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January 16, 2023

# Dear Treasurer/Clerk-Treasurer:

I am writing to advise you of the status of your municipality's 2023 Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF) first quarter payment.

As you know, the Ministries of Finance and Municipal Affairs and Housing wrote to remind municipalities of the 2022 OMPF reporting obligations and associated timelines.

The Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing has confirmed that your municipality's 2021 Financial Information Return (FIR) remains outstanding to date.

However, on a temporary basis, the Ministry of Finance has been issuing your municipality's OMPF payments to assist the municipality with its cash flow requirements. The Ministry will continue this practice for the 2023 OMPF first quarter payment.

Your municipality's 2023 first quarter payment will be processed through electronic funds transfer later this week. Details regarding this payment are provided in Section C of the enclosed *Payments Notice*.

The Ministry of Finance encourages you to submit your outstanding 2021 FIR to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing as soon as possible to avoid future holdback of payments.

For your reference, the next scheduled quarterly payment will take place during the third week of April 2023.

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If you have any questions regarding the processing of this payment, please contact Alula Yimam at (437) 216-9863 or at <a href="mailto:alula.yimam@ontario.ca">alula.yimam@ontario.ca</a>.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

Mary lannaci Director Municipal Funding Policy Branch

# Attachment

c: Allan Doheny
Assistant Deputy Minister
Provincial Local Finance Division
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Ruchi Parkash Director Municipal Finance Policy Branch Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing

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January 16th, 2023

The Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy Minister of Finance Frost Building South, 7th Floor 7 Queen's Park Crescent Toronto, Ontario M7A 1Y7

Dear Minister Bethlenfalvy:

**RE: Reassessment** 

I am writing on behalf of the <u>Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO)</u>.

AMCTO represents excellence in local government management and leadership. With 2,100+ members (e.g., CAOs, Clerks, Treasurers, management) working in municipalities across the province, AMCTO is Ontario's largest association of local government professionals, the leading professional development organization for municipal professionals and recognized as an influential voice on key management and legislative issues affecting the sector.

For over 80 years, AMCTO has maintained a productive relationship with government by helping ensure the professional expertise and local understanding of our members is utilized to improve existing and/or new legislation, policy and programs.

On January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023, AMO wrote to you requesting that the Province provide direction on returning to the assessment cycle. During a delegation with Parliamentary Assistant Crawford at the 2022 AMO Conference, AMCTO raised concerns about the impact the continued postponement of province-wide property assessment was having on municipal finances.

Like AMO we had hoped that the Fall Economic Statement would have provided some details surrounding updated assessments, particularly in light of the significant impacts to municipal finances brought forward by Bill 23.

AMCTO joins our colleagues at AMO in calling on the Province to clarify its intentions regarding reassessment and urges the Province to do so respecting that AMCTO members who, among others, are treasurers and chief financial officers, require adequate lead time for planning and implementation.

If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to David Arbuckle, Executive Director (darbuckle@amcto.com).

Yours Truly,

Elana Arthurs, CMO, AOMC

President, AMCTO

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Cc: The Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Al Spacek, Chair, Municipal Property Assessment Corporation Brian Rosborough, Executive Director, Association of Municipalities of Ontario

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January 4, 2023

# Dear Heads of Council,

I'm pleased to share an update on key initiatives underway at my ministry to help meet our government's goal of building 1.5 million new homes over the next 10 years.

The legislature recently passed our government's *More Homes Built Faster Act*, 2022 which takes bold action to ensure that all communities can grow with a mix of ownership and rental housing types to meet the needs of all Ontarians.

Our government knows that building inspectors play a critical role in ensuring that new homes meet the public safety requirements set out in Ontario's Building Code. However, the capacity of municipal building departments has been impacted by recruitment challenges and the increasing number of building inspectors retiring from the profession. That's why, earlier this year, we took action to help municipalities address labour supply shortages in the building sector by amending the Building Code to provide a new model for municipal building departments to design and administer internship programs for building inspectors.

Effective July 1, 2022, municipal building departments can establish program entry criteria for interns that meet their own local recruitment and enforcement needs. This new internship model supports public safety by continuing to require that a qualified building inspector or Chief Building Official supervises the work of interns. The interns must also pass ministry technical and legal exams before being able to practice independently as building inspectors.

In the coming months, the ministry will develop guidance materials to support municipalities that are interesting in launching local programs to recruit new intern building inspectors. We look forward to working with municipalities to implement local internships.

Additionally, the ministry has engaged a consultant to identify opportunities for enhancements to the qualification program for building practitioners. We are seeking input from the public, including municipalities, building inspectors, designers, septic installers and building professionals not regulated by the ministry. This feedback will help guide future decisions on new approaches to qualification.

For more information and to review the discussion paper, please visit the Environmental Registry of Ontario (ERO) website at <a href="https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/019-6433">https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/019-6433</a>.

In addition to this ongoing work, the ministry is modernizing the provincial Qualification and Registration Tracking System (QuARTS). QuARTS is used by over 7,000 building practitioners to update their qualification and registration information online and to help the government regulate safety and compliance in the Ontario building industry.

Modernizing QuARTS will create a more efficient and user-friendly system, allowing building officials to spend more time on the important task of reviewing and issuing building permits to support the government's key priority of increasing housing stock.

Finally, the ministry made the 2012 Building Code Compendium freely available in Adobe PDF format through the website (<a href="https://www.ontario.ca/page/request-digital-copy-2012-building-code-compendium">https://www.ontario.ca/page/request-digital-copy-2012-building-code-compendium</a>). Since its launch in March 2022, the ministry has provided free copies to over 5,000 building professionals to reduce barriers and help accelerate the construction of new homes across the province. This initiative has enabled inspectors to access Building Code requirements while performing their work onsite in a more convenient format. Additionally, candidates studying for the ministry's exams are able to access and learn Building Code content in an easy to navigate, user-friendly manner.

As part of the plan to build 1.5 million homes over the next 10 years, the government looks forward to continuing consultations with municipalities, the building industry and the public to investigate further changes to Ontario's Building Code in order to create more housing and support public safety.

If you are interested in learning more about any of the ministry's initiatives related to the transformation of Building Code services in Ontario, please contact us at BuildingTransformation@ontario.ca.

Thank you for your continued partnership as we work together to get more homes built faster for all Ontarians.

Sincerely,

Steve Clark Minister

c: Municipal Clerks



# for the Township of McGarry

CHARLES HARNICK

Integrity Commissioner Township of McGarry

January 9, 2023

Sent via Email: kpelletier@mcgarry.ca

Karine Pelletier Township Clerk/Treasurer 27 Webster Street P..O. Box 99 Virginiatown, ON P0K 1X0

Dear Ms. Pelletier:

Re: File No.: IC-21563-1222: Township of McGarry - Integrity Commissioner Annual Report -Operating Period July 8 2021 – July 7, 2022

Thank you for the opportunity to act as the Integrity Commissioner for the Township of McGarry (the "Township") over the past year. In accordance with the terms of the Agreement between the Township and ADR Chambers pursuant to section 223.6(1) of the Municipal Act, 2001, we are providing our annual report for the first operating period of the Agreement covering the period July 8, 2021 to July 7, 2022.

As you know, the Integrity Commissioner's role is to help Members of Council ("Members") ensure that they are performing their functions in accordance with the Township's Council Code of Conduct (the "Code") and the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act (the "MCIA"). The Integrity Commissioner is available to educate and provide advice to Members on matters governing their ethical behaviour and compliance with the Township's Code and the MCIA.

The Integrity Commissioner is also responsible for receiving, assessing, and investigating appropriate complaints made by Council, Members, and members of the public respecting alleged breaches of the Code by Members or complaints by electors of the Township or persons demonstrably acting in the public interest that a Member has contravened the provisions of the MCIA.

# **Complaints**

During this operating period no Code of Conduct of MCIA complaints were filed.

# Requests for Advice

One request for advice was received during this operating period.

The request for advice by Members must always be made in writing to the Integrity Commissioner and the advice given to Members is always provided in writing, and in accordance with the provisions of the Township's Code and the applicable provisions of the MCIA.

Advice from the Integrity Commissioner should not be considered to constitute legal advice, and Members are always encouraged to seek the advice of their personal solicitor should they believe legal advice is necessary.

# **Billings**

Billing for the year to date has totaled \$565.00 for our annual retainer. We have not billed for any additional charges beyond our retainer.

## Final Comments

We look forward to assisting the Township and its Members in contending with the issues that may arise in connection with the administration of its Code in the coming year.

Yours very truly,

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Charles Harnick

Office of the Integrity Commissioner for the Township of McGarry

# Partnerships Report 2022 Municipal















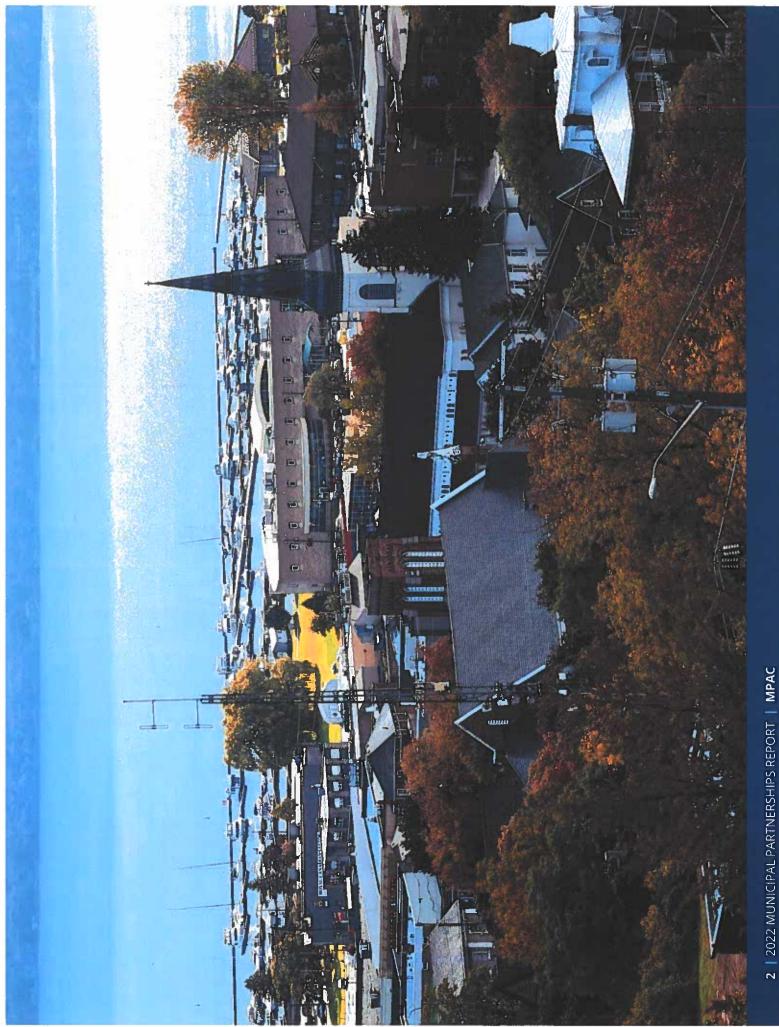






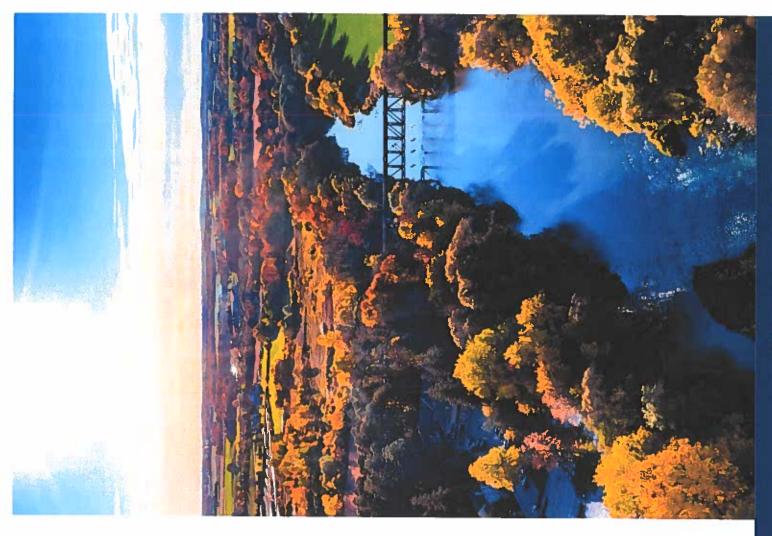






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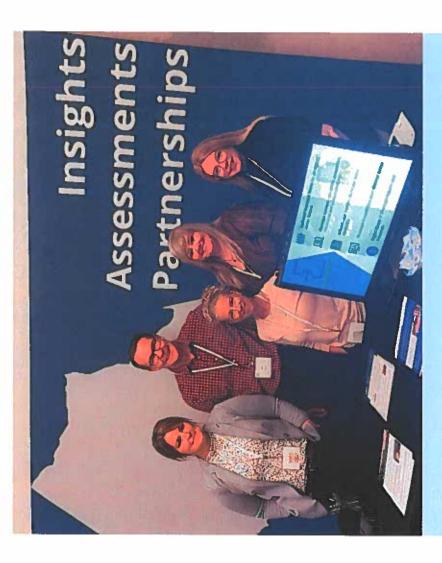
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# 2022: Partnering Today for a New Tomorrow

After two challenging years, we know a lot has changed.
Still one thing remains constant - MPAC's commitment, as
Ontario's property market experts, to provide property
values, insights and services that municipalities and property
owners can rely on.

Our <u>2021-2025 Strategic Plan</u> prioritizes elevating the property owner and municipal experience. With this plan as our guide, we will demonstrate our support for property owners and our commitment to our municipal partners to enhance communities across Ontario.





"On behalf of MPAC, i'd like to congratulate all the new and re-elected officials following the recent municipal elections and thank you for your service. We look forward to the partnerships our MPAC team will continue to build with you and your municipal staff to support your community and local decision-making."

Alan Spacek Chair, MPAC Board of Directors

# Who We Are

We are Ontario's property market experts. Our job is to assess and classify more than 5.5 million properties across Ontario worth a combined value of more than \$3 trillion. Since our last report, Ontario has grown by approximately 100,000 new properties and we have added more than \$37 billion in new assessment from new construction and improvements to existing properties. Every municipality uses our assessments to make informed decisions about their community, including the distribution of property taxes.

We continuously update our property data so that municipal tax records are accurate when local governments are making important tax decisions.

Our work to maintain Ontario's property database includes:

- Collecting property data in consultation with municipalities and property owners
- Analyzing and verifying changes to property and property transactions
- Inspecting properties in response to building permits, sales reviews, neighbourhood reviews and more
- Monitoring sale trends in property sectors
- Processing severances and consolidations
- Addressing Requests for Reconsideration and appeals
- Responding to vacancy and tax applications from municipalities
- Tracking school support







"Our work in recent years has advanced our business processes and added more data than ever to ensure the quality and accuracy of our values. Building on these successes, we stand ready to deliver a predictable assessment base, accurate data and insights, and provide quality products and services that municipalities, property owners and other stakeholders can count on."

# Nicole McNeill

President and Chief Administrative Officer, MPAC

# Capturing New Assessment

Each year, MPAC updates property records to capture changes in properties from additions, improvements or new construction.

In 2022, we worked diligently to capture new assessment that provides additional revenue for municipalities. Throughout the year we assessed more than \$37 billion in new construction, additions and renovations across Ontario.

Our ongoing collaboration with municipalities made this milestone possible. Together, we are modernizing and digitizing building permit collection and exchange to create efficiencies for municipalities and to help us capture new assessment faster, resulting in new municipal revenues up to two months sooner.



"As I have recently returned to the municipal sector, I found our local representative and MPAC team have been extremely helpful to explain, answer questions and provide valuable information in a timely manner. MPAC's continued support confirms they are a valuable partner for our municipality."

# Angela Millar

Treasurer, Township of Drummond/North Elmsley

# Connecting With Partners

With the return of in-person conferences, MPAC had the pleasure of reconnecting with municipal representatives at events across the province – from the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA) conference to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) conference, to name just two. Our Municipal and Stakeholder Relations team attended 14 municipal conferences this year, in-person and virtually.

As a speaker, exhibitor and attendee at these events, we shared organizational updates and operational highlights, had the opportunity to discuss municipal priorities and work together on solutions.

Beyond events, our MPAC team engaged with municipal staff and elected officials more than 1,500 times in 2022 and responded to 97.7% of municipal inquiries within the time periods outlined in our <u>Service Level Agreement</u> with municipalities.

We're looking forward to keeping our connections strong as municipal councils begin their new term this fall.





"We are pleased to take part in many sector conferences and events, delivering updates, and receiving feedback during our workshops and one-to-one discussions. Your insights help us to enhance the municipal experience, determine how to best support municipal operations and consider future collaboration opportunities."

Mary Dawson-Cole Director, Municipal and Stakeholder Relations, MPAC

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# **Property Insights**

with a complete data set of all building permits in Ontario - we process about 300,000 each year on properties of all types. Our understanding of this data enables us to identify trends in various permit categories across the MPAC is uniquely positioned as the only organization province.

home improvements, decrease in condo sizes, growth of municipalities and property owners. Through a targeted self-storage facilities, continued demand for office space on the significant increase in new residential builds and media campaign, we provided the latest information During 2022, we shared these property insights with

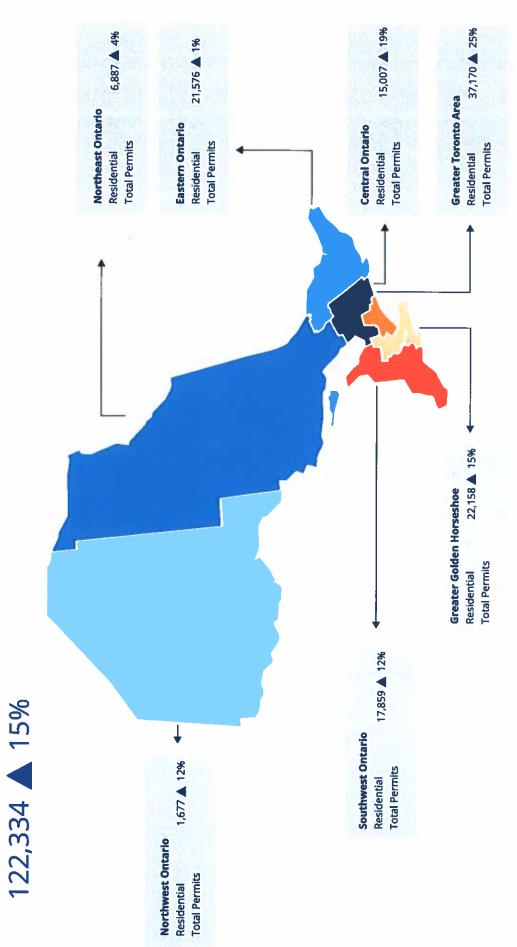
To learn more, visit Our Stories-Building Permits on mpac.ca



Our relentless focus on maintaining Ontario's property informs us about population, property data can provide growth metrics that can enhance their planning and changing property landscape. Much like the census municipalities with insights on market changes and decision-making. We look forward to sharing more inventory gives us unique insight into Ontario's property data insights in 2023."

Vice-President and Chief Operating Officer, MPAC Carmelo Lipsi

Total Permits



# **Innovative Solutions**

Investing in technology and innovative processes continues to be a focus for MPAC, especially when it comes to refining services that impact municipal operations.



This year, we continued our work with municipalities to digitize their permitting process. We are currently working in partnership with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario's (AMO) business arm, LAS, on an **e-permitting** pilot project to demonstrate the value of digital permitting for Ontario municipalities.

We have created an Application Programming Interface (API), which allows MPAC to electronically retrieve approved building plans prior to construction. This expediates our process for providing new assessment to municipalities and facilitates new revenue opportunities, sooner. We'll share the pilot results with municipalities when the project is completed in 2023.

# own. Thanks to AMO, LAS and MPAC for supporting municipalities to help them confidently take a step forward in service delivery modernization."

adoption by municipalities that might not have taken this step on their

"The Township is excited to be part of a project that evaluates the benefits of digital building permitting solutions, while supporting

Chief Administrative Officer, Township of Black River-Matheson

# Delivering the 2022 Enumeration

to support the delivery of a quality preliminary list association partners to promote VoterLookUp.ca of electors (PLE) to every municipality and school MPAC worked closely with municipalities and board for the October 24 elections.

could share to encourage voters to confirm their information on VoterLookUp.ca. With more than The campaign included print and digital content. municipalities that helped promote and educate and toolkits with information municipalities 215,000 searches leading up to the elections, targeted outreach for tenants and students, the campaign's success was a result of the their residents about the tool.

by-elections in 2023 and are working to implement While this is MPAC's last delivery of province-wide legislated changes that will transfer responsibility for enumeration products to Elections Ontario in PLEs, we will continue to provide the PLE for any



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information for our 2022 municipal election. MPAC's off-the-shelf information and VoterLookUp made it easy to engage residents." "Our staff leveraged the resources in MPAC's toolkit to promote VoterLookUp and encourage residents to confirm their

Anne Whalen

Municipal Clerk, Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers

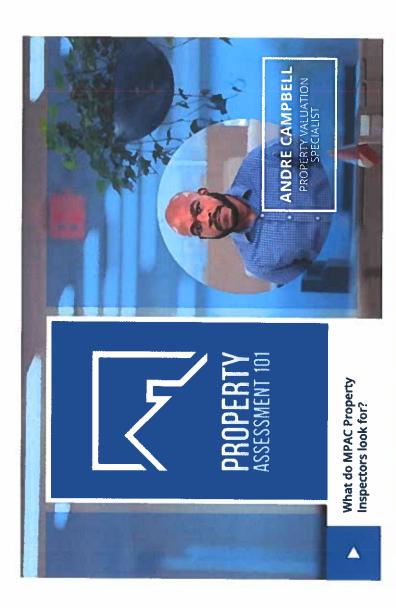
# Prioritizing Property Owners

We know there are a lot of questions about the property assessment and taxation process. We are making enhancements to help Ontarians better understand how we determine assessments and how this input is used to calculate property taxes.

The language on our Property Assessment Notices has been simplified to explain why owners are receiving one, and we added a QR code that links directly to more information on mpac.ca.

We have also increased our public education efforts. It's been six years since the last province-wide assessment update, and we understand that property owners may be feeling uncertain about what's to come. Our new public education campaign focuses on MPAC's roles and responsibilities, how assessed values and taxes are calculated and the relationship between the two.

To support our municipal partners, we shared a <u>toolkit</u> with municipalities that features ready-to-use, easily digestible content to help address anticipated concerns and misunderstandings from property owners as we prepare for the next province-wide assessment update.



"Communicating the relationship between property assessment and taxes to the public is a challenge for municipal finance leaders. Enhancing public understanding and trust in the property tax system strengthens municipal sustainability and MPAC's toolkit is a valuable resource in these efforts. It helps to clarify MPAC's role in determining property assessments, the role of municipalities in determining revenue requirements, and the relationship between the two."

# Donna Herridge

Executive Director, Municipal Finance Officers' Association of Ontario

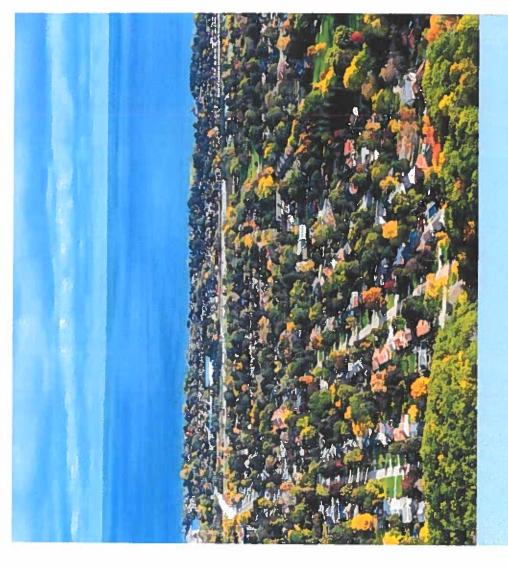
# Services on the Horizon **New Products and**

solutions that support service delivery and provide further us for the next update, we are also exploring innovative As MPAC continues the essential work that is preparing value to our stakeholders.

informed decisions related to assessment appeals. Available Courts have interpreted the Assessment Act, Regulations and to support municipalities with information to help make ARB rules, and includes more than 800 case summaries. We recently introduced the Annotated Assessment Act through Municipal Connect, this comprehensive guide explains how the Assessment Review Board (ARB) and

time market estimates. We foresee many benefits of this Another area where we are innovating is our real-time technology and are excited to share our progress with methods and advanced analytics to produce point-invalues project, leveraging leading-edge data science municipalities as the project evolves.

agreements. We look forward to sharing more information with municipalities as we roll out the agreement in 2023. To ensure we deliver on the commitments we make, we are developing a new municipal "Master Agreement" in collaboration with a Municipal Working Group, that will update and consolidate numerous existing municipal



understand what legislation, regulation, ARB rules, and influential decisions have valuable starting point for our research and planning as we consider our interest The review of assessment appeals is a complicated process for municipalities. said about the property assessment environment. This tool will prove to be a MPAC's new Annotated Assessment Act resource will help the City to better in future assessment appeals."

Aaron Zamler

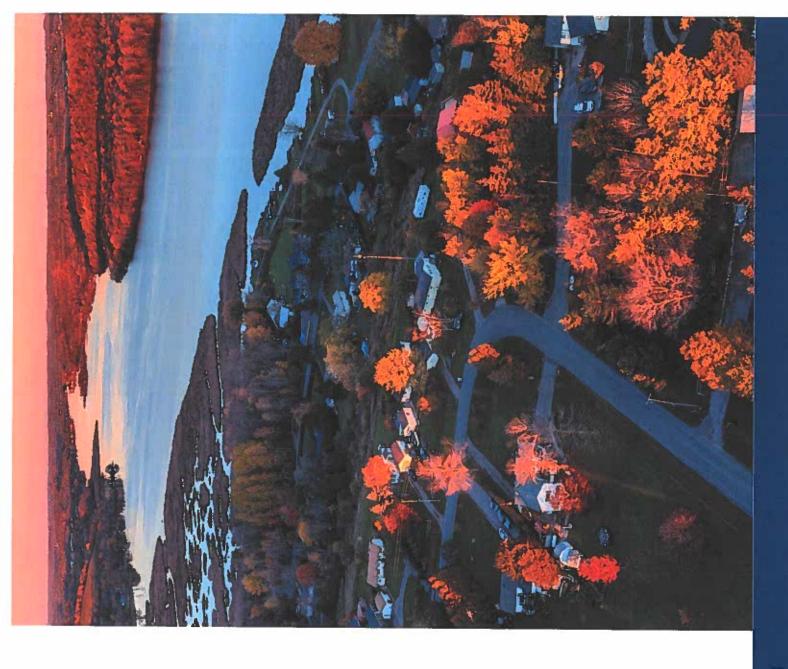
Supervisor of Assessment, City of Vaughan

# **Looking Ahead**

MPAC continues its preparations for a future provincewide assessment update.

As we await the Province's direction on the next reassessment, we'll continue to work hard every day to keep Ontario's property inventory up-to-date to ensure that we're ready for a province-wide assessment update whenever it is called. We'll remain focused on capturing new construction, renovations and additions that will deliver critical new assessment to municipal assessment rolls.

In the coming year, we'll continue sharing market insights and analysis that will support municipal decision-making to build thriving communities. And we'll explore innovative ways to optimize the way we work to evolve the services that municipalities rely on while helping Ontarians better understand who we are, what we do and the relationship between property assessment and taxation.



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# The McGarry & District XYZ Seniors Club P.O. Box 121 Virginiatown, ON P0K 1X0 xvzseniorsclub@amail.com

January 27, 2023

Township of McGarry Virginiatown, ON P0K 1X0

Attention: Karine Pelletier, Clerk-Treasurer

Subject: XYZ Seniors Club new administration

Good morning,

The McGarry & District XYZ Seniors Club had its General Annual Meeting and Election Day January 25, 2023. We are pleased to announced the appointment of a new President and six Board Members.

Pierre Lemire, President
Rachelle Daoust, Vice-President
Ronald Raymond, Treasurer
Gisele Lemire, Secretary
Matt Reimer, USCO Liaison
Helene Rheaume, Membership Chairperson
Gerard Allen, Director

We are looking forward to continue working with you.

Regards, Gisele Lemire

Gisele Lemire, Secretary

XYZ Seniors Club

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Karine Pelletier <kpelletier@mcgarry.ca>

# **AMCTO at the 2023 ROMA Conference**

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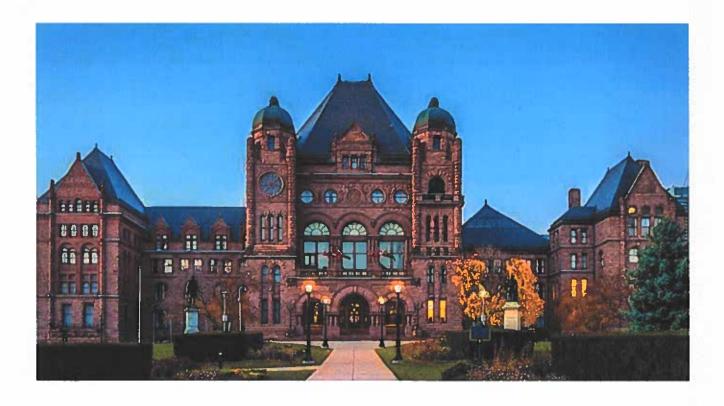
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January 31, 2023

# Advocacy Update: AMCTO at the 2023 ROMA Conference

AMCTO was once again proud to participate at the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) conference from January 22-24<sup>th</sup>, 2023 in Toronto. We had the opportunity to speak with many local

government professionals and elected officials about our Issue Profile and with conference delegates who stopped by our exhibitor booth to learn about our education and professional development offerings, accreditation and membership services. We also had the opportunity to learn from subject matter experts at concurrent and plenary sessions, hear directly from the government and opposition parties, and advance our advocacy priorities in delegation meetings.

AMCTO Vice President, Stephen O'Brien, participated with us in four delegation meetings over the course of the conference, including with the Honourable Kaleed Rasheed, Minister of Public and Business Service Delivery, with members of the NDP, Liberal, and Green caucuses.

## Delegation with Ministry of Public and Business Service Delivery

Following up on our conversation with Minister Rasheed during the 2022 AMO Conference, we continued our advocacy to comprehensively review the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, 1990 (MFIPPA)*, highlighting some of the administration challenges that small and/or rural municipalities face. We emphasized that our members value the importance of accountability and transparency and would like to see *MFIPPA* keep pace with changing technology and processes. We believe that the minister remains receptive to addressing these concerns and opportunities to bring changes forward.

We also discussed the death registration process and emphasized our support of the progress being made on modernizing death registration. Having a minimal viable product in place and testing with stakeholders, we would like the ministry to consider removing the 'middle person' role municipalities play in the current registration process. We look forward to continuing these conversations with ministry staff as the project continues.

## **Delegations with Opposition Parties**

Given that since the last time we met with opposition parties, there have been provincial and municipal elections, and a series of landmark legislation introduced affecting the municipal sector, we reminded opposition parties about our AMCTO Issue Profile and advocacy priorities, offered our advice and technical expertise. We talked about the impacts of recent legislation including Bill 3, Bill 23, and Bill 39, especially as it pertains to operational and administrative impacts. We also discussed some of our priorities for 2023, including comprehensively reviewing *MFIPPA*, working to reduce administrative and reporting burdens on municipal staff, and reviewing the *Municipal Elections Act*. We will be following up with opposition parties to continue to offer our professional advice when it comes to municipal policy matters.

## **Political Speeches**

The ROMA conference included speeches from the Government, including Premier Ford, Minister Clark, Minister Jones, and Minister Thompson, opposition leaders Marit Stiles, John Fraser, and Mike Schreiner, as well as the infamous 'Bear Pit' where delegates asked questions directly to political leaders.

Premier Ford's speech focused on economic development, highlighting the importance of ensuring rural communities are prosperous. He talked about the importance of working together with municipalities and the federal government, and of keeping the cost of living down, highlighting the July 1, 2022 – December 31, 2023 reduction of gas and fuel tax rate, as something that helps rural communities in particular. Premier Ford spoke at a high level about the province's housing plan, calling the actions bold, but reinforcing that bold actions are necessary in the face of current housing supply shortages.

In her first speech to ROMA delegates, incoming NDP Leader, Marit Stiles, emphasized the need for provincial-municipal partnership and reaffirmed the party's commitment to working with municipalities to support resilient infrastructure including broadband, address housing and homelessness, and oppose top-down changes.

Liberal Party Leader, John Fraser, addressed the party's poor results in the last provincial election, and talked about the importance of coming together to share ideas even when there are disagreements. He affirmed the party's commitment to working with the municipal sector, stating that the party will earn the privilege of working together again.

Finally, Green Party Leader, Mike Schreiner, began his speech by reaffirming the party's commitment to truth and reconciliation. He talked about the importance of new revenue tools for municipalities and ensuring municipalities have autonomy to use tools that best meet the needs of their communities.

Minister Clark announced that the province is extending the deadline for implementation projects approved under Intake 3 of the Municipal Modernization Program and the Streamline Development Approval Fund. He announced \$936 million in funding for municipal service managers and Indigenous program administrators for 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 through the National Housing Strategy. He also announced that Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Municipal Affairs, Kevin Holland, and Associate Minister of Transportation, Stan Cho, will be launching a consultation on railway crossing maintenance.

## Other Conference Highlights

As the first major municipal conference since municipal elections in October, a key theme seemed to be assisting elected members of council in getting acquainted with their new role. We saw presenters throughout concurrent and plenary sessions help elected officials understand their role and the many obligations they hold. Of note, during the Michael J. Smither Question Panel, moderated by AMCTO member, Jody Johnson, a question was asked about the most important things for a new member of council to be aware of. Jody emphasized the importance of becoming familiar with the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*, including understanding that staff cannot give members of council advice, as well as understanding the municipality's Code of Conduct, and their obligations under the *Safe Water Drinking Act*.

Another theme was workforce retention, with a concurrent session dedicated to this topic, as well updates on ROMA's advocacy on this front. During the Michael J. Smither Question Panel, panelists emphasized the importance of developing talent in municipalities.

## **Moving Forward**

The ROMA conference provided us with an important platform to continue to advance our advocacy priorities. We will be following up with the government and opposition officials to continue these conversations and advocate on our members' behalf.

For more information about our advocacy efforts, please contact:

## Alana Del Greco

Manager, Policy & Government Relations adelgreco@amcto.com

## **Charlotte Caza**

Policy Advisor

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# TO TENANTS LOCATED ON CROWN LAND

The Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) is responsible for property assessment in the Province of Ontario. MPAC does not send Assessment Notices to Crown land tenants in organized municipalities. In unorganized areas, MPAC notifies Crown land tenants of changes to their assessment via the MPAC assessment notice.

As a tenant on Crown land, your total tax payable is based on MPAC's Current Value Assessment. If you wish to review the assessed value of your tenanted site:

1. Contact MPAC directly

By mail: P.O. Box 9808 Toronto, ON M1S 5T9

By telephone: 1-866-296-6722 By e-mail: enquiry@mpac.ca

You will be required to provide the roll number associated with your property, which can be found on your previous tax invoice. If you wish to view a profile of your property online, contact MPAC for an access key, then visit www.aboutmyproperty.ca.

## If you are dissatisfied with MPAC's Current Value Assessment:

The mandatory first step is to file a Request for Reconsideration (RfR) with MPAC by March 31, 2023. If you are still dissatisfied with your assessment of the property after you receive the results of the RfR from MPAC, you can appeal to the Assessment Review Board (ARB), an independent tribunal of the Ministry of the Attorney General of Ontario. The appeal deadline is 90 days after the mailing of the RfR decision.

Note that you will require authorization from the Ministry of Northern Development Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry (MNDMNRF) to act on its behalf should you wish to have MPAC reconsider the assessment of the property. Therefore, by means of this letter, MNDMNRF is authorizing you, the tenant, to act as its Agent for the Request for Reconsideration process for your tenanted site.

Yours Truly,

Jana Osbourne Supervisor, Land Business Unit

# MPAC Quarterly Update

Mario Levesque

MUNICIPAL PROPERTY ASSESSMENT CORPORATION



# Service Level Agreement

# REPORTS AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD in February 2023

- New Assessment Report Year-End (SLA\_NAR)
- Consolidates each quarterly new assessment forecast against what was processed in 2022, to provide an overall snapshot of new assessment activity in your municipality.
- Processing of Supplementary and Omitted Assessments (SLA\_SO)
- Measures whether we met our commitment to process at least 85% of total supplementary and omitted assessed changes within one year of occupancy.
- Updated 2022 New Assessment Forecast Report (SLANAF)
- Update to the *preliminary new assessment forecast* report that was shared with you in October of 2022. As with the most up-to-date information. new information is now available, we've updated the forecast and re-run the analysis in order to provide you

# OTHER SLA MEASURES

MPAC met all other Service Levels for the period.

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# 2022 New Assessment & Supps/Omits (SLA)

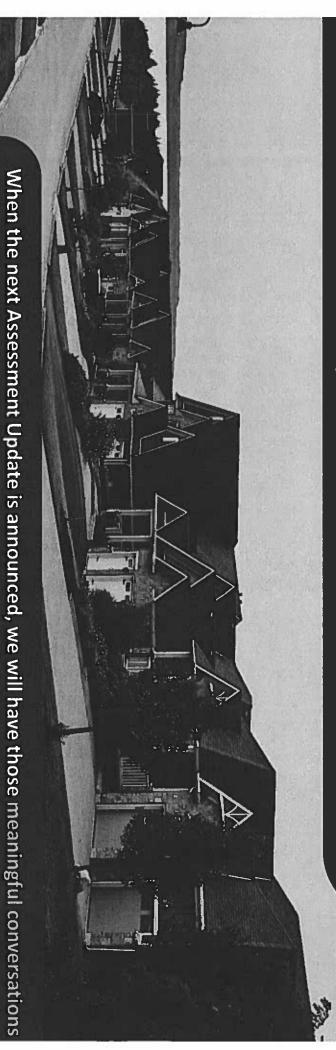
New Assessment (Growth from Permits) as of November 8th, 2022

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\*Final values, as delivered on the assessment roll.

# Assessment Update

to be based on a January 1, 2016 valuation date. Property values for the 2022 and 2023 Tax Years continue



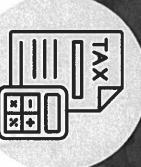
with you about what this means for your community and provide the support you need

# Let's Talk Property Taxes

raise from property taxes to pay for services and determine tax Each year, municipalities decide how much money they need to rates based on that amount.



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Your property's assessed value, provided by MPAC.

Municipal and education tax rates\* for your property type.

Property taxes you pay.

\*Education tax rates are set by the provincial government

# THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PROPERTY VALUE AND TAXES

# PROPERTY ASSESSMENT CHANGE

IMPACT ON PROPERTY TAX

mean higher property taxes. value does not necessarily An increase in assessed

municipality. for your property class in your assessed value has changed value has changed, but how your not how much your assessed The most important factor is relative to the average change

> same rate as other in your property class increases at the Your assessed value













change is lower than the average for your tax class Your assessed value













than the average for your property class increase is higher Your assessed value















This example assumes there is no change to the cost of services and that there are no changes in the distribution of taxes between property classes

# Inspection Notices and Requests for Information

- ✓ Inspection Notice
- ✓ Contact Us Notice
- Replaces letters we previously sent to property owners to indicate an inspection or request for information
- Same look and feel as other notices
- Available on About My Property
- Information includes:
- Why a property owner received the notice
- Next steps
- Login information for About My Property
- How to connect with MPAC



# Farm Forestry Exemption (FFE)

- Change came into affect January 1, 2023.
- used directly in the farm operation. Extended to farmed properties for woodlots used for forestry purposes, not
- MPAC responsible for completing the calculation to determine allowable acres.
- woodland parts. Calculations based on ratio of owner's entire land holdings to forested or
- from 20 to 30 acres. Acreage maximum per farm property owner in a municipality has increased
- Class FF and exemption for the 2024 tax year. Amended Notice (SAN) in early 2023. Other properties will receive a Property Properties that have an increase in eligible acreage will receive a Special Assessment Notice (PAN) later in 2023 to show the value attributed to the Unit
- assessment base Municipalities will now see the value of Farm Forestry Exemption as part of the



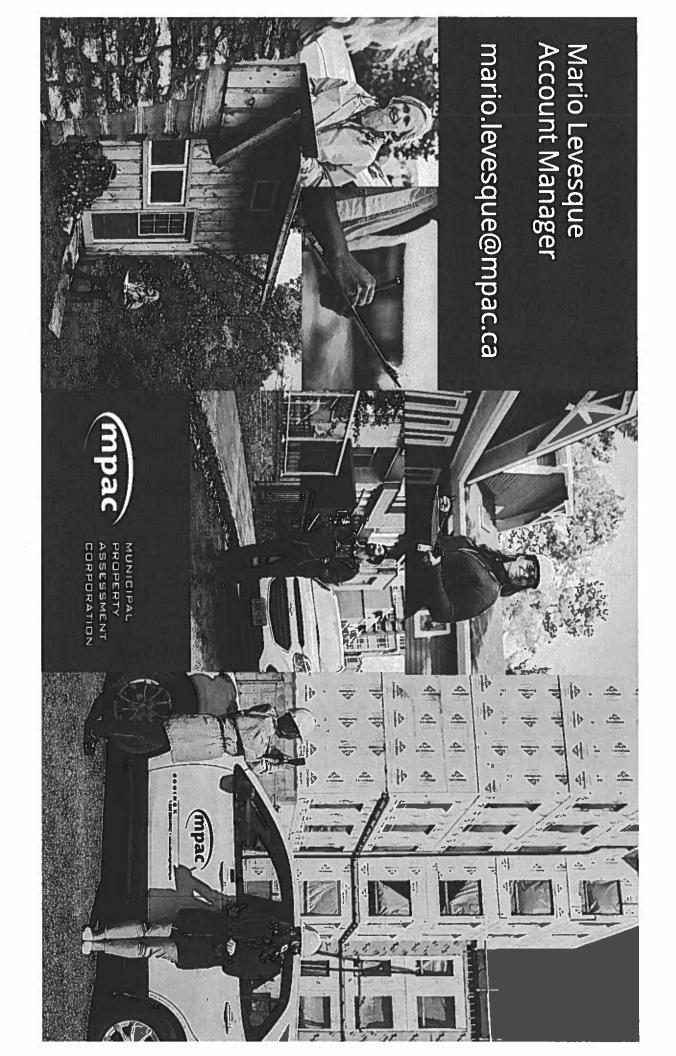
# 2023 Webinars

Jan 26, 2023	DATE	
Farm Forestry Exemption	WEBINAR TOPIC	

Municipal webinar recordings are on available on MPAC's YouTube Channel.

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLQXpjZB0TXxkheps://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLQXpjZB0TXxk







Minutes of the Community Policing Committee held on Thursday, September 1st, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in person in the meeting room or by phone.

#### 1. Opening of the Meeting by the Chair of the Committee

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance.

#### 2. Roll Call: The Chair took a roll call

Attendance:	Present	Absent
Chair Annie Toupin-Keft Co-Chair Bonita Culhane Abbigail Keft Nyla Koomans Merdy Armstrong Mayor Matt Reimer		

Members of the audience present: 3

Moved by Nyla Koomans 12/2022
Seconded by Merdy Armstrong Absence

THAT the Chair agrees to grant a leave of absence to Member Annie Toupin-Keft for the Community Policing Committee Meeting of September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 due to appropriate advance notice submitted to the Clerk or Chair.

#### 3. Adoption of the Agenda and Addendum:

Moved by Nyla Koomans Seconded by Merdy Armstrong

13/2022 Adoption of Agenda

THAT the agenda for the September 1st , 2022, meeting of the Community Policing Committee be adopted.

Carried

#### 4. Disclosure of Pecuniary of Interest: None

#### 5. Minutes of Previous Meetings:

Moved by Nyla Koomans Seconded by Merdy Armstrong

14/2022 Previous Minutes

THAT the minutes of the Meeting of the Community Policing held on August 10th, 2022 be adopted.

#### Carried

- 6. Matters arising from the minutes: None
- 7. Deputations / Delegations : None
- 8. Correspondance, Information: None
- 9. Members Update Reports:

Member Merdy Armstrong reported that the Anti-Scam session was too long in his opinion and ask if it could be made shorter.

#### 10. New Business:

- a) 1<sup>st</sup> Family Safety Saturday- Members discussed the 1<sup>st</sup> Family Safety Saturday event.

  Discussion took place to make sure that everything was ready and prepared for the event.
- 11. a) Submitted Questions: None
  - b) Audience Questions:

**Resident:** Can we look into having another Neighborhood Watch Program in place for our community?

**Answer:** Chair Bonita Culhane and Officer Senf said they will look into it and let us know when they had answers.

Resident: If we do get the neighborhood watch program, what kind of training would it take to be part of it?

Answer: We Will look into it and let you know when we have more information.

12. Closed Meeting: None

#### 13. Adjournment:

Moved by Merdy Armstrong Seconded by Nyla Koomans

15/2022 Adjournment

Bonita Culhane

That this meeting be adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Carried

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Minutes of a Recreation Committee Meeting held on Tuesday October 4th, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

# 1. Opening of Meeting by the Committee Chair / Ouverture de la réunion par le/la Président(e) du comité:

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance.

#### 2. Roll Call / Appel nominal:

Attendance:	Present	Absent
Chair Councillor Bonita Culhane		
Co-Chair Councillor Annie Toupin-Keft	$\overline{\mathbf{V}}$	
Colette Tardif		
Paulette Paquet		
Bastiaan Koomans		
Mayor Matt Reimer	$\square$	

Clerk Typist: Melanie Jensen Members of the Public: 6

## 3. Adoption of the Agenda and Addendum / Adoption de l'ordre du jour et de l'addenda.

Moved by Paulette Paquet
Seconded by Bastiaan Koomans

31/2022
Agenda

THAT the agenda for the Recreation Committee Meeting held on October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022 be adopted with addition of (c) ATV Ride.

#### Carried

#### 4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest / Déclaration d'intèrêts pécuniaires: None

5. Minutes of Previous Meetings / Procès-verbal des réuni	ons précédentes :
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Moved by Bastiaan Koomans Seconded by Paulette Paquet

32/2022 Minutes

THAT the minutes of the Recreation Committee meeting held on September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022 and September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022 be adopted.

#### Carried

- 6. Matters arising from the minutes/Affaires découlant des procès-verbaux: None
- 7. Deputations / Délégations / Députations / Délegations : None
- 8. Correspondence, Information / Correspondance, Information:
  - 1. Submission letter from Legion on accepting The Bar for the Halloween dance.

Moved by Annie Toupin-Keft Seconded by Paulette Paquet

33/2022 Halloween/Bar

THAT the Recreation Committee accept the Legion Submission for the October 29th, 2022 for the Halloween Bar.

#### Carried

Recorded Vote requested by Colette Tardif

	YES	NO
Chair Councillor Bonita Culhane	✓	
Co-Chair Councillor Annie Toupin-Keft	✓	
Colette Tardif	✓	
Paulette Paquet	✓	
Bastiaan Koomans	✓	
Mayor Matt Reimer	✓	

Moved by Colette Tardif Seconded by Bastiaan Koomans

34/2022 Luncheon

THAT the Recreation Committee accepts the UCFO submission for the November 12, 2022 Christmas Craft Sale luncheon.

#### Recorded Vote requested by Colette Tardif

	YES	NO
Chair Councillor Bonita Culhane	✓	
Co-Chair Councillor Annie Toupin-Keft	✓	
Colette Tardif	✓	
Paulette Paquet	✓	
Bastiaan Koomans	✓	
Mayor Matt Reimer	✓	

Paulette Paquet Declared Conflict of Interest after she voted.

#### Carried

Moved by Annie Toupin-Keft	35/2022
Seconded by Paulette Paquet	Staff Party

THAT the Recreation Committee accepts the Legion submission for the November 19th, 2022 for the Volunteer Christmas Party bar.

#### 9. Members Update Reports / Rapports de mise à jour des membres : None

#### 10. New Business/ Nouvelles affaires:

- a) Halloween Dance: Members discussed the Halloween Dance and when they were going to go decorate the gym. Members decided to go on October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022. The prizes will probably have to be monetary as no one has approach us with any prize giveaways for this event.
- b) Upcoming Christmas Season: Members discussed the Volunteer Christmas Staff Party. The have come up with a theme of winter wonderland with the colors of bleu, white and silver. The present members have volunteer to come help the new council to decorate as they will not yet know which committee they will have or who will be their members as all committee dissolves. They will come and start the decorating on November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. as for the Children's Christmas Party the members have discussed that they would have the presents ready for next Council as the deadline to enter the children name is November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022 and further discussion has been deferred to the November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 meeting.
- c) ATV Ride: Members have decided to defer this event to next year.

- 11. a) Submitted Questions / Questions soumises : Noneb) Audience Questions / Questions de l'auditoire : None
- 12. Closed Meeting/ Réunion à huis clos: None
- 13. Adjournment / Clôture de l'assemblée:

Moved by Paulette Paquet Seconded by Bastiaan Koomans

36/2022 Adjournment

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Chair – Councillor Bonita Culhane



Minutes of a Recreation Committee Meeting held on Tuesday November 1st, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

# 1. Opening of Meeting by the Committee Chair / Ouverture de la réunion par le/la Président(e) du comité:

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance.

#### 2. Roll Call / Appel nominal:

Present	Absent
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Clerk Typist: Melanie Jensen Members of the Public: 4

# 3. Adoption of the Agenda and Addendum / Adoption de l'ordre du jour et de l'addenda.

Moved by Paulette Paquet	37/2022
Seconded by Bastiaan Koomans	Agenda

THAT the agenda for the Recreation Committee Meeting held on November  $1^{\rm st}$ , 2022 be adopted.

- 4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest / Déclaration d'intèrêts pécuniaires: None
- 5. Minutes of Previous Meetings / Procès-verbal des réunions précédentes :

Moved by Bastiaan Koomans Seconded by Paulette Paquet

338/2022 Minutes

THAT the minutes of the Recreation Committee meeting held on October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022 be adopted with corrections.

- 6. Matters arising from the minutes/Affaires découlant des procès-verbaux: None
- 7. Deputations / Délégations / Députations / Délegations : None
- 8. Correspondence, Information / Correspondance, Information: None
- 9. Members Update Reports / Rapports de mise à jour des membres : None
- 10. New Business/ Nouvelles affaires:
  - a) Update on Halloween Dance: Chair Bonita Culhane has reported that the Halloween Dance was a great success. Recommendation for next year is that we have security in place inside and outside.
  - b) Upcoming Christmas Season: Chair Bonita Culhane has reported that everything is in place for the next events and that the present council will work with the new council on all preplanned events that have started.
- 11. a) Submitted Questions / Questions soumises : None
  - b) Audience Questions / Questions de l'auditoire : None
- 12. Closed Meeting/ Réunion à huis clos: None

#### 13. Adjournment / Clôture de l'assemblée:

Moved by Paulette Paquet Seconded by Bastiaan Koomans

39/2022 Adjournment

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Chair - Councillor Bonita Culhane

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Minutes of a Recreation Committee Meeting held on Tuesday January 3rd , 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

# 1. Opening of Meeting by the Committee Chair / Ouverture de la réunion par le/la Président(e) du comité:

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance.

#### 2. Roll Call / Appel nominal:

Attendance:	Present	<u>Absent</u>
Chair Councillor Bonita Culhane	$\square$	П
Co-Chair Councillor John Truchon	$\square$	ō
Louanne Caza	Ø	
Paulette Paquet	abla	
Mary Walsh		
Mayor Stephen McLean	$\square$	

Clerk Typist: Melanie Jensen Members of the Public: 6

# 3. Adoption of the Agenda and Addendum / Adoption de l'ordre du jour et de l'addenda.

Moved by John Truchon
Seconded by Paulette Paquet

O1/2023
Agenda

THAT the agenda for the Recreation Committee Meeting held on January  $3^{\rm rd}$ , 2023 be adopted with additions of (g) ice rink and (h) pickle ball.

- 4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest / Déclaration d'intèrêts pécuniaires: None
- 5. Minutes of Previous Meetings / Procès-verbal des réunions précédentes :

Moved by John Truchon Seconded by Louanne Caza

02/2023 Minutes

THAT the minutes of the Recreation Committee meeting held on November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 be adopted.

- 6. Matters arising from the minutes/Affaires découlant des procès-verbaux: None
- 7. Deputations / Délégations / Députations / Délegations : None
- 8. Correspondence, Information / Correspondance, Information: None
- 9. Members Update Reports / Rapports de mise à jour des membres :
- 10. New Business/ Nouvelles affaires:
  - a) Physical Inventory: Members have agreed to meet on January 9<sup>th</sup> ,2023 at 9:00 am to do inventory.
  - b) Recreation From 2022: Members discussed events from 2022.
  - c) Valentines Party for Kids: Members will meet on January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 to set up the gym for their January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023 Valentines Craft day. The event will be held from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm.
  - d) Cameras for Centre: Member will investigate the cost of cameras and also the cost of 2 clocks, one for the gym and one for the meeting room.
  - e) Knitting Club: Knitting Club will resume every Thursday from 1:00pm to 3:00 pm.
  - f) Calendar for 2023: Members discussed all events for 2023 months.
  - g) Ice Rink: Members discussed the possibility of having the ice rink started for this year.
  - h) Pickle Ball: Mayor Stephen McLean stated that he had received donations/pledges. He will use some of the money received to purchase pickle ball equipment. The Clerk will bring a motion forward once the money has been recorded in the Township books properly.
- 11. a) Submitted Questions / Questions soumises: None
  - b) Audience Questions / Questions de l'auditoire : None
- 12. Closed Meeting/ Réunion à huis clos: None

#### 13. Adjournment / Clôture de l'assemblée:

Moved by John Truchon Seconded by Louanne Caza

03/2023 Adjournment

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Brnita Celhane Chair - Councillor Bonita Culhane



Minutes of a Tourist Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, November  $2^{nd}$ , 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in person or on the phone.

#### 1. Opening of Meeting by the Committee Chair:

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance.

#### 2. Roll Call:

Attendance:	Present	Absent
Chair Councillor Louanne Caza Co-Chair Councillor Wendy K. Weller Wihelmina Reimer Amanda St-Cyr Mayor Matt Reimer	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	

Members of the public 5

#### 3. Adoption of the Agenda and Addendum

Moved by Amanda St-Cyr	35/2022
Seconded by Wilhelmina Reimer	Agenda

THAT the agenda for the Tourist Committee Meeting held on November  $2^{\text{nd}}$ , 2022, be adopted.

#### Carried

#### 4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest:

#### 5. Minutes of Previous Meetings

Moved by Wilhelmina Reimer	36/2022
Seconded by Amanda St-Cyr	Minutes

THAT the minutes of the Tourist Committee Meeting held on October  $5^{\text{th}}$  , 2022, be adopted.

- 6. Matters arising from the minutes:
- 7. Deputations / Délégations: None
- 8. Correspondence, Information: None

#### 9. Members Update Reports:

Chair Louanne Caza wanted to wish everyone the best moving forward. She thanked everyone for their participation on the committee. She also said that all the guidance she has gotten is very appreciated. She has thanked all the volunteers that have helped along the way. She mentioned that she has one more event before her term is done and she would like to make it a great event.

Member Wilhelmina Reimer reported that a resident has donated a bag of tulips for the Tourist Centre and there has been some planted and more left if anyone can use them elsewhere in the Tourist Centre. She also would like to thank the committee for letting them volunteer their time to keep the Tourist Centre open after the students left for the past 4 years. They enjoyed very little bit of it.

Co-Chair Wendy K. Weller would like to thank Chair Louanne caza for the excellent 4 years she has done with the Tourist Centre. She thanked the committee for allowing me to be part of the committee for the last 2 years. She also thanked the Mayor for his excellent job at the Tourist Centre for the past 2 years she has been on the Tourist Centre.

Mayor Matt Reimer has asked if there was an update on the snow stoppers being put on the roof at the Tourist Centre. Chair Louanne Caza respond she would bring it up with the Public Works. He wanted to let everyone know that the sandwich boards are at the Tourist Centre if anyone needs them. He got a new board made for the Tourist Centre that is made of Velcro so you can out anything on it. He thanked the members and said he really enjoyed being part of that committee and said they all did a great job.

#### 10. New Business:

- a) Tree Lighting: Chair Louanne Caza reported that almost everything is in place for the night of the Tree Lighting. Members discussed some details on the Tree Lighting.
- b) Financial Report: Chair Louanne Caza read the financial report to the members.
- c) Closing for the season: the members have decided to go in on November 14<sup>th</sup> to clean up the Tourist Centre for the season as Public Works will winterize the building on November 15<sup>th</sup>.
- d) Calendars: Chair Louanne Caza showed the calendar to the members and said that the next council should look into maybe getting some of these calendars for the McGarry Township that it would be a good souvenir.
- e) Maps: Chair Louanne Caza had a few examples of different styles of maps that can be done and has passed it on to the next council to decide.

- a) Submitted Questions: Noneb) Audience Questions: None
- 12. Closed Meeting: None
- 13. Adjournment:

Moved by Amanda St-Cyr Seconded by Wihelmina Reimer

37/2022 Adjournment

Chair Sante.

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

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Minutes of a Tourist Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in person or on the phone.

#### 1. Opening of Meeting by the Committee Chair:

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance.

#### 2. Roll Call:

Attendance:	Present	Absent
Chair Councillor Francine Plante	$\square$	
Co-Chair Councillor Wendy K. Weller	☑	
Nyla Koomans	$\square$	
Amanda St-Cyr	☑	ā
Elaine Fic	<u> </u>	
Mayor Stephen McLean	abla	

Clerk Typist: Melanie Jensen Members of the public: 4

#### 3. Adoption of the Agenda and Addendum

Moved by Elaine Fic	01/2023
Seconded by Nyla Koomans	Agenda

THAT the agenda for the Tourist Committee Meeting held on January 11th, 2023, be adopted.

#### Carried

#### 4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest: None

#### 5. Minutes of Previous Meetings

Moved by Nyla Koomans	02/2023
Seconded by Elaine Fic	Minutes

THAT the minutes of the Tourist Committee Meeting held on November  $2^{nd}$ , 2022, be adopted.

- 6. Matters arising from the minutes: None
- 7. Deputations / Délégations: None

#### 8. Correspondence, Information:

Members discussed the email they got from Mr. Whitty regarding the Country Jamboree. They will bring this matter to Council.

#### 9. Members Update Reports:

Since it was a new committee, no reports to be presented.

#### 10. New Business:

- a) Co-Chair Councillor Weller brought the new Chair Councillor Plante and members up to date with what was in the previous agendas and all finished/unfinish business from the previous Committee.
- b) Members and audience discussed new ideas for the committee.
- c) Members discussed inventory and brought members up to date with how they did inventory in the past and what was logged in and out of the Tourist Building.
- d) Members discussed fundraiser ideas to bring up the Friends of McGarry once they are established.
- e) Members discussed whether the Tourist Committee has Terms of Reference in place. The previous Chair was in the audience and said there was one and that she would look to see if she had a copy of it.
- 11. a) Submitted Questions: None
  - b) Audience Questions:
- 12. Closed Meeting: None

#### 13. Adjournment:

Moved by Elaine Fic Seconded by Nyla Koomans

03/2022 Adjournment

Thair - Councilor Francine Plante

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 7:50 p.m.



Minutes of a Strategic Planning Committee Meeting held on Monday October  $25^{th}$ , 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in person in the meeting room or by phone.

#### 1. Opening of Meeting by the Committee Chair:

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance.

#### 2. Roll Call:

Attendance:	Present	Absent
Chair Councillor Wendy K. Weller	$\square$	
Co-Chair Councillor Bonita Culhane	$\square$	
John Gabourie	$\overline{\checkmark}$	
Nyla Koomans	$\square$	
Francine Plante	$\overline{\mathbf{C}}$	
Mayor Matt Reimer	$\square$	

Member of the audience: 1

#### 3. Adoption of the Agenda and Addendum:

Moved by Bonita Culhane Seconded by Francine Plante

35/2022

Agenda

THAT the agenda for the Strategic Planning Committee Meeting held on October  $25^{th}$ , 2022 be adopted.

Carried

#### 4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest: None

#### 5. Minutes of Previous Meetings:

Moved by Francine Plante Seconded by Bonita Culhane

36/2022 Minutes

THAT the minutes of the Strategic Planning Committee Meeting held on October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 be adopted.

6.	Matters arising from the minutes:	None		
7.	Deputations: None			
8.	Correspondence, Information: Non	ıe		
9.	Members Update Reports:			
	Chair Councillor Wendy K Weller ha	s reported on the par	rk signs.	
10.	New Business:			
	Moved by Francine Plante Seconded by John Gabourie		37/2022 Signs	
	As per the quotes from Creative Desig committee approve signs and remaining			m KDCDC towards
	Recorded Vote	Requested by	_Bonita Culhar	ne
	Chair Councillor Wendy K. Weller Co-Chair Councillor Bonita Culhan John Gabourie Nyla Koomans Francine Plante Mayor Matt Reimer	YES		NO
		Carried		
11.	a) Submitted questions: None			
	b) Audience questions: None			

#### 12. Adjournment:

Moved by Bonita Culhane Seconded by Francine Plante

38/2022 Adjournment

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Carried

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# Township of McGarry La Municipalite de McGarry

# Statement of Treasurer Declaration du Tresorier

December 31st, 2022

Section 284 of Municipal Act, RSO 2001

Renumeration and expenses paid out under authority of By-Law 2022-07 Rénumérations et dépenses sont gouvernés par les lois locale 2022-07

Council Member	Renumeration	Health Benefit	Mileage/Expenses	TOTAL
Matt Reimer	\$10,828.87	\$858.68	\$1,431.86	\$13,119.41
A. Toupin-Keft	\$9,026.72	\$858.68	\$0.00	\$9,885.40
Louanne Caza	\$9,026.72	\$858.68	\$0.00	\$9,885.40
Wendy Weller	\$10,325.97	\$982.50	\$0.00	\$11,308.47
Bonita Culhane	\$9,959.41	\$982.50	\$0.00	\$10,941.91
Stephen McLean	\$1,601.91	\$123.74	\$0.00	\$1,725.65
Francine Plante	\$1,282.64	\$123.74	\$0.00	\$1,406.38
John Truchon	\$1,282.64	\$123.74	\$0.00	\$1,406.38
TOTAL	\$53,334.88	\$4,912.26	\$1,431.86	\$59,679.00

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### McGarry Volunteer Firefighters Assoc.

P.O. Box 389, 27 Webster Street VIRGINIATOWN, ONTARIO, CANADA POK 1X0

Tel. (Meeting Rm.) 1-705-634-2500

Fax (Township Office): 1-705-634-2700

VICE PRESIDENT - NEIL ALBRIGHT (705) 634-2443

November 9, 2022

Dear Sir, Madam,

We are preparing for our 30th Annual Snowmobile Poker Run and draw that will be held on Saturday, February 18, 2023 and we are seeking donations to support this annual event.

These donations can be in any form that best suits you, such as prize(s), vouchers, discounts on merchandise for prizes, money donation, etc.

We are holding this event to raise funds for the Volunteer Firefighters Association. The funds that are raised will go to help purchase new Fire Fighting Equipment

All sponsors will be recognised and published in the Northern Daily News and La Prontière newspapers.

We hope that you can help us out and that you can join us at this year's Poker Run. The Poker Run starts at 11;00 a.m.at the McGarry Township Community Center in North Virginiatown

Yours truly,

Yvon Bruneau, Secretary-Treasurer Poker Run Committee Office: 705-634-2500 Cellular: 705-622-0054 yvonbruneau@gmail.com

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#### Corporation of the Town of Mattawa

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October 17, 2022

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

Dear Honourable Ford:

Council of the Town of Mattawa, at their regular meeting of October 11, 2022 approved Page No. 189 of Resolution Number 22-88, which stated:

"WHEREAS the Government of Ontario, through the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, has introduced Bill 3 which is described as "An Act to amend various statutes with respect to special powers and duties of heads of council";

AND WHEREAS this Bill, if enacted, will initially apply to the City of Toronto and the City of Ottawa, but will later be expanded to include other municipalities according to a statement made by the Premier at the 2022 AMO annual conference;

AND WHEREAS this Bill, if enacted, will give Mayors additional authority and powers, and correspondingly take away authority and powers from Councils and professional staff, and will include giving the Mayor the authority to propose and adopt the Municipal budget and to veto some decisions of Council;

AND WHEREAS this Bill, if enacted, will give authority over professional staff to the Mayor, including that of the Chief Administrative Officer;

AND WHEREAS these changes will result in a reduction of independence for professional staff including the CAO, who currently provide objective information to the Council and public and will now take direction from the Mayor alone when the Mayor so directs;

AND WHEREAS these surprising and unnecessary changes to the historical balance of power between a Mayor and Council, and which historically gave the final say in all matters to the will of the majority of the elected Council.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Town of Mattawa passes this resolution to petition the Government of Ontario:

- 1. THAT these changes to the Municipal Act, 2001, are unnecessary and will negatively affect the Town of Mattawa;
- 2. THAT if the Ontario Government deems these changes necessary in large single-tier municipalities such as Toronto and Ottawa, that such changes should not be implemented in smaller municipalities;
- 3. THAT the Ontario Government should enact legislation clarifying the role of Mayor, Council and Chief Administrative Officer, similar to those recommended by the Ontario Municipal Administrator's Association and those recommended by Justice Marrocco in the Collingwood judicial inquiry of 2022; and
- 4. THAT if the stated goal of this legislation is to construct more housing in Ontario that this can be accomplished through other means including amendment of the Planning Act and funding of more affordable housing.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be provided to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the "Standing Committee on Heritage, Infrastructure and Cultural Policy", Nipissing MP, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all municipalities in Ontario."

Trusting this is acceptable.

Sincerely,

Amy Leclerc

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Clerk/Revenue Services Clerk

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c.c. Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Standing Committee on Canadian Heritage Mr. Anthony Rota, MP of Nipissing Association of Municipalities of Ontario All Ontario Municipalities

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December 7, 2022

Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Attn: The Honourable Steve Clark 777 Bay Street 17<sup>th</sup> Floor Toronto, On M7A 2J3 minister.mh@ontario.ca By E-mail

Re: STRONG MAYORS BUILDING HOMES ACT

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting on December 7, 2022, the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Ragian passed the following motion in support of the resolutions opposing changes outline in the Strong Mayors Building Homes Act:

Resolution # 2022-12-07-03 Moved By: Iris Kauffeldt Seconded by: Kevin Quade

"Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Ragian hereby supports the Town of Mattawa Resolution, Motion 22-88, dated October 11, 2022 re: Strong Mayors Building Homes Act

And further that Council directs staff to provide a copy of this resolution of support to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the "Standing Committee on Heritage, Infrastructure and Cultural Policy", Renfew-Nipissing-Pembroke MP, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all municipalities in Ontario."

Your attention to this matter is greatly appreclated.

Sincerely,

Virginia Phanenhour Clerk-Treasurer Cc: Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Standing Committee on Canadian Heritage Cheryl Gallant, MP of Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke Association of Municipalities of Ontario Ali Ontario Municipalities

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Stephen McLean, maire, Membres du conseil, Canton de McGarry RECEIVED FEB 0 7 2023

Le Conseil d'administration du Centre de santé communautaire du Témiskaming désire vous partagez de ses inquiétudes vis-à-vis le manque d'accès à des services de prélèvements sanguins dans la région Nord du Timiskaming. Une copie d'une lettre envoyée à l'honorable Sylvia Jones, ministre de la Santé est en pièce jointe. Nous aimerions vous encourager à vous joindre à nous pour mettre de l'avant cet enjeu. Le manque d'accès à des services a un impact sur l'ensemble des résidents du Timiskaming.

Nous vous remercions de l'attention que vous apporterez à notre demande.

Le président du conseil d'administration

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Guy Boileau

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January 18, 2023

Stephen McLean, Mayor, Council members, Township of McGarry

The Board of Directors of the Centre de santé communautaire du Témiskaming would like to share concerns that they have regarding access to blood work in the North end of the district of Timiskaming. A copy of a letter sent to the Honorable Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health is attached. We would like to encourage you to join us in bringing this issue forward. Lack of access to services has an impact on all residents in Timiskaming.

Thank you for the attention that you will give to this matter.

Guy Boileau Board Chair

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Hon. Sylvia Jones Minister of Health

Email: Sylvia.Jones@pc.ola.org

The Board of Directors of the Centre de santé communautaire du Témiskaming would like to share a concern with regards to phlebotomy services in the North end of the district of Timiskaming. This situation is a result of claw backs and cutbacks of funding that some organizations were using to provide these services during 2022. Currently, limited services are available. People are standing in line, often outdoors, during long periods of time before they can get an appointment. It happens regularly that individuals need to return on another day and stand in line because the service is at full capacity for the day. Or, people must travel to Englehart on roads that are far from being in good conditions, especially in the winter time.

In most communities of comparable size to Kirkland Lake, for example, Temiskaming Shores, there is a lab service offered Monday to Friday during regular business hours in offices operated by Lifelabs. As members of a Board that works toward equitable access to services, it is difficult for us to comprehend why Kirkland Lake and surrounding communities does not benefit from such a service. There is no doubt that demand exists.

We thank you for the attention that you will bring to this issue of equitable access.

Sincerely,

Guy Boileau

Chairperson

cc. M John Vanthof, MPP Timiskaming-Cochrane
Terry Phillips, Reeve, Council members, Township of Kerns
Larry Craig, Reeve, Council members, Township of Hudson
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#### **VERSION ORIGINALE**

Le 18 janvier 2023

Hon. Sylvia Jones Ministre de la Santé

courriel: Sylvia.Jones@pc.ola.org

L'Honorable Ministre Jones,

Le conseil d'administration du Centre de santé communautaire du Témiskaming désire vous faire part d'une inquiétude vis-à-vis l'accès à des services de prélèvements sanguins dans la région nord du Témiskaming. Cette situation s'est présentée depuis le retrait de financement attribué à certains organismes pour ces services au courant de l'année 2022. En ce moment, seul un service limité est disponible, ce qui fait en sorte que les individus font la file – souvent à l'extérieur – pendant longtemps avant d'obtenir un rendez-vous. Souvent, ils doivent se présenter une autre journée, et refaire la file, car le service a atteint sa capacité pour la journée. Ou encore, les gens doivent se déplacer vers Englehart sur des routes qui sont loin d'être dans les meilleures conditions, surtout l'hiver.

Dans la plupart des communautés comparables à Kirkland Lake, par exemple Temiskaming Shores, il existe un service de prélèvement sanguin offert du lundi au vendredi lors des heures d'affaires habituelles dans des bureaux gérés par Lifelabs. En tant que membres d'un conseil d'administration qui travaille envers l'accès équitable à des services, il est difficile pour nous de s'expliquer pourquoi Kirkland Lake et les communautés environnantes ne bénéficient pas d'un tel service. Il y a aucun doute que la demande existe.

Nous vous remercions de l'attention que vous apporterez à cet enjeu d'accès équitable. Au nom du conseil d'administration, veuillez agréer nos salutations distinguées.

Le président,

Guy Boileau

cc. M John Vanthof, Député provincial Timiskaming-Cochrane Terry Phillips, maire, membres du conseil, canton de Kerns Larry Craig, maire, membres du conseil, canton de Hudson Pauline Archambault, mairesse, membres du conseil, canton de Harley

#### **AGENDA**

# #10 (1)

#### Regular Meeting

#### Monday, October 17, 2022

McGarry Public Library, 6:30 p.m.

- 1. Opening of Meeting
- 2. Declaration of Conflicts of Interest
- 3. Approval of Agenda
- 4. Minutes of meeting 06/27/2022
- 5. Business arising from the minutes
  - Hiring of CEO\Librarian
- 6. Correspondence
- 7. Passing of Accounts -

June - General Expenses - 242.44 \$
July - General Expenses - 345.27 \$
August - General Expenses - 1170,80 \$
September - General Expenses - 2062.68 \$

Payroll - 1108.85 \$
Payroll - 994.40 \$
Payroll -1004.70 \$
Payroll - 1064.69 \$

- 8. Chief Executive Officer's Report/Board Chairperson's Report
- 9. Closed Meeting

That the McGarry Public Library Board goes into a closed meeting to review personal matters.

- 10. Other Business
  - Quarterly reports
  - By-laws and policies, Foundations, By-laws, Governance
  - Alarm System
  - Fall programming
- 11. Next meeting November 28, 2022, 6:30 pm.
- 12 Adjournment

#### MCGARRY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

Minutes of the regular meeting held at 6:30 p.m.

Monday, October 17, 2022 at the McGarry Public Library.

PRESENT:

Margo Jolette (Chairperson, presided)

Francine Plante, co-chair

Louanne Caza, council representative

STAFF:

Samantha Goulet

ABSENT:

Merdy Armstrong, trustee

Wendy Weller, council representative

#### 1. Opening of meeting

Meeting was opened at 6:35 p.m.

#### 2. Conflicts of interest

No conflicts of interest were declared

#### 3. Approval of Agenda

2022:36 Moved by Louanne Caza

Seconded by Francine Plante

Carried

That the agenda be approved as amended to add "New Hours" in other business.

#### 4. Minutes of the meeting of June 27, 2022

2022:37 Moved by Louanne Caza

Seconded by Francine Plante

Carried

That the minutes of the meeting of 06/27/2022 be approved as presented.

#### 5. Business arising rom the minutes

No business to report.

#### 6. Correspondence\CEO Report

• CEO\Librarian spoke on how she is settling in to her new position. She did have an activity with the Day Care children.

#### 7. Passing of Accounts

2022:38

Moved by Louanne Caza

Seconded by Francine Plante

Carried

That the accounts for June, July, August, September be paid:

June – General Expenses 242.44 \$ Payroll - 1108.85 \$ July - General Expenses - 345.27 \$ Payroll - 994.40 \$

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September - General Expenses - 2062.68 \$ Payroll - 1064.69 \$

#### 8. Closed Meeting

2022:39 Moved by Louanne Caza

Seconded by Francine Plante

Carried

That the McGarry Public Library Board agrees goes into closed meeting at 7:07 p.m. under the PLA, R.S.O. 1990, C.P. 44 (16.1)(4)(b) personal matters about an identifiable individual.

2022:40 Moved by Louanne Caza

Seconded by Francine Plante

Carried

That the McGarry Public Library Board come out of closed meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Members of the board were informed of issues that have now been resolved.

#### 9. Other Business

Quarterly reports for the period of April to June and July to September were presented. Reports have been sent to township as required.

2022:41 Moved by Louanne Caza

Seconded by Francine Plante

Carried

That the quarterly reports for the periods April 1, 2022 to June 30, 2022 and July 1, 2022 to September 30, 2022 be accepted and forwarded to council as requested.

- New policies were placed in handout including the Foundation section and, Board By-laws.
- A discussion was held on regarding the alarm system. Care of the system is now based out of Montreal. There seem to be no designated contacts made when the alarm goes off. Board will consider replacing alarm system with cameras when the contract comes up for renewal in December.
- Plans were discussed for fall programming but no decisions were made.
- At the librarian's suggestion, the library will be opened Thursday from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. and Tuesday morning from 9:00 a.m. to noon.

#### 10. Next meeting

The next regular meeting will be on Monday, November 28, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at the McGarry Public Library.

#### 11. Adjournment

2022:30 Moved by Louanne Caza

That the meeting be adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Chairperson	may grallo
Secretary	Lamantha Coulat
Approved	Jebr 6, 2023