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### MEA APPOINTS NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS AT 2023 AGM

The Municipal Engineers Association (MEA) is a non-profit association representing the interests of over 1,200 professional engineers in Ontario who are employed in the municipal engineering and public works sectors at Ontario municipalities and provincial agencies, as well as consulting engineering firms acting as the engineer-of-record for Ontario municipalities.

MEA's many pursuits include being the co-proponent for the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA) process. Together with the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario, MEA administers Ontario Provincial Standards for Municipalities (OPS MUNI); many of our members participate in committees that establish standards and specifications used province wide. MEA offers training courses for both MCEA and OPS as well as hosting an annual conference.

The MEA is the preferred venue for employers to recruit professional municipal engineers and technologists/technicians through its online employment advertising platform.

MEA provides an annual bursary program to students entering the first year of an accredited university engineering program. Since 2008, the MEA has awarded over \$183,000 in bursaries.

The MEA held its 2023 Annual General Meeting at the Sunbridge Hotel & Conference Centre in Sarnia on November 16, 2023. As part of the AGM business, a new Board was elected. We are pleased to present the new Board for the 2023/2024 term (see attachment).

Please share this with members of your organization. Should you have any questions about the MEA or the new Board, please let me know.

Sincerely.

D.M. (Dan) Cozzi, P. Eng.

**Executive** Director

Municipal Engineers Association

Attachment:

MEA Board of Directors and Staff 2023-2024



2023-2024 MEA Board of Directors & Staff



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### Greetings,

I am pleased to send you two hard copies of my latest Annual Report (one English, one French). This report covers the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

This is our Office's seventh full fiscal year of reporting on our oversight of municipalities, universities and school boards, in addition to provincial government organizations. It is also our fourth year of reporting on children and youth in care, and French language services. I hope that you and all stakeholders in these areas will find the information in this report of interest. (We will release the Annual Report of the French Language Services Commissioner in December.)

We encourage you to read the chapters of the report that relate to the topic areas relevant to your interests. In each chapter, we discuss the most common issues and the types of cases we have resolved across the province. Please feel free to share this information with any interested colleagues and stakeholders.

You can find the entire report, media materials and backgrounders, and statistics on our website here: <a href="https://www.ombudsman.on.ca/resources/reports-and-case-summaries/annual-reports">https://www.ombudsman.on.ca/resources/reports-and-case-summaries/annual-reports</a> As well, we can provide more copies upon request.

Should you have any questions about the report or cases related to your organization, please do not hesitate to contact us. We are also available to assist you with any general questions about our work. Our staff can be reached via email at <a href="mailto:info@ombudsman.on.ca">info@ombudsman.on.ca</a>.

Sincerely,

Paul Dubé,

Ombudsman of Ontario



Madame / Monsieur,

J'ai le plaisir de vous envoyer deux copies papier de mon tout dernier Rapport annuel (un exemplaire en anglais, un exemplaire en français). Ce rapport couvre l'année financière 2022-2023.

C'est le septième rapport de notre Bureau qui couvre une année financière complète de notre surveillance sur les municipalités, les universités et les conseils scolaires, en plus des organismes du gouvernement provincial. C'est aussi le quatrième rapport annuel qui englobe nos deux nouveaux domaines de compétence : les services en français et les enfants et les jeunes pris(es) en charge. J'espère que vous-même et tous(tes) les intervenant(e)s de ces secteurs de surveillance trouverez de l'intérêt aux renseignements donnés dans ce rapport. (Nous publierons le Rapport Annuel du Commissaire aux services en français en décembre.)

Nous vous encourageons à lire les chapitres de ce rapport qui traitent de votre secteur, où nous discutons des problèmes les plus courants et des types de cas que nous avons réglés dans la province. Nous vous encourageons également à partager le rapport avec tout(e) collègue ou partie prenante intéressé(e)s.

Vous pouvez voir le rapport complet, les documents pour les médias et les statistiques sur notre site Web ici : <a href="https://www.ombudsman.on.ca/ressources/rapports-et-cas-selectionnes/rapports-annuels">https://www.ombudsman.on.ca/ressources/rapports-et-cas-selectionnes/rapports-annuels</a> Nous pourrons également fournir d'autres exemplaires sur demande.

Si vous avez la moindre question à propos du rapport ou de cas relatifs à votre organisme, n'hésitez pas à communiquer avec nous. Nous sommes disponibles de répondre à toute question générale à propos de notre travail. Vous pouvez contacter notre personnel à info@ombudsman.on.ca.

Cordialement,

Paul Dubé

Ombudsman de l'Ontario



To all TMSA Member Municipalities:

### **RE:** New Planner for the TMSA

We are pleased to announce that Jennifer Pye has accepted an offer of employment with the Temiskaming Municipal Services Association as our Planner starting on January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024. Jennifer comes to us from the City of Temiskaming Shores where she was a Registered Professional Planner for 11 years. She has many skills, qualifications and experience which will benefit our organization greatly. Jennifer is a full member of the Ontario Professional Planners Institute (OPPI) and the Canadian Institute of Planners (CIP) with both a Registered Professional Planners (RPP) and Member of Canadian Institute of Planners (MCIP) designation. Jennifer resides in Temiskaming Shores with her family and is looking forward to new opportunities and challenges.

David Barton, our Chief Building Official, has agreed to help Jennifer transition into her new role. As mentioned in a previous email, please keep your current planning arrangements in place as the TMSA works with Jennifer on a smooth transition plan. Please help Jennifer feel welcome when she begins with us in the New Year.

Sincerely,

**Kerry Stewart, Chair** 

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

December 12th-23rd

12 Days of Holiday Safety Campaign

### Most popular items of 2023 to date

Public Education; SAFETY HOUSE (Inflatable Fire Safety House)



Smoke Alarms: SAP3010L-CD-CA (Worry Free Photoelectric Combo Alarm W/Lithium Battery)



Training Materials: IF36777 (Essentials of Firefighting 7th)





Beepa, the newest mascot available from the FMPFSC in action at the Tillsonburg Fire Dept on Sept 28th.

Beepa is helping drive home the importance having working Smoke and CO alarms for the residents of Tillsonburg!

### FIRE MARSHAL'S PUBLIC FIRE SAFETY COUNCIL (FMPFSC) UPDATE



Issue 2 / November 2023,

A note from our Executive Director - Jamie Kovacs

I am once again very pleased to update you on the latest with the FMPFSC. I continue to be proud of the team's accomplishments while ensuring we are doing what we can to help you and your communities become fire safe. With your continued support, we strive to make a lasting impact on fire prevention and safety in the province.

Reach out to me directly with any questions Jamie.kovacs@firesafetycouncil.com

### **UPDATES**

### **FMPFSC 2023 Certification Grant**

Year 2 application for our FMPFSC Certification Grant has been extended one week (new deadline to apply is Friday Nov 24<sup>th</sup> 2023) and we want to hear from you. Give us your feedback through our survey in English here and in French here.

Last year we provided approx. \$400,000 in textbooks and online codes that were distributed to 236 volunteer and composite fire departments, working out to approximately \$39 per active firefighter to help with the certification process.

This year we have \$200,000 in grant funds to help departments with their certification needs.

### Kidde Cause for Alarm Campaign

We were delighted to partner with Kidde on their Cause for Alarm Campaign, highlighting the importance of fire safety at home. An application was sent out to all Provincial Chiefs and Kidde selected 4 departments to receive donated alarms with a combined value of \$20,000.

You can find a list of the <u>selected departments</u> here and <u>click here to watch</u> and share the "Beeps that last, get out fast" jingle.

### **TC Energy Donation**

Another incredible initiative we are proud to share with you is 'Build Strong' program from TC Energy. The program aims to equip first responders with the resources they need to keep their communities safe and TC Energy generously donated FMPFSC - FPW kits to over 15 departments in Ontario. You can find a list of the recipient departments here.



Featuring a kitchen, living room and an "Exit Drills in the Home" room with an inflatable landing pad, our safety houses are suitable for indoors and outdoors and have hard floors to ensure they are accessible for all members of your community.

### 12 Days of Holiday Safety Campaign

Our 12 Days of Holiday Safety Campaign in back for 2023 but we listened to you and have innovated it! This year, it not only includes radio stations but instead helps find new ways for your department to spread the Holiday Safety Messages. We are proud to announce that you can now take part in this campaign through social media as well as Radio.

Any department who registers for the campaign and shares the 12 daily safety tips on their social media platforms will be entered into a draw for \$500 credit at our distribution centre! The registration for the Radio campaign is now closed but you can still follow this link to find information on how to register for the social media draw.

This initiative is funded solely by the FMPFSC, last year we contributed over \$19,000 in funds to this great campaign.

### Beepa Alarm Mascot

Beepa is now a reality and the first costume hit the ground running in Tillsonburg in time for Test your Smoke Alarm Day! Beepa is proving to be an engaging and valuable tool in the fight to increase awareness about smoke alarm safety and reduce fire related deaths in Ontario.

One of our favourite optional Beepa features is their removable smoke alarm nose which means you can give practical safety demonstrations on the spot, making your public education events more effective and valuable.

### Inflatable Fire Safety House

We are also delighted to share with you that the first orders of our new Inflatable Fire Safety Houses have been received by their departments and are already delighting communities across the province. We are proud to say that purchasing a Safety House through the FMPFSC can mean savings for departments of ~\$1000 compared to sourcing direct from the manufacturer and can be shared between multiple departments, with customized logo, department name and sponsor banners that can be easily changed out.

### 2022 ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIALS

The FMPFSC is all about transparency especially as we continue to evolve and look for new innovative ways to help our Ontario Fire Service spread the fire safety and prevention message to over 15 million Ontarians. The links below will take you to our Annual Report in English and French.

**FMPFSC Annual Report English** 

FMPFSC Annual Report French

### WHAT ARE WE WORKING ON?

Do you want to be the first to hear of new ideas or items at our distribution centre? For the latest updates and news between our quarterly newsletters, connect with us on social media and subscribe to our email updates. If you have any suggestions or ideas for products your community would engage with please let us know here.

Connect with us:



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November 22, 2023

Her Worship Bonita Culhane Mayor Township of McGarry 27 Webster Street P.O. Box 99 Virginiatown, Ontario **POK 1X0** kpelletier@mcgarry.ca

Dear Mayor Culhane,

Thank you for your letter regarding Northern Ontario School of Medicine University's annual base funding. We appreciate your strong commitment to supporting communities in Northern Ontario, including postsecondary students and postsecondary institutions.

I understand the unique challenges northern institutions can face and appreciate the special role that NOSM University plays in providing access to postsecondary education in Northern Ontario and supporting a skilled health care workforce in northern communities.

We will continue our dialogue and collaboration with NOSM University to support its delivery of high-quality postsecondary education to students in Northern Ontario.

Sincerely,

The Honourable Jill Dunlop

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Minister of Colleges and Universities

C: Premier Doug Ford

The Honourable Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health Scott Allinson, Chief of Staff, Minister's Office, Ministry of Colleges and Universities

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November 23, 2023

SUBJECT: Update - Municipal Forest Fire Suppression Agreement, Apparatus Charges

Good day,

I am writing to inform you of a proposed change to one of the terms of your community's forest fire management agreement, included in the Appendix C of your agreement.

Appendix C of your agreement outlines the annual rates under the agreement and has previously defined the use of an Apparatus Unit as a "Fire service vehicle with maximum 4 staff, includes suppression gear. Must assign staff to vehicle first before forming personnel units", and prescribed the charges for an apparatus unit as being specific to 4 staff.

We are proposing that in 2024 this language be amended to instead define an Apparatus Unit as "Apparatus Unit = Fire service vehicle with maximum 1 Fire Crew (4-6 people), includes suppression gear. Must assign staff to vehicle first before forming personnel units." This is intended to clarify the use of an Apparatus Unit, and ensure that communities will not be charged an additional fee where a Fire Crew with 5 or 6 staff responds to a wildland fire in an agreement area.

While this language has not resulted in increased charges to date, we want to ensure the terms are clear, and that there is no risk to a community being charged for more than one Apparatus Unit when only 1 Fire Crew has responded. This change is being proposed to ensure clarity moving forward.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss further, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone at 705-690-0756, or by email at <a href="mailto:sarah.allen@ontario.ca">sarah.allen@ontario.ca</a>.

Thank you,

Sarah Allen

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Provincial Coordinator - Communications and Mitigation Unit Aviation, Forest Fire & Emergency Services Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry

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### Appendix C

### Municipal Fire Agreement Rates to / from Municipalities Valid for 2024

	Assistance Under Agreement
Comprehensive Protection Charges (CPC)  The new CPC rate system started April 1, 2013  CPI rates are capped to a maximum increase of 4%  CPC Invoices must be sent in after April 1 for the current fire year	CPC rates adjustments are applied April 1 of each year.  CPC rates increase Sept 2022 – Sept 2023 = 3.6%  2024 CPC fee = 1.53
Personnel Units Apparatus Units  Personnel and Apparatus Units are annually adjusted by the Consumer Price Index for Ontario (All Products) from the period of September to September. Rates will be updated by Feb. 28 each year.	<ul> <li>Flat Rate/False Alarm</li> <li>\$913.24 per fire or</li> <li>\$267.15 per half hour (30 min) for each unit;</li> <li>Personnel Unit = max. 8 staff plus suppression gear</li> <li>Apparatus Unit = Fire service vehicle with maximum 1 Fire Crew (4-6 people), includes suppression gear. Must assign staff to vehicle first before forming personnel units.</li> <li>Personnel must be affixed to an Apparatus Unit prior to forming personnel units.</li> <li>NO charges for helicopter if only used to deliver, pickup or service crews. Helicopter is not an apparatus.</li> <li>Apparatus" means a Fire service vehicle that carries firefighting personnel and/or equipment (includes pumpers, tankers, boats, Fire response vehicles that are designed to carry portable/firefighting equipment).</li> </ul>

Air tankers and Birddog	2024 Rates
CL215/415 and Twin Otters  Air tanker fees are set annually by the MNRF.  Air tanker support charges are only for time over the fire.	CL415 Dispatch Fee = \$2,781.24 Hourly rate = \$5,562.48  Twin Otter Dispatch Fee = \$1,212.28 Hourly rate = \$2,424.57  Birddog Hourly rate = \$2,521.40
Helicopter	2024 Helicopters Rates
Helicopter rates are set annually by the MNRF Aviation Services.  No charge if used just to transport MNRF crews to fire	Light \$As per invoice Intermediate \$2,044.75 per hour, Medium \$2,672.61 per hour, Heavy (calculated at time of hire) (flying calculated as "time over fire" only)
Municipalities that rent aircraft for fire operations must submit rental invoices	Aircraft rental fees by the Municipality must be supported by the aircraft invoice.
Section C: Other Expenses Approved in the Suppression Plan  All costs must be supported by actual invoices, or fire cost forms by either agency	As per approved response plan for a specific fire; the following expenses can be considered;  • Heavy equipment  • Base camp operations and infrastructure support, accommodations  • Incident Command Trailers  • Support equipment; boats, ATV's, trailers that fall outside normal fire apparatus
Other Agencies Form 210 Total can be included here on joint operations.	Form 210 Part 2



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Dear Community Partner,

Timiskaming Health Unit is proud to announce we have launched Parenting in Timiskaming, a new way for families and caregivers of children and youth to access reliable and up to date information on topics related to their parenting journey. There are three ways to engage:

- Family Newsletters: Families can sign up to receive email newsletters based on their child's age, from prenatal to 6 years old. There are 13 newsletters in total that contain ideas to engage your child and information on healthy eating, physical activity, child development, mental health, dental, local services and much more. Hardcopies are also available upon request. Caregivers can sign up by contacting THU or by going online to the Parenting in Timiskaming website.
- Facebook page: Caregivers can follow Parenting in Timiskaming on Facebook. Here, families can access accurate
  and reliable information and have an opportunity to engage with THU staff and other parents in the community.
  In the coming months, the page will host contests and mini virtual sessions with local professionals. Like and
  follow posts to stay on top of all current activities!
- Parenting in Timiskaming online: This new website provides information about children's health and wellbeing
  in Timiskaming from prenatal to 18 years old. Check out <a href="https://www.timiskaminghu.com/243/parenting-in-Timiskaming">https://www.timiskaminghu.com/243/parenting-in-Timiskaming</a>.

Please help us promote the resources by displaying the enclosed poster in an area that is visible to families in both the library as well as the community centre.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at gormanc@timiskaminghu.com.

Thank you,

Crystal Gorman

**Public Health Promoter** 





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### THU Municipal Allocation Method Confirmation - MPAC

1 message

Thu, Dec 7, 2023 at 10:09 AM

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Good morning:

In follow up to the email inquiry below, we are confirming that the THU allocation method will remain the same at this time. Expenses will continue to be determined by the Municipal Property and Assessment Corporation (MPAC). 15 responses were received, 5 voted against the move to a Census based allocation.

Thank you to all the municipalities who have submitted a motion or response.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to us.

### Rachelle Côté

Executive Assistant/Secretary to the Board of Health

### Timiskaming Health Unit

Tel: 705-647-4305 ext: 2254

From: Rachelle Cote

Sent: Friday, October 13, 2023 9:06 AM Subject: THU Municipal Allocation Method Proposal

Good morning,

Please see attached letter in regards the proposed THU Municipal Allocation Method, to take effect on January 1, 2024.

Please forward to your Reeve/Mayor and council for consideration and approval.

Please forward the council motion to my attention by December 1, 2023.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us!

### Rachelle Côté

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### **John Vanthof Year End Newsletter 2023**

1 message

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Tue, Dec 12, 2023 at 1:52 PM



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### Reflecting on 2023

As 2023 draws to a close, it is time to reflect on the year that has passed. Following the pandemic, people are finding it much harder to cope financially. Inflation affecting food, rent, and higher interest rates are among the contributing factors. There has been a sharp rise in food bank use this past year. One in ten people in Ontario currently need to use a food bank. Although the provincial government is not solely responsible, it has failed to recognize or even acknowledge this cost-of-living crisis.

In fact, in 2023 the Ford government focused on paving over protected farmland, supposedly to make housing more affordable. They have been forced to rescind most of this legislation, and the RCMP has launched an investigation to determine if criminal activity has taken place. As a result, much of the legislative year has been wasted on this scandal. We wish that the government would have focused on the financial concerns of all Ontarians instead of the benefits of a select few.

In Timiskaming-Cochrane, safety on our provincial highways, especially 11 and 17

continues to be a major concern for all of us. Multiple road closures, and accidents continue at an unprecedented pace. After much pressure from the NDP, the province raised winter maintenance standards. Our thanks to the people on the plows and sanders, which are the front lines of highway safety. However, the accidents and closures continue. The NDP is pushing the government to ensure that all commercial drivers licensed in Ontario are prepared for the conditions that they will face on the Trans-Canada highway north of North Bay. We also have a bill in the legislature that will make it illegal to pass on double solid lines "Chad's Law". Finally, it must be said that although commercial vehicles are often involved in the accidents, they are not always the only driver at fault.

Highway 11 is simply not designed for the amount of cross-country truck traffic that it now carries. Through the advocacy of the Going the Extra Mile Safely (GEMS) committee, the province has announced a pilot project for the 2 plus 1 roadway concept. While we support this initiative, much more needs to be done to ensure that the Trans-Canada highway, and our main street, is safe for everyone. Hopefully the promised return of the Northander train will alleviate some of that pressure. There has been an increase in people moving to the area from across the province and beyond. This is mainly due to more job vacancies than can be filled locally and lower-cost housing than in many other areas of the province. While we welcome new residents, there have been some questions raised about unofficial subdivisions or campgrounds being built in unorganized townships. It has been a challenge to get the province to understand the extent of the issue, but the government has changed legislation so that building inspections can be done in unorganized areas. I continue to work with the Minister to ensure that this happens.

Furthermore, access to health care across the north continues to be a concern. The recent Auditor General's Report made it clear that northerners are at a clear















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2023 MPAC Municipal Levy Letter

1 message

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To: "kpelletier@mcgarry.ca" <kpelletier@mcgarry.ca>

Thu, Dec 14, 2023 at 4:17 PM



December 14, 2023

Karine Pelletier Clerk-Treasurer Township of McGarry

Subject: 2024 Municipal Levy

As we continue our work to meet the evolving needs of our partners, we wanted to inform you that MPAC's Board of Directors has approved the corporation's 2024 operating budget.

MPAC has been controlling expenses through the strategic management of financial and business operations, which has allowed us to keep the municipal levy at a 0% increase over the past three years. However, we acknowledge that sustaining a 0% increase in the long term is not realistic. Due to the current economic situation, we are now facing the need to increase the levy by 2.1% to address the impact of inflation on our operations, including rising labour costs.

This decision was not taken lightly. Through our continued efforts to streamline existing services, control expenditures and find efficiencies, we were able to keep the increase to a minimum, ensuring it stayed below the current inflation rate.

Not all municipalities will see a 2.1% increase. Individual municipal levies are determined by a funding formula under the *Municipal Property Assessment Corporation Act* based on the weighted average of two factors: municipal share of the total assessed value and number of properties, compared to the rest of the province. An explanation of how MPAC calculated the municipal levy is available here https://www.mpac.ca/sites/default/files/docs/pdf/2024-MunicipalLevy-Infographic\_WEB.pdf.

Your municipality's annual 2024 levy amount will be \$18,637.33 or a 0.54% increase.

Additional information about your municipality's specific 2024 levy calculation is available here https://workdrive.mpac.ca/external/b0169641f1be320c1193ee29a87f90 939b5eefe15f7c46dd95fa30a0300fd722.

Your first bill will be delivered later this month, followed by equal quarterly invoices thereafter. You will also receive your Assessment Change Summary from your local MPAC Account Manager, which provides a high-level description of the assessment changes within your municipality.

We invite you to read our 2023 Municipal Partnerships Report here https://news.mpac.ca/2023-municipal-partnerships-report to learn more about our collective work to build strong communities across Ontario together.

As we approach the end of the year, our commitment to elevating the property owner and municipal experience through innovation and the modernization of our products and services remains our priority. We look forward to collaborating on forward-looking initiatives and continuing to provide you with timely information that supports your work and decision-making.

If you have questions about MPAC's funding requirements, please contact:

Mary Meffe
Vice-President, Corporate and Information Services
and Chief Financial Officer
289-539-0306

For information about the assessment services available to your municipality, please contact:

Carmelo Lipsi
Vice-President, Valuation and Customer Relations
and Chief Operating Officer
289-317-0881

<u>Carmelo.Lipsi@mpac.ca</u>

Mary.Meffe@mpac.ca

Yours Truly,

Alan Spacek

Chair, MPAC Board of Director

Nicole McNeill President and Chief Administrative Officer, MPAC

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Executive Management Group, MPAC

Director and Regional Managers, Municipal and Stakeholder Relations, MPAC

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### MPAC: 2023 Municipal Partnership Report and Assessment Change Summary

1 message

Mario Levesque <mario.levesque@mpac.ca> To: Karine Pelletier <kpelletier@mcgarry.ca> Fri, Dec 15, 2023 at 9:45 AM



Good morning Karine,

Please see the following communication from Mary Dawson-Cole, Director, Municipal and Stakeholder Relations, regarding the 2023 Municipal Partnerships Report and Assessment Change Summary.

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions you may have.

Happy Holidays!

Mario Levesque, A.I.M.A Account Manager Municipal and Stakeholder Relations Office: 705-419-1723

To: Chief Administrative Officers, Chief Financial Officers,

Treasurers, and Tax Administrators

From: Mary Dawson-Cole, Director, Municipal and Stakeholder Relations

As the year quickly comes to a close, it's the perfect opportunity to pause and consider our collective work to build strong communities across Ontario together. With this in mind, I'd like to share our 2023 Municipal Partnerships Report, which captures the collaborative journey we've undertaken and highlights our key milestones and achievements.

Also, attached is your **Assessment Change Summary**, which provides a high-level description of the assessment changes within your municipality.

The 2020 tax year was the last year in the legislated four-year assessment cycle, based on the 2016 CVA. In August, the Ontario government extended the postponement of a province-wide reassessment through the end of the 2021-2024 assessment cycle. This means that the 2024 tax year will continue to be based on the fully phased-in January 1, 2016 current values. There will be no phased-in growth in 2024.

We want to assure you that the ongoing postponement does not change the work we do each day to maintain our extensive property database and annual assessment rolls. We remain committed to providing property values, insights, and products and services that municipalities and property owners can use to make informed decisions today and in the future.

In January, we will be sending the Municipal Partnerships Report (but not the Assessment Change Summary) to Municipal Clerks to share with council members to provide them with insights into our valuable work together.

On behalf of MPAC and our Municipal and Stakeholder Relations team, we wish you all a safe and relaxing holiday season.

We look forward to working with you in 2024.

Regards,

Mary

Mary Dawson-Cole Director, Municipal and Stakeholder Relations

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**Municipal Property Assessment Corporation** 





# Assessment Change Summary

## Township of McGarry

The following chart provides a snapshot comparing the assessed value at the beginning of one taxation year (2023), to the assessed value at the beginning of the next taxation year (2024).

		Based or	Based on 2016 Current Value Assessment (CVA)	alue Assessr	nent (CVA)
Property Tax Class	RTC	Destination CVA	Destination CVA	Percent Change	Percent of Total CVA
(RTC) Description		at time of roll return for 2023 Tax Year	at time of roll return for 2024 Tax Year	2023 - 2024 Tax Year	Distribution of CVA between
Residential	æ	33,540,200	33.446.100	%8C U-	70C0 70
Commercial	Ų	604,900	619,200	2.36%	1 57%
Industrial		560,400	560,400	0.00%	1.42%
PIL - Residential	œ	187,300	187,300	0.00%	0.48%
PIL - Commercial	U	379,800	379,800	%00.0	%96.0
Exempt	ш	4,190,300	4,192,300	0.05%	10.64%
TOTAL		39,462,900	39.385.100	%UZ U-	100 001



**Project ECHO** 

1 message

FONOM Office/ Bureau de FONOM <fonom.info@gmail.com>

Bcc: kpelletier@mcgarry.ca

Sun, Nov 12, 2023 at 2:45 PM

**Good Day** 

Please circulate this email to the Mayor, Council, and your Senior Team.

Recently, the FONOM Board received the attached PowerPoint from Project ECHO. The wound statistics and their care concern the Board; therefore, they wanted to share the work being done by Project ECHO with our membership. You will note that the Letter explaining Project ECHO has two requests for letters of support. FONOM was sent support Letters and asked your Mayor or Council to consider it. The Board would also ask that this information be shared with Health Professionals in your community.

Project ECHO Ontario Skin and Wound is designed to train wound care teams (doctors, nurses, allied health) across the province of Ontario. We have a special target population of Indigenous, North, isolated and remote communities. Each ECHO cycle is 8 weeks with Cycle 1 (Leg and Foot Ulcers) and Cycle 2 (Pressure Injuries and Miscellaneous wounds). Our current ECHO Ontario Skin and Wound Care Cycle theme is leg and foot ulcers with a focus on limb preservation. The first 6 out of 8 sessions have had attendance rates of 173-200 participants from all 14 health districts in Ontario. Our target audiences have enhanced attendance (31 North-West, 21 in North-East, 71 in HNHB). A new ECHO Cycle 1 (leg & mp; foot limb preservation) will begin on January 10, 2024 (contact Linda Dorrington at <a href="linda@woundpedia.com">linda@woundpedia.com</a>).

Project Echo - Introduction to Project Echo Skin & Wound

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c/o Toronto Regional (Dermatology) & Wound Healing Clinic
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Mississauga, ON L4Y 1A6
Tel: 905-273-9892 Fax: 905-273-6409
rgarysibbald@gmail.com

Talk soon, Mac.

Mac Bain
Executive Director
The Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities
615 Hardy Street North Bay, ON, P1B 8S2
Ph. 705-498-9510

### Project Ontario ECHO Skin and Wound Virtual Wound Care & training for Regional Complex Wound Care Teams

### Goal:

To train teams in the Health Districts/ Ontario Health Regions in Advanced Wound Care to treat the 20% of patients that are high resource/ longstanding home care clients that make up 80% of the cost to the system.

- Physicians/ Nurse Practitioners
- Nursing
- Allied Heath (Chiropody/Footcare, Registered Dietitian, Rehab OT, PT

Project ECHO Ontario proposed plan to support the Limb Preservation Program by targeting all patients with leg and foot ulcers below the knee especially those with stalled, maintenance or non-healable wounds (> 3-6 months on home care), not demonstrating a positive wound healing trajectory and/or are high resource utilization.

- 1. Advocate for HbA1c for all leg and foot ulcer patients
- 2. Utilize the wound care toolkits For Indigenous, Northern, Remote, & Isolated Communities
  - Audible handheld Doppler- any Multiphasic Wave is equivalent to APBI > 0.9 and adequate blood supply to heal. The Doppler sound can be recorded on a smart phone and sent for confirmation.
  - Can be part of the medical record for verification & save unnecessary visits to vascular surgeons in remote, isolated communities.
- 3. Establish a Provincial Vascular Surgery team to support evidence and implement the COMPASS study results from MacMaster to prevent strokes, heart attacks and premature deaths in persons with Peripheral Vascular Disease (Apixaban 2.5 mg bid and ASA 100 mg daily improved outcomes) [Steffel J, et al. 2020]
- 4. Manage Infection: N.E.R.D.S. & S.T.O.N.E.E.S.- 3 or more criteria to treat superficial/local (covert) infection topically, or Deep & Surrounding infection (Overt) systemically (Woo, Sibbald, 2009).
  - o 7 Infectious disease doctor team 4 have completed the International Interprofessional Wound Care Course and 3 are partial completion, working towards completion.
  - Systematic review of oral antibiotics for osteomyelitis to facilitate treatment in low resource communities avoiding intravenous therapy.
- 5. Screen for the high-risk diabetic foot & provide simple plantar pressure redistribution devices for low resource and home care patients.
  - o The validated simplified 60 second screen for the high-risk diabetic foot takes 1 minute vs. The Inlow tool that has numerous questions, 3 parts and is best for the trained foot care specialist to provide care.
  - o This tool and the Guyana Diabetes and Foot Care program decreased amputations 68% and identified 48% of 1266 persons screened with a high-risk foot (Lowe et al. 2015)
  - o Team comprising of 5-foot care specialists was assembled (4 chiropodists- 2 in the North, 1 Mitchener Professor, a community chiropodist with experience in Guyana & Ethiopia, and a Podiatrist from Punjab India with a PhD in Biomaterials to create a simple plantar pressure redistribution kit to facilitate training and implementation of footwear into the community.

### Project Ontario ECHO Skin and Wound Virtual Wound Care & training for Regional Complex Wound Care Teams

 Engaged 50 community wound care specialists in ECHO Limb Preservation series from Hamilton- Niagara and 24 from Northeast eligible for toolkits and the other kits will be distributed to other target clinicians in the 12 additional healthcare districts.

Current Project ECHO Skin and Wound Care Leg and Foot Ulcer (limb preservation) cycle has seen a tremendous increase in the number of participants for the regular sessions and the skills/toolkits sessions. Previous ECHO cohorts had approximately 60-80 participants on each session

Date	Attendance ECHO Session	Attendance Skills/toolkit session
Oct 4 <sup>th</sup>	177	142
Oct 11th	171	133
Oct 18 <sup>th</sup>	186	137
Oct 25 <sup>th</sup>	173	133
Nov 1st	200	148
Nov 8 <sup>th</sup>	185	150

### **Proposed Virtual Consults:**

- Wound Bed Prep.2021 Format (Soon to be published in April 2024- WBP 2024 for resource limited settings)
  - Graduates of ECHO leg and foot cycles and IIWCC
  - For 100 + Toolkit recipients (Limb Preservation ECHO)
  - Patient Navigation for Home Care Districts (after Waterloo Wellington published Project)
     all districts would be eligible with appropriately trained staff.
    - Initial consult x1 hour patient / family member in the home with NSWOC at home care on CHRIS and consultant (Dr. Sibbald or WoundPedia Team member – our team collectively has 200 years + of wound care experience) and follow up.
    - Patient navigation publication home care clients since 2012 on:
       Sept 2022: 48 consults: 29% healed, 66% smaller, over 70% less supply use, decreased nursing visits, improved infection management and decreased pain.

Lowe J, Sibbald RG, Taha NY, Lebovic G, Martin C, Bhoj I, Kirton R, Ostrow B; Guyana Diabetes and Foot Care Project Team. The Guyana Diabetes and Foot Care Project: a complex quality improvement intervention to decrease diabetes-related major lower extremity amputations and improve diabetes care in a lower-middle-income country. PLoS Med. 2015 Apr 21;12(4):e1001814. doi: 10.1371/journal.pmed.1001814. PMID: 25898312; PMCID: PMC4405371.

Steffel J, Eikelboom JW, Anand SS, Shestakovska O, Yusuf S, Fox KAA. The COMPASS Trial: Net Clinical Benefit of Low-Dose Rivaroxaban Plus Aspirin as Compared With Aspirin in Patients With Chronic Vascular Disease. Circulation. 2020 Jul 7;142(1):40-48. doi: 10.1161/CIRCULATIONAHA.120.046048. Epub 2020 May 21. Erratum in: Circulation. 2020 Jul 7;142(1):e23. PMID: 32436455.

Woo KY, Sibbald RG. A cross-sectional validation study of using NERDS and STONEES to assess bacterial burden. Ostomy Wound Manage. 2009 Aug 1;55(8):40-8. PMID: 19717855.

### Project Ontario ECHO Skin and Wound Virtual Wound Care & training for Regional Complex Wound Care Teams

### Background:

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Our official partners in Project ECHO are Nurses Specialized in Wound, Ostomy and Continence Canada (NSWOCC) and Queen's University (Health Sciences Professional Development and Educational Scholarship). To improve patient outcomes, Diabetes Action Canada will become a proposed partner to measure educational outcomes and create databases.

### Our ECHO faculty includes:

WoundPedia (193 years of combined wound care experience):

- Professor Gary Sibbald, MD, M.Ed., D.SC (Hon), FRCPC (Med)(Derm):
   ECHO Skin & Wound Project Lead, IIWCC Director
- Reneeka Jaimangal, MD, MScCH, IIWCC: Project Manager for ECHO Skin & Wound
- Laurie Goodman, RN, MHScN: Clinical Coordinator IIWCC and ECHO Skin & Wound
- Pat Coutts, RN, IIWCC: Nursing Consultant
- Sunita Coelho, RN: Nursing Consultant
- Xiu Zhao, MD, CCFP (COE): Primary Care Physician
- Laura Lee Kozody, B.Sc., DCh: Chiropodist
- Andrew Mohan, BJourn: Multimedia Coordinator
- Linda Dorrington: Administrative Assistant

### **NSWOCC:**

- Cathy Harley, RN, CEO of NSWOCC
- Kim LeBlanc, RN, PhD, Academic Chair
- Erin Rajhathy, RN, Core Program Lead for Community Engagement

### Queen's University:

- · Karen Smith, MD, Physiatrist, Rehab Specialist
- Jolene Heil, RN, NSWOCC, Nursing Consultant
- Nancy Dalgarno, PhD, Director of Education Scholarship
- Eleftherios Soleas, PhD, Director of Continuing Professional Development
- Richard van Wylick, MD, FRCPC, Vice-Dean of Health Sciences Education

### Adjunct Faculty:

- Patrick Rainville, Chiropodist
- Jeremy Caul, MCISc-WH, NSWOCC, Nurse Advisor for First Nations and Inuit Home and Community Care (Ontario Region)
- Dale Kalina, MD, MBA, FRCPC(ID)

### Diabetes Action Canada:

- Catharine Whiteside, MD, PhD, FRCP(C), FCAHS
- Valeria Rac, MD, PhD

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Our official partners in Project ECHO are Nurses Specialized in Wound, Ostomy and Continence Canada (NSWOCC) and Queen's University (Health Sciences Professional Development and Educational Scholarship). We are also collaborating with Sault College (microcredentials in skin and wound care, nursing curriculum and e-textbook). To improve patient outcomes, Diabetes Action Canada will become a proposed partner to measure educational outcomes and create databases.

Project ECHO Ontario Skin and Wound has had two funding cycles (2018-2021 and 2021-2024) and its renewal is scheduled for April 1, 2024. Our application is due at the Ministry of Health on November 30.

### We are requesting two support letters for the following:

- To continue ECHO Ontario Skin and Wound with evergreen funding (continuous funding guaranteed with annual budget negotiation), alongside additional support for educational outcomes and a collaboration with Diabetes Action Canada
- To create a virtual identified patient consultation service utilizing Wound Bed Prep 2021 for
  patient navigation and clinician support for previous ECHO participants and to bring advanced
  wound care expertise to clinicians in Northern Ontario

We will be circulating 100 toolkits across Ontario with special target populations in the North (North-West and North-East) and Hamilton-Niagara Haldimand Brant (HNHB). These tool kits include 8MHz Dopplers and infrared thermometers, along with simple plantar pressure redistribution devices for application in the home care and community settings.

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The Skills sessions are virtual and designed for use of the toolkit in the home care community setting. These are 1-hour long and added as a separate 3<sup>rd</sup> hour after our traditional 2-hour program. We have had an attendance of 133-150 healthcare professionals in these sessions with outstanding evaluations. There are educational follow-up assignments to facilitate practice of skills and improve community capacity.

Our funding will also include a request for collaboration with Diabetes Action Canada to collect data on educational and health care patient outcomes. This initiative will facilitate equal access to wound care specialist teams across Ontario for patients to receive quality care.

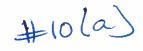
In addition to the de-identified patients in ECHO that moves knowledge and not patients, we need support for the newly trained professional teams. A virtual consult service that includes either patient navigation principles or direct clinician evidence-informed care planning will reinforce the education and set the stage to improve system and patient outcomes.

Please see supporting material in the attachments below.

### One paragraph for email message

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### TOWNSHIP OF MCGARRY REPORT TO COUNCIL

Report Title:	Filling of Vacancies on Municipal Council - Interviews and Appointment of new Council
Prepared By:	Karine Pelletier – Clerk-Treasurer
Date:	January 4, 2024

**Background**: Councillor Weller failed to submit her financial statement by the due date. When a successful candidate in a regular election fails to submit their financial statement, they must forfeit any office to which they were elected and are also ineligible to be elected or hold office until after the next regular election has taken place. Councillor Weller was advised by the Clerk-Treasurer that her seat was forfeited on November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023 with Mayor Culhane present as well.

Council held a Special Meeting on November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023 in close session to discuss the situation with Legal Counsel (Scott Lemke) via virtual attendance. Mr. Lemke gave Council advice and suggested it would be wise to fill one seat at this time and wait 30 days before filling Miss Weller's seat.

Council asked Mr. Scott Lemke to attend the Regular Meeting of Council on November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023 in the Delegation portion of the agenda to give a statement and answer any questions from the audience to which Mr. Scott Lemke agreed.

Council decided to take the advice of Legal Counsel and wait 30 days before announcing the vacant seat of Miss Weller to give her time to decide if she wanted to move forward with a relief of forfeiture application.

On December 6, 2023, I communicated with Mr. Scott Lemke from Massey Law to see how Council should proceed, he explained that Council should move forward and take steps to fill the seat in order the meet the 60-day period of January 11, 2024.

On December 8, 2023, Council held a Special Meeting, and it was decided that Council would fill the forfeited (vacant) seat of Councillor Weller by appointment. Council also directed the Clerk to post a notice of Council Vacancy on the Website and Facebook requesting interest individuals submit a letter of interest to the Clerk at the Township Office by 3:00 p.m. on January 4<sup>th</sup>. 2024. Interviews will be held on January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in open session in the meeting room.

At the January 9, 2024 meeting, the Clerk will provide the Chair a list of the names of the individuals who have submitted a letter of interest before the deadline of January 4, 2024 at 3:00 p.m.

All candidates will be in the gymnasium with the Deputy Clerk to ensure they do not hear the other candidates. One by one they would have their turn to be interviewed in the meeting room in open session.

The candidates will be brought into the meeting room one at a time in <u>alphabetical order</u> and the Chair will ensure that every candidate is legally qualified to hold office by asking them the following questions:

- Are you a Canadian Citizen,
- At least 18 years of old

- Resident of the Township of McGarry, or the owner or tenant of land in the Township of McGarry, or the spouse of such person, and
- Are you prohibited from voting (as per the Municipal Election Act) or otherwise by law.

Each candidate will be given a time limit of 10 minutes to read their letter of interest and Council will ask each of them the same questions.

Once the interviews are completed all the candidates would be brought back into the meeting room.

Council will cast their vote on a ballot for the candidate of their choice. Only (1) one candidate name is to be on the ballot. The Clerk will collect the ballots, place the ballots of all Members of Council in a container and randomly draw the completed ballots. When the ballots are drawn, the Clerk will publicly announce the name of the candidate on each ballot. The candidate with the most votes will be appointed as the new member of Council. If there is a tie, the Clerk would select a name by lot.

The Chair will then proceed to ask the successful candidate if they accept the appointment of Council.

I would strongly recommend that Council implement a Council Vacancy Policy to be more transparent and consistent for future vacancies on Council.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Karine Pelletier Clerk-Treasurer



**Motion to Appoint 2023:45** 

1 message

**Mcgarry publiclibrary** <Mcgarrypubliclibrary@outlook.com>
To: Karine Pelletier <kpelletier@mcgarry.ca>

Thu, Dec 7, 2023 at 5:07 PM

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Could council please confirm this appointment at next regular council meeting?

Thank you, McGarry Public Library

### MCGARRY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

### MOTION

Motion: That the h	se Garry Library
Brard excepts a Genetle Guibeau member. as of	nd appoints It as a board 1 November 27, 2023.
Moved by: Francine E	Vante.
Seconded by:	moloring
Motion number 2023: 45	Chairperson  May Jretti  Date  May 27, 2023



## **Membership Invoice** 2024-2025 Facture d'adhésion

24, rue Clarence Street Ottawa, Ontario K1N 5P3 T. 613-241-5221

**Karine Pelletier** 

INVOICE / FACTURE: INV-39203-V1V0K7 Township of McGarry

PO Box 99 27 Webster Street DATE: 11/14/2023

ACCOUNT / COMPTE: 43459 Virginiatown, ON, P0K 1X0

Attn: Clerk-Treasurer **DUE DATE / DATE LIMITE:** 03/31/2024

ITEM / DESCRIPTION	QTY / QTE	RATE / TAUX	SUB-TOTAL / SOUS-TOTAL	HST / TVH	TOTAL
Base fee per your population / Taux de base selon votre population	1	\$140.00	\$140.00	\$18.20	\$158.20
Per capita dues calculated per your population / Frais de cotisation calculés selon votre population	579	\$0.2186	\$126.57	\$16.45	\$143.02
		TOTAL	\$266.57	\$34.65	\$301.22

PAID AMOUNT / MONTANT PAYÉ: \$0.00 **BALANCE DUE / MONTANT DÛ:** \$301.22

#### **PAYMENT / PAIEMENT**

Cheque payable to / Chèque à l'ordre de

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Royal Bank of Canada (RBC)/Banque Royale du Canada Institution Number/Numéro de l'institution: 003 Transit Number/Numéro de transit: 00006 Account Number / Numéro de compte: 1113307

accounts receivable@fcm.ca/comptes recevables@fcm.ca



Minutes of a Recreation Committee Meeting held on Tuesday October 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	Absent
Chair Councillor John Truchon	<b>7</b>	
Co-Chair Councillor Louanne Caza	$\square$	
Paulette Paquet	$\checkmark$	
Mary Walsh		$\square$
Mayor Bonita Culhane	$\overline{\checkmark}$	

Clerk Typist: Melanie Jensen Members of the Public: 1

Moved by Paulette Paquet Seconded by Bonita Culhane 32/2023 Absence

THAT the Chair agrees to grant a leave of absence to Member Mary Walsh for the Recreation Committee Meeting of October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023, due to appropriate advance notice submitted to the Clerk or Chair.

#### Carried

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

Moved by Bonita Culhane Seconded by Paulette Paquet

33/2023 Agenda

THAT the agenda for the Recreation Committee Meeting held on October  $3^{rd}$ , 2023 be adopted with addition of (g) table and chair rentals in user fees By-Law and (h) Christmas baskets Storage.

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#### Carried

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

Moved by Paulette Paquet Seconded by Bonita Culhane

34/2023 Minutes

THAT the minutes of the Recreation Committee meeting heldon September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023 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: None
- 9. Members Update Reports / Rapports de mise à jour des membres :

Members of the Recreation Committee gave a verbal report.

- 10. New Business/ Nouvelles affaires:
  - a) **Children Craft Day:** Members discussed Halloween craft day. It is on October 21<sup>st</sup>,2023, poster to follow.
  - b) **Children Halloween Dance:** Members discussed the Childrens Halloween Dance on October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Poster to follow.
  - c) **Table at Craft & Bake Sale:** Members discussed getting 3 tables at the Christmas Craft and bake sale on November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023.
  - d) **Childrens Christmas Party:** Members discussed that the Christmas party will be on December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023. Poster to follow.
  - e) Fall Clean-up Arena: Members discussed cleaning the arena.
  - f) Pickle Ball: Members discussed Pickle Ball and may have to make changes to the dates.
  - g) Table and Chaires Rental User Fees: Members discussed renting table and chairs out to the public. Prices will be on the new User Fees By-Law.
  - h) Christmas Basket Storage: Members discussed allowing UCFO to use the Canteen for the storage of their food for the hampers.

11. a) Submitted Questions / Questions soumises : None b) Audience Questions / Questions de l'auditoire :

A question period was held.

- 12. Closed Meeting/ Réunion à huis clos: None
- 13. Adjournment / Clôture de l'assemblée:

Moved by Paulette Paquet Seconded by Bonita Culhane 35/2023 Adjournment

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Chair - Councillor Louanne Caza

#10 (d)



Minutes of a Recreation Committee Meeting held on Tuesday October  $16^{th}\,$  , 2023 at 1:00 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
Co-Chair Councillor Louanne Caza Paulette Paquet Mary Walsh Mayor Bonita Culhane	\ \ \ \ \ \ \	

Clerk Typist: Melanie Jensen Members of the Public: 0

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

Moved by Paulette Paquet
Seconded by Mary Walsh

36/2023
Agenda

THAT the agenda for the Recreation Committee Meeting held on October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 be adopted with the addition to 312 closed meeting to discuss the committee vacancy and application.

Carried

#### 4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest / Déclaration d'intèrêts pécuniaires:

Paulette Paquet Declared a Pecuniary Interest on item #12 in the closed meeting about services for the Christmas Craft and Bake Sale luncheon.

- 5. Minutes of Previous Meetings / Procès-verbal des réunions précédentes : None
- 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) Rental Agreement / Alcohol Policy Review: Deferred to the next Recreation Committee meeting.
- 11. a) Submitted Questions / Questions soumises : None
  - b) Audience Questions / Questions de l'auditoire : None
- 12. Closed Meeting/ Réunion à huis clos:

Moved by Mary Walsh Seconded by Paulette Paquet 37/2023 Closed

THAT Council goes into closed session at 1:05 p.m. Under the Ontario Municipal Act 239(2) (i) a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial, financial or labour relations information, supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board, which, if disclosed, could reasonably be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of a person, group of persons, or organization: to discuss quotes received for luncheon, staff dinner and DJ Services.

Carried

Moved by Paulette Paquet Seconded by Mary Walsh 38/2023 Out of Closed

THAT this meeting come out of close at 1:50 p.m.

Carried

Moved by Bonita Culhane Seconded by Mary Walsh 39/2023 UCFO

THAT the Recreation Committee has chosen the UCFO for the luncheon for the Craft and Bake sale on November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 and that the kitchen and bar is at no cost to the UCFO.

#### Carried

Moved by Paulette Paquet Seconded by Mary Walsh 40/2023 Mel's Kitchen

THAT the Recreation Committee direct the Clerk to retain Highway to Mel's Kitchen to host the Annual Staff Christmas Supper on December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at the cost of \$28.00 per plate Option #1 and that the kitchen is no cost to Highway to Mel's Kitchen and Option #1 for the dessert.

#### Carried

Moved by Mary Walsh Seconded by Paulette Paquet 41/2023 SOP/TWP

THAT the Recreation Committee utilizes the Township to apply for a SOP for the bar services on December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 for the Volunteer Christmas Staff Dinner.

#### Carried

Moved by Paulette Paquet Seconded by Mary Walsh 42/2023 DJ Services

THAT the Recreation Committee use Trees DJ Services for the staff Christmas Supper.

#### Carried

Moved by Paulette Paquet Seconded by Mary Walsh

43/2023 New Member

THAT the Recreation Committee appoint Alyson Nickel as a new committee member, and direct the Clerk to bring the new member appointment at the next Regular meeting of Council for final approval.

Carried

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

Moved by Paulette Paquet Seconded by Maru Walsh 44/2023 Adjournment

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 1:53 p.m.

Chair – Councillo Louanne Caza

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#### **MINUTES**

## **Timiskaming Health Unit Board of Health**

Regular Meeting held on October 11, 2023 at 6:30 P.M. Timiskaming Health Unit – NL Auditorium / Microsoft Teams

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

**Board of Health Members** 

Stacy Wight Chair, Municipal Appointee of Kirkland Lake
Casey Owens Municipal Appointee for Town of Kirkland Lake
Mark Wilson Municipal Appointee for Temiskaming Shores (Video)

Jeff Laferriere Municipal Appointee for Temiskaming Shores

Curtis Arthur Provincial Appointee

Guy Godmaire Municipal Representative for Township of Brethour, Harris,

Harley & Casey, Village of Thornloe

Steve McIntyre Municipal Appointee for Township of Armstrong, Hudson,

James, Kerns & Matachewan (Video)

Carol Lowery Municipal Appointee for Town of Cobalt, Town of Latchford,

Municipality of Temagami, and Township of Coleman

Paul Kelly Municipal Appointee for Township of Larder Lake, McGarry &

Gauthier (Video)

David Lowe Provincial Appointee
Cathy Dwyer Provincial Appointee
Todd Steis Provincial Appointee

Jesse Foley Vice-Chair, Municipal Appointee for Temiskaming Shores
Gord Saunders Municipal Appointee for Township of Chamberlain, Charlton,

Evanturel, Hilliard, Dack & Town of Englehart

Regrets None

**Timiskaming Health Unit Staff Members** 

Dr. Glenn Corneil Acting Medical Officer of Health/CEO (Video)

Randy Winters Director of Corporate Services

Erin Cowan Director of Strategic Services and Health Promotion (Video)

Rachelle Cote Executive Assistant

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**MOTION #48R-2023** 

Moved by: Casey Owens Seconded by: Jeff Laferriere

Be it resolved that the Board of Health adopts the agenda for its regular meeting held on

October 11, 2023, as presented.

**CARRIED** 

#### 4. PRESENTATION: SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH

By Erin Smith, Public Health Promoter – Health Equity A brief overview was provided by Erin Smith.

#### 5. <u>DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE</u>

None.

#### 6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

#### **MOTION #49R-2023**

Moved by: David Lowe Seconded by: Carol Lowery

Be it resolved that the Board of Health approves the minutes of September 6, 2023, as

presented.

**CARRIED** 

#### 7. **BUSINESS ARISING**

N/A

#### 8. REPORTS OF MOH/CEO

Dr. Corneil provided a summary of the local situation and other related updates.

#### 9. HUMAN RESOURCES & FINANCE UPDATE

Randy Winters provided an update for information purposes.

#### 10. **NEW BUSINESS**

#### a. Strategic Plan Update

Dr. Corneil informed the Board that the Strategic Plan will be expiring on December 31, 2023. In discussion with the senior management team, it was suggested that the document not be renewed or extended at this time due to working on other priorities such as the PHU-THU Voluntary Merger. The team is planning to work on a joint strategic plan with the new entity when required.

#### b. alPHa Fall Symposium

#### **MOTION #50R-2023**

Moved by: Curtis Arthur Seconded by: Cathy Dwyer

Be it resolved that the Board of Health approves the virtual attendance of the following Board of Health members at the alPHa Fall Symposium on November 24, 2023:

- Curtis Arthur
   Stacy Wight
- 3. Mark Wilson

CARRIED

#### 10. CORRESPONDENCE

#### MOTION #51R-2023

Moved by: Jesse Foley Seconded by: David Lowe

Be it resolved the Board of Health acknowledges receipt of the correspondence for

information purposes.

**CARRIED** 

Erin Smith left the meeting at 7:02 pm.

#### 11. IN-CAMERA

#### **MOTION #52R-2023**

Moved by: Jeff Laferriere Seconded by: Gord Saunders

Be it resolved the Board of Health agrees to move in-camera at 7:02 pm to discuss the following matters under section 239 (2):

- MOH Update Confidential Matter
- In-Camera Minutes (September 6, 2023)

CARRIED

#### 12. RISE AND REPORT

#### MOTION #53R-2023

Moved by: Guy Godmaire Seconded by: Jeff Laferriere

Be it resolved the Board of Health agrees to rise with report at 7:16 pm.

**CARRIED** 

#### a. PHU-THU VOLUNTARY MERGER

**MOTION #3C-2023** 

Moved by: Casey Owens

Seconded by: Gord Saunders

Be it resolved the Board of Health for the Timiskaming Health Unit reaffirms the prior incamera motion directing Dr. Glenn Corneil as Acting MOH/CEO to work towards a voluntary merger between the Porcupine and Timiskaming Health Units; and

Furthermore, that the Board of Health for the Timiskaming Health Unit does not support discussions nor work towards mergers beyond these two health units.

**CARRIED** 

## b. IN-CAMERA MINUTES - SEPTEMBER 6, 2023

**MOTION #4C-2023** 

Moved by: Jesse Foley

Seconded by: Casey Owens

Be it resolved the Board of Health approves the in-camera minutes of the regular Board

meeting held on September 6, 2023.

**CARRIED** 

#### 13. **DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS**

The next Board of Health meeting will be held on November 1, 2023 at 6:30 pm in Englehart.

#### 14. **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION #54R-2023** 

Moved by: Gord Saunders

Seconded by: Carol Lowery

Be it resolved that the Board of Health agrees to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:18 pm.

**CARRIED** 

Stacy Wight, Board Chair Rachelle Cote, Recorder

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# TEMISKAMING MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION

## REGULAR MEETING

## **NOVEMBER 30, 2023**

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#### November 30, 2023

 A resolution prepared by MP Guy Beaudoin in regards to passing on solid double line is being circulated to all municipalities and should be supported by all municipalities.

#### Medieval Villages:

- New Minister for Municipal Affairs and Housing is not familiars with issues that unincorporated Townships are having to deal with when it comes of those medieval villages and also the impact that these villages could have on incorporated townships.
- TMA, as a group, has to come up with different scenarios on how these villages should be handled. It is just a matter of time before the government asks for our input and we need to be ready.
- We must ensure that those living in these medieval villages are not forced into homelessness which in turn would be a bigger problems to municipalities.

**DISCUSSIONS:** See minutes of Executive Meeting

#### Larder Lake: Community Risk Assessment

 We will ask Clayton Seymour(Ontario Fire Marshall Office) to explain the difference between the table top exercise that is done yearly by most municipalities and the current Risk Assessment that must be prepared for all municipalities before July 2024.

#### **Latchford: Exotic Animals**

- Municipalities are not equipped to deal with exotic animals
- A by-law will not solve the problem. We have no place to lodge an exotic animal if we had to remove it from a residence.
- The provincial government must get involved. It is suggested that the Ministry of Agriculture be contacted for assistance.

#### Cobalt: Fire Trucks / Fire Equipment:

Fire Underwriters Survey. This subject will be brought back in January.

#### Coleman: Conservation Officer Reclassification

Letter Dan Cléroux and Council This subject will be brought back in January.

#### Brethour Township:

- Northern Telephone do not seem to be interested in doing regular maintenance on their land lines in the township. Residents are often left with no telephone service for days.
- Bring back a resolution to TMA for support for the January meeting.

#### November 30, 2023

#### **Evanturel Township:**

- Catch and Release Justice
- Gender Based and Intimate Violence Declaration of Epidemic
- A resolution will be prepared in support of these two resolutions in January 2024.

#### MPAC:

 They were invited to attend but they could not make it work in their schedule but they would be happy to meet in the new year.

Moved by: Guy Labonté Seconded by: Jo-Anne Cartner

That Temiskaming Municipal Association receives and accepts the October 30th, 2023 bank reconciliation as presented by the treasurer.

#### Carried:

The meeting of November 30, 2023, was adjourned at 7:38 pm.

Executive meeting on January 18, 2023 at 12:00 pm at the Thornloe hall.

TMA meeting on January 25, 2023 at 6:30 pm at the Rosaire and Wilfrid Paiement arena





December 12, 2023

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# THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MCGARRY P.O. BOX 99 VIRGINIATOWN, ON. P0K 1X0

THAT Council direct the Clerk to begin the process of dissolving and terminating the partners of Solaire McGarry Solar Inc. with Kapuskasing Energy Inc.  Defeated / Carried Mayor  Recorded Vote Requested by YES NO  Mayor Bonita Culhane Councillor Louanne Caza Councillor Francine Plante			
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Recorded Vote  Requested by  YES  NO  Mayor Bonita Culhane Councillor Louanne Caza Councillor Francine Plante	THAT Council direct the Clerk of Solaire McGarry Solar Inc. w	to begin the process of dissolving the Kapuskasing Energy Inc.	ng and terminating the partnership
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Your municipality's fee is based on a total of 412 households as reported by MPAC. The Board of Directors approved a 2.75% increase in membership which province-wide raises about \$64,882.25.

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Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs

Office of the Minister

77 Grenville Street, 11th Floor Toronto, Ontario M7A 1B3 Tel: 416-326-3074 www.ontario.ca/OMAFRA

December 18, 2023

Karine Pelletier Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Township of McGarry kpelletier@mcgarry.ca

Dear Ms. Pelletier:

Ministère de l'Agriculture, de l'Alimentation et des Affaires rurales

Bureau du ministre

77, rue Grenville, 11º étage Toronto (Ontario) M7A 1B3 Tél.: 416 326-3074 www.ontario.ca/MAAARO



Our government is committed to supporting economic growth in rural communities and ensuring Ontario is open for business. The Rural Economic Development (RED) program is just one tool for communities to complete outcome-based projects that will have tangible benefits across the province. This aligns with our government's priorities to remove barriers to investment, open doors to rural economic development and create good jobs throughout Ontario.

To further our commitment to supporting rural communities, I am pleased to share with you that a new intake for the RED program will be opening in January 2024.

When the intake is open, we will be sharing additional information with you directly. You will also be able to find all program information, including how to apply, on my ministry's website at: <a href="mailto:ontario.ca/REDprogram">ontario.ca/REDprogram</a>.

If you have further questions at this time, you are welcome to contact the Agricultural Information Contact Centre at 1-877-424-1300 or <a href="mailto:ag.info.omafra@ontario.ca">ag.info.omafra@ontario.ca</a>.

I encourage you to take advantage of this funding opportunity and submit an application for your economic development project when the intake is open. Together, we can ensure Ontario's communities thrive.

Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

Lisa M. Thompson

Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs



Good things grow in Ontario À bonne terre, bons produïts

Ministry Headquarters: 1 Stone Road West, Guelph, Ontario N1G 4Y2 Bureau principal du ministère: 1, rue Stone ouest, Guelph (Ontario) N1G 4Y2

# Rural Economic Development program

Funding to help create jobs and boost growth in your rural community.

Thank you for your interest in the RED program. The program's application intake is now closed. Please visit this web page again for information about future intakes.

#### How it works

Ontario's Rural Economic Development (RED) program provides cost-share funding to support activities that create strong rural communities in Ontario, and opens doors to rural economic development through:

- funding assistance to address barriers to economic development, better position rural communities to attract and retain jobs and investment, and enhance economic growth
- funding to build community capacity and support for economic development in Ontario's rural communities
- investments in rural communities to help diversify and grow local economies making economic growth more inclusive so rural Ontario continues to share in the province's economic prosperity

This page provides a summary of the RED program. Read the RED program guidelines for the full details about eligibility, program funding and application requirements.

## Who is eligible

To be eligible for the program you must be:

- a municipality
- a not-for-profit entity
- an Ontario Indigenous community or organization
- a Local Services Board

## **Funding amounts**

**Economic Diversification and Competitiveness Stream:** up to 50% of eligible project costs to a maximum of \$150,000.

**Strategic Economic Infrastructure Stream:** up to 30% of eligible project costs to a maximum of \$250,000.

#### Calculation of costs

The calculation of cost-share funding for all selected projects will be based on the total eligible costs outlined in the application.

- Funding may be provided at the amount or percentage requested, or at a reduced amount or percentage (subject to limits within each stream).
- The project's maximum eligible costs cannot be increased.
- The timeframe of the project cannot be extended without the written approval of OMAFRA (in its sole discretion).

All selected applicants must enter into a contribution agreement with the Province of Ontario. All applicants have joint and several liability for any funded project.

## **Program streams**

## **Economic Diversification and Competitiveness Stream**

Economic diversification and competitiveness projects:

remove barriers to business and job growth

- support investment attraction
- strengthen sector and regional partnerships
- diversify regional economies in rural Ontario

All costs for projects in this stream must be non-capital.

The table below summarizes the seven eligible project types.

Projec t type	Description	Example projects
Entrepr eneurs hip / Busine ss succes sion	Projects that support business start-up or succession in the community	<ul> <li>Coaching/mentorship</li> <li>Business succession support (for example, connecting buyers and retiring business owners)</li> <li>Familiarization tours</li> </ul>
Busine ss retenti on and expans ion	Projects that proactively engage the local or regional business community to identify and implement actions that address barriers to business growth	<ul> <li>Projects that are part of the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs' (OMAFRA) Business Retention and Expansion Program (BR+E)         (https://www.ontario.ca/page/business-retention-and-expansion-program) with activities including:         <ul> <li>collecting business and market data</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

Projec t type	Description	Example projects
	N	<ul> <li>writing and implementing action plans</li> <li>executing actions to support local businesses in the community</li> </ul>
Downt own revitali zation	Projects that focus on identifying and implementing actions that improve and promote traditional town centres	<ul> <li>OMAFRA Downtown         Revitalization Program (DR)         (https://www.ontario.ca/page/downtown-revitalization-program) with activities including:         <ul> <li>growing customer traffic through events and activities</li> <li>attracting business to locate in downtowns through marketing activities</li> <li>organizational coordination efforts</li> <li>core area promotion</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Techno logy adopti on / innovat	Projects that support businesses and communities to improve their digital capabilities and	<ul> <li>Digital training and support services for businesses</li> <li>Improving development and planning approvals process</li> </ul>

Projec t type	Description	Example projects
ion initiativ es	participate in the information economy	<ul> <li>Coordination of business approvals (for example, licensing, public health, permits)</li> </ul>
Attracti on and retenti on of worker s / immigr ants / youth	Projects that implement strategies for attracting and retaining people	<ul> <li>Employee-pooling projects</li> <li>Workforce-oriented policy/regulatory improvements</li> <li>Workforce attraction marketing</li> <li>Career days/events</li> <li>Network development (service providers/ businesses)</li> <li>Workforce or sector-based training</li> <li>Youth training</li> <li>Intern/apprentice matching system</li> </ul>
Collabo rative market ing and outrea ch	Projects that implement marketing or promotional activities outlined in an existing marketing or communications plan that will have an	<ul> <li>Promotional campaigns across at least two communities (for example, investment attraction, tourism)</li> </ul>

Projec t type	Description	Example projects
	impact across sectors, value chains, or multiple communities in a region	
Sector/ Value chain develo pment	Projects that implement strategies to strengthen and coordinate collaboration across sectors or value chains	<ul> <li>Buyer-Seller forums</li> <li>Network development (for example, events, coordination)</li> <li>Specialized business training</li> </ul>

## **Strategic Economic Infrastructure Stream**

This stream focuses on priority economic infrastructure projects that improve physical assets identified as strategically important to the community.

Enhancements would rehabilitate and renew the assets to preserve the unique character of a community and quality of life and enhance it for future generations.

The costs for projects in this stream must be minor capital costs.

The table summarizes the three eligible project types.

Project type	Description	Example projects	
Rehabilita tion of rehabilitate an existing cultural, heritage, or tourism attraction, as defined through previously completed strategies and projects that establish its significance for economic development		<ul> <li>Restoration of a historical building or structure</li> <li>Restoration of an established tourism attraction</li> <li>Recreational trail rehabilitation</li> </ul>	
Redevelop ment of vacant and/or underutili zed buildings	Minor capital projects to redevelop interior of vacant and/or underutilized buildings to achieve an economic development outcome	<ul> <li>Development         of an incubator         or innovation         hub</li> <li>Youth centre</li> <li>Agri-food hubs</li> </ul>	
Streetscap ing and landscapi ng	Minor capital projects as defined through previously completed strategies that improve the design quality of public areas	<ul> <li>Wayfinding signage</li> <li>Beautification (for example, lighting, banners, murals, street</li> </ul>	

Project type	Description	Example projects
		furniture, public art, trees)
	*	<ul> <li>WiFi         equipment/sof         tware for         public use</li> </ul>

## **Selection process**

Once the application is submitted and the intake period closes, eligible applications will be assessed on the criteria outlined in these guidelines, including, for example:

- basic eligibility criteria
- reducing economic barriers
- alignment with the Rural Economic Development program's outcomes
- project work plan
- collaboration and partnerships
- regional, sector, or value chain impacts
- sustainability beyond the project timelines
- project budget, including reasonable and eligible project costs
- project oversight
- financial commitment

#### **Decisions**

Applicants will be notified as funding decisions are reached, usually within three months from the posted intake closure date; however, timing may vary.

#### Contact us

For more information, email us at ag.info.omafra@ontario.ca (mailto:ag.info.omafra@ontario.ca) .

#### Related

RED projects (https://www.ontario.ca/page/rural-economic-development-program-projects)

Updated: May 02, 2023 Published: January 25, 2022



## **Township of McGarry**

## REPORT TO COUNCIL

Report Title:	OPP Detachment Board	
Prepared By:	Karine Pelletier	
Date:	January 2024	

On March 26, 2019, Ontario passed the Bill 68 - Comprehensive Ontario Police Services Act, 2019 and established the Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019 (CSPA), which once proclaimed, will repeal the Police Services Act, 1990.

In accordance with Section 67 of the new CSPA, to allow for civilian governance it will be required that there be an OPP (Police) Detachment Board for each detachment of the OPP that provides policing in a municipality or First Nation community.

In August of 2019, the Ministry of the Solicitor General started consultations on the regulations needed to support the new CSPA. In February 2020, SOLGEN invited municipalities to participate in a series of regional roundtables discussions regarding OPP-related regulatory changes under the CSPA, 2019.

SOLGEN then developed an OPP Detachment Board Framework that required 326 municipalities and 43 First Nations receiving direct or supplemental services from the OPP to create at least one board that reflects local perspectives, needs and priorities and provides opportunities for municipalities and First Nations to collaborate on efforts to improve community safety.

On May 31, 2021 a proposal to SOLGEN was submitted requesting the (1) Police Detachment Board comprised of representative from the following communities;

- Beaverhouse First Nation (1 Council representative member);
- Town of Kirkland Lake (2 Council representative members);
- Municipality of Matachewan (1 Council representative member);
- Township of Gauthier (1 Council representative member);
- Township of Larder Lake (1 Council representative member); and
- Township of McGarry (1 Council representative member).

This proposal was acknowledged in 2022 and subsequently approved in 2023 by the Ministry.

The following resolution was ratified on April 13, 2021, confirming interest of representation on the OPP Detachment Board:

The OPP detachment board proposal has been approved by the Solicitor General to the next step in finalizing the board compositions, which is posting the composition on the Ontario Regulatory Registry (ORR).

The ministry is currently working on drafting the regulation, which is expected to be available on the Ontario Regulatory Registry (ORR) for public comment in the summer or fall. Posting of the regulation is one of the last steps before the regulation can be finalized in advance of bringing the Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019 (CSPA) into force in early 2024.

In the approval letter, the Ministry notes the following representative composition:

The Council representative composition is as noted above, with the exception that in the original submission, the request was for one (1) community representative and two (2) provincially appointed members from anywhere in the represented detachment area. The Ministry increased the community representation by one seat to two (2) community representatives. The total membership being 11 members comprising the new Police Detachment Boad.

The following board composition(s) have been approved for posting.

Board	Communities Services	Council Seats	Community Representative Seat(s)	Provincial Appointment Seat(s)	Total Seats
1	- Gauthier - Kirkland Lake - Larder Lake - Matachewan - McGarry - Beavehouse Lake & First Nation	7	2	2	11

Board members will be required to complete training with respect to the role of the board and member responsibilities prior to assuming duties on the board.

- Training is also required for Board members regarding
  - (1) human rights and systemic racism;
  - (2) the diverse, multiracial and multicultural character of Ontario society; and
  - (3) the rights and cultures of First Nation, Inuit and Métis Peoples.
- This training must be completed after assuming board duties and within a period to be determined by regulation.

In terms of the roles and responsibilities of board members, the role of OPP Detachment Boards will include additional responsibilities not required for Section 10 boards under the PSA (1990) such as: considering any community safety and well-being plan adopted by a municipality that receives policing from the detachment; establishing local policies, in consultation with the detachment commander, with

respect to policing in the area receiving policing from the detachment; and ensuring local action plans prepared by the detachment commander address the objectives and priorities determined by the board.

Under the CSPA, Police Detachment Board members will be required to:

- consult with the OPP Commissioner on the selection of a detachment commander;
- monitor the performance of the detachment commander; and
- provide an annual report to the municipalities and band councils served by the OPP.

Police Detachment Boards will also provide a venue for the municipalities and First Nations within a detachment area to coordinate and collaborate on strategies to address common issues that is not present under the PSA.

Next Steps - Waiting on Finalization of CSPA Regulations

Although the CSPA received Royal Assent on March 26, 2019, there are several amendments and regulation that need to be enacted before the CSPA can be brought into force. As noted by the Ministry, as new information and regulatory framework is developed, and updates are received, that information will be shared with Council.

#### Financial consideration:

Police Services Board Composition Restructuring

All participating municipalities will be responsible for costs associated with the new Police Detachment Board's implementation, including administration costs, meeting, travel and expenses, remuneration, and the new mandatory training requirements. While the costs will likely be shared amongst all municipalities represented, financial impacts remain approximate, pending further direction of the Province.

Kirkland Lake Administration has recommended to all partnering municipalities to allocate between \$7,500.00 and \$10,000.00 in their respective 2024 budgets to allocate costs associated with the new Board, including, but not limited to, meeting remuneration, travel/accommodations and related expenditures, training requirements, insurance, supplies and staff resources.

As more information becomes available from the Province regarding regulations, funding sources and training opportunities, Administration will provide further detail regarding financial impacts.

#### Conclusion / Recommendation:

THAT the staff report entitled OPP Detachment board be received; And

THAT Council hereby acknowledges The Corporation of the Township of McGarry's composition on the future Police Detachment Board is as established and approved by the Ministry of the Solicitor General.

Karine Pelletier Clerk-Treasurer



## Resolution - Fix the Long-Term Care Amendment Act

1 message

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Thu, Dec 21, 2023 at 3:36 PM

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December 21, 2023

SENT VIA EMAIL ONLY

Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario Legislative Assembly of Ontario 111 Wellesley St. W. Toronto, ON M7A 1A2

Dear Premier Ford:

RE: Motion – Fix the Long-Term Care Amendment Act

At its meeting held on December 19, 2023, Council of The Corporation of the Town of Kirkland Lake resolved the following:

"Moved by: Mayor Stacy Wight

Seconded by: Councillor Janice Ranger

**WHEREAS** the care, support and happiness of older adults in the Town of Kirkland Lake is a priority for Council;

**AND WHEREAS** older adults deserve dignity in care and should have the right to live with their partner as they age;

**AND WHEREAS** within the Province of Ontario, couples have the right to be accommodated together when entering long-term care facilities where they meet the eligibility criteria for admission;

**AND WHEREAS** the separation of spouses upon entering long-term care facilities is an all-too common occurrence across Ontario where the couples have different care needs:

**AND WHEREAS** Bill 21, Fixing Long Term Care Amendment Act (Till Death Do Us Part) was first introduced in the provincial legislature in 2019 and reintroduced in 2022;

**AND WHEREAS** Bill 21 amends the Residents' Bill of Rights set out in Section 3 of the Fixing Long-Term Care Act, 2021 to afford spouses not to be separated upon admission and to have accommodation made available for both spouses so they may continue to live together, regardless of their care needs;

AND WHEREAS Bill 21 passed its second reading in the provincial legislature on November 15, 2022 and was subsequently ordered referred to the Standing Committee on Social Policy and has yet to be called to the Standing Committee; AND WHEREAS the current sitting Provincial Government may bring forward a new Bill that, in principle, supports the intent of Bill 21 Fixing Long-Term Care Amendment Act;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council for The Corporation of the Town of Kirland Lake supports any future bill to Bill 21 Fixing Long Term Care Amendment Act surrounding the non-separation of spouses with different care needs upon admission;

**AND THAT** the Town of Kirkland Lake request the provincial legislature to enact any current and future proposed Bills to this effect;

**AND FINALLY THAT** a copy of this motion be sent to the Honourable Premier of Ontario, the Member of Provincial Parliament for Timiskaming-Cochrane, the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) and all municipalities within the District of Timiskaming.

CARRIED".

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

Sincerely,

Jennifer Montreuil Municipal Clerk

 John Vanthof, Timiskaming-Cochrane Member of Provincial Parliament Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) Timiskaming District Municipalities Tanya Schumacher, Director of Long-Term Care and Seniors Services (TPR)



## Resolution - Amendments to the Legislation Act

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December 21, 2023

SENT VIA EMAIL ONLY

Minister, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing College Park 17<sup>th</sup> Floor, 777 Bay Street, Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

Attention: Honourable Minister Paul Calandra

Dear Hon. Minister Calandra:

RE: Motion – Amendments to the Legislation Act

At its meeting held on December 19, 2023, Council of The Corporation of the Town of Kirkland Lake resolved the following:

"Moved by: Mayor Stacy Wight Seconded by: Councillor Rick Owen

**WHEREAS** the Legislation Act, 2006, provides a definition of 'newspaper' which applies to every Ontario Act and Regulation, as in a provision requiring publication, means a document that (a) is printed in sheet form, published at regular intervals of a week or less and circulated to the general public, and (b) consists primarily of news of current events of general interest; ('journal');

AND WHEREAS the landscape of print media has changed with the evolution of digital news:

**AND WHEREAS** in October, 2023, CEO and President of Metroland Media Group noted that 71 of their community publications outside of the District of Timiskaming, would only be available in digital format moving forward;

AND WHEREAS some small, rural Ontario municipalities, like the Town of Kirkland Lake, will not have the means to bring an application to Court to ask for directions and approval on an alternate manner of providing notice should local print publications transition to digital format only;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT in a proactive effort, the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Kirkland Lake does hereby request the Provincial government to make an amendment to the Legislation Act, 2006 to include digital format as an acceptable means of publication and notice requirements for Provincial Acts and Regulations;

**AND FINALLY THAT** this Motion be circulated to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Member of Provincial Parliament for Timiskaming-Cochrane, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM), and to all municipalities within the District of Timiskaming.

CARRIED".

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## Staff Report to Municipal Council



Meeting Date:	Report Date:
January 4, 2024	January 9, 2024
☑ Decision Requested	Type of Meeting:
☐ Input required	Regular Council Meeting
☐ Information Only	

Report Title: Summer Students Report

#### **Background:**

There are two student job funding programs that staff are recommending this year, Summer Employment Opportunities (SEO) and Canada Summer Jobs (CSJ). Success rates vary from year to year. The following are details regarding each program:

#### CSJ (Canada Summer Jobs)

Program administrator: Service Canada

Financial formula: Public and private sector employers are eligible to receive funding for up to 50% of the provincial or territorial minimum hourly wage.

#### **SEP (Summer Employment Opportunities)**

Program administrator: Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport

Financial formula: Employers are eligible to receive 100% receive funding.

#### **Discussion:**

Staff suggest that the Township submit applications for the following summer student jobs:

- 3 positions for 2 months with the Municipal Labourer with Canada Summer Job (CJS) This position is only available with CJS
- 3 positions for 2 months at the Tourist Information Office Attendant with Canada Summer Job (CJS)
- 3 positions for 2 months for Day Camp Counsellor with Canada Summer Job (CJS)
- 3 positions for 2 months at the Tourist Centre Attendant with Summer Employment Opportunity (SEO)
- 3 positions for 2 months for Day Camp Counsellor with Summer Employment Opportunities (SEO)

#### Financial consideration:

There is no financial commitment required at this point. The Township's contribution to the student wages will depend on whether the grant applications are approved and the associated terms/conditions.

### Conclusion / Recommendation / Motion:

THAT Council directs staff to apply for the student job subsidy programs listed above.

## Karine Pelletier, Clerk-Treasurer

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To Mayor and Council

I would like the following letter to be addressed at the next Regular Council Meeting.

The Government of Canada has rules for flying the National Flag of Canada. It states "The national flag of Canada should always be flown on its own mast. Flag protocol states that it is improper to fly two or more flags on the same mast (for example one beneath the other)".

On a recent trip south I took notice if other communities were following the Governments Rules and the only community not following the rules was McGarry Township.

Will Council consider the following:

- a, have the Township Office get a copy of Rules for Flying the National Flag of Canada on file;
- b. budget for a flagpole to be erected at the Municipal Building to fly the National Flag as is done in other municipalities; and
- c. fly only the provincial flag at the tourist centre because it is an information tourist centre for Ontario

The Government of Canada has rules for half-masting the National Flag of Canada which would be helpful to have on file as well.

Sincerely,

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Muriel Rose