; the Federal Minister of Economic Development; the Minister of Infrastructure and Communities; the Federal Minister of Health; the Premier of Ontario; the Minister of Municipal Affairs; the Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade; the Minister of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries; the Minister of Education; the Minister of Infrastructure; and all Ontario Municipalities; the Association of Rural Municipalities of Ontario; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and The Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

CARRIED

Should you have any questions please feel free to follow up with our office directly at 613-256-2064 or jharfield@mississippimills.ca

Kind Regards,


Jeanne Harfield
Clerk



CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF RENFREW

RESOLUTION NO. 2020 - 06 - 44

Moved By: Reeve Emon
Seconded By: Councillor Jamieson

WHEREAS the COVID-19 pandemic crisis has had a catastrophic affect on employment and small business survival rates, with over 11.3% jobless rate in Ontario in April 2020 alone with only a few signs of a change over the next several fiscal periods;

AND WHEREAS the Renfrew County region is already at a distinct economic disadvantage due to a shorter infrastructure construction season and the lack of essential services, like effective and available broadband across its vast and rural area that would allow for greater flexibility to work from home, or telecommute;

AND WHEREAS the County of Renfrew and the other 19 municipalities and first nations reserves within the geographical borders have an incredible influence on the economy through investments in infrastructure spending, with over \$70million being invested in 2020 in municipal projects, but will now have to evaluate and adjust the way they safely operate and offer community services and modes of transportation;

AND WHEREAS the County of Renfrew and the other 19 municipalities and first nations reserves have submitted over \$73.5 million worth of applications to the *Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program: Community, Culture and Recreation Stream*, with all considered shovel ready and shovel worthy;

AND WHEREAS the County of Renfrew and the other 19 municipalities and first nations reserves have submitted previously over \$25million in *the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program: Green Stream* and *Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program: Rural & Northern Stream*;

AND WHEREAS both large and small infrastructure projects have the immediate effect on local small and medium businesses in our region with consideration of the multiplier ratio on every \$1million invested having the ability to create 7.6 jobs in the local marketplace, meaning that approval of these projects would create over 1,200 jobs across Renfrew County;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Renfrew calls upon the Governments of Ontario and Canada to fast track the review of current and previous *Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program* grant applications in order to provide much needed employment and investment into rural Ontario to provide sustainable infrastructure that will be safe and suitable in a post-pandemic setting;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be circulated to the Right Honourable Prime Minister of Canada; the Honourable Premier of Ontario; MP Cheryl Gallant, Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke; the Honourable John Yakabuski, MPP Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke; the Minister of Infrastructure; the Association of Municipalities Ontario; Rural Ontario Municipalities Association and all Municipalities within the Province of Ontario.

- CARRIED -

I, Jennifer Charkavi, Deputy Clerk of the Corporation of the Town of Renfrew, do hereby certify this to be a true and complete copy of Resolution No. 2020 - 06 - 44, passed by the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Renfrew at its meeting held the 23rd day of June 2020.

DATED at Renfrew, Ontario
this 24th day of June 2020.

Jennifer Charkavi

Jennifer Charkavi
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June 24, 2020

To: All Ontario Municipalities

Re: Long Term Care Home Improvements

At its meeting held on June 22, 2020, Sarnia City Council adopted the following resolution submitted by Councillor Margaret Bird with respect to the conditions in Long Term Care homes exposed by the pandemic:

That due to the deplorable conditions exposed by the pandemic in LTC homes in the province, and because this is a time for action, not just continuous streams of investigations, commissions and committees, and because the problems have been clearly identified, that Sarnia City Council direct staff to send this motion to the 444 Ontario Municipalities, asking them to urge Premier Ford to start implementing the required resolutions immediately, as follows:

- 1. increasing hours for all part-time and casual labour***
- 2. since the government provides funding for privately-operated homes, they have an obligation to inspect these homes and see that they are being properly run, and that funds are being used for the benefit of the residents and not the huge profitability of the operators, and***
- 3. to end the neglect and unacceptable conditions being experienced, each day, by our vulnerable seniors.***

Sarnia City Council respectfully seeks your endorsement of this resolution. If your municipal council endorses this resolution, we would request that a copy of the resolution be forwarded to the following:

Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; and

City of Sarnia, City Clerk's Office
clerks@sarnia.ca

Sincerely,



Dianne Gould-Brown
City Clerk

cc: AMO

From: [Michael Galbraith](#)
To: [Jack Van Dorp](#)
Cc: [Donna Van Wyck](#); [Darlene Batte](#); [Mark Paoli](#)
Subject: Re: Timing for Comments
Date: Thursday, June 25, 2020 11:14:20 AM

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Jack, thanks for the email, Not having a lot of time to prepare this so I'm going to do it in point form. First my concerns are access (drive way crosses EP land) to a gravel pit as well as common area for traffic and parking of construction vehicles is in EP land. also concerns are the amount of traffic turning on and off of Bruce Road 17 where the entrance to the pit area would be located in a hollow, Dust and debris is also a concern when it comes to solar production on that piece of property. As a solar panel will be located within pit limitations, which intern will limit access to the panel. Any sort or dust or debris landing on the panel will reduce solar income. Thanks Mike

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From: Jack Van Dorp <JVandorp@brucecounty.on.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 3:52:47 PM
To: Michael Galbraith
Cc: Donna Van Wyck <dvanwyck@brucecounty.on.ca>; Darlene Batte <dbatte@brucecounty.on.ca>; Mark Paoli <MPaoli@brucecounty.on.ca>
Subject: Timing for Comments

Hi Michael,

Following up on our phone call from earlier this morning regarding the Ransome Pit, I am advised that any items for the County Council agenda need to be received by **noon tomorrow, June 25 2020.**

I have copied the Clerk and Deputy Clerk; if you could 'reply all' with your comments and give me a follow-up call at 226 909 2829 we will ensure that they have been received and can be provided to Council as part of the agenda

Thanks and regards,

Jack.

The health and well-being of Bruce County staff and residents is always our number one priority. Because Health Canada has classified the COVID-19 virus as HIGH risk to Canadians, we're taking extra precautions to protect all clients, staff and the public. Using an abundance of caution to ensure that staff are able to continue to deliver services and to protect the public in the wake of COVID-19, ALL County Office Buildings are closed to the public until further notice.

Our staff would be pleased to connect with you by email or phone and we have information available at <https://brucecounty.on.ca/covid19> to provide you the most up-to-date information on our continued

services and how you can access them. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation at this time.

Jack Van Dorp
Senior Planner
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Corporate Services Committee Minutes

June 4, 2020

Electronic (Remote) Meeting

Present	Robert Buckle, Councillor Luke Charbonneau, Councillor Anne Eadie, Councillor Steve Hammell, Councillor	Janice Jackson, Councillor Milt McIver, Councillor Chris Peabody, Councillor
Regrets	Mitch Twolan, Warden	
Staff	Sandra Datars Bere, Chief Administrative Officer Bettyanne Cobean Edward Henley, Director of Corporate Services Christine MacDonald, Director of Human Services Cathy McGirr, Director of Museum & Cultural Services Kara Van Myall, Director of Planning & Economic Development Miguel Pelletier, Director of Transportation & Environmental Services	Susan Petrik, Director of Workplace Engagement Services Darlene Batte, Deputy Clerk Donna Van Wyck, Clerk Michael Kirkpatrick, Director of Information Technology Services Lynn Hatten, Deputy Treasurer Brooke McLean, Director of Library Services Lynn Hatten, Deputy Treasurer Manpreet Kaur Sangha, Economic Development Officer Jill Roote, Manager of Economic Development Matt Meade, Corporate Strategic Initiatives Specialist
Guests	Traci Smith, BDO	

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:37 a.m.

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

3. Delegations

a. Presentation of 2019 Audited Financial Statements

Ms. Traci Smith, Partner BDO & Company presented the 2019 Audited Financial Statements.

4. Action Items

a. 2019 Audited Consolidated Financial Statements

Moved by Councillor Chris Peabody
Seconded by Councillor Anne Eadie

That the 2019 Audit Report as presented by BDO & Company LLP be accepted and received for information; and,

That the 2019 Audited Consolidated Financial Statements be approved.

Carried

b. SWIFT Loan Guarantee

Councillor Eadie declared pecuniary interest related to Agenda 5(b) Swift Loan Guaranteed. In accordance with her delegation, Councillor Eadie withdrew from discussions.

Moved by Councillor Robert Buckle
Seconded by Councillor Luke Charbonneau

That County Council hereby agrees to provide a lender of the Southwestern Integrated Fibre Technology Inc. (SWIFT), the County's guarantee in the amount of \$2,495,000 in support of a credit facility to provide SWIFT with short-term bridge financing in the amount of \$27.5 million to be used by SWIFT to finance the fourteen projects identified in its Southwestern Ontario Integrated Fibre Technology Pilot Project Contribution Agreement with the Federal/Provincial Governments; and,

That the Warden and Clerk and/or Treasurer be authorized to sign the forms necessary for this guarantee to become effective; and,

That this guarantee shall expire once all contracts signed by SWIFT in regards to its Bruce County project have been fulfilled and SWIFT has been reimbursed by the Federal/Provincial Governments in accordance with the Southwestern Ontario Integrated Fibre Technology Pilot Project Contribution Agreement, expected by December 2023.

Carried

5. Information Items

The following reports were received for information:

- a. Working Capital Reserve
- b. Tax Stabilization Reserve 2019 Activity and 2020 Projection
- c. Reserves and Reserve Funds Analysis

6. Act on Recommendations

Moved by Councillor Anne Eadie

Seconded by Councillor Steve Hammell

That in accordance with the Procedure By-law, staff be authorized and directed to give effect to the actions of the Corporate Services Committee in respect of all resolutions passed during the June 4, 2020 meeting.

Carried

8. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Corporate Services Committee will take place electronically on July 2, 2020.

9. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Chris Peabody

Seconded by Councillor Luke Charbonneau

That the meeting of the Corporate Services Committee adjourn at 10:13 a.m.

Carried

Councillor Milt McIver, Acting Chair

Corporate Services Committee



Executive Committee Minutes

June 4, 2020

Electronic (Remote) Meeting

Present	Robert Buckle, Councillor Luke Charbonneau, Councillor Anne Eadie, Councillor Steve Hammell, Councillor	Janice Jackson, Councillor Milt McIver, Councillor Chris Peabody, Councillor
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1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:14 a.m.

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

3. Action Items

a. Multi-Year Accessibility Plan Annual Status Report 2019

Moved by Councillor Anne Eadie
Seconded by Councillor Luke Charbonneau

That the Multi-Year Accessibility Plan Annual Status Report 2019 be approved; and,

That the report be posted on the Bruce County website.

Carried

b. Economic Recovery Recommendation - Starter Company Plus / Business Pivot Adaptation Grant

Moved by Councillor Anne Eadie
Seconded by Councillor Luke Charbonneau

That the the Economic Recovery Recommendation to expand the funding for the Starter Company Plus Initiative to include existing businesses and a Business Pivot / Adaptation Grant for 2020 and 2021, be endorsed; and,

That the total \$100,000 grant funding as part of the “Support the Bruce: Business Sustainability Fund”, \$50,000 being allocated to Starter Company Plus Initiative for existing businesses in 2020 and \$50,000 allocated to Starter Company Plus Initiative for existing businesses in 2021 be approved; and,

That the total \$300,000 grant funding as part of the “Support the Bruce: Business Sustainability Fund”, \$150,000 being allocated to Business Pivot / Adaptation grant in 2020 and \$150,000 allocated to Business Pivot / Adaptation grant in 2021 be approved.

Carried

4. Information Item

The following report was received for information:

- a. Recruitment of Director, Library Services / Chief Executive Officer, Bruce County Public Library

5. Closed Meeting

Moved by Councillor Robert Buckle
Seconded by Councillor Anne Eadie

That the Committee move into a closed meeting pursuant to Section 239 (2) (e) of the Municipal Act, 2001 related to litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board to discuss:

- a. 254 High Street, Southampton Legal Case

Carried

6. Rise and Report

Moved by Councillor Chris Peabody
Seconded by Councillor Luke Charbonneau

That the Committee Rise and Report from the closed meeting.

Carried

The Chair reported that staff were provided direction during the closed meeting.

7. Act on Recommendations

Moved by Councillor Anne Eadie
Seconded by Councillor Robert Buckle

That in accordance with the Procedure by-law, staff be authorized and directed to give effect to the actions of the Executive Committee in respect of all resolutions passed during the June 4, 2020 meeting.

Carried

8. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Executive Committee will take place electronically on July 2, 2020.

9. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Luke Charbonneau

Seconded by Councillor Steve Hammell

That the meeting of the Executive Committee adjourn at 11:13 a.m.

Carried

Councillor Milt McIver, Acting Chair

Executive Committee



Human Services Committee Minutes

June 4, 2020

Electronic (Remote) Meeting

Present	Robert Buckle, Councillor Luke Charbonneau, Councillor Anne Eadie, Councillor Steve Hammell, Councillor	Janice Jackson, Councillor Milt McIver, Councillor Chris Peabody, Councillor
Regrets	Mitch Twolan, Warden	
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1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 11:32 a.m.

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

3. Action Items

a. Homeownership Program Guidelines - Limits

Moved by Councillor Anne Eadie
Seconded by Councillor Chris Peabody

That the limits for the Homeownership Program Guideline be approved, effective immediately, as follows:

- Income Level - \$82,000;
- Asset Level - \$20,000;
- Purchase Price - \$340,000; and
- Down Payment of 5%

Carried

b. M'Wikwedong Service Agreement 2020

Moved by Councillor Milt McIver
Seconded by Councillor Chris Peabody

That a by-law be introduced authorizing the execution of a Service Agreement between the County of Bruce and M'Wikwedong Native Cultural Resource Centre for the Giiwe Project under the Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative (CHPI) funding allocation.

Carried

c. Social Service Relief Fund Disbursement

Moved by Councillor Luke Charbonneau
Seconded by Councillor Janice Jackson

That the disbursement of \$206,000 from the Social Service Relief Fund to community partners be approved; and,

That the delegation of authority for the Housing Services Manager to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with community partners for the Social Services Relief Fund be approved.

Carried

d. United Way Service Agreement 2020

Moved by Councillor Anne Eadie

Seconded by Councillor Janice Jackson

That a by-law be introduced authorizing the execution of a Service Agreement between the County of Bruce and the United Way Bruce Grey.

Carried

4. Information Items

The following reports were received for information:

a. EarlyON Virtual Programming

b. Community Safety & Well-Being Planning COVID-19 Status Update

5. Act on Recommendations

Moved by Councillor Chris Peabody

Seconded by Councillor Luke Charbonneau

That in accordance with the Procedure By-law, staff be authorized and directed to give effect to the actions of the Human Services Committee in respect of all resolutions passed during the June 4, 2020 meeting.

Carried

6. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Human Services Committee will take place electronically on June 18, 2020.

7. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Anne Eadie

Seconded by Councillor Milt McIver

That the meeting of the Human Services Committee adjourn at 11:47 a.m.

Carried

Councillor Robert Buckle, Chair

Human Services Committee



Museum Committee Minutes

June 4, 2020

Electronic (Remote) Meeting

Present	Steve Hammell, Councillor Robert Buckle, Councillor Luke Charbonneau, Councillor Anne Eadie, Councillor	Janice Jackson, Councillor Milt McIver, Councillor Chris Peabody, Councillor
Regrets	Mitch Twolan, Warden	
Staff	Sandra Datars Bere, Chief Administrative Officer Bettyanne Cobean Cathy McGirr, Director of Museum and Cultural Services Edward Henley, Director of Corporate Services Christine MacDonald, Director of Human Services Miguel Pelletier, Director of Transportation & Environmental Services Susan Petrik, Acting Director of Workplace Engagement Services	Steve Schaus, Director of Paramedic Services Kara Van Myall, Director of Planning & Development Darlene Batte, Deputy Clerk Donna Van Wyck, Clerk Michael Kirkpatrick, Director of Information Technology Services Brooke McLean, Director of Library Services

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 11:18 a.m.

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

3. Information Items

The following reports were received for information:

- a. Programming Report
- b. Revenue Development Report

4. Act on Recommendations

Moved by Councillor Milt McIver
Seconded by Councillor Anne Eadie

That in accordance with the Procedure By-law, staff be authorized and directed to give effect to the actions of the Museum Committee in respect of all resolutions passed during the June 4, 2020 meeting.

Carried

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Museum Committee will take place electronically on June 18, 2020.

6. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Robert Buckle
Seconded by Councillor Anne Eadie

That the meeting of the Museum Committee adjourn at 11:25 a.m.

Carried

Councillor Steve Hammell, Chair
Museum Committee



Workplace Engagement Services Committee Minutes

June 4, 2020

Electronic (Remote) Meeting

Present	Robert Buckle, Councillor Luke Charbonneau, Councillor Anne Eadie, Councillor Steve Hammell, Councillor	Janice Jackson, Councillor Milt McIver, Councillor Chris Peabody, Councillor
Regrets	Mitch Twolan, Warden	
Staff	Sandra Datars Bere, Chief Administrative Officer Bettyanne Cobean Christine MacDonald, Director of Human Services Edward Henley, Director of Corporate Services Cathy McGirr, Director of Museum & Cultural Services Miguel Pelletier, Director of Transportation & Environmental Services	Susan Petrik, Director of Workplace Engagement Services Kara Van Myall, Director of Planning & Development Darlene Batte, Deputy Clerk Donna Van Wyck, Clerk Michael Kirkpatrick, Director of Information Technology Services Brooke McLean, Director of Library Services

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 11:48 a.m.

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

4. Closed Meeting

Moved by Councillor Chris Peabody
Seconded by Councillor Steve Hammell

That the Committee move into a closed meeting pursuant to Section 239 (2) (d) of the Municipal Act, 2001 as amended, related to labour relations or employee negotiations, to discuss

- a. Ratification of Memorandum of Settlement between the Bruce County Library Board and CUPE Local 4481 Library
- b. Collective Agreement Extension CUPE Local 255.13 Highways

Carried

5. Rise and Report

Moved by Councillor Luke Charbonneau
Seconded by Councillor Anne Eadie

That the Committee rise and report from the closed meeting.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Anne Eadie
Seconded by Councillor Robert Buckle

That the Memorandum of Settlement between the Bruce County Library Board and the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) on behalf of its Local 4481 Library (Part Time) be approved including all terms and conditions.

Carried

The Chair reported that staff were provided direction related to the Collective Agreement Extension CUPE Local 255.13 Highways.

6. Act on Recommendations

Moved by Councillor Janice Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Robert Buckle

That in accordance with the Procedure By-law, staff be authorized and directed to give effect to the actions of the Workplace Engagement Services Committee in respect of all resolutions passed during the June 4, 2020 meeting.

Carried

7. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Workplace Engagement Services Committee will take place electronically on July 2, 2020.

8. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Janice Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Anne Eadie

That the meeting of the Workplace Engagement Services Committee adjourn at 12:08 p.m.

Carried

Councillor Milt McIver, Acting Chair

Workplace Engagement Services Committee



Corporate Services Committee Minutes

June 18, 2020

Electronic (Remote) Meeting

Present	Robert Buckle, Councillor Luke Charbonneau, Councillor Anne Eadie, Councillor Steve Hammell, Councillor	Janice Jackson, Councillor Milt McIver, Councillor Chris Peabody, Councillor
Regrets	Mitch Twolan, Warden	
Staff	Sandra Datars Bere, Chief Administrative Officer Edward Henley, Director of Corporate Services Christine MacDonald, Director of Human Services Cathy McGirr, Director of Museum & Cultural Services Kara Van Myall, Director of Planning & Economic Development	Miguel Pelletier, Director of Transportation & Environmental Services Susan Petrik, Director of Workplace Engagement Services Darlene Batte, Deputy Clerk Donna Van Wyck, Clerk Michael Kirkpatrick, Director of Information Technology Services Brooke McLean, Director of Library Services

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:51 p.m.

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

3. Action Items

a. 2021 Annual Business Plan and Budget Timetable

Moved by Councillor Robert Buckle
Seconded by Councillor Anne Eadie

That the 2021 Budget and Annual Business Plan Timetable report be approved; and,

That October 8th and 15th be reserved to receive the 2021 Annual Business Plans and Operational and Capital Budgets.

Carried

4. Act on Recommendations

Moved by Councillor Luke Charbonneau
Seconded by Councillor Robert Buckle

That in accordance with the Procedure By-law, staff be authorized and directed to give effect to the actions of the Corporate Services Committee in respect of all resolutions passed during the June 18, 2020 meeting.

Carried

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Corporate Services Committee will take place electronically on July 2, 2020.

7. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Anne Eadie
Seconded by Councillor Luke Charbonneau

That the meeting of the Corporate Services Committee adjourn at 12:54 p.m.

Carried

Councillor Milt McIver, Acting Chair

Corporate Services Committee



Human Services Committee Minutes

June 18, 2020

Electronic (Remote) Meeting

Present	Robert Buckle, Councillor Luke Charbonneau, Councillor Anne Eadie, Councillor Steve Hammell, Councillor	Janice Jackson, Councillor Milt McIver, Councillor Chris Peabody, Councillor
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1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:48 p.m.

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

3. Action Items

a. Social Service Relief Fund Allocation

Moved by Councillor Chris Peabody
Seconded by Councillor Janice Jackson

That the Warden and Clerk be authorized to execute the Social Service Relief Fund Allocation letter.

Carried

4. Act on Recommendations

Moved by Councillor Milt McIver
Seconded by Councillor Janice Jackson

That in accordance with the Procedure By-law, staff be authorized and directed to give effect to the actions of the Human Services Committee in respect of all resolutions passed during the June 18, 2020 meeting.

Carried

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Human Services Committee will take place electronically on July 2, 2020.

6. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Luke Charbonneau
Seconded by Councillor Steve Hammell

That the meeting of the Human Services Committee adjourn at 12:50 p.m.

Carried

Councillor Robert Buckle, Chair

Human Services Committee



Museum Committee Minutes

June 18, 2020

Electronic (Remote) Meeting

Present	Steve Hammell, Councillor Robert Buckle, Councillor Luke Charbonneau, Councillor Anne Eadie, Councillor	Janice Jackson, Councillor Milt McIver, Councillor Chris Peabody, Councillor
Regrets	Mitch Twolan, Warden	
Staff	Sandra Datars Bere, Chief Administrative Officer Cathy McGirr, Director of Museum and Cultural Services Miguel Pelletier, Director of Transportation & Environmental Services Susan Petrik, Acting Director of Workplace Engagement Services	Kara Van Myall, Director of Planning & Development Darlene Batte, Deputy Clerk Donna Van Wyck, Clerk Michael Kirkpatrick, Director of Information Technology Services Brooke McLean, Director of Library Services

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 11:52 a.m.

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

3. Strategic Plan

Ms. Mila Dechef-Tweddle, Senior Manager and Ms. Megan Lynch, Consultant for Nordicity presented the 2021-2026 Strategic Plan for the Bruce County Museum and Cultural Centre.

The Strategic Plan 2021 - 2026 Report was received for information.

4. Act on Recommendations

Moved by Councillor Robert Buckle
Seconded by Councillor Anne Eadie

That in accordance with the Procedure By-law, staff be authorized and directed to give effect to the actions of the Museum Committee in respect of all resolutions passed during the June 18, 2020 meeting.

Carried

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Museum Committee will take place electronically on July 2, 2020.

6. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Anne Eadie
Seconded by Councillor Milt Mclver

That the meeting of the Museum Committee adjourn at 12:46 p.m.

Carried

Councillor Steve Hammell, Chair
Museum Committee



Planning and Development Committee Minutes

June 18, 2020

Electronic (Remote) Meeting

Present	Mitch Twolan, Warden Anne Eadie, Councillor Robert Buckle, Councillor Luke Charbonneau, Councillor	Steve Hammell, Councillor Janice Jackson, Councillor Milt McIver, Councillor Chris Peabody, Councillor
Staff	Sandra Datars Bere, Chief Administrative Officer Kara Van Myall, Director of Planning and Development Miguel Pelletier, Director of Transportation & Environmental Services Brooke McLean, Director of Library Services Cathy McGirr, Director of Museum and Cultural Services Michael Kirkpatrick, Director of Information Technology Services Susan Petrik, Director of Workplace Engagement Services	Jill Roote, Manager of Economic Development Mark Paoli, Land Use Planning Manager Jack Van Dorp, Senior Planner Manpreet Kaur Sangha, Economic Development Officer - Business Jessie McGibbon, Marketing and Communications Coordinator Coreena Smith, Planner Darlene Batte, Deputy Clerk Donna Van Wyck, Clerk Andrew Beumer, Trails Manager Kevin Predon, Forestry Technician Jim Donohoe, Engineering Manager

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:31 a.m.

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

3. Public Meetings

a. 9:30 a.m. - Bruce County Official Plan Amendment C-2020-008-Ransome

The Chair opened the Public Meeting for Bruce County Official Plan Amendment 237-18.06 and Senior Planner Jack Van Dorp presented his report. Following the presentation, members of the public were invited to speak.

The Senior Planner reported that no further communications from the public relating to this application had been received.

Mr. Matt Nelson, Hydrologist spoke to the hydrology of the site.

Ron Davidson, Planning Consultant on behalf of the applicant spoke in support of the application.

Luke Charbonneau, Councillor joined the meeting at 9:37 a.m.

Mitch Twolan, Warden joined the meeting at 9:40 a.m.

Moved by Councillor Chris Peabody

Seconded by Councillor Steve Hammell

That the Bruce County Official Plan Amendment C-2020-008- Ransome be approved; and,

That the appropriate by-law be forwarded to County Council for adoption.

Carried

4. Action Items

a. Workforce Attraction Strategy

Based on discussions, staff will include in the Final Report for the Workforce Attraction Strategy to be brought forward in Quarter 3 an action related to Temporary Foreign Workers and expand the messaging related to attraction audiences.

Moved by Councillor Luke Charbonneau

Seconded by Warden Mitch Twolan

That the “Workforce Attraction Strategy” report be received; and,

That the Recommended Actions as outlined be endorsed as the County’s strategy for Workforce Development and Attraction; and,

That staff return in Quarter 3 (Q3) 2020 with a final Workforce Development and Attraction Action Plan following a review of the impacts of COVID-19 on this major initiative for the County.

Carried

5. Information Items

The following reports were received for information:

- a. Bruce Innovates - Feasibility Study and Business Plan RFP Awarded
- b. 2020 Economic Impact of Tourism Business Survey Update - May
- c. June Communications in the Field

6. Act on Recommendations

Moved by Councillor Milt McIver

Seconded by Councillor Steve Hammell

That in accordance with the Procedure By-law, staff be authorized and directed to give effect to the actions of the Planning and Development Committee in respect of all resolutions passed during the June 18, 2020 meeting.

Carried

7. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Planning and Development Committee will be held electronically on July 9, 2020.

8. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Chris Peabody

Seconded by Warden Mitch Twolan

That the meeting of the Planning and Development Committee adjourn at 10:35 a.m.

Carried

Councillor Anne Eadie, Chair

Planning and Development Committee



Transportation & Environmental Services Committee Minutes

June 18, 2020

Electronic (Remote) Meeting

Present	Mitch Twolan, Warden Milt McIver, Councillor Robert Buckle, Councillor Luke Charbonneau, Councillor	Anne Eadie, Councillor Steve Hammell, Councillor Janice Jackson, Councillor Chris Peabody, Councillor
Staff	Sandra Datars Bere, Chief Administrative Officer Miguel Pelletier, Director of Transportation and Environmental Services Michael Kirkpatrick, Director of Information Technology Services Brooke McLean, Director of Library Services Cathy McGirr, Director of Museum and Cultural Services	Susan Petrik, Director of Workplace Engagement Services Kara Van Myall, Director of Planning and Development Donna Van Wyck, Clerk Darlene Batte, Deputy Clerk Jim Donohoe, Engineering Manager Kevin Predon, Forestry Technician Andrew Beumer, Trails Manager

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:37 a.m.

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

3. Action Items

a. **Bruce Road 30 section D, 1st Avenue North, Chesley Reconstruction Cost Share Agreement**

Moved by Councillor Robert Buckle

Seconded by Councillor Anne Eadie

That a by-law be introduced authorizing the Warden and Clerk to execute a Cost-share Agreement between the County of Bruce and the Corporation of the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie (AE) to facilitate their respective responsibilities and subsequent costs for the construction of watermain, sanitary main, storm sewer and roadway project on Bruce Road 30, Section D, 1st Avenue North, Chesley.

Carried

b. **Boyd's Creek Culvert (8628200) Replacement on Bruce Road 86, Huron-Bruce boundary Road**

Moved by Councillor Chris Peabody

Seconded by Councillor Janice Jackson

That the transfer of \$14,000 from the Culvert reserve to Boyd's Creek Culvert (Ref: 8628200) to fund Pre-Engineering costs for the cost share project with Huron County to replace Boyd's Creek Culvert located on Bruce Road 86, Huron/Bruce boundary road be approved.

Carried

c. **Request for Permission to Trap Nuisance Beaver in Bruce County**

Moved by Councillor Janice Jackson

Seconded by Councillor Luke Charbonneau

That Terence Firetto-Gross be permitted to trap nuisance beaver in Bruce County from June 1, 2020 to June 1, 2021.

Carried

d. **2020 Wayfinding Sign Program Partnership Funding**

Moved by Councillor Janice Jackson

Seconded by Councillor Anne Eadie

That the Director of the Transportation and Environmental Services Department be authorized to sign the necessary agreement with

Regional Tourism Ontario 7 (RTO7) for the 2020 Wayfinding Sign program partnership funding.

Carried

e. County Road Network Service Levels

Moved by Councillor Robert Buckle

Seconded by Councillor Steve Hammell

That the County Road Network Service Levels be approved as presented.

Carried

f. West Road Project Update

Moved by Councillor Luke Charbonneau

Seconded by Warden Mitch Twolan

That the County carry out repair work on the West Road.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Luke Charbonneau

Seconded by Councillor Steve Hammell

That the County continue work on the Environmental Assessment for the West Road Reconstruction Project.

Carried

4. Information Items

The following reports were received for information:

- a. Timber Sales and Harvesting in County Forests
- b. Salt Comparison Testing
- c. 2020 Federal Gas Tax and Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund Projects
- d. Lindsay Tract Logging Damage
- e. Results of Road Assessments

5. Act on Recommendations

Moved by Warden Mitch Twolan
Seconded by Councillor Anne Eadie

That in accordance with the Procedure By-law, staff be authorized and directed to give effect to the actions of the Transportation & Environmental Services Committee in respect of all resolutions passed during the June 18, 2020 meeting.

Carried

6. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Transportation and Environmental Services Committee will be held electronically on July 9, 2020.

7. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Anne Eadie
Seconded by Councillor Janice Jackson

That the meeting of the Transportation and Environmental Services Committee adjourn at 11:44 a.m.

Carried

Councillor Milt Mclver, Chair

Transportation & Environmental Services Committee



By-law Number 2020-041

A by-law to Appoint a Chief Administrative Officer for the Corporation of the County of Bruce

The Council of a municipality has the authority to appoint officers and employees as may be necessary for the purpose of the Corporation

The Council for the Corporation of the County of Bruce enacts By-law 2020-041 as follows:

1. That Sandra Datars Bere be appointed Chief Administrative Officer for the Corporation of the County of Bruce, effective May 11, 2020.
2. That Sandra Datars Bere hold office during the pleasure of Council and shall receive remuneration for performing the duties of Chief Administrative Officer such salary as may be fixed by County Council from time to time.
3. That By-law 2012-057 be repealed.
4. This by-law shall come into effect on the date it is passed by Council.

Passed this 2nd day of July, 2020

Mitch Twolan
Warden

Donna Van Wyck
Clerk



By-law Number 2020-042

A by-law to authorize the execution of a Service Agreement between the Corporation of the County of Bruce and M'Wikwedong Native Cultural Resource Centre for the Support of the Giiwe Project under the Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative Funding Allocation

The Council for the Corporation of the County of Bruce enacts By-law 2020-042 as follows:

- 1. That the Warden and Clerk be authorized to execute the Service Agreement with the M'Wikwedong Native Cultural Resource Centre.**
- 2. That the said Agreement attached hereto forms part of this By-law.**
- 3. By-law 2020-042 shall come into effect on the date it is passed by Council.**

Passed this 2nd day of July, 2020.

Mitch Twolan
Warden

Donna Van Wyck
Clerk



By-law Number 2020-043

A by-law to authorize the execution of a Service Agreement between the Corporation of the County of Bruce and the United Way of Bruce Grey for the provision of the delivery of homelessness prevention services under the Community Homelessness Prevention Program

The Council for the Corporation of the County of Bruce enacts By-law 2020-043 as follows:

- 1. That the Warden and Clerk be authorized to execute the Service Agreement with the United Way of Bruce Grey.**
- 2. That the said Agreement attached hereto forms part of this By-law.**
- 3. By-law 2020-043 shall come into effect on the date it is passed by Council.**

Passed this 2nd day of July, 2020.

Mitch Twolan
Warden

Donna Van Wyck
Clerk



By-law Number 2020-044

**A by-law to adopt Amendment Number C-2020-008
to the County of Bruce Official Plan**

Authority is provided in Sections 17 and 21 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended.

The Council for the Corporation of the County of Bruce enacts By-law 2020-044 as follows:

1. Amendment Number C-2020-008 to the County of Bruce Official Plan attached and forming part of this by-law is approved.
2. That this By-law come into force and take effect on the day of the final passing thereof, subject to the provisions of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended.

Passed this 2nd day of July, 2020.

Mitch Twolan
Warden

Donna Van Wyck
Clerk

Part B – The Amendment

Introductory Statement

All of this part of the document entitled “Part B – The Amendment” and consisting of the following text, and attached map designated as Schedule “A”, constitutes Amendment Number C-2020-008 to the Bruce County Official Plan.

The Official Plan Amendment is to add a ‘Pits and Quarries’ overlay to a portion of the subject property to enable an Aggregate Resources Act license to be issued.

The Amendment

1. Schedule ‘A:’ Land Use (North Section)” to the County of Bruce Official Plan is hereby amended by adding a ‘Pits and Quarries’ symbol denoting an extraction operation on lands described as Concession 6 Part Lot 6 (Arran) Municipality of Arran-Elderslie, as shown on Schedule “A” to this Amendment.



By-law Number 2020-045

A by-law to confirm proceedings of the Council of the County of Bruce at its meeting held the 2nd day of July, 2020

Section 5(1) of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, provides that the powers of a municipal corporation are exercised by its Council;

Section 5(3) of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, provides that municipal powers shall be exercised by by-law;

The Council for the Corporation of the County of Bruce enacts By-law 2020-045 as follows:

1. The actions of the Council of the Corporation of the County of Bruce in respect of all recommendations, minutes of committees, all motions and resolutions and all other actions passed and taken by the Council of the Corporation of the County of Bruce, documents and transactions entered into during the July 2, 2020 session of Council, are hereby adopted and confirmed, as if the same were expressly included in this by-law.
2. The Warden and the proper officials of The Corporation of the County of Bruce are authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the July 2, 2020 session referred to in Section 1 of this by-law.
3. The Warden and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute all documents necessary to the action taken by this Council as described in Section 1 of this by-law and to affix the corporate seal to all documents referred to in Section 1.

Passed this 2nd day of July, 2020

Mitch Twolan
Warden

Donna Van Wyck
Clerk