



**The Corporation of The Township of Stone Mills
Council Agenda Monday, June 22, 2026
4504 County Road 4, Centreville - Municipal Offices-
Stone Mills at 6:30 PM**

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1. Call to Order

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Notice is hereby provided that under the authority of the *Municipal Act, 2001* and in accordance with *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA)*, that all information attained is considered part of the public record.

2. Confirmation of the Agenda

2.1. Motion to Adopt

RECOMMENDATION

That the Agenda of June 22, 2026 be adopted as circulated.

3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

4. Statutory Public Meeting

None Scheduled

5. Open Forum

The first fifteen (15) minutes of Regular Council meetings will be set aside for Open Forum. Any person may address Council on any matter that is listed on the agenda except items that will be subject to a Statutory Public Meeting pursuant to the *Planning Act* on the same Agenda. Those registered to speak during Open Forum can only speak once and for no more than three (3) minutes.

6. Presentations

None Scheduled

7. Deputations

None Scheduled

8. Items for Consideration

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8.1. Update Rattie Road

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive the staff report entitled "Update Rattie Road";
AND

That Council direct staff to retain engineering services to complete the required hydraulic and hydrology assessment at an estimated cost of \$20,000, funded through the Construction (300-320) budget, with staff to report back to Council upon receipt of findings prior to any construction commencing; OR

That Council, having reviewed the updated information provided in this report, provide direction to staff in accordance with the options previously presented at the November 3, 2025 Council meeting; OR

That this matter be deferred to a future Council meeting to allow Council additional time to consider the updated information prior to providing direction to staff.

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8.2. Respectful Conduct Policy – Revised Draft for Approval

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives Staff Report "Respectful Conduct Policy – Revised Draft for Approval"; and

That By-law 2026-xxxx Being a By-law to approve the "Respectful Conduct Policy" be enacted and passed, and the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign and seal.

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8.3. Human Resources Update - Beaver Lake Swim Program and New Positions

RECOMMENDATION

That the report entitled "Human Resources Update - Beaver Lake Swim Program and New Positions" be received;

And further that Council authorize staff to proceed with the posting and recruitment process for the Recreation & Facilities Coordinator and Public Works Technician positions as outlined in this report.

45 - 48 8.4. 2026 Budget Restatement - O. Reg. 284/09

RECOMMENDATION

That the 2026 Budget Restatement - O. Reg. 284/09 be received; and,

That Council adopt the report, which meets the requirements of Ontario Regulation 284/09 and outlines the preparation of the 2026 Operating and Capital Budgets to a Public Sector Accounting Board compliant format.

49 - 77 8.5. Canada Day Committee 2026 Special Event Permit Application

RECOMMENDATION

That the report entitled "Canada Day Committee 2026 Special Event Permit Application" be received; and That Council approve,

1. The issuance of a Special Event Permit;
2. The requests for assistance setting up the Soap Box Derby racing, with staff and equipment time funded from the Council Donation budget;
3. Supplying two Portable Toilets funded from the Council Donation Budget;
4. The endorsement of the Tamworth Canada Day Event and support the inclusion of the event under the Township's Insurance Policy; and
5. Approve a Noise Exemption for the event from 8:00 am to 10:30 pm

Furthermore, That Council consider the request for a monetary donation to cover the additional cost the Canada Day Committee has incurred for the Tamworth Canada Day event.

9. Consent Agenda

For convenience and efficiency, repetitive or routine matters are included in the Consent Agenda and voted on collectively. Any Council member can request to discuss an item separately within the Consent Agenda, which will then be removed and voted on separately from the Consent Agenda. Each and every matter of business contained in the Consent Agenda is recorded

separately in the minutes of the meeting

9.1. Motion to Adopt Consent Agenda

RECOMMENDATION

That all items in the Consent Agenda dated June 22, 2026 be approved as presented and that the necessary action be taken.

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9.2. Confirmation of the Minutes of 710th Session Regular Council- June 8, 2026

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the 710th Session Regular Council- June 8, 2026 be adopted as circulated.

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9.3. Lennox and Addington County LEAR Study – Draft 2 Mapping Update

RECOMMENDATION

That the report entitled "Lennox and Addington County LEAR Study – Draft 2 Mapping Update" be received for information.

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9.4. Development Charge Reduction Program

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive staff report "Development Charges Reduction Program" for Information Purposes

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9.5. Infrastructure Ontario Listing of Property Locally Known as "Beaver Lake Lion's Park" – Expression of Interest Submitted

RECOMMENDATION

That the report entitled "Infrastructure Ontario Listing of Property Locally Known as 'Beaver Lake Lion's Park' – Expression of Interest Submitted" be received for information.

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9.6. Community Partnership & Planning Meeting - Limestone District School Board

RECOMMENDATION

That the report entitled "Community Partnership & Planning Meeting - Limestone District School Board" be received for information.

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9.7. 2025 Annual Investment Summary

RECOMMENDATION

That the report entitled "2025 Annual Investment Summary" be received for information.

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9.8. Township of Tyendinaga Council Resolution re: Support Stone Mills Resolution re: FIPPA changes

RECOMMENDATION

That the resolution circulated by the Township of Tyendinaga be received for information.

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9.9. Municipality of East Huron Council Resolution re: Support Stone Mills Resolution re: FIPPA Changes

RECOMMENDATION

That the resolution circulated by the Municipality of East Huron be received for information.

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9.10. Town of Goderich Council Resolution re: Support Stone Mills Resolution re: FIPPA Changes

RECOMMENDATION

That the resolution circulated by the Town of Goderich be received for information.

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9.11. Township of St. Joseph Council Resolution re: Support Stone Mills Resolution re: FIPPA Changes

RECOMMENDATION

That the resolution circulated by the Township of St. Joseph be received for information.

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9.12. Municipality of Wawa Council Resolution re: Support Stone Mills Resolution re: FIPPA Changes

RECOMMENDATION

That the resolution circulated by the Municipality of Wawa be received for information.

108 - 109 9.13. Municipality of Tweed Council Resolution re: Support Stone Mills
Resolution re: FIPPA Changes

RECOMMENDATION

That the resolution circulated by the Municipality of Tweed be received for information.

110 - 114 9.14. City of Stratford Council Resolution re: Support Stone Mills and Town
of Bruce Mines re FIPPA Changes

RECOMMENDATION

That the resolution circulated by the City of Stratford be received for information.

115 - 116 9.15. Township of Champlain Council Resolution re: Support Stone Mills
Resolution re: FIPPA Changes

RECOMMENDATION

That the resolution circulated by the Township of Champlain be received for information.

117 - 120 9.16. Municipality of Killarney Council Resolution re: Support Stone Mills
Resolution re: FIPPA Changes

121 - 124 9.17. Municipality of Grey Highlands Council Resolution re: Support Stone
Mills Resolution and Town of Bruce Mills Resolution re: FIPPA
Changes

RECOMMENDATION

That the resolution circulated by the Municipality of Grey Highlands be received for information.

125 - 127 9.18. Township of Southgate Council Resolution re: Support Stone Mills
Resolution and Municipality of Wawa Resolution re: FIPPA Changes

RECOMMENDATION

That the resolution circulated by the Township of Southgate be received for information.

128 - 129 9.19. County of Prince Edward Council Resolution re: Reinstating the
Requirements for Compliance with the Freedom of Information and

Protection of Privacy Act

RECOMMENDATION

That the resolution circulated by the County of Prince Edward be received for information.

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9.20. Township of Machar Council Resolution re: Opposition to FIPPA Changes

RECOMMENDATION

That the resolution circulated by the Township of Machar be received for information.

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9.21. Yarker Firefighters Association Response to Council Resolution re: ALTO High Speed Rail

RECOMMENDATION

That the resolution circulated by the Yarker Firefighters Association be received for information.

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9.22. Ministry of the Environment and Conservation and Parks re: Minister's direction under section 1.14 of the Conservation Authorities Act (re: temporary restrictions)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive the letter circulated from the Ministry of the Environment and Conservation and Parks for information.

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9.23. Town of Grimsby Council Resolution re: Municipal Heritage Register Extension

RECOMMENDATION

That the resolution circulated by the Town of Grimsby be received for information.

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9.24. Municipality of South Huron Council Resolution re: Sustainable Provincial Grant Funding for Fire Services in Ontario

RECOMMENDATION

That the resolution circulated by the Municipality of South Huron be received for information.

- 149 - 150 9.25. Town of South Bruce Council Resolution re: Outdoor Education
- RECOMMENDATION**
That the resolution circulated by the Town of South Bruce be received for information.
- 151 9.26. Township of Madawaska Valley Council Resolution re: Ottawa Valley Trade Corridor Improvement Project
- RECOMMENDATION**
That the resolution circulated by the Township of Madawaska Valley be received for information.
- 152 - 154 9.27. Town of Orangeville Council Resolution re: Request to the Province to Extend the Deadline for Notices of Intention to Designate Listed Heritage Properties
- RECOMMENDATION**
That the resolution circulated by the Town of Orangeville be received for information.
- 155 - 159 9.28. Township of Puslinch Council Resolution re: Township of Puslinch Support Resolution No.2026-128, Regarding Consent item 6.8 Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus Finlay's Law on Emergency Room Reform
- RECOMMENDATION**
That the resolution circulated by the Township of Puslinch be received for information.
- 160 - 161 9.29. City of Kitchener Council Resolution re: Heritage Helping Housing Building Grant
- RECOMMENDATION**
That the resolution circulated by the City of Kitchener be received for information.
- 162 - 164 9.30. Ministry of Attorney General re: Follow-up to Updates to "Tailgate Event" Permits under the Liquor Licence and Control Act, 2019
- RECOMMENDATION**

That the letter circulated by the Ministry of Attorney General be received for information.

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- 9.31. Ministry of Emergency Preparedness and Response re: Compliance of Requirements in the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act (EMCPA) O. Reg. 380/04

RECOMMENDATION

That the report circulated by the Ministry of Emergency Preparedness and Response be received for information.

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- 9.32. Municipality of Wawa Council Resolution re: Integrated Living and Participation Model for Adults with Developmental Disabilities

RECOMMENDATION

That the resolution circulated by the Municipality of Wawa be received for information.

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- 9.33. County of Prince Edward Council Resolution re: Vacant Commercial Storefront Tax

RECOMMENDATION

That the resolution circulated by the County of Prince Edward be received for information.

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- 9.34. County of Prince Edward Council Resolution re: Heritage Designation and Insurance Premiums

RECOMMENDATION

That the resolution circulated by the County of Prince Edward be received for information.

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- 9.35. County of Prince Edward Council Resolution re: Sustainable Funding for Public Health

RECOMMENDATION

That the resolution circulated by the County of Prince Edward be received for information.

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- 9.36. Township of Baldwin Council Resolution re: Call on Province to Conduct Review of Policing Billing Model

RECOMMENDATION

That the resolution circulated by the Township of Baldwin be received for information.

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- 9.37. Municipality of Morris-Turnberry Council Resolution re: Consolidation of Ontario's Conservation Authorities and the future of funding for regional Conservation Authorities

RECOMMENDATION

That the resolution circulated by the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry be received for information.

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- 9.38. Municipality of Calvin Council Resolution re: Request for Provincial Review of CVA-Based Apportionment for Shared Municipal and Provincially Mandated Services

RECOMMENDATION

That the resolution circulated by the Municipality of Calvin be received for information.

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- 9.39. Municipality of Wawa Council Resolution re: Request for Consultation re Removal of School Board Trustees

RECOMMENDATION

That the resolution circulated by the Municipality of Wawa be received for information.

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- 9.40. United Counties of Leeds and Grenville Council Resolution re: Support Municipal Engineers Association Position re Harmonization of Municipal Road Construction Standards

RECOMMENDATION

That the resolution circulated by United Counties of Leeds and Grenville be received for information.

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- 9.41. Town of Northeastern Manitoulin & The Islands Council Resolution re: Request that Ontario Government Provide Immediate and Sustained Funding to Improve Hospital Finance and Capacity

RECOMMENDATION

That the resolution circulated by the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin

& The Islands be received for information.

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- 9.42. Village of Merrickville Wolford and North Grenville Council Resolution re: OPP Detachment Board Resolution of Support - Traffic Calming & Speeding Mitigation Techniques

RECOMMENDATION

That the resolution circulated by the Village of Merrickville Wolford and North Grenville be received for information.

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- 9.43. County of Prince Edward Council Resolution re: Sustainable funding for Public Health Units

RECOMMENDATION

That the resolution circulated by the County of Prince Edward be received for information.

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- 9.44. Quinte Conservation re: ALTO High Speed Rail Project

RECOMMENDATION

That the resolution circulated by Quinte Conservation Authority be received for information.

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- 9.45. County of Prince Edward Council Resolution re: Better Regional Governance Act

RECOMMENDATION

That the resolution circulated by the County of Prince Edward be received for information.

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- 9.46. Police Governance Ontario 2026-2027 Board of Directors

RECOMMENDATION

That the update circulated by Police Governance Ontario be received for information.

10. Consent Agenda Items Extracted

11. Notice of Motion/Direct Motion

- 11.1. Notice of Motion

11.2. Direct Motion

12. Announcements

12.1. Upcoming meeting dates

- Lennox & Addington County Council- Wednesday, June 24, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.
- Committee of Adjustment - Wednesday, July 8, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.
- Regular Council- Monday, July 13, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.

13. Closed Meeting

13.1. Pursuant to Sec. 239, *Municipal Act* - Reason for Closed meeting

RECOMMENDATION

That Council proceed into Closed Session as permitted under the Municipal Act to consider a matter(s) relating to:

- Litigation or potential litigation -s.239(2)(e)- **Staff Report on Status of By-law Enforcement Matter**

Present:

Time

13.2. Rise and Report

RECOMMENDATION

That in the continuing interest of transparency and open government, the Reeve reported, in open session, the following outcomes from today's closed session meeting

- Direction provided to Staff; or
- There is nothing further to report; or
- Outline direction

Time:

14. Confirmation By-law

14.1. By-law 2026-xxx

RECOMMENDATION

That By-law 2026-xxx to confirm the proceedings of Council of Stone Mills Township be enacted and passed and that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign and seal.

15. Adjournment

15.1. Motion to Adjourn

RECOMMENDATION

That Council adjourn until the call of the Chair.

Time: p.m.



The Corporation of The Township of Stone Mills Staff Report

To: Mayor and Members of Council
Subject: Update Rattie Road
Submitted By: Jeff Thompson, Manager of Public Works/Fire Chief
Meeting Date: June 22, 2026

Summary

On June 8th, 2026, staff received confirmation from Quinte Conservation Authority that an engineering review, including a hydraulic and hydrology study, will be required as part of the permit for reinstating Rattie Road.

Recommendation

That Council receive the staff report entitled "Update Rattie Road"; AND

That Council direct staff to retain engineering services to complete the required hydraulic and hydrology assessment at an estimated cost of \$20,000, funded through the Construction (300-320) budget, with staff to report back to Council upon receipt of findings prior to any construction commencing; OR

That Council, having reviewed the updated information provided in this report, provide direction to staff in accordance with the options previously presented at the November 3, 2025 Council meeting; OR

That this matter be deferred to a future Council meeting to allow Council additional time to consider the updated information prior to providing direction to staff.

Background

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On November 3rd, 2025, staff presented Council with 3 options regarding the status of Rattie Road. Council directed staff to proceed with Option 1. Below is Option 1 from that report.

Option 1: Repair to Preexisting Condition

*Not a preferred option (risk of recurring flooding) *

- This approach involves filling in washouts and cleaning existing culverts. **(\$35,000.00)**
- Repair or new excursion fencing will be managed by third parties. **(\$20,000.00)**

Municipal Estimate Cost – **\$35,000.00**

Third Party Estimate – **\$20,000.00**

- Estimated cost: **\$55,000.00**

Discussion/Analysis

In November 2025, a permit application was submitted including detailed cross-sections identifying existing elevations. The submission also included a sediment and erosion control plan outlining measures to mitigate potential impacts during construction activities.

At that time, it was communicated that a “like-for-like” replacement of the existing infrastructure would not require engineering review. However, should the project involve upsizing culverts or installing additional culverts, the Township would be required to undertake a hydraulic and hydrological assessment to support the application.

Regardless of the scope of works, the project would require a Work Permit from the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) and federal authorization/permit requirements through Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO). MNRF subsequently confirmed that no permit from their office was required, as the work falls within the municipal road allowance and, because the project involves channelization, permitting authority under the Lakes and Rivers Improvement Act rests with the local conservation authority (Quinte Conservation Authority – QCA).

On March 2, 2026, Township staff received an inquiry from the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) requesting the rationale for reconstructing the road. Staff provided supporting information including Council agenda

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links, previous Council reports, and delegation materials. No further correspondence has been received from MECP following submission of the requested information.

On April 15, 2026, staff requested an update regarding the permit status. On April 16, 2026, QCA advised that the permit remained on hold pending further review.

On June 8, 2026, QCA confirmed that an engineered design and hydraulic study will be required prior to any construction proceeding.

Based on this updated information, staff are requesting Council review and reconsider the direction provided at the November 3, 2025 Council meeting. Staff are obligated to comply with all applicable permitting and regulatory requirements, which now introduces an additional estimated cost of approximately \$20,000 for engineering and hydraulic/hydrology analysis.

Should the engineering review and hydraulic study determine that increased culvert sizing is required to meet regulatory or design standards, the municipality would need to proceed with those recommendations if Council wishes to reopen the road. This scenario aligns with Option 2 previously presented in the November 3, 2025 Council report.

Option 2: Improved Crossing

Not a preferred option (financial constraints)

- Engineered crossing with approvals from all environmental agencies **(\$50,000.00) includes staff time and hydraulic studies.**
- Increase in culvert sizing **(\$170,000.00) includes estimated culverts and placement.**
- Increase in width **(\$150,000.00) includes granular "A" placement, earth excavation, Rip Rap,**
- Work done by others, an increase in the width of the Eco crossing, and installation of new excursion fencing. **(\$60,000.00)**

Municipal Estimated Cost - **\$370,000.00**

Third Party Cost - **\$60,000.00**

Contingency Cost - **\$20,000.00**

For completeness, Option 3 from the original report is below.

Option 3: Closing of Mud Creek Crossing

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- By closing Rattie Road, the municipality retains complete ownership of the entire length. This would classify sections as unopened, unmaintained, and open-maintained, ensuring full control in the future.
- The open maintained segment would extend from Hinch Road to Mud Creek Crossing, while the unopened, unmaintained section will connect Centreville Road to Mud Creek.
- To enhance safety and prevent access, permanent barriers will be installed on unopened sections.
- Essential measures include addressing slope washouts, removing municipal culverts, and dismantling excursion fencing, while preserving Eco passage for wildlife.
- 30-day public notice and mailouts to abutting landowners.
- Cost sharing with BlueEarth
- Estimated Municipal costs **\$25,000.00**

Staff recognize that Council and the community have expressed a strong desire to restore Rattie Road at the lowest possible cost and in the most efficient timeframe; staff share this objective. However, staff are obligated to ensure full regulatory compliance prior to commencing any construction activities. Proceeding without the required permits and engineering assessments would expose the municipality to significant legal and financial risk, and could result in stop-work orders, fines, or further delays that would ultimately increase costs.

The engineering and hydraulic/hydrology study is now a regulatory prerequisite regardless of which option Council ultimately chooses to pursue. Completing this study does not commit the municipality to the full scope of Option 2; however, it will provide Council with the information needed to make a fully informed decision. If the study confirms that a like-for-like replacement meets all regulatory requirements, the municipality may still proceed with a scope consistent with Option 1.

Staff are committed to working closely with Quinte Conservation Authority and all regulatory bodies to achieve the most cost-effective outcome possible.

Should Council wish to reconsider the direction previously provided, Council will need to waive Section 19.29 f) of Procedure By-law 2024-1264, which states that a Motion to Reconsider may be brought forward only once in the twelve (12) month period from the date the Motion or matter was first decided. When Council was initially informed about the washout and estimated cost to repair Rattie Road, Council, by Resolution 12-691-2025, directed staff to proceed with closing Rattie Road. At the September 15, 2025 Regular Council meeting, Council by resolution 20-695-2025, reconsidered Resolution 12-691-2025 and directed staff to hold off on closing Rattie Road and bring a financial analysis back to Council to reconsider the closure. Because this matter has already been reconsidered once, a motion to waive the procedure by-law will be required.

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Financial/Budgetary Implications

Proceed with retaining engineering services to complete the required hydraulic and hydrology assessment at an estimated cost of \$20,000. Funding would be allocated through the Construction (300-320) budget. Approval of this option will likely result in the account being overspent in 2026 and may require future budget adjustments or reallocation of operating funds.

Should Council direct staff to cease pursuit of reinstatement, no engineering expenditure would be incurred; however, staff would return to Council with a report outlining the financial and legal implications of formally closing or abandoning the road allowance, which may carry its own associated costs.

Prepared By: Jeff Thompson, Manager of Public Works/Fire Chief

Reviewed By: Anita Raymond, Treasurer

Approved By: Jason White, Chief Administrative Officer



The Corporation of The Township of Stone Mills Staff Report

To: Mayor and Members of Council
Subject: Respectful Conduct Policy – Revised Draft for Approval
Submitted By: Jason White, Chief Administrative Officer
Meeting Date: June 22, 2026

Summary

This report returns the Township of Stone Mill's proposed Respectful Conduct Policy to Council for consideration and approval. The policy has been revised in response to feedback provided by Council at its meeting of May 20th, 2026. Staff are satisfied that the revised draft meaningfully addresses the concerns raised and presents a balanced, fair, and workable framework for the Township.

Recommendation

That Council receives Staff Report "Respectful Conduct Policy – Revised Draft for Approval"; and

That By-law 2026-xxxx Being a By-law to approve the "Respectful Conduct Policy" be enacted and passed, and the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign and seal.

Background

At its meeting of May 20th, 2026, Council considered the initial draft of the Respectful Conduct Policy and provided several thoughtful comments and suggestions for revision. Staff undertook a review of those comments and have revised the policy accordingly. The revised draft is presented to Council for final consideration and approval.

Discussion/Analysis

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The following summarizes the key changes made to the policy in response to Council's feedback:

1. Removal of "Irritation" and "Annoyance" from the Definition of Unreasonable Behaviour

In response to feedback that these terms set too low a threshold, both words have been removed from the policy. The revised definition focuses on behaviour that is abusive, harassing, or conducted in bad faith, which establishes a more meaningful and defensible standard.

2. Revised "Legitimate Purpose" Criterion

The criterion relating to requests lacking a legitimate purpose has been reframed to focus on requests that are demonstrably made in bad faith with no discernible purpose other than to cause disruption or harass a Township Representative. This change addresses the concern that the original language could discourage residents from raising issues that are genuinely important to them.

3. Tightened Language Around Refusing to Accept a Decision

The bullet point relating to refusing to accept a decision has been removed to address and focus on conduct that is abusive, harassing, or unreasonably disruptive, rather than simply persistent. This ensures the policy does not inadvertently capture legitimate advocacy or reasonable re-engagement on matters of public concern.

4. Distinction Between Staff and Elected Officials Regarding Excessive Contact

The policy now draws a clear distinction between excessive contact directed at Township staff and communications directed at elected Officials. The revised policy explicitly recognizes that contacting multiple elected Officials about a matter of public concern is a legitimate form of democratic engagement and shall not, in itself, constitute Unreasonable Behaviour.

5. Acknowledgement of the Contextual Nature of Determinations

Language has been added to explicitly acknowledge that determinations are contextual and rely on the judgment of the CAO based on the totality of the circumstances in response to the inherent subjectivity of assessments under this policy. This is presented not as a weakness of the policy but as a recognition that each situation must be assessed on its own merits.

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6. Policy Positioned as a Measure of Last Resort

Language has been added to clearly position this policy as a measure of last resort, to be engaged only after informal approaches have been exhausted and where a documented history of behaviour supports the need for formal intervention.

7. Addition of an Informal Resolution Step

A new informal resolution step has been added as the first stage of the procedure, requiring Township Representatives to attempt to address concerns informally before initiating the formal process, where it is safe and reasonable to do so.

8. Preponderance of Standard

The determination section has been revised to incorporate the preponderance of evidence standard, meaning that a determination shall not be made on the basis of isolated or early incidents alone but must be grounded in a documented pattern of behaviour that, taken together, supports the conclusion that the threshold has been met.

A NOTE ON FUTURE POLICY REVIEWS

As with any policy adopted by the Township, the Respectful Conduct Policy will be subject to periodic review. Should operational experience, legal developments, or feedback from staff or the community identify any gaps or deficiencies in the policy over time, it will be brought back to Council with recommended amendments. Staff would also note that this is a relatively new area of municipal policy across Ontario, and best practices in this space continue to evolve. Council can be assured that staff will monitor developments and ensure the policy remains current and effective.

Financial/Budgetary Implications

There are no financial implications associated with the adoption or implementation of this revised policy. The policy can be administered within existing staff resources and does not require any additional expenditure.

Attachments

[2026-xxxx Being a By-law to Adopt a Respectful Conduct Policy](#)

Prepared By: Jason White, Chief Administrative Officer

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Approved By:
Brandi Teeple, Clerk

Status:
Approved - 17 Jun 2026

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The Corporation of The Township of Stone Mills
By-law Number 2026-xxxx
Being a By-law to Adopt a
Respectful Conduct Policy

WHEREAS The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Stone Mills deems it expedient to establish policies; and

WHEREAS Section 5(3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, Chapter 25, as amended, provides that a municipal power, including a municipality's capacity rights, powers and privileges under Section 9, shall be exercised by by-law;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Stone Mills hereby enacts as follows:

1. THAT the Respectful Conduct Policy identified as Schedule "A" attached hereto and forming part of this By-Law be hereby approved and adopted; and
2. THAT the Clerk of the Township of Stone Mills is hereby authorized to make any minor modifications or corrections of an administrative, numerical, grammatical, semantically or descriptive nature or kind to the By-Law and schedule as may be deemed necessary after the passage of this By-Law, where such modifications or corrections do not alter the intent of the By-Law; and
3. THAT this By-law shall come into full force and effect upon final passage.

ENACTED AND PASSED this 22nd day of June, 2026

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John Wise, Mayor

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Brandi Teeple, Clerk

Schedule 'A' to By-law 20xx-xxxx

Township of Stone Mills



Respectful Conduct Policy

Current Version	1.0
Approving Committee:	Township Council
Initial Date of Adoption:	
Initial Minute or Resolution Number:	
Department of Origin/author:	Chief Administrative Officer
Review date:	

Version	Date	Meeting Type	Resolution #	Reason for Change

Policy Manual

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Policy Statement

The Township of Stone Mills (the "Township") is committed to fostering a respectful, safe, and productive working environment for all Township Representatives, while delivering accessible and equitable services to every member of our community.

The Township recognizes that the vast majority of Members of the Public engage with the Township in good faith and with legitimate purpose. However, where the behaviour of an individual becomes unreasonable, vexatious, or hostile, it can place a significant burden on Township staff and resources and ultimately compromise the quality of service the Township is able to provide to the broader community.

This policy reflects the Township's commitment to balancing two equally important principles: the right of every individual to access municipal services and to be treated with dignity and respect, and the right of Township Representatives to carry out their duties in an environment free from harassment, hostility, and undue disruption.

This policy reflects the Township's commitment to two core principles:

- the right of every Member of the Public to access municipal services and to be treated with dignity and respect; and
- the right of Township Representatives to perform their duties in an environment free from harassment, hostility, and undue disruption.

This policy shall be applied consistently, fairly, and transparently, and in a manner that respects the rights of all individuals under applicable Ontario law. It is not intended to discourage legitimate complaints, inquiries, or advocacy, but rather to provide a clear and accountable framework for addressing behaviour that falls outside the bounds of reasonable conduct.

Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to guide Township Representatives in identifying conduct that meets the criteria for being considered Unreasonable Behaviour and to set out the associated actions that may be taken to address such situations.

Unreasonable behaviour, including vexatious, frivolous, and/or unreasonably persistent conduct, may compromise the Township's ability to deliver good customer service in an equitable, efficient, and effective manner. Where such behaviour occurs, the Township may need to place reasonable restrictions on a Member of the Public to manage how they interact with the Township and its Representatives. The application of such restrictions will enable the Township to use its resources effectively and efficiently, while still maintaining a high standard of customer service and responsiveness.

The specific aims of this policy are to:

- acknowledge that Unreasonable Behaviour must be identified and addressed in a timely manner;
- provide Township Representatives with clear directions on how to report and manage Unreasonable Behaviour;
- establish a consistent, fair, and transparent process for making determinations regarding Unreasonable Behaviour; and

- ensure that any restrictions imposed are proportionate, reasonable, and subject to appropriate review and appeal.

Immediate threats of violence in the workplace shall be reported to the appropriate law enforcement authorities, and the procedures under the Township of Stone Mill's Violence in the Workplace Policy shall be followed.

This policy is intended as a measure of last resort. It is expected that, in the vast majority of cases, concerns regarding a Member of the Public's behaviour will be resolved through informal engagement, clear communication, and the exercise of good judgment by Township Representatives. The formal provisions of this policy are intended to be engaged only where informal approaches have been exhausted or are clearly not appropriate given the circumstances, and where a documented history of behaviour supports the need for intervention.

Scope

This policy applies to all Members of the Public in their interactions with Township Representatives. It applies at Township-owned or operated facilities and vehicles, Township-sponsored events and programs, and to all forms of oral and/or written communications, including electronic communications such as email and social media directed at Township Representatives in their official capacity.

Deciding whether a Member of the Public is engaging in Unreasonable Behaviour requires a consideration of all relevant circumstances. There is no single rigid test or set of criteria for making this determination. The key question is whether, objectively considered, the behaviour is reasonably likely to cause distress or disruption without proper or justified cause, or whether the behaviour is abusive, harassing, or conducted in bad faith, and is placing an undue strain on Township resources.

The Township acknowledges that determinations under this policy are inherently contextual and rely, to some degree, on the judgment of the CAO based on the totality of the circumstances presented. It is not possible, nor is it desirable, to establish purely objective or absolute criteria for every situation that may arise. The absence of rigid bright lines is not a weakness of this policy but rather a recognition that each situation must be assessed on its own merits, with fairness and proportionality as the guiding principles. This discretion shall always be exercised in good faith, and any determination shall be fully documented and subject to review and appeal.

The decision to classify a person's behaviour as Unreasonable Behaviour is significant and could have serious consequences for the individual, including restricting their access to Township services. Such a determination shall not be made lightly and shall be made only after careful consideration of the full context of the individual's interactions with the Township.

Unreasonable Behaviour will generally arise from a documented course of conduct involving multiple instances over time, and it is expected that a meaningful history of behaviour will have been recorded before the formal provisions of this policy are engaged. The weight of that documented history, considered as a whole, will form the basis of any determination under this policy. This does not apply where a single incident is serious enough to warrant immediate action on its own. A direct threat of violence or an act of intimidation, for example, would not require a documented history of prior behaviour before the Township may act.

This policy shall be applied in a manner consistent with the Ontario Human Rights Code, R.S.O. 1990, c. H.19, and shall not be used to restrict access to Township services on the basis of any protected ground under that legislation.

Definitions

In this policy, the following terms have the following meanings:

"CAO" means the Chief Administrative Officer of the Township of Stone Mills, or their designate.

"Council" means the elected Council of the Township of Stone Mills.

"Harassment" means engaging in a course of vexatious comment or conduct that is known or ought reasonably to be known to be unwelcome, as further defined under the Ontario Human Rights Code, R.S.O. 1990, c. H.19, and the Occupational Health and Safety Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.1, as amended from time to time.

"Member of the Public" means any individual, organization, or representative thereof who interacts with the Township, including but not limited to residents, ratepayers, business owners, and contractors.

"Township" means The Corporation of the Township of Stone Mills.

"Township Representative" means any individual acting in an official capacity on behalf of the Township, including employees, volunteers, contractors engaged in Township business, and elected Councillors.

"Unreasonable Behaviour" means behaviour that is reasonably likely to cause distress or disruption, without proper or justified cause, or that is placing an undue strain on Township resources, including behaviour that is abusive, harassing, or conducted in bad faith.

Unreasonable Behaviour may include, but is not limited to, the following:

- refusing to specify the grounds of a complaint;
- changing the basis of a complaint or request while it is in progress;
- denying or changing statements made at an earlier stage in a process;
- recording conversations or meetings without notice to, or consent of, other participants, where such consent is required by law;
- submitting falsified or deliberately misleading documents;
- making excessive demands on the time and resources of Township staff through frequent, repetitive, or unreasonably lengthy communications about the same matter, where such communications are disruptive to the Township's ability to deliver services;
- contacting elected Councillors in a manner that is abusive, harassing, or threatening; noting that contacting multiple Councillors about a matter of public concern is recognized as a legitimate form of democratic engagement and shall not, in itself, be considered Unreasonable Behaviour under this policy;
- demanding immediate or unreasonable responses from Township Representatives;
- persistently attempting to reopen matters that have already been fully determined through an established process, where such conduct is conducted in a manner that is abusive, harassing, or unreasonably disruptive to Township operations or Township

- Representatives;
- repeatedly arguing points without presenting new or relevant evidence;
 - persistently approaching the Township about the same issue after it has been addressed;
 - harassment of a Township Representative;
 - using hostile, abusive, threatening, or offensive language, whether verbal or written;
 - submitting malicious, unfounded, or bad-faith complaints about Township Representatives;
 - submitting requests with very high volume and frequency of correspondence with no legitimate purpose;
 - requesting information that has already been provided to the same individual;
 - making a request that would impose a significant burden on the Township in terms of financial expense and/or negatively impact the Township's ability to provide service to others;
 - making a request with the demonstrable intention of causing disruption to Township operations, or that is otherwise abusive, harassing, or made in bad faith toward Township Representatives; and/or
 - making a request that is demonstrably made in bad faith, with no discernible purpose other than to cause disruption, impose an unreasonable burden on Township resources, or harass a Township Representative.

Procedure

(a) Informal Resolution

Before initiating the formal reporting process under this policy, Township Representatives are encouraged to first attempt to address concerns regarding a Member of the Public's behaviour through informal means, where it is safe and reasonable to do so. Informal resolution may include:

- clearly and respectfully communicating to the Member of the Public that their behaviour is causing concern and setting out what is expected going forward;
- redirecting the Member of the Public to the appropriate Township process or contact for their inquiry or complaint;
- consulting with a supervisor for guidance on how to manage the interaction; and/or
- documenting the interaction and monitoring whether the behaviour continues or escalates.

Where informal resolution is attempted, the outcome shall be documented. If informal resolution is unsuccessful, or if the behaviour is of a nature that makes informal resolution inappropriate or unsafe, the Township Representative should proceed to the formal reporting process set out in Section (b).

Nothing in this section requires a Township Representative to attempt informal resolution where the behaviour involves threats, violence, or conduct of a sufficiently serious nature to warrant immediate escalation.

(b) Identifying and Reporting Unreasonable Behaviour

A Township Representative who believes that a Member of the Public is engaging in Unreasonable Behaviour should report the matter promptly.

- If the Township Representative is an **employee or volunteer**, the report should be made to their direct supervisor or, in the absence of a direct supervisor, to the CAO.
- If the Township Representative is an **elected Councillor or any other representative not in an employee or volunteer capacity**, the report should be made directly to the CAO.

Reports should be submitted as soon as reasonably practicable after the behaviour occurs and shall include, to the extent possible:

- all supporting documentation relevant to the behaviour being reported;
- a description of the history of interactions involving the Member of the Public that is relevant to the behaviour at issue;
- the number of interactions and a summary of those interactions relevant to the behaviour at issue;
- a clear description of the specific behaviour at issue;
- a description of any steps already taken by Township Representatives to attempt to address or de-escalate the behaviour; and
- where the behaviour involves potential undue strain on Township resources, a reasonable estimate of the staff time and other resources spent in dealing with the Member of the Public up to the date of the report.

All reports and supporting documentation shall be maintained in a confidential file and handled in accordance with the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.56 ("MFIPPA"), as amended.]

(c) Warning

Where the CAO determines that a Member of the Public's behaviour may qualify as Unreasonable Behaviour, but the circumstances do not yet warrant the immediate imposition of formal restrictions, the CAO shall, in the first instance, issue a formal written warning to the Member of the Public before any restrictions are applied.

The purpose of the warning is to:

- make the Member of the Public aware that their behaviour has been identified as potentially constituting Unreasonable Behaviour under this policy;
- provide the Member of the Public with an opportunity to modify their behaviour before formal restrictions are imposed;
- ensure the Member of the Public is fully informed of this policy and its potential consequences; and
- create a clear and documented record that the Member of the Public was advised of the concern prior to any restrictions being applied.

The written warning shall include:

- a clear description of the specific behaviour that has given rise to the concern;
- a reference to this policy and an explanation of its purpose and scope;
- a copy of, or a direct link to, the full Respectful Conduct Policy;
- a statement that the behaviour, if continued or repeated, may result in formal restrictions being imposed under this policy;
- a description of the types of restrictions that may be applied, so that the Member of the

- Public understands the potential consequences;
- an invitation for the Member of the Public to respond to the warning in writing within fourteen (14) calendar days if they wish to provide context or additional information for the CAO's consideration; and
- contact information for the CAO's office should the Member of the Public have questions regarding the warning or this policy.

The written warning shall be delivered to the Member of the Public by a method reasonably likely to bring it to their attention, which may include personal delivery, registered mail to the individual's last known address, or email where electronic communication has been the established method of contact.

The written warning shall also include a summary of relevant interactions, which shall provide the Member of the Public with a clear and factual account of the communications and interactions that have given rise to the concern.

The CAO shall retain a copy of the warning and any response received as part of the confidential file maintained in connection with the matter. The issuance of a warning shall be documented and taken into account in any subsequent determination regarding the imposition of formal restrictions.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the CAO retains the discretion to bypass the warning step and proceed directly to the imposition of formal restrictions where the behaviour is of a sufficiently serious or urgent nature, including but not limited to situations involving:

- threats or acts of violence or intimidation;
- a single incident of exceptional severity;
- behaviour that poses an immediate risk to the health, safety, or well-being of a Township Representative; or
- situations where issuing a warning would not be reasonably practical or effective given the circumstances.

Where the warning step is bypassed, the reasons for doing so shall be documented in the confidential file.

(d) Determination

A supervisor who receives a report of Unreasonable Behaviour shall promptly forward the report and all supporting documentation to the CAO. The CAO shall review the report and all supporting documentation and may conduct further reasonable inquiry or investigation as the CAO considers appropriate. In deciding under this policy, the CAO shall apply a preponderance of evidence standard, meaning that the weight of the available evidence must support a conclusion that it is more likely than not that the behaviour has occurred and meets the threshold for Unreasonable Behaviour as defined in this policy. A determination shall not be made on the basis of isolated or early incidents alone but shall be grounded in a documented pattern of behaviour that, taken together, supports the conclusion that the threshold has been met.

Following review, the CAO shall:

- determine whether the behaviour described qualifies as Unreasonable Behaviour as defined under this policy; and

- if the behaviour qualifies as Unreasonable Behaviour, determine whether the circumstances warrant the imposition of restrictions.

If the CAO determines that action is warranted, the CAO shall:

- consult with relevant Township Representatives, and where appropriate, legal counsel, to determine the restrictions to be applied, their duration, and a timeline for review and reassessment;
- prepare and deliver written notice of the restrictions to the Member of the Public.

The written notice shall include:

- the specific restrictions being applied and their duration;
- a clear summary of the reasons for applying the restrictions, including a description of the behaviour that prompted the decision;
- the scheduled date for review and reassessment of the restrictions;
- information regarding the Member of the Public's right to appeal the restrictions and the process for doing so; and
- contact information for submitting an appeal or making inquiries.

The written notice shall be delivered to the Member of the Public by a method reasonably likely to bring the notice to their attention, which may include personal delivery, registered mail to the individual's last known address, or email where electronic communication has been the established method of contact.

(e) Available Restrictions

When determining appropriate restrictions, the CAO shall consider the individual circumstances of each case, including the nature and severity of the Unreasonable Behaviour, the history of interactions, and the individual's need to access Township services.

Examples of restrictions that may be applied include, but are not limited to:

- limiting the number of contacts the Member of the Public may initiate with Township staff within a specified time period;
- limiting the hours or times during which the Member of the Public may contact Township staff;
- designating specific Township staff members as the sole point(s) of contact for the Member of the Public;
- restricting the permitted form(s) of communication (e.g., written correspondence only, no telephone contact);
- imposing limits on the length of written communications, such as character or word limits per submission;
- requiring that any in-person communications be audio or video recorded, or conducted in the presence of a designated witness;
- requiring that in-person communications take place only in designated Township facilities, at designated times, and/or by appointment;
- requiring the Member of the Public to communicate through an authorized third party, such as a lawyer, designated representative, friend, or support person;
- limiting the Member of the Public's use of certain Township services directly related to the Unreasonable Behaviour;
- restricting the Member of the Public's ability to attend at Township properties, subject to

- applicable law;
- disregarding or declining to respond to communications that do not comply with the restrictions established by the Township;
- issuing a Notice of Trespass under the *Trespass to Property Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. T.21, as amended; and/or
- such other restrictions as the CAO may consider appropriate and proportionate to the Unreasonable Behaviour at issue.

The CAO shall endeavour to apply restrictions that are reasonable and proportionate to the particular Unreasonable Behaviour at issue, while minimizing the impact on the individual's access to Township services. **In no case shall an individual be deprived of access to critical or emergency Township services, regardless of any restrictions applied under this policy.**

(f) Review of Restrictions

In any case where restrictions are applied under this policy, the notice of restrictions shall specify a review date. The review period will be determined based on the circumstances of the case and will typically be set at one (1) month, three (3) months, six (6) months, or twelve (12) months from the date the restrictions are imposed.

On or before the designated review date, the CAO shall review the restrictions and assess whether the underlying behaviour has changed or ceased. Following the review, the CAO shall determine whether the restrictions should be:

- **maintained** as originally imposed;
- **modified** to reflect changes in the Member of the Public's behaviour or the Township's circumstances; or
- **removed** entirely.

The Member of the Public shall be informed in writing of the outcome of the review. Where restrictions are being maintained or modified following a review, the written notice shall include an explanation of the reasons for the decision and a new review date, as applicable.

(f) Appeal

A Member of the Public to whom restrictions are applied shall have the right to appeal:

- the initial imposition of restrictions;
- any decision to maintain restrictions following a scheduled review; or
- any modification of restrictions following a scheduled review.

An appeal must be submitted in writing, together with any relevant supporting documentation, to the CAO **within fourteen (14) calendar days** of the Member of the Public receiving written notice of the restrictions (or maintained or modified restrictions).

Upon receipt of a properly submitted appeal, the CAO shall:

- review the appeal and all supporting documentation;
- prepare a written summary of the appeal and the basis for the original decision; and
- submit the summary to Township Council for consideration at the next regularly scheduled Council meeting, or at a special meeting if circumstances warrant.

Township Council shall consider the appeal and may:

- **confirm** the restrictions as imposed or modified;
- **rescind** the restrictions in whole; or
- **amend** the restrictions as Council considers appropriate.

Council's decision on the appeal shall be communicated to the Member of the Public in writing and shall be final, subject to any remedies available at law.

During the appeal period and pending the outcome of any appeal, the restrictions as imposed shall remain in effect unless otherwise directed by the CAO or Council.

CONFIDENTIALITY

All reports, documentation, and information gathered in connection with this policy shall be treated as confidential and handled in accordance with the Township's obligations under MFIPPA and any other applicable privacy legislation. Information shall be disclosed only on a need-to-know basis or as required by law.

TRAINING AND COMMUNICATION

The CAO shall ensure that Township Representatives are made aware of this policy and are provided with appropriate guidance and training to enable them to identify and report Unreasonable Behaviour effectively. This policy shall be made publicly available on the Township of Stone Mill's official website.



The Corporation of The Township of Stone Mills Staff Report

To: Mayor and Members of Council
Subject: Human Resources Update - Beaver Lake Swim Program and New Positions
Submitted By: Jason White, Chief Administrative Officer
Meeting Date: June 22, 2026

Summary

This report provides Council with an update on recent hiring for the Beaver Lake Swim Program and seeks Council's acknowledgement of two new position postings within the Township of Stone Mills. Offers have been extended to two swim instructors for the 2026 program season, representing an enhancement to service delivery compared to previous years. Additionally, staff are preparing to post two new positions (Recreation & Facilities Coordinator and Public Works Technician) both of which have been included in the current budget allocations.

Recommendation

That the report entitled "Human Resources Update - Beaver Lake Swim Program and New Positions" be received;

And further that Council authorize staff to proceed with the posting and recruitment process for the Recreation & Facilities Coordinator and Public Works Technician positions as outlined in this report.

Background

The Township of Stone Mills has historically supported the Beaver Lake Swim Program, an annual community initiative that provides swimming instruction and water safety programming. The Township's role has been to administer payroll functions for program instructors, with all associated costs reimbursed through program registration fees collected by the program organizers.

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In recent years, staffing requirements across municipal departments have evolved to reflect both operational needs and service level expectations. The 2026 operating budget included provisions for the creation of two new positions to support enhanced service delivery within the Recreation and Public Works departments.

Discussion/Analysis

Beaver Lake Swim Program 2026 Season

Staff have extended offers of employment to two swim instructors for the 2026 Beaver Lake Swim Program. This represents an improvement over the 2025 program structure, which operated with one swim instructor and one assistant. The addition of a second qualified instructor is expected to enhance program capacity and safety standards.

Consistent with past practice, the Township will administer payroll for these positions, with all salary costs fully reimbursed through program registration fees. One of the two instructor positions is subsidized through Canada Summer Jobs funding, reducing the net cost to program participants and improving affordability.

New Positions

As part of the 2026 budget approval, funding was included for two new permanent positions within the Township:

Recreation & Facilities Coordinator: This position will provide focused coordination of municipal recreation programming, facility bookings, and community engagement initiatives. The role addresses identified service gaps and supports the Township's commitment to enhancing recreational opportunities for residents.

Public Works Technician: This position will provide technical and operational support within the Public Works department, including infrastructure maintenance, project coordination, and asset management activities.

Both positions were included in the approved 2026 operating budget. As these represent new roles within the Township's organizational structure, staff are presenting the proposed job descriptions and recruitment plans to Council prior to public posting to ensure alignment with Council's expectations and priorities.

Financial/Budgetary Implications

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Beaver Lake Swim Program: All payroll costs associated with the two swim instructor positions will be fully reimbursed through program fees. One position is subsidized by Canada Summer Jobs funding, further reducing program costs. There is no net financial impact to the Township of Stone Mills.

New Positions: Funding for the Recreation & Facilities Coordinator and Public Works Technician positions has been allocated within the approved 2026 operating budget for Q3 and Q4. No additional budget amendments or reserve fund allocations are required.

Attachments

[Recreation & Facilities Coordinator Job Description 2026](#)

[Public Works Technician Job Description 2026](#)

Prepared By: Jason White, Chief Administrative Officer

Approved By:
Jason White, Chief Administrative Officer

Status:
Pending

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JOB DESCRIPTION

POSITION TITLE: Recreation & Facilities Coordinator
REPORTS TO: Chief Administrative Officer
CATEGORY: FULL TIME PERMANENT (37.5 hours per week)
WAGE: \$32.22/hr - \$37.70/hr
UPDATED: 2026

POSITION SUMMARY:

The Recreation & Facilities Coordinator is responsible for supporting the delivery of recreation programming, managing municipal facility bookings, and support facility improvement initiatives for the Township of Stone Mills. Serving as a key point of contact for community groups, organizations, and residents, this position ensures Township facilities (including the arena, community halls, and sports fields) are accessible, well-utilized, and maintained to a standard that meets community needs. This role contributes to the Township's commitment to building a healthy, active, and engaged community through the coordination of quality recreational opportunities and fiscally responsible facility management.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Education:

- Post-secondary diploma or degree in Recreation and Leisure Studies, Facilities Management, Business Administration, or a related field

Experience:

- Minimum 2 years of relevant experience in recreation programming, facility operations, or a related municipal or community services environment

- Demonstrated experience coordinating programs or projects involving multiple stakeholders or user groups
- Experience working with booking systems, databases, or administrative platforms

Licenses & Certifications:

- Valid Ontario Class 'G' Driver's License in good standing.
- WHMIS certification is an asset; willingness to obtain is required.

SPECIFIC SKILLS, ABILITIES AND KNOWLEDGE:

- Proficiency in Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Excel, Outlook).
- Knowledge of recreation programming principles and community facility operations
- Familiarity with applicable Ontario legislation including the Occupational Health and Safety Act and AODA requirements
- Strong organizational and time management skills with the ability to manage multiple priorities simultaneously
- Effective written and verbal communication skills; ability to liaise professionally with community groups, staff, contractors, and the public
- Proficiency with Microsoft Office Suite and experience with facility booking or recreation management software platforms
- Ability to work independently with minimal supervision and exercise sound judgement
- Strong problem-solving skills with the ability to navigate competing priorities and stakeholder interests
- Strong written and verbal communication skills.
- Strong organizational skills and attention to detail.

Additional Assets:

- Project Management certification or training
- Experience with capital improvement projects
- Familiarity with municipal budget processes and sponsorship program development
- First Aid/CPR certification; CAN/CSA Z614 Playground Standards (Part 1 & 2)

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES:

Recreation Programming Support & Facilitation (30%) – Support the development and delivery of recreational programs for Township residents. Act as liaison for community groups and organizations using Township facilities. Administer schedules, logistics, and contracted services to ensure programming is accessible and responsive.

Facility Booking Administration & External Group Administration (25%) – Administer the Township's facility booking platform and serve as the primary point of contact for user groups and residents requesting facility access. Review, update, and

implement booking policies to ensure consistent, fair, and efficient use of municipal assets.

Capital Facility Improvement Administration (20%) – In support of the facilities management activities support capital improvement projects related to Township recreational facilities. Liaise with staff, contractors, and Council; assists in tracking project timelines and budgets; ensure improvements align with community needs and Township priorities.

Sponsorship Development & Community Partnerships (10%) – Research, develop, and maintain sponsorship opportunities supporting Township facilities and programs. Prepare proposals, track agreements, and build relationships with local businesses and community partners.

Policy, Reporting & General Administration (5%) – Prepare reports, maintain records, support policy development related to recreation and facilities, and provide updates to Council or senior staff as required.

Other duties as assigned.

Note: Above duties are representative of a typical position and are not to be construed as all-inclusive.

WORKING RELATIONSHIPS:

Internal:

- Township Staff & Supervisor (Frequent) – Day-to-day collaboration, project updates, operational administration, and reporting
- Other Municipal Departments (Regular) – Coordination on shared facilities, administrative processes, and policy matters
- Township Council (Occasional) – Presenting reports and updates on facilities, programming, and capital projects

External:

- Community Groups & User Organizations (Frequent) – Facility booking administration, programming support, policy guidance, and issue resolution
- General Public & Residents (Frequent) – Responding to booking and program inquiries and providing information on Township facilities and services
- Contractors & Vendors (Regular) – Supporting capital improvement projects, obtaining quotes, and monitoring work progress
- Local Businesses & Sponsors (Regular) – Developing and maintaining sponsorship relationships and partnership agreements

WORKING CONDITIONS:

Hours of Work:

The majority of work is performed during regular business hours (Monday to Friday). Occasional evening and/or weekend availability may be required for community meetings, user group discussions, Council presentations, or facility check-ins.

Work Environment:

- Primarily office-based with occasional outdoor site visits for facility walkthroughs and capital project inspections
- Frequent interruptions due to the community-facing nature of the role (phone/email inquiries from the public and user groups)
- Occasional interaction with irate or difficult clients in the context of booking disputes or facility complaints, handled professionally within established policy

Physical Requirements:

- Predominantly sedentary/office-based; regular standing and walking during site visits and meetings
- Occasional vehicle operation when travelling between Township facilities
- Occasional lifting of up to 10 kg (files, promotional materials, minor supplies)
- Occasional PPE requirements (safety vest, hard hat) when attending active construction or capital improvement sites

Hazards:

- Occasional exposure to noise, dust, and disagreeable weather conditions during facility site visits and outdoor inspections

HOURS OF WORK:

The normal hours of work are Monday through Thursday, 6:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., totaling 37.5 hours per week, in accordance with Township of Stone Mills policy.

Overtime potential is low. Where applicable, overtime will be calculated and banked in accordance with Township policy.

COMPENSATION & BENEFITS:

- Comprehensive benefit package
- OMERS pension plan

The Township of Stone Mills is an equal opportunity employer committed to building an inclusive and barrier-free recruitment and selection process. In accordance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA), accommodations are available upon request for candidates participating in any stage of the selection process. To request an accommodation, please contact the Township directly.



JOB DESCRIPTION

POSITION TITLE: Public Works Technician
REPORTS TO: PUBLIC WORKS MANAGER
CATEGORY: FULL TIME PERMANENT (40 hours per week)
WAGE: \$32.22/hr - \$37.70/hr
UPDATED: 2026

POSITION SUMMARY:

The Public Works Technician provides technical, administrative, and operational support to the Public Works Department of the Township of Stone Mills. This position assists in the planning, coordination, inspection, and documentation of municipal infrastructure projects, including roads, bridges, drainage systems, waste sites, pits, and quarries.

The Technician connects field operations with administration by ensuring accurate record keeping, regulatory compliance, contractor coordination, asset management updates, and responsive customer service. This role supports informed decision-making, budget control, and long-term infrastructure planning to protect municipal assets and serve the community of Stone Mills efficiently and safely.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Education:

- Post-secondary diploma or degree in Civil Engineering Technology, Environmental Technology, Geomatics, or a related field.

Experience:

- Experience in a municipal, infrastructure, or public works environment is an asset.

- Relevant experience gained through co-op placements, internships, or field practicums will be considered.

Licenses & Certifications:

- Valid Ontario Class 'G' Driver's License in good standing.
- Traffic Control certification (Ontario Traffic Manual Book 7) is an asset; willingness to obtain is required.
- WHMIS certification is an asset; willingness to obtain is required.

SPECIFIC SKILLS, ABILITIES AND KNOWLEDGE:

- Understanding of municipal infrastructure construction and maintenance practices.
- Ability to interpret engineering drawings, specifications, and contract documents.
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Excel, Outlook).
- Familiarity with GIS software (Esri ArcGIS preferred) or willingness to learn.
- Familiarity with asset management software (Cityworks preferred) or willingness to learn.
- Awareness of Ontario Provincial Standard Specifications (OPSS) and Minimum Maintenance Standards (MMS), O. Reg. 239/02 is an asset.
- Strong written and verbal communication skills.
- Ability to work independently and collaboratively within a team environment.
- Strong organizational skills and attention to detail.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES:

Asset Management & Infrastructure (55%)

- Collect, verify, and maintain infrastructure condition data within the Township's asset management system (Cityworks).
- Conduct field inspections and condition assessments of roads, bridges, culverts, drainage systems, and related municipal infrastructure.
- Maintain and update GIS mapping layers and spatial data using Esri ArcGIS.
- Maintain accurate inventory records for municipal infrastructure assets.
- Identify and prioritize service requests (e.g., drainage concerns, road deficiencies, signage issues), document findings, and determine appropriate follow-up actions.
- Recommend minor field adjustments within approved project scope and budget parameters.
- Support the preparation of asset management plans, capital project planning, and budget documentation.

Regulatory Compliance & Reporting (30%)

- Assist with regulatory reporting and compliance monitoring for roads, waste sites, pits, and quarries in accordance with applicable legislation, including:
- Minimum Maintenance Standards, O. Reg. 239/02

- Aggregate Resources Act
- Environmental Protection Act
- Municipal Act, 2001
- Occupational Health and Safety Act (OHSA)
- Track and manage permits, licences, and regulatory approvals, ensuring deadlines are met and documentation is current.
- Maintain organized records of inspections, reports, and compliance documentation.
- Support contractor coordination to ensure work is performed in compliance with approved permits, specifications, and applicable provincial standards.
- Assist with the preparation and submission of required reports to provincial ministries and regulatory agencies.
- Refer significant compliance issues, contract disputes, or matters involving liability risk to the Public Works Manager for direction and resolution.

Fleet & Equipment Support (10%)

- Maintain and update fleet and equipment records including Automated Vehicle Location (AVL) data, fuel consumption records, and preventive maintenance logs.
- Assist with scheduling and tracking of fleet maintenance activities to support operational readiness.
- Ensure all fleet and equipment records are accurate, complete, and up to date.

Other Duties (5%)

- Perform other duties as assigned by the Public Works Manager.

Note: Above duties are representative of a typical position and are not to be construed as all-inclusive.

WORKING RELATIONSHIPS:

Internal

The Public Works Technician works closely with the Public Works Manager, Public Works field staff, and other municipal departments including Finance and Planning. This is an individual contributor role with no supervisory responsibilities.

External

Taxpayers/ratepayers, vendors, provincial ministries, Conservation Authorities, other municipalities, and agencies.

WORKING CONDITIONS:

The Public Works Technician operates in a hybrid office and field environment. Approximately 70% of working time is spent in the field, with the remaining 30% in an office setting. Field work involves active construction sites, municipal roadways, waste sites, pits, quarries, and other municipal facilities across the Township of Stone Mills.

The incumbent is required to wear personal protective equipment (PPE) at all times while in the field, including CSA-approved safety boots and reflective clothing. The role involves occasional exposure to noise, fumes, dust, hazardous materials, and variable outdoor weather conditions.

Physical requirements include a combination of frequent sitting and standing, regular walking, and occasional climbing and lifting. Tools regularly used include computers, field documentation equipment, and measuring instruments.

The position requires regular travel throughout the Township to conduct site inspections, attend meetings, and support project coordination activities.

HOURS OF WORK:

The normal hours of work are Monday through Thursday, 6:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., totalling 40 hours per week, in accordance with Township of Stone Mills policy.

Overtime potential is low. Where applicable, overtime will be calculated and banked as straight time in accordance with Township policy.

COMPENSATION & BENEFITS:

- Comprehensive benefit package
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The Corporation of The Township of Stone Mills Staff Report

To: Mayor and Members of Council
Subject: 2026 Budget Restatement - O. Reg. 284/09
Submitted By: Anita Raymond, Treasurer
Meeting Date: June 22, 2026

Summary

Ontario Regulation 284/09 requires municipalities that have excluded certain expenses in the budgets to prepare a report about those excluded expenses and adopt the report by Council Resolution. The intent is to describe the conversion of the cash-based operating and capital budgets to a Public Sector Accounting Board (PSAB) budget-compliant format.

Recommendation

That the 2026 Budget Restatement - O. Reg. 284/09 be received; and,

That Council adopt the report, which meets the requirements of Ontario Regulation 284/09 and outlines the preparation of the 2026 Operating and Capital Budgets to a Public Sector Accounting Board compliant format.

Background

Under O. Reg. 284/09, the Township is required to report annually on whether the following expenses are included in the budget:

- Amortization expenses
- Asset Retirement Obligations
- Post-employment benefit expenses
- Solid Waste landfill and post-closure expenses

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If a municipality has adopted a budget that excluded any of these expenses, the municipality must prepare a report about the excluded expenses and adopt the report by resolution of Council. This report details the impact of the expenses listed above on the 2026 budget as if they had been included in the budget.

Discussion/Analysis

In 2009, accounting standards and reporting requirements underwent major revisions, most notably the inclusion of tangible capital asset accounting as required by the Public Sector Accounting Board (PSAB). The new standards reflect the accrual basis of accounting. The new standards **do not** require budgets be prepared on the same basis. Most municipalities, including the Township of Stone Mills, continue to prepare budgets on a cash basis.

The annual budget process is an important municipal exercise which considers plans for current and future activities and acquisitions. One of the main outcomes of the annual budget process is the tax rate, which Council is asked to approve. This tax rate is determined on a cash basis and does not include the PSAB requirements of accrual accounting for non-financial assets such as amortization, accretion, post-employment benefits, and solid waste and post-closure expenditures.

Amortization Expense

Amortization is a non-cash expense reflecting the estimated usage of the Township's tangible capital assets in the financial statements over time. Taking into account new assets coming into service, the 2026 amortization expense is estimated to be \$2.4 million.

Asset Retirement Obligations

The Township has adopted Public Sector Accounting Standard (PSAS) 3280 Asset Retirement Obligations. The adoption of this accounting policy means \$1,334 of accretion expense and \$61,604 of amortization of ARO assets will be recognized on the financial statements. As a non-cash expense, these expenses will continue to be recognized until the asset is retired. Accretion relates to the Township's landfills, and the amortization expense relates to buildings and other assets impacted by the requirements of PS 3280.

Post-employment benefits

Post-employment benefits are dental and health benefits that the Township provides between the time the employee retires and the time the employee reaches age 65. The Township provides future employee benefits to employees for up to two years after retirement, but not past the age of 65. The annual provision for these post-employment benefits is estimated at \$2,523.

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Solid Waste landfill and Post-Closure expense

The Township accrues landfill and post-closure requirements that have been defined in accordance with industry standards and include final covering and landscaping, monitoring, site inspections and maintenance. The reported liability is based on assumptions with respect to events extending over the anticipated capacity of the site(s).

The attached document is a restatement of the 2026 budget to conform to O. Reg. 284/09. It is important to note that the most significant portion of the accumulated surplus(deficit) of \$794,929.57 is investments in Tangible Capital Assets and not cash available to the Township.

Financial/Budgetary Implications

There are no direct financial implications associated with this report. The intent is to describe the conversion of the cash based operating and the capital budgets to a Public Sector Accounting Board (PSAB) budget compliant format.

Consultation

Ontario Regulation 284/09 of the Municipal Act, 2001

Attachments

[2026 Budget Restatement Report to Council](#)

Prepared By: Anita Raymond, Treasurer

Approved By: Jason White, Chief Administrative Officer

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**The Corporation of the Township of Stone Mills
2026 Budget Restatement**

Cash basis of Accounting:

Reported on statement of Operations and Accumulated Surplus	Budget
Revenue	
Operating and Capital Budget Tax Levy	7,535,675.52
Operating and Capital Budget Revenues	10,516,309.60
Less Machine Time - Internal	(1,517,400.00)
Less Internal Transfers	(108,000.00)
Operating Budget Net Contributions from Discretionary Reserves	-
Net Revenue	16,426,585.12
 Expense	
Operating and Capital Budget Expenses	18,051,985.12
Less Machine Time - Internal	(1,517,400.00)
Less Internal Transfers	(108,000.00)
Capital Budget Net Contributions to Discretionary Funds	-
Net Expense	16,426,585.12
 Net (expenditures) Revenues	-
 Accrual Basis of Accounting:	
Add Expenditures Excluded from Cash Based Budget	
Amortization - TCA	(2,416,290.32)
Amortization - ARO	(1,334.00)
Accretion - ARO	(61,604.00)
Exclusion Impact on Accumulated Surplus/(Deficit)	(2,479,228.32)
 Remove Non PSAB Items from 2025 Cash Based Budget	
Loan Principal Repayments	-
Proceeds from Long-term Debt	-
 Transfers to Reserves/Reserve Funds (Capital Budget)	-
Transfers to Reserves/Reserve Funds (Operating Budget)	1,070,585.22
Transfers from Reserves/Reserve Funds (Capital Budget)	(3,831,819.18)
Transfers from Reserves/Reserve Funds (Operating Budget)	(266,781.98)
	(3,028,015.94)
 Budget TCA Acquisitions - Capital Assets	6,304,696.83
Future Employee Benefits	(2,523.00)
Total Non PSAB Items Removed from Cash Based Budget	6,302,173.83
 Total Impact on 2026 Accumulated Surplus/(Deficit)	794,929.57

Note:

Excludes Transfer to/from Obligatory Reserve - Gas Tax (2162)	-
Excludes Transfer to/from Obligatory Reserve - OCIF (2163)	-
Excludes Transfer to/from Obligatory Reserve - Development Charges (07)	-
Excludes Transfer to/from Obligatory Reserve - Parkland (04)	337,000.00
Excludes Transfer to/from Obligatory Reserve - Building (06)	11,755.45
	<u>348,755.45</u>



The Corporation of The Township of Stone Mills Staff Report

To: Mayor and Members of Council
Subject: Canada Day Committee 2026 Special Event Permit Application
Submitted By: Brandi Teeple, Clerk
Meeting Date: June 22, 2026

Summary

This report serves to obtain Council approval regarding the Special Permit application submitted by the Tamworth Canada Day Committee, to host their annual Canada Day event held in Tamworth and further to obtain Council direction with respect to financial assistance to the Tamworth Canada Day Committee by way of financial donation and in-kind services provided by Township staff.

Recommendation

That the report entitled "Canada Day Committee 2026 Special Event Permit Application" be received; and That Council approve,

1. The issuance of a Special Event Permit;
2. The requests for assistance setting up the Soap Box Derby racing, with staff and equipment time funded from the Council Donation budget;
3. Supplying two Portable Toilets funded from the Council Donation Budget;
4. The endorsement of the Tamworth Canada Day Event and support the inclusion of the event under the Township's Insurance Policy; and
5. Approve a Noise Exemption for the event from 8:00 am to 10:30 pm

Furthermore, That Council consider the request for a monetary donation to cover the additional cost the Canada Day Committee has incurred for the Tamworth Canada Day event.

Background

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In March of 2019, the Township of Stone Mills adopted By-law 2019-965, being a By-law to Regulate Public Events.

July 1, 2026, marks the 159th anniversary of Confederation in Canada. The Tamworth Canada Day Committee is once again hosting its annual Canada Day Celebration. It is the staff's understanding that this Committee has been hosting an annual Canada Day event in Tamworth for numerous years.

In 2025, the Committee requested and received an exemption from the Special Event Permit By-law, however for 2026, the Committee has proceeded with the application process to obtain a Special Event Permit.

Discussion/Analysis

Members of the Tamworth Canada Day Committee submitted a Special Event Permit application (attached to the report) to host their annual Canada Day event in the village of Tamworth.

As per Section 4.1 of the Special Events Guidelines, to be considered for approval for a Special Event Permit, the Special Event must have a direct impact on one or more of the following areas:

"agriculture, agri-tourism, tourism, arts and culture, education, health and wellness, athletics/physical fitness, enrich the character and identity of the Township, create unique rural personable experiences (including outdoor weddings, birthdays, etc.), contribute to tourism or extend the overall range and mix of tourism in the Township".

In review of the application, it is staff's opinion that the event meets numerous areas to be considered for a special event permit, including contributing to tourism and enriching the character and identity of the Township of Stone Mills.

In order to be considered for approval for a Special Event Permit, applicants must provide numerous supporting documents, which include, but are not limited to,

- Site Plan
- Emergency Plan
- Fire Plan
- Accessibility Considerations
- Proof of Insurance
- Notice of Event to L&A Paramedic Services, OPP, and Township of Stone Mills Fire Department
- Notice to neighbouring property owners
- Noise exemption request

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- Permit Application

The application was circulated to the management team, and no adverse comments were received. As of the date of this report, Township staff are in receipt of the Special Event permit application, approved road closure from the County of Lennox & Addington for the parade (County Road) approval from the Public Works Manager to Close Bridge St. for the Soap Box Derby, Site plan, and emergency plans, copy of notices sent to relevant agencies and confirmation no alcohol is being served; at this time the application is deemed complete.

While it has not been requested within their Special Event Application, staff recommend that Council provide a Noise Exemption for the event, from 8:00 am to 10:30 pm. This would address any concerns or complaints about noise and would allow staff to notify the public in advance about the potential for noise in the community, including the fireworks show at the end of the day.

With respect to the insurance, the Township has historically included this event under the Township's insurance policy. In 2024, Township staff met with Insurance Brokers from McDougall's Insurance and sought clarification with respect to when an individual or an organization can be included under the Township insurance policy.

From this meeting, it was clarified that individuals and community groups cannot be included under the Township's insurance policy for carrying out their regular business activities, initiatives that are not taking place on township property or are not related to Township initiatives. In order to be included under the Townships' insurance policy, the events should occur on township property and/or the event should be endorsed or run by the township.

As a result of this meeting and direction provided by the Township's Insurance Brokers, it is being recommended that Council formally endorses The Tamworth Canada Day Committee and their Annual Canada Day event.

Lastly, for this application, the event organizers are requesting municipal assistance. Below is a summary of the request, followed by the approximate cost, which would be funded from the Council donation budget line if approved.

- Road Closure of Bridge Street W from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm (**Approved by Public Works Manager**)
- Six barricade barriers
- 8-10 large 4 foot orange and black road barrels
- 2 Road Closed Signs with stands
- 30 orange traffic cones
- 2 Portable-washrooms

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- 3 dump truck loads of old tires
- Delivery of two starting ramps currently stored at Tamworth roads garage
- Delivery of 4 soap box cars from Tamworth roads garage
- Delivery of 4 garbage cans and 4 large garbage bags
- Baseball line chalk powder
- Township staff between the hours of 7:00 am and 8:00 am to deliver and set up barricades, tires and road closure and Township staff between 4:00 pm and 4:30 pm to open the road and remove tires, barricades and re-open the road
- Monetary Assistance to cover the \$1000.00 shortfall of expenses

Equipment Time

3 Tandems at 1 hour each (3x\$80.40) = \$241.20

1 Loader at 1 hour (1x\$74.34) = \$74.34

Staff Time

1 Staff member for 2 hours of work on Canada Day = \$208.82

Porta Potty Rental

\$260.00

Total Estimated Cost= \$784.36

In discussion with the Manager of Public Works, he has noted that an employee is willing to work on Canada Day, to assist with the delivery and set up of municipal resources being requested. This would be double time and a half for the employee and would be funded through Council's donation budget.

The event organizers have communicated that they require an additional \$1000.00 to cover the cost of the expenses for the event and have submitted a letter (attached to this report) requesting a monetary donation to assist with the shortfall.

Section 4.2 of the policy speaks to Approvals and Notices and states that "Upon receipt of the Special Events Application and all required documentation, Council approval and all criteria being met, a letter of approval will be sent to the Event Organizer". At this time, all documentation has been submitted, and staff are recommending approval of the Special Event Permit Application.

Financial/Budgetary Implications

The 2026 Council donation budget is \$10,000.00; thus far, Council has committed approximately \$2,117.88, leaving \$7,882.12 available for donations. Should Council approve the request for municipal support as outlined in the report, the expenses would

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range between \$800.00- \$1,000.00 and would be allocated from the Council donation budget line to offset the cost for staff time and equipment.

Consultation

Chief Administrative Officer
Public Works Manager/Fire Chief
Deputy Fire Chief
Planner
Treasurer

Attachments

[Canada Say Committee Complete Application Redacted](#)
[Tamworth Canada Day Request for Financial Assistance](#)

Prepared By: Brandi Teeple, Clerk

Approved By: Jason White, Chief Administrative Officer

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Event Application Form



This Box To Be Completed By Municipal Staff

File Number E-

1. Date Of Event

In accordance with Bylaw 2019-965 of The Corporation Of The Township of Stone Mills, the applicant as herein identified, applies to conduct an event for the following dates:

Date And Time Of Commencement	July 1 10 am
Date And Time Of Ending	July 1 10 pm

2. Applicant

This is the person responsible for the organization and management of the event and to whom all inquiries, correspondence, notices and any other matter respecting this application will be directed.

Name Tamworth Canada Day Volunteers RCI	Name Shari milligan - Lorraine Prie
[Redacted]	Mailing Address same.
[Redacted]	Province ON
[Redacted]	Email [Redacted]
Home Tele [Redacted]	Business Telephone
Cell Telephone "	Fax Telephone

3. Event Site

Please provide the civic address (911 number) assigned to the lands subject to the event. If no civic address has been assigned, please provide the closest civic address together with the direction and distance from that civic number to the event site.

6 Ball Park Drive for children's activities, music, car show, vender market, etc. also soap box derby from 10am on Bridge St. West

4. Public Lands

If the event is to be held on publicly owned lands, please provide a general description of the site or alternatively what the site is generally known as.

see above.

5. Assessment Roll Number (ARN)

Every parcel of land in Ontario is assigned an individual number for taxation purposes by the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC). This number can be found on your property tax bill or on any notice of assessment from MPAC and relating to the subject lands.

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6. Local Membership

Is the applicant a member of or associated with one or more of the following groups or organizations

Nature Of Association	Yes/No
A sports association that has a mandate to provide sports or recreational opportunities of which the majority of the membership is comprised of residents of the Township of Stone Mills	NO
A church or religious association where the primary place of worship is located in the Township of Stone Mills	NO
An association whose mandate is to provide for educational opportunities or benefits or to assist an educational facility in the provision of educational opportunities or benefits for the youth of the Township of Stone Mills	NO
An association whose mandate is to promote and foster public awareness or the conservation of cultural and/or heritage resources specific to the Township of Stone Mills	NO
An association whose mandate is to promote or otherwise provide a continuous or long term economic benefit to the Township of Stone Mills or a portion thereof	yes ?

7. Attendance

Please provide the best estimate of the number of persons attending at the event including participants and spectators.

Participants		Spectators		Total Attendance	800 ?
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8. Owner (If Different From Applicant)

If the event site is privately owned, please provide the legal owner(s) of the land as it appears on the Deed to the lands of the event site. In the event there are multiple owners, please ensure all owners are identified. Please attach a separate page if required to identify all Owners.

Name <i>Steve Kennedy</i>	Name
Civic Address	Mailing Address
City/Town	Province
Postal Code	Email
Home Telephone	Business Telephone
Cell Telephone	Fax Telephone

9. Owner Approval Of Event (To Be Signed By The Owner)

The "Owner" hereby authorizes the lands as herein described to be utilized for the event subject to this application and hereby provides that the "Applicant" to be representative of this application in all respects including the receiving of notices, correspondence, inquiries and any other matter that may be of relevance in the review of this application

pls see attached letter

.....
Signature of Owner

.....
Signature of Owner

10. Legal Description

This is the legal description of the event site as it would appear on the Deed to the lands.

Concession	Lot	Subdivision Plan	Lot / Block
Reference Plan 29R-		Part(s)	
Township of Camden East		Township of Sheffield	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Village of Newburgh

11. Nature Of The Event

Identify in this section the nature of the event. Check all that apply.

Theatrical Including Musical	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cycling Race/Tour	<input type="checkbox"/>
Music and Dance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Pedestrian Walk/Run	<input type="checkbox"/>
Automobile/Motorcycle On Road Racing/Tour	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sports Game/Tournament	<input type="checkbox"/>
Automobile/Motorcycle Off Road Racing/Tour	<input type="checkbox"/>	Liquor Licensed Event	<input type="checkbox"/>
Boat Racing	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fair//Exhibition	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ?
Snowmobile Race/Tour	<input type="checkbox"/>	Banquet/Dinner	<input type="checkbox"/>

If the nature of the event is different from that listed above, please provide a brief description of the event

Canada Day celebration - starts with soap box derby, followed by children's activities (crafts, games), music, cars show, vendor market - fireworks @ dusk.

12. Access

Access To Event Site Is Provided By

Provincial Highway	<input type="checkbox"/>	Private Road Or Right Of Way	<input type="checkbox"/>
County Road	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Water Access	<input type="checkbox"/>
Township Road	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

13. Sight Line

The Direction And Distance From The Access To The Event Site In Each Direction Is:

Direction	Distance	Direction	Distance
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14. Parking

Please provide a description of the area of lands dedicated towards vehicular parking for the event

*most people park along county rd 4
volunteers - some park @ ballfield
some people park in village + walk to ballfield.*

15. Water Supply

Identify how potable water is now or proposed to be provided on the event site during the event.

On site potable water supply	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bottled water supply or sales	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Development of public fountains	<input type="checkbox"/>
None proposed	<input type="checkbox"/>

16. Sewage Disposal

Identify how sewage disposal is provided or proposed to be provided to the event site during the event.

On site sewage disposal system	<input type="checkbox"/>
Portable toilets	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Development of pit privys	<input type="checkbox"/>
None proposed	<input type="checkbox"/>

17. Electrical Service

Describe any electrical services to the event site during this event whether existing or proposed.

On site permanent electrical supply	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
On site temporary electrical supply	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Portable electrical generator	<input type="checkbox"/>
No electricity proposed	<input type="checkbox"/>

18. Known Risks

Please provide a brief description of any known condition, building or structure that may exist on or adjacent to the event site that could impose a risk to persons attending at the event or could potentially be the subject of some harm arising from the event. If the applicant is unsure of any known feature, please include this information and through the review process, it will be determined if such a feature will have an impact on the approval of this application.

Description	On Site	On Adjacent Lands
don't think so		

19. Fireworks Display

If the proposed event is for the purpose of a fireworks display or is intended to include a fireworks display, a separate site plan is required for the fire works display. The applicants shall indicate on the separate site plan the following information:

- Expected distances
- Launch point
- Spectator area
- Surrounding topography
- Safety equipment location
- Safety Plan and Procedures

see attached report from capital pyrotechnics.

The contact information of any other person specifically responsible for the fireworks display together with the credentials of that person for the management of the fire works display shall be included with the application.

20. Mandatory Information

The following is a list of information that must be included with each event application:

- a written letter of approval from the Ontario Provincial Police ✓
- a site plan of the lands where the event is to be held pic attached.
- an emergency plan
- a certificate of insurance identifying general liability insurance in the name of the applicant in an amount of not less than Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.) per occurrence that will be in effect for the entire duration of the event
- The permit fee

21. Additional Information

In addition to the mandatory information to be supplied, the following is a list of additional information that has been attached to and is intended to form part of this application.

22. Directions To Event Site

Municipal Staff, as well as Staff from other levels of Government or Agencies may attend at the event site to inspect your proposal. Directions should be included from the nearest major highway. This information may be included in paragraph or sketch form or both.

Directional Sketch (If Required)

23. Required Site Plan

The required site plan forms part of the application and notice requirements and as such must be in a form and colour that can be readily photocopied for distribution. Measurements must be provided to illustrate the intent of the application together with the distance to any feature which could affect the use of the lands for the event and should complement the information contained within the application. Site plans that are incomplete will be returned to the applicant for completion, and inaccurate information or measurements could result in the application being deferred or denied.

All site plans shall be:

1. Provided on a separate 8.5" X 11" page(s);
2. Site plans may be provided on larger paper for presentation of the application
3. In black ink
4. Dimensions and other information should be horizontal with the page whenever possible; and
5. A north directional arrow shall always be at the top of the page.

The following information must be included on the site plan with all dimensions and areas in metric units:

1. the boundaries and dimensions of the parcel of the event site
2. the approximate distance between the event site and the nearest landmark such as a bridge or railway crossing, etc.
3. the approximate location of all natural and artificial features such as buildings, railways, roads, watercourses, drainage ditches, banks of rivers or streams, wetlands, wooded areas, wells and septic tanks, that are located on the event site or on lands adjacent to the event site
4. any existing uses of the event site
5. the location and name of any roads within or abutting the event site including any unopened road allowance, a public traveled road, or private road or a right of way
6. if access to the event site will be by water only, the location of the parking and boat docking facilities to be used
7. the location and nature of any easement affecting the event site
8. a north directional arrow
9. any existing or proposed entrance
10. such other information that could be deemed to be of relevance to this application.

24. Declaration Of Applicant

The applicant upon signing this application is declaring that:

- That all statements contained in this application are accurate and true; and
- Authorizes representatives of the Township Of Stone Mills as well as representatives from other levels of government or any agency thereof who have been deemed to have an interest in a matter arising from this application, to enter upon the lands and to conduct any inspection necessary that may have an impact on a decision relating to this application.

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 Signature of Applicant

.....
 Signature of Applicant

25. Review And Acceptance - To be completed by Municipal Staff

The undersigned having reviewed this application hereby deems this application to be complete and accepts this application on behalf of the Township of Stone Mills.

Date	Name	Signature



pls note: soap box derby
starts about half-way
down Bridge St W + goes
east to bottom of bridge
← St. W. sides + ends
are protected by tires
for safety as well as
many adults lining the
way for safety. Cold
water + 1st aid also at

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Emergency Plan

I am emergency contact for the day. 613-449-1926

There are two first aid stations, one at Soap Box Derby and one inside front gate at Ball Field.

The emergency meeting place is the main gate.

Please reach out if any further questions.

Thanks



Shari Milligan

PS There is NO alcohol permitted anywhere on the grounds at Canada Day and the Tamworth Lions Club do the BBQ from 4-7 pm.



EVENT DESCRIPTION

Tamworth – July 1, 2026 - Fireworks Show

Schedule of Events

July 1, 2026

- 1.00 pm Crew with fireworks & equipment arrive on site.
- 1.10 pm Crew secures site.
- 1.30 pm Crew starts constructing mortar racks in firing location.
- 2.30 pm Crew finishes constructing mortar racks.
- 2:45 pm Crew reviews plan for afternoon including security protocol and safety plans.
- 3.00 pm Crew starts sorting and loading shells into mortars and placing display cakes at firing locations.
- 5.00 pm Crew finishes loading mortars and placement of display cakes.
- 7.30 pm Crew checks in with show administrators and reviews security plan.
- 9.30 pm Crew reviews final details and again secures area.
- 10.00 pm Crew commences firing show.
- 10.15 pm Show concludes.
- 10.45 pm Crew chief checks mortars for unexploded devices.
- 11.00 pm Crew checks fallout area for unexploded devices.
- 11.30 pm Crew begins tear down and loads truck.
- 12.00 am Crew finishes clean up and leaves site.

General Info

- A NOTAM will be scheduled with NAV Canada.
- No unauthorized personnel will be permitted on the ramp after explosives are removed from the truck.
- There will be an open, clear, emergency access road from the site location to the nearest public roadway.
- Multiple fire extinguishers will be on site, as well as cell phones for 911 calls.
- The site will be barricaded and taped off as explosives are loaded.

Attendance Estimates

Maximum attendance estimates for this event are approx. 500 people.

Firing Procedures

This display will be shot both electrically and manually.

Emergency Response Procedure

In the event of an emergency, the show will be stopped immediately, the severity of the emergency assessed and isolated. 911 will be called immediately as required.

If in fact the show must stop and an emergency is declared, the supervisor in charge will stop the show, disarm the firing system if applicable, and secure the firing area. The assigned security will be notified.

Multiple fire extinguishers will be on site. The ability for a fire department pumper truck to reach the site will be made possible.

The Capital Pyrotechnics crew will make sure all explosives are secure.

Crew List

Display Supervisor: TBD (DXXXXX)

Display Assistant: TBD (DXXXXX)

Additional Display Assistants may be present at this event as required.

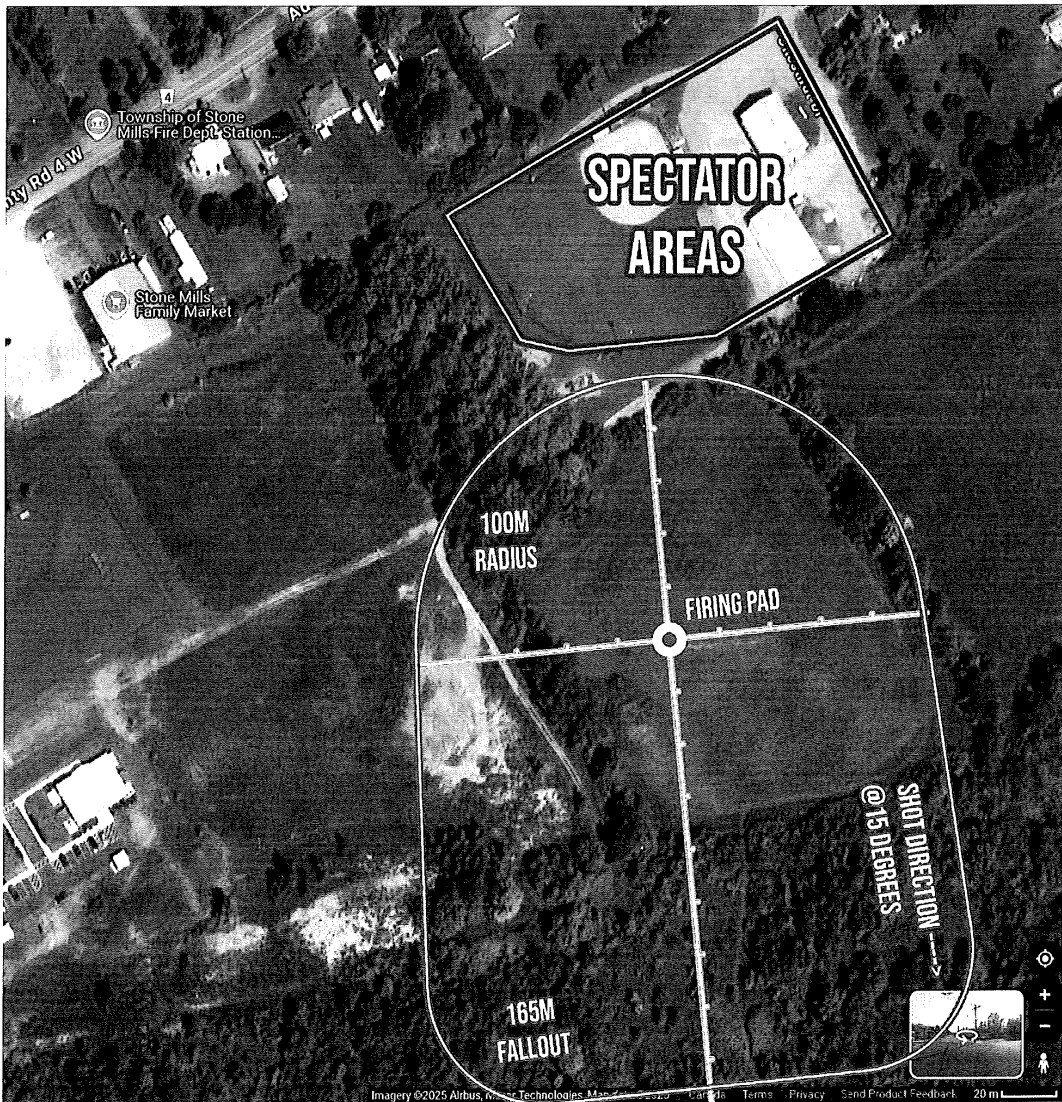
Products

Products are NRCan/ERD approved products.

Please see the attached detailed product list.

Site Plan

Address: Tamworth ball park. 6 Ball Park Dr, Tamworth, ON K0K 3G0
Main Access Road: Ball Park Dr.
Emergency Access: Ball Park Dr. via Addington St.
Show Date: July 1, 2026.
Show Time: 10.00 PM
Show Duration: 15 Minutes.
Supervisor Contact: Geoff Worthington (D037439). Cellphone: [REDACTED]
Customer Contact: Lisa Ross-Black. Cellphone: [REDACTED]
Min fallout distance: 165 Meters
Min spectator distance: 100 Meters



Re: Tamworth Canada Day

Geoff Worthington

Shari Milligan

, Information

Tue, May 5, 2026, 1:54 PM

Event Description.pdf

Good day Shari,

I have attached our tentative plan for July 1st, which includes the site map. Note that I may not be actually onsite that day, so the Supervisor Contact information will be updated as required. Safety equipment will be located at the "firing pad" and throughout the fallout zone (red oval).

I will be submitting our permit to the fire department for their approval in the next few weeks.

Please let me know if you need anything else from me!

Thank you,

Geoff Worthington

General Manager

Capital Pyrotechnics

geoff.worthington@capitalpyrotechnics.com

519-731-2660

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From: Shari Milligan <smilligan@Stonemills.com>

Sent: May 4, 2026 10:23

To: Information <info@capitalpyrotechnics.com>

Subject: Tamworth Canada Day

Hello Geoff!

I'm reaching out today because I'm trying to fill out our Special Event Application for the Township.

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here are some questions I believe you may be able to help with, if possible. I have attached a picture of what they require. We need to attach a document, with the info, to the application.

Thanks so much, in advance. I appreciate your time.
I can be reached at phone number below if you have any questions.

hari Milligan
[REDACTED]

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**THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE IS FROM AN EXTERNAL SENDER. TAKE PRECAUTIONS AND
DON'T CLICK ON LINKS UNLESS YOU HAVE CHECKED THEM FIRST.]**

May 2026

To Whom it May Concern

RE: Tamworth Canada Day

Please note that my signature below confirms that I give permission for Capital Pyrotechnics to use my land for the Tamworth Canada Day fireworks.

Thank you

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "S. Kennedy". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "S" and a stylized "K".

Steve Kennedy

Tamworth Canada Day

Shari Milligan shari.milligan@tamworth.ca

Curran, Martyn (OPP) martyn.curran@opp.ca

Mon, May 4, 2026, 1:23 PM

Hello Al! I hope you're well.

Martyn

I'm writing to inform you of our Tamworth Canada Day celebration. As per usual, the event starts with a parade at 4:00. The parade leaves Hannah Funeral Home parking lot at 4, then the festivities begin at the ballfield after this.

Our committee would appreciate someone from your detachment leading the parade and of course, they are welcome to wander the festivities as well, if their time allows.

Thanks so much.

PS if this letter should have gone elsewhere, please advise.

Respectfully,

Shari Milligan



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June 11, 2026

RE: Tamworth Canada Day Notification

Please let it be known that the Tamworth Canada Day celebration will be taking place on Wednesday, July 1, beginning at 10am with the Soap Box Derby and finishing at dusk with fireworks. All events take place at Tamworth Ball Field and Soap Box Derby takes place on Bridge St West.

I, Shari Milligan, am the emergency contact and my phone number is

[REDACTED]

If you need further information, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Thank you.



Shari Milligan
Tamworth Canada Day Co-Chair

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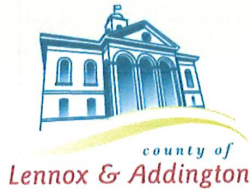
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Brandi Teeple, Clerk, Stone Mills Township ✓



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June 8, 2026

Tamworth Canada Day Committee

Attention: Shari Milligan

via email: [REDACTED]

Dear Shari Milligan:

Re: Road Closure for Canada Day Parade - Tamworth

The County of Lennox and Addington have reviewed your request for a road closure to facilitate the Tamworth Canada Day Parade on Wednesday, July 1, 2026, from 4:15 pm to 5:00 pm.

Please be advised that this request for road closures has been approved, subject to the following conditions:

- Required traffic control, signage and barricades will be provided and/or coordinated by Stone Mills Public Works Department and/or Stone Mills Fire Department to safely close the roads along the parade route.
- The Tamworth Canada Day Committee acknowledges the "Responsibilities of the Applicant" (copy attached) and agrees to comply with all requirements outlined therein.
- The County will post this notice on its social media channels and will also notify emergency services of this road closure.
- The Tamworth Canada Day Committee will notify area residents and business operators of this closure.

I trust the above is satisfactory and wish you every success with the 2026 Canada Day Parade.

Sincerely,

Dan Baxter
Manager, Roads and Bridges

Copy: Jeff Thompson, Stone Mills Township

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County of Lennox and Addington
Application for County Road Closure
for Community Event

EVENT INFORMATION

Applicant Contact Name: Shari Milligan
Address: [REDACTED]
Phone: [REDACTED]
Email: [REDACTED]

Organization Name: Tamworth Canada Day
Address: Tamworth
Phone: [REDACTED]
Email: same as above

Name and Description of Event:
Canada Day Parade

Road(s) proposed to be closed:
(provide from/to limits, full closure or single lane, etc.)
see attached map.

Date, time and duration of proposed closure:
(closure must be kept to as short of a duration as possible to limit the disruption to traffic)
July 1, 2026 4:15 pm - 5:00 pm

Anticipated number of participants:

1000?

Is the proposed closure only on Lennox and Addington County Roads?

Yes

No

If no, what other jurisdictions roads are affected?

Stone Mills

Have you consulted the other affected jurisdictions?

Yes

No

Have the other affected jurisdictions approved this event?

Yes

No

TRAFFIC CONTROL

A detailed traffic control plan is required in accordance with Schedule "A" (attached).

Have you provided a copy of the traffic control plan?

Yes

No

Have you arranged for certified traffic control persons?

Yes

No

Have you arranged for signs and barricades?

Yes

No

NOTIFICATIONS

The applicant will be responsible for preparing and circulating a notice of the event including the closure details to the following:

- o Businesses and residents located in the area of the effected closure.
- o Transit operators in the affected area.

The County will be responsible for preparing and circulating a notice of the event including the closure details to the following:

- o Police Department
- o Fire Department
- o Ambulance
- o Local Municipality
- o Tri Board Student Transportation

In addition to the above notifications, the County will arrange for notice to be publicized on social media platforms to inform the public of the road closure.

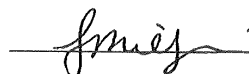
RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE APPLICANT

The applicant shall be responsible for:

- Completing and submitting to the County an Application for Community Event Road Closure form at least twenty-eight (28) days in advance of the proposed closure.
- Circulating the above noted application to the local police, fire department, ambulance and municipal office for their information, review and comment.
- Providing a detailed Traffic Control Plan in accordance with Schedule "A" (attached) at least 28 days in advance of the proposed closure.
- Obtaining approval for the Road Closure and Traffic Control Plan from the County of Lennox and Addington and the applicable Municipality.
- Engaging certified Traffic Control Persons as needed to implement the closure in accordance with the approved Traffic Control Plan.
- Acquiring, placing and removing all barricades, signs and devices necessary to implement the closure in accordance with the approved Traffic Control Plan.
- Obtaining and providing proof to the County of liability insurance (minimum amount \$2,000,000.00). This insurance must name the County of Lennox and Addington (and in some cases the local municipality) as additional insured.
- Informing all businesses and residents in the area of the closure, by letter or hand delivered memo at least 7 days in advance of the closure. A copy of the notice and a listing of addresses served the notice must be provided to the County in advance of the closure.
- Making provisions for access to properties on the closed portion of the road.
- Adhering to the scheduled closure times as approved.
- Adhering to any additional conditions or requirements that are placed on the request for road closure.
- Cleanup, removal and proper disposal of garbage generated by the event.
- Accepting responsibility for any damages to County property arising during the use of the road.

The Applicant acknowledges these responsibilities and agrees to comply with all conditions.

Signature: _____



Date: _____

Apr 29, 2020

*Application for County Road
Closure for Community Event*

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Schedule "A"
TRAFFIC CONTROL PLAN REQUIREMENTS

Traffic Control Persons

For the safety and liability reasons, only certified Traffic Control Persons (TCP's) are permitted to implement a road closure and provide control traffic. Applicants must engage the services of certified TCP's for their event. The police, fire department, local municipality, construction contractors, and employment agencies may be able to provide certified TCP's for your event.

One certified TCP shall be assigned as the Traffic Control Supervisor.

Traffic Control Supervisor Name: Richard Easterbrook

Supervisors Employer or Organization: Stone Mills Fire Dept

Phone: 613 378 2475

Email: _____

Names of other certified TCP's:

Name: _____ Employer: _____

Name: _____ Employer: _____

Name: _____ Employer: _____

Traffic Control Plan

It is recommended that a certified TCP prepare the traffic control plan. The following information is required on the traffic control plan:

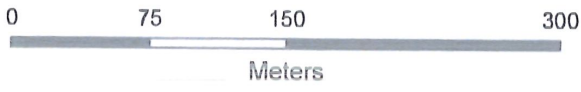
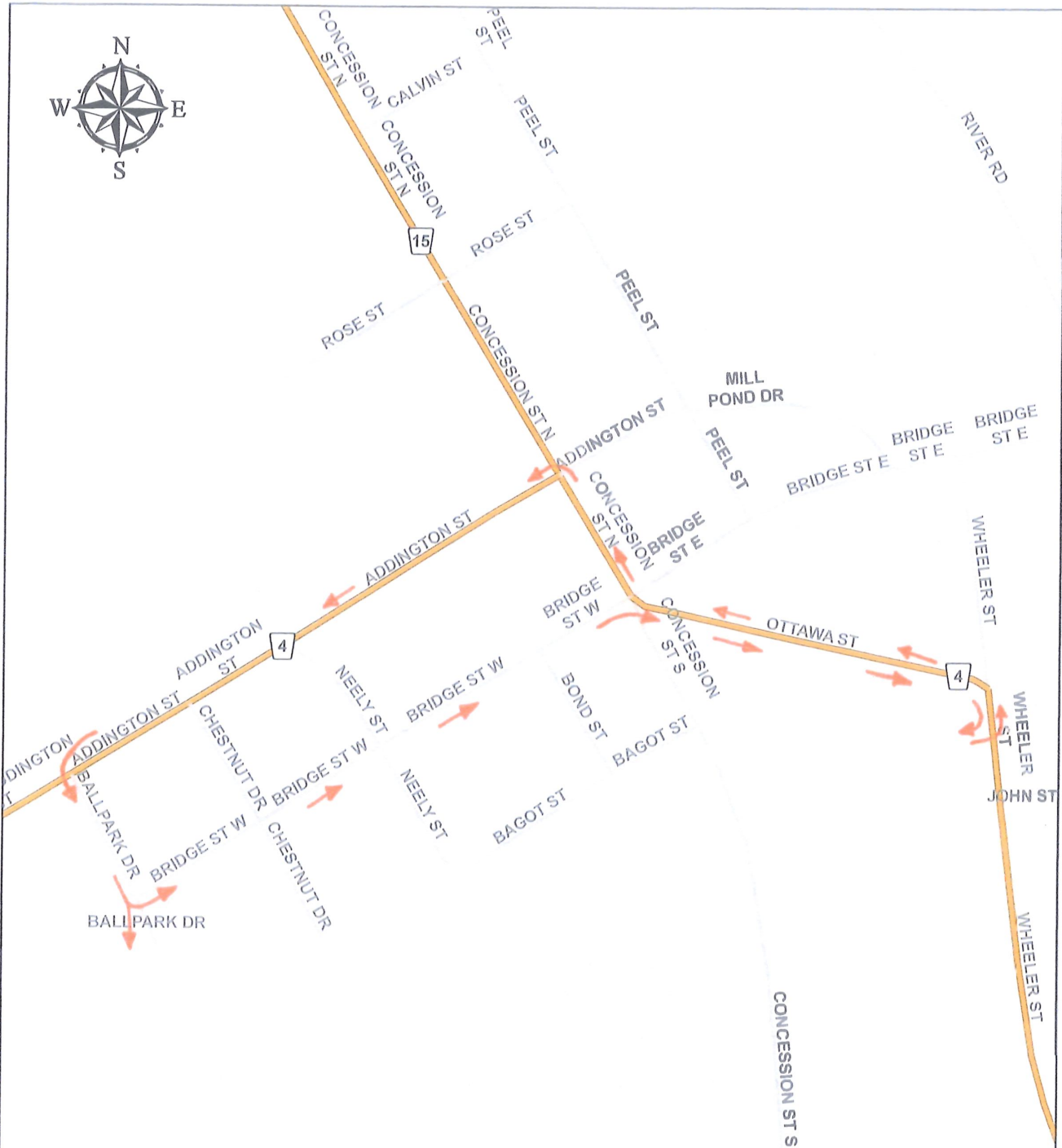
A map or drawing illustrating:

- o The proposed road closure limits
- o The proposed detour route* with road/street names labeled
- o Type, quantity and location of barricades
- o Type and location of detour* signs
- o Location of certified Traffic Control Persons
- o Location of event Marshall's (if applicable)

*A detour route and detour signs will be required for closures greater than one (1) hour in duration.

All signing and traffic control shall be in accordance with the latest edition of Book 7 (Temporary Conditions) of the Ontario Traffic Manual.

A sample traffic control plan is attached for reference. County staff are available to assist the TCP in preparing the traffic control plan if needed.



Tamworth Canada Day Parade Route 4:15 pm to 5:00 pm

County of Lennox & Addington - Roads & Bridges Department
Data Sources: Ontario Geospatial Data Exchange (OGDE) & Municipal Property Assessment Corp (MPAC), Fugro Geospatial Digital Radar Acquisition Project - East 2014 (DRAPE2014) Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (OMNR) and the County of Lennox & Addington. Produced by the County of Lennox & Addington with data supplied under license by Members of the OGDE & MPAC. This product is for informational purposes only and may not have been prepared for, or be suitable for legal, engineering, or surveying purposes. The County of Lennox & Addington disclaims all responsibility for omissions, errors, or any inaccuracies in this publication. Copyright © 2015 Queen's Printer. No unauthorized reproduction.

June 17, 2026

Township of Stone Mills Council

RE Canada Day Donation

Please accept this letter as a request for donation to help with Canada Day expenses this year.

In year's past (at least the last 15 years of Canada Day), the Township has graciously supported this community event, by way of helping setup, providing portable toilets etc. Bert Korporaal, who looks after our Soap Box Derby, has already submitted a list of requests for items needed, plus we need one more porta-potty with a wash station for the main gate. Apparently, these items have an actual cost linked to them now and this was not expected by the Canada Day Committee. Going forward, it will be something we can prepare for, but for this year we have not even been able to fundraise enough for the fireworks, let alone another approximate \$1000 bill.

The Canada Day Committee would truly appreciate Council donating to this cause and the committee will decide next year if the event will continue to happen.

We apologize for the short notice, but just recently found out about this expense.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely



Lorraine Prue, Co-Chair
Tamworth Canada Day Committee



The Corporation of The Township of Stone Mills

Regular Session of Council June 8, 2026
Council Chambers, 4504 County Rd. 4 Centreville.

The 710th meeting of the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Stone Mills was called to order on June 8, 2026 at 6:30 PM in the Municipal Council Chambers in Centreville, Ontario.

Members Present:

Mayor Wise
Deputy Mayor Davison
Councillor Fenwick
Councillor Lalande
Councillor Milligan
Councillor McDonald
Councillor Woodcock

Staff Present:

Brandi Teeple, Clerk
Jeff Thompson, Manager of Public Works/Fire Chief
Mike Kelly, Planner

Regrets:

Members of the public were present to observe the meeting.

- 1. Call to Order** - The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.
- 2. Confirmation of the Agenda**
 - 2.1. Motion to Adopt**

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6:30 PM**

Resolution 1-710-2026
Motioned By: Councillor Woodcock
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Davison

That the Agenda of June 8, 2026 be adopted as circulated.
CARRIED

**3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature
Thereof - None Declared**

4. Public Meeting

**4.1. Public Notice -Application to Permanently Close and
Convey an Unopened Road Allowance – RC2026-01**

**IN ACCORDANCE WITH Section 34 of the Municipal Act
R.S.O. 2001 as amended, and the Township's Public Notice
Policy, a public meeting was held to receive comments on
an application to permanently close and convey an
unopened road allowance as follows:**

Part of the Road allowance Between Concession 7 & 8

There was no one in attendance to speak against the application.

It was noted that one written comment was received from Zach Lyman who is a neighboring property owner. Mr. Lyman had concerns that a portion of the road allowance was on his land and would be interested in purchasing any portion that may be attached his land.

The Planner spoke to the written correspondence and noted until a survey is received by the Township it is hard to confirm if his property abuts the road allowance in question. Should other property owners be entitled to purchase, they will have the option to do so if Council approves option 2.

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Resolution 2-710-2026
Motioned By: Councillor Milligan
Seconded By: Councillor Woodcock

That Council of the Corporation of the Township of Stone Mills receive the report entitled "Application to Permanently Close and Convey an Unopened Road Allowance – RC2026-01"; and That Council of the Corporation of the Township of Stone Mills direct staff to proceed in stopping up, closing, and conveying the portion of the unopened, unmaintained municipal road allowance located between Lot 18 of Concession 7 and Lot 18 of Concession 8, Geographic Township of Sheffield, Township of Stone Mills, County of Lennox and Addington, and that the portion of road allowance to be closed be dedicated to each of the adjacent property owners, where the owners are entitled to purchase a maximum of half of the road allowance abutting their lands.

CARRIED

4.2. Public Notice - Application to Permanently Close and Convey an Unopened Road Allowance – RC2026-02

IN ACCORDANCE WITH Section 34 of the Municipal Act R.S.O. 2001 as amended, and the Township's Public Notice Policy, a public meeting was held to receive comments on an application to permanently close and convey a unopened municipal road allowance as follows:

Part 2 on Plan 29R-7858, being Part of the Road allowance established by Registered Plan 83.

No written or verbal comments were made against this application.

Resolution 3-710-2026
Motioned By: Deputy Mayor Davison
Seconded By: Councillor Milligan

That Council of the Corporation of the Township of Stone Mills receive the report entitled "Application to Permanently Close and Convey an Unopened Road Allowance – RC2026-02" and That Council of the

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Corporation of the Township of Stone Mills enact and pass By-law 2026-1355 to stop up, close and convey the portion of the unopened, unmaintained municipal road allowance identified as Part 2 on Plan 29R-7858.

CARRIED

5. Open Forum - None Registered

6. Presentations - None Scheduled

7. Deputations

7.1. Martha Embury- Request for Financial Support for Stoney Steps Artfest

Martha Embury spoke to Council about the Stoney Steps Artfest and the benefits it brings to the Township. Ms. Embury requested the following from the Township, which was considered under item 8.1.

- Reimbursement of the insurance costs
- Delivery and use of 12 picnic tables
- Delivery and use of 4 garbage cans and donation of 10 garbage bags

Resolution 4-710-2026

Motioned By: Councillor Lalande

Seconded By: Councillor Woodcock

That the deputation from Martha Embury be received for information.

CARRIED

8. Items for Consideration

8.1. 2026 Stoney Steps Artfest Special Event Permit Application

Resolution 5-710-2026

Motioned By: Deputy Mayor Davison

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Seconded By: Councillor Milligan

That Council receive the report titled "2026 Stoney Steps Artfest Special Event Permit Application" for; AND

1. That Council authorize staff to issue a letter of approval for the Stoney Steps Artfest provided that the applicant completes outstanding permit application requirements; AND
2. That Council approve the following request,
 - a. insurance cost for the event, in the amount of \$226.88;
 - b. 10 garbage bags at a cost of \$30.00
 - c. Staff support in the amount of approximately \$600.00 for the delivery of picnic tables and garbage cans, subject to availability; AND
3. That staff be directed to coordinate with Ms. Embury and deliver township picnic tables and garbage cans for use at the event.

CARRIED

9. Consent Agenda

9.1. Motion to Adopt Consent Agenda

Resolution 6-710-2026

Motioned By: Councillor Lalande

Seconded By: Councillor Milligan

That all items in the Consent Agenda dated June 8, 2026 be approved as presented and that the necessary action be taken.

CARRIED

9.2. Confirmation of the Minutes of 709th Session Regular Council- May 25, 2026

Resolution 7-710-2026

That the minutes of the 709th Session Regular Council- May 25, 2026 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

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10. Consent Agenda Items Extracted

11. Notice of Motion/Direct Motion

12. Announcements

12.1. Upcoming meeting dates

- **Regular Council- Monday, June 22, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.**
- **Lennox & Addington County Council- Wednesday, June 24, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.**
- **Committee of Adjustment - Wednesday, July 8, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.**
- **Regular Council- Monday, July 13, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.**

12.2. Announcements from Members of Council

- Councillor Lalande as a volunteer with the Committee working on eradicating Flowering Rush from the Napanee River, provided an update on the project. Noted that additional funding was received by Lennox & Addington County Council and provided comment on timelines and permit applications.
- Councillor Woodcock spoke to the D-Day event that was held in Tamworth and commented on it's success.
- Deputy Mayor Davison requested an update from the Public Works Manager on current Public Works projects. The Manager of Public Works spoke to current projects taking place.

13. Closed Meeting - There is no scheduled Closed Session

14. Confirmation By-law

14.1. By-law 2026-1356

Resolution 8-710-2026

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6:30 PM**

Motioned By: Councillor Milligan
Seconded By: Councillor McDonald

That By-law 2026-1356 to confirm the proceedings of Council of Stone Mills Township be enacted and passed and that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign and seal.

CARRIED

15. Adjournment

15.1. Motion to Adjourn

Resolution 9-710-2026
Motioned By: Councillor Fenwick
Seconded By: Councillor Milligan

That Council adjourn until the call of the Chair.
Time: 7:03 p.m.

CARRIED

Signatures affixed to the original minutes by:

John Wise, Mayor

and

Brandi Teeple, Clerk



The Corporation of The Township of Stone Mills Staff Report

To: Mayor and Members of Council
Subject: Lennox and Addington County LEAR Study – Draft 2 Mapping Update
Submitted By: Jason White, Chief Administrative Officer
Meeting Date: June 22, 2026

Summary

The County of Lennox and Addington has released Draft 2 mapping for the Land Evaluation and Area Review (LEAR) Study. The updated mapping and an interactive online tool are now available to the public for review and comment. The County is leading this process and continues to seek public feedback. Township staff have participated in public meetings and committee meetings throughout the study to remain informed on its progress.

Recommendation

That the report entitled "Lennox and Addington County LEAR Study – Draft 2 Mapping Update" be received for information.

Background

The Land Evaluation and Area Review (LEAR) Study is a County-led initiative to evaluate and designate agricultural lands within Lennox and Addington County in accordance with Provincial Policy Statement requirements. The LEAR methodology assesses soil capability, parcel size, and other factors to identify prime agricultural areas.

Township of Stone Mills staff have attended public meetings and committee meetings throughout the study process to monitor progress and understand potential implications for the Township.

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Discussion/Analysis

The County of Lennox and Addington has released Draft 2 mapping for the LEAR Study. Property owners and members of the public can now access the updated mapping through the County's dedicated website at www.learstudy.ca or through the County's planning webpage. The interactive mapping tool allows users to search individual properties and view proposed agricultural designations.

The County has emphasized that the mapping remains in draft form and public comments are being actively solicited. Feedback can be submitted to the County at planningclerk@lennox-addington.on.ca.

Field Investigation Areas

Properties located within proposed field investigation areas (identified in yellow on the mapping) may be subject to soil sampling and field verification work by the County's consulting agrologists during June 2026. The County is requesting permission from property owners to access lands within these areas. Property owners willing to grant access permission, or who have well records or related information, are encouraged to contact County staff directly.

Township Role

While the County of Lennox and Addington is leading the LEAR Study process, Township staff have remained engaged throughout by attending public meetings and committee meetings. This participation ensures the Township remains informed of study progress and any potential implications for Stone Mills residents and landowners.

Residents with questions regarding the LEAR Study, the draft mapping, or field investigation procedures should contact County planning staff directly.

Financial/Budgetary Implications

There are no financial implications to the Township of Stone Mills arising from this information report. The LEAR Study is being conducted and funded by the County of Lennox and Addington.

Attachments

[LEAR Study Map - Draft 2](#)

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Prepared By: Jason White, Chief Administrative Officer

Reviewed By: Mike Kelly, Planner

Approved By:

Jason White, Chief Administrative Officer

Mike Kelly, Planner

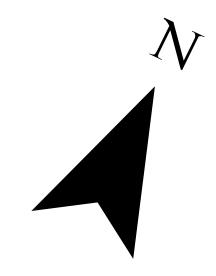
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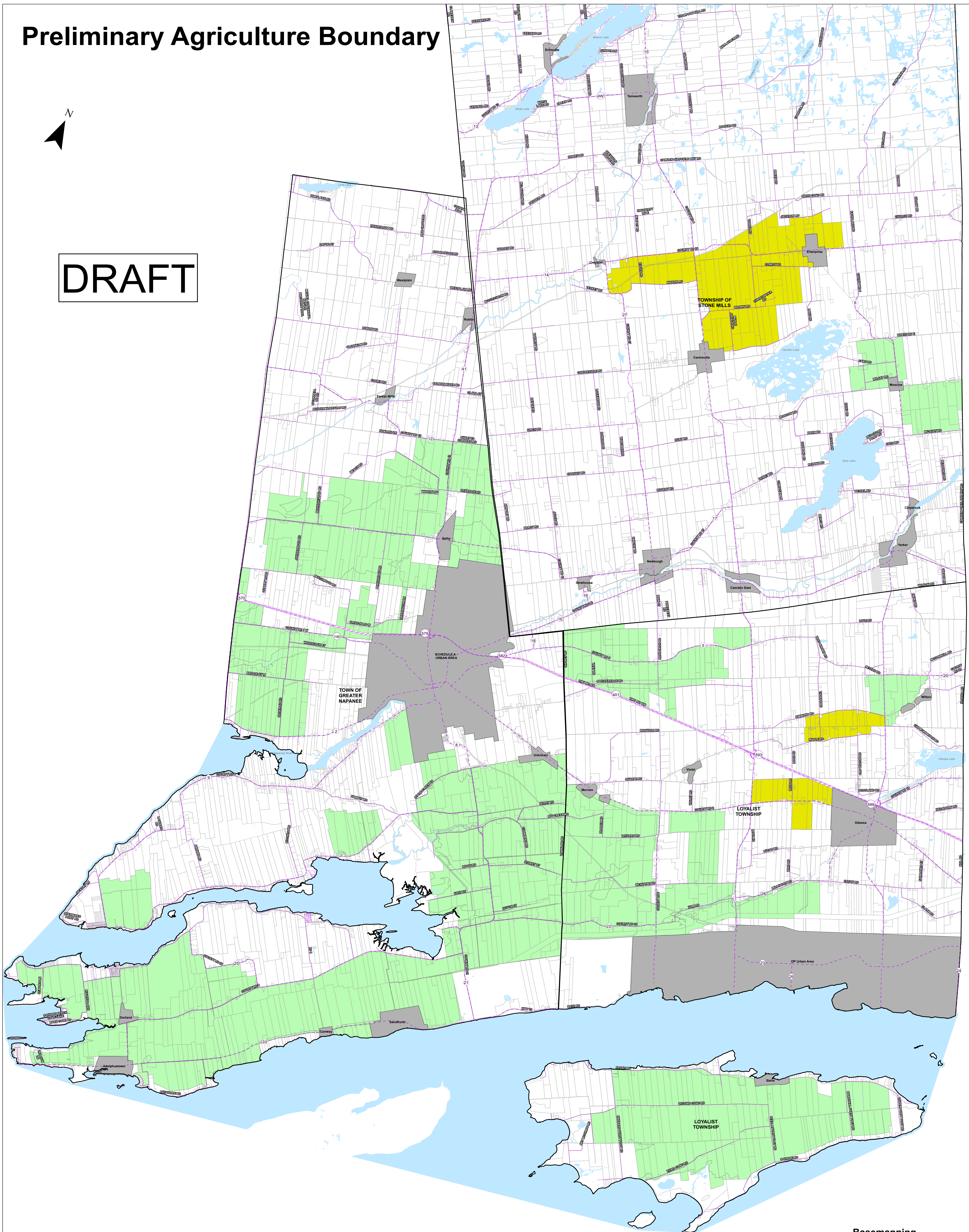
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Preliminary Agriculture Boundary



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- Legend**
- Field Check Pending
 - Proposed Prime Agriculture Designation
 - Waterbody
 - Parcel Fabric
 - Municipal Boundary
- Basemapping**
- Provincial and County roads
 - Other Roads



The Corporation of The Township of Stone Mills Staff Report

To: Mayor and Members of Council
Subject: Development Charge Reduction Program
Submitted By: Mike Kelly, Planner
Meeting Date: June 22, 2026

Summary

The Province of Ontario and Government of Canada have introduced the Development Charge Reduction Program (DCRP), a one-time, competitive funding opportunity intended to support housing supply by requiring municipalities to significantly reduce development charges (DCs) and invest in housing-enabling infrastructure.

The program provides funding of up to 90% of eligible capital costs for qualifying projects and requires municipalities to commit to a 30–50% reduction in residential DC rates, applied across all residential development types, for a period of three years.

Based on a review of program requirements and the Municipality's current DC framework and capital planning, the Municipality is not positioned to submit a competitive application.

Recommendation

That Council receive staff report "Development Charges Reduction Program" for Information Purposes

Background

On March 30, 2026, the federal and provincial governments announced the partnership, known as the Canada-Ontario Partnership to Build (COPB), in support of shared goals, including building more homes faster to make housing more affordable, getting shovels in the ground on key transit projects and supporting economic development. The provincial and federal governments announced \$8.8 billion in funding over 10 years, to

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be delivered through the Build Communities Strong Fund's Provincial and Territorial stream.

This program was formally launched on June 1st 2026, with applications for funding to be submitted by a deadline of June 19th 2026.

Discussion/Analysis

As a baseline, in order to qualify for the program a municipality must have a Development Charges By-law in force as of March 30th, 2026, and must commit to reducing DCs for all residential development by 30% to 50% for a minimum of 3 years.

The DCRP guidelines establish a clear hierarchy of eligible projects, with "housing-enabling infrastructure" receiving priority consideration. Housing-enabling infrastructure is strictly defined as:

- Water infrastructure
- Wastewater infrastructure
- Stormwater infrastructure
- Roads and related transportation infrastructure

All other municipal services (including fire protection, parks and recreation facilities, libraries, waste diversion, and other community infrastructure) are categorized as "community infrastructure" and are identified as secondary priorities subject to available funding.

Section 3.1 of the DCRP Guidelines imposes a stringent evidentiary requirement: municipalities must provide "a reasonable estimate of the number of housing units that will be enabled by the proposed municipal infrastructure project."

This requirement demands a demonstrable one-to-one causal relationship between the infrastructure investment and specific housing unit creation. General infrastructure improvements that enhance overall municipal service capacity (such as fire station expansions, salt storage facilities, or township-wide stormwater management upgrades) do not satisfy this criterion, as they provide system-wide benefits rather than unlocking specific subdivision development.

Staff have reviewed the Township's capital forecast and determined that the majority of planned projects serve broad municipal operational needs and cannot be reasonably attributed to enabling a quantifiable number of specific housing units.

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Eligible projects must commence construction by July 31, 2030, and achieve full completion by October 31, 2035. The Province has indicated preference for "shovel-ready" projects, defined as projects with:

- Completed environmental assessments
- Acquired and appropriately zoned land
- Finalized conceptual and detailed engineering designs
- Stamped professional engineering drawings ready for tender

The Township's capital projects are distributed across a 10-year forecast horizon. Projects scheduled for the later years of the forecast period do not currently possess the advanced engineering and planning documentation required to meet the Province's shovel-ready threshold.

The DCRP Guidelines further specify that the following costs are ineligible for grant funding and must be borne entirely by the municipality:

- Design and engineering fees
- Legal and consulting fees
- Environmental assessment costs
- Permitting and approval fees
- Insurance costs
- Cost overruns and escalation beyond the approved budget

These "soft costs" represent a significant percentage of the total project expenditure and are essential prerequisites for any major capital project.

When the benefit-to-existing deduction, soft cost exclusions, mandatory municipal contribution, and cost overrun risk are compounded, the effective provincial/federal funding share is substantially lower than 90 percent of total project costs.

Staff review indicates that the Township would likely bear the majority of project costs while simultaneously operating under diminished development charge revenue.

The current DCRP intake does not align with current capital planning cycles, project readiness status, or fiscal capacity to absorb the potential revenue volatility.

Provincial and federal infrastructure programs are cyclical. Future iterations of growth-related infrastructure funding will likely maintain similar housing enablement objectives. The Township may be able to adjust in order to prepare for future intakes with engineered, clearly justified, shovel-ready projects without the need to compromise fiscal planning.

Financial/Budgetary Implications

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The current Background Study does not identify the types of projects prioritized by the program; the funding potentially available may only represent a fraction of our real project costs. The Township would be required to finance the majority of costs upfront while absorbing any overruns, all while cutting our source of growth revenue by up to 50 percent for three years. The risks given our township's profile did not justify the potential funding return for Stone Mills.

Preparation of the Municipality for Future Participation in the Development Charges Reduction Program, or a similar program.

Although applications for this program close on June 19th, future provincial or federal funding projects may be introduced. To better position the Township to take advantage of this future funding, the Township could:

- Identify and prioritize housing enabling infrastructure projects, such as those described above.
- Integrate those projects into development charges, background studies and capital project forecasting.
- Maintain an inventory of "shovel-ready" projects, should funding opportunities appear.

This would require the carrying out of a new Development Charges Background Study, which is a significant investment not previously contemplated, as the existing Background Study took effect on January 1st 2025, and is intended to serve as a 10-year forecast.

This preparation could improve the position of the Township to take advantage of these large funding opportunities in the future, but would require substantial upfront costs, which may never be recouped should future programs not materialize, or future applications be unsuccessful.

Prepared By: Mike Kelly, Planner

Reviewed By: Anita Raymond, Treasurer

Approved By: Jason White, Chief Administrative Officer

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The Corporation of The Township of Stone Mills Staff Report

To: Mayor and Members of Council
Subject: Infrastructure Ontario Listing of Property Locally Known as "Beaver Lake Lion's Park" – Expression of Interest Submitted
Submitted By: Jason White, Chief Administrative Officer
Meeting Date: June 22, 2026

Summary

Infrastructure Ontario has listed a property locally known as "Beaver Lake Lion's Park" for disposition through its Stage 3 Real Capital Program (RCP) circulation process. The Township of Stone Mills previously managed public use of this property under a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), which has not been in place for several years. The Township submitted an expression of interest on May 25, 2026, within the 30-day circulation period ending June 21, 2026. Any potential acquisition would be subject to due diligence, fair market value considerations, and approvals, with the process anticipated to take between 8 and 18 months.

Recommendation

That the report entitled "Infrastructure Ontario Listing of Property Locally Known as 'Beaver Lake Lion's Park' – Expression of Interest Submitted" be received for information.

Background

The property locally known as "Beaver Lake Lion's Park," comprising approximately 3.01 acres, has historically been accessible for public use through an arrangement between the Township of Stone Mills and Infrastructure Ontario. The Township previously operated under a Memorandum of Understanding with Infrastructure Ontario, which permitted the Township to manage use of the property for community purposes.

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For the past several years, no MOU has been in place between the parties. During this period, requests for use of the property have been required to be submitted directly to Infrastructure Ontario rather than being managed by the Township.

Infrastructure Ontario has now initiated the disposition process for this property through its Real Capital Program.

Discussion/Analysis

Infrastructure Ontario has commenced the Stage 3 RCP circulation process for the subject property. This circulation stage is intended to determine whether eligible public bodies, including the Township of Stone Mills, have an interest in acquiring the property before broader disposition options are considered by Infrastructure Ontario.

Upon notification of the Stage 3 circulation, eligible public bodies were provided a 30-day window to submit expressions of interest. The Township of Stone Mills submitted its expression of interest on May 25, 2026. The circulation period for other eligible public bodies closes on June 21, 2026.

Infrastructure Ontario has clarified that the submission of an expression of interest during Stage 3 circulation does not constitute a commitment to purchase the property. Rather, it registers the Township's interest and allows Infrastructure Ontario to initiate discussions and negotiations with the Township regarding a potential sale.

Infrastructure Ontario has advised that the following process steps and timelines apply:

- **Due Diligence:** Due diligence activities, including Duty to Consult clearance, can only be initiated if and when the property clears Stage 1 and Stage 2 circulation. This process could take approximately 12 to 18 months to complete. Infrastructure Ontario has noted that it does not have control over the timing of Duty to Consult clearance.
- **Transaction Timeframe:** Should the Township proceed beyond the expression of interest stage, any potential transaction would remain subject to due diligence, required approvals, and related transaction steps. Infrastructure Ontario anticipates this process may take approximately 8 to 10 months to complete following the due diligence phase.
- **Fair Market Value:** Infrastructure Ontario has not yet provided preliminary pricing information. Once due diligence is further advanced, an appraised fair market value will be made available to the Township. The fair market value of the property will be a significant factor in determining whether the Township will proceed with acquisition.

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Infrastructure Ontario has indicated that it will keep the Township informed as next steps become available and will confirm any applicable priority or process details once the Stage 3 circulation period concludes and responses are received.

Given the Township's historical relationship with the property and its community use, the expression of interest allows the Township to remain engaged in the process and to be considered should the property become available for acquisition by eligible public bodies.

Financial/Budgetary Implications

At this time, no financial commitment has been made by the Township of Stone Mills. The submission of an expression of interest does not obligate the Township to proceed with a purchase.

Infrastructure Ontario has not yet provided an appraised fair market value for the property. Once this information becomes available, a comprehensive financial analysis will be required to assess the feasibility of acquisition, including identification of potential funding sources such as reserve funds, capital budgets, or other available municipal revenues.

Any future decision to proceed with acquisition of the property would require a subsequent report to Council, including detailed financial implications, funding sources, and a recommendation for Council's consideration.

Prepared By: Jason White, Chief Administrative Officer

Approved By:

Brandi Teeple, Clerk

Jason White, Chief Administrative Officer

Status:

Approved - 17 Jun 2026

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The Corporation of The Township of Stone Mills Staff Report

To: Mayor and Members of Council
Subject: Community Partnership & Planning Meeting - Limestone District School Board
Submitted By: Jason White, Chief Administrative Officer
Meeting Date: June 22, 2026

Summary

The Chief Administrative Officer attended the Limestone District School Board's annual community and partnership meeting on May 27, 2026. The meeting provided an update on the Board's accommodation planning, capital projects, and potential partnership opportunities with municipalities and community organizations.

Recommendation

That the report entitled "Community Partnership & Planning Meeting - Limestone District School Board" be received for information.

Background

The Limestone District School Board serves more than 20,000 students across 50 elementary schools and 10 secondary schools within Frontenac, Lennox and Addington counties, including the Township of Stone Mills. The Board hosts an annual community and partnership meeting to provide updates to municipal partners and community organizations regarding accommodation planning, enrollment projections, and opportunities for facility-sharing arrangements.

Stone Mills Council has historically maintained an interest in school board planning and operations within the Township. This interest reflects, in part, institutional memory of past engagement during the Yarker school closure matter. Council recently inquired as to whether formal meetings with the Board should occur. The May 27, 2026 meeting

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provided an opportunity to re-establish communication and receive current information regarding the Board's planning processes.

Discussion/Analysis

Board Overview and Enrollment Planning

The Limestone District School Board confirmed that it has completed its annual enrollment projections and is now proceeding with accommodation and capital planning for the upcoming year. The Board serves students across a broad geographic area, including Kingston, Loyalist Township, the Township of Stone Mills, Frontenac townships, and Addington Highlands.

The Board advised that there are no school closures or accommodation reviews planned at this time, consistent with the Province's current moratorium on these processes. The only exception is Marysville Public School on Wolfe Island, where review is required due to no reported enrollment during the current school year.

Partnership and Facility-Sharing Opportunities

The Board reiterated its commitment to facility-sharing partnerships with community partners where such arrangements are viable. All partnerships are established at the board level rather than with individual schools. Any lease or partnership arrangement must be structured on a cost-recovery basis in accordance with Ministry requirements, ensuring no additional financial cost to the Board.

For the current planning year, Napanee District Secondary School (NDSS) was identified as the only school within the district with potential surplus space available for partnership discussion. Board staff confirmed that students from the Township of Stone Mills are within the NDSS catchment area. While the school has capacity on paper, the presence of specialized spaces may affect what space is actually available for partnership use.

The Board also operates a Community Use of Schools program, which provides for short-term rentals for community activities, including subsidized rates for youth-oriented and non-profit activities. Evening and weekend access is available up to 10:00 p.m.

Tamworth Renovation and Childcare Discussion

During the meeting, the ongoing Tamworth Public School renovation and site plan agreement process was discussed. Board staff advised that they had previously explored whether there was interest in incorporating childcare space as part of that project. At the time, the County's response to that inquiry was constrained by a lack of additional capital funding available to support the infrastructure development.

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The Chief Administrative Officer noted that additional childcare capacity in the Tamworth area would generally be of community interest.

Stone Mills Context and Board Communication

The Chief Administrative Officer advised the Board that Council had recently asked about past engagement with the Limestone District School Board and whether a meeting with the Board should occur. The annual community and partnership meeting provided a useful opportunity to re-establish that line of communication. Board representatives indicated they are open to maintaining contact and sharing updates if anything changes in the months ahead, including any significant capital or renovation developments.

The Chief Administrative Officer also noted that some of Council's interest may reflect historical memory of discussions during the Yarker school matter, rather than any regular pattern of formal Council-Board meetings.

Other Discussion Points

Representatives from Queen's University advised that the former Kingston Collegiate and Vocational Institute (KCVI) site will be the subject of a major capital renovation project, with programming beginning in the coming year. The University indicated it may seek evening gymnasium access for student intramural use during the planning and construction period.

A brief discussion also occurred regarding the differences between municipal facility rental rates and school board rental rates, particularly as they relate to community users seeking affordable recreation space.

Overall Assessment

The meeting was primarily informational in nature. The key points of relevance to the Township of Stone Mills are that no broader school closures are currently planned within the Limestone District School Board's jurisdiction, that NDSS has been identified as the only school with possible surplus space for partnership discussions this year, and that the Board is open to maintaining communication with the Township as future accommodation and capital planning evolves.

Financial/Budgetary Implications

There are no financial implications associated with the receipt of this report. Any future facility-sharing or partnership arrangements with the Limestone District School Board would be subject to separate staff reports identifying costs, terms, and funding sources as applicable.

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The Corporation of The Township of Stone Mills Report

Prepared By: Jason White, Chief Administrative Officer

Approved By: Jason White, Chief Administrative Officer

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The Corporation of The Township of Stone Mills Staff Report

To: Mayor and Members of Council
Subject: 2025 Annual Investment Summary
Submitted By: Anita Raymond, Treasurer
Meeting Date: June 22, 2026

Summary

The Township of Stone Mills maintains a disciplined approach to investing public funds, balancing security, liquidity, and return in accordance with Council-approved policy and provincial legislation. This report reflects the Township's continued commitment to financial transparency and responsible stewardship of ratepayer assets. As interest rate conditions evolve, staff remain attentive to reinvestment opportunities and cash flow requirements to ensure the portfolio continues to serve the Township's long-term financial objectives.

Recommendation

That the report entitled "2025 Annual Investment Summary" be received for information.

Background

Ontario Regulation 438/97 of the Municipal Act, 2001 and the Township's Investment Policy requires that the Treasurer submit, at least annually, a report to Council on the Township's investment portfolio. The following information reports on the performance of the municipality's investment portfolio for the period January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025 inclusive.

Discussion/Analysis

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Township investments are held with CIBC Wood Gundy and consist primarily of government and financial institution guaranteed investment certificates and mutual funds. Township investments have a market value of \$1,900,553 as of December 31, 2025 (2023 - \$1,750,811, 2024 - \$1,822,738).

The total unaudited cost of investments as of December 31, 2025, is \$1,787,018, held across cash equivalents and short-term fixed income instruments.

Investment	2024	2025
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 439,787	\$ 861,138
Short-term Fixed Income (GIC)	\$ <u>1,287,037</u>	\$ <u>925,880</u>
Total Cost	\$ <u>1,726,824</u>	\$ <u>1,787,018</u>
Total Market Value	\$ <u>1,822,738</u>	\$ <u>1,900,553</u>
Gain (Loss) if Disposed	\$ 95,914	\$ 113,535

Unlike private entities, which are required to record investments at the lower of cost and market, under Public Sector Accounting Standards, municipalities currently record investments at cost. This accounting treatment results in the Township recognizing net investment earnings in our financial statements but not recognizing the change in market value of our portfolio.

It is the Treasurer's opinion that the investments held by the Township, for the period of January 1, 2025, to December 31, 2025, are consistent with the investment policy and goals adopted by Council. Additionally, said investments were all prescribed securities in accordance with Section 418 (1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* and are all eligible investments as per O.Reg. 438/97.

Financial/Budgetary Implications

While interest revenue is increasing compared to past years, the return on investments continues to be slightly higher than bank interest rates, which have been on average 2.83% over 2025.

CIBC investments are held in instruments with maturity dates from 2026 to 2030. The portfolio is invested in fixed income instruments (GICs) with a maturity of 1-5 years. Total investments at December 31, 2025 are \$1,900,553. Investments scheduled to mature in 2026 carry a book value of approximately \$849,911.

Instruments are reinvested upon maturity. Staff continually monitor cash flow needs and the ability to invest additional funds.

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Link to Strategic Plan

Provide an effective and sustainable Municipal Government.
Strengthen the Township's Financial Position.
Enhance communication between the Municipality and its stakeholders.

Prepared By: Anita Raymond, Treasurer

Reviewed By: Jason White, Chief Administrative Officer

Approved By: Jason White, Chief Administrative Officer

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June 4, 2026

Brandie Teeple, Clerk
Township of Stone Mills
4504 County Road 4
Centreville, ON K0K 1N0

via email: bteeple@stonemills.com

Re: Support for the Township of Stone Mills Resolution Re Changes to FIPPA.

Please be advised the Council of the Township of Tyendinaga, at its Regular meeting held June 3, 2026, supported the Township of Stone Mills Resolution Re: Changes to FIPPA.

Resolution: 169-2026

Moved by: Councillor Jen Phillips

Seconded by: Councillor Don McFarlane

That the Council of the Township of Tyendinaga supports the Township of Stone Mills Resolution Re: Changes to FIPPA.

Carried
Sincerely,



Yvonne Murphy
Clerk
(613) 396-1944 ext 201 | clerk@tyendinagatownship.com



PO Box 610, 72 Main St. South
Seaforth, ON N0K 1W0

June 2, 2026

Township of Stone Mills

Sent via email: bteple@stonemills.com

Re: Changes to the Ontario Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

Please note that at their regular meeting on May 26, 2026, the Council of the Municipality of Huron East received and discussed the Township of Stone Mills opposition to the changes to Ontario's Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and passed the following resolution:

That Council of the Municipality of Huron East support Consent Agenda item from the Township of Stone Mills re: Opposition to the changes to Ontario's Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "mm".

Meaghan McCallum

Clerk

clerk@huroneast.com

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Tuesday, June 2, 2026

Brandi Teeple
Deputy Chief Administrative Officer/Director of Corporate Services
Township of Stone Mills
4504 County Road 4,
Centreville, Ontario
K0K 1N0

SENT VIA EMAIL: bteeple@stonemills.com

RE: Resolution – Changes to Ontario’s Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

Dear B. Teeple,

Please be advised of the following motion passed at the Monday, May 25, 2026, Goderich Town Council Meeting:

Moved By: Councillor McMillan

Seconded By: Councillor Carroll

The Goderich Town Council supports the resolution from the Township of Stone Mills regarding Changes to Ontario’s Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

CARRIED

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 519-524-8344 ext. 210 or afisher@goderich.ca.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andrea Fisher".

Andrea Fisher
Director of Legislative Services/Clerk
/ar



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May 27, 2026

Township of Stone Mills

VIA EMAIL: bteepie@stonemills.com

RE: Opposition to the changes to Ontario's Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

At their May 20th, 2026, meeting, Council for the Township of St. Joseph passed resolution #2026-121 supporting the Township of Stone Mills's opposition to the government of Ontario's proposed changes to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA) that would exclude records of the premier, cabinet ministers and their staff from public access requests.

These changes would apply retroactively and may limit access to records related to matters of public interest. The Information and Privacy Commissioner for Ontario has warned that these changes would reduce transparency and accountability, Freedom of Information laws are essential to the public trust and democratic accountability.

The Township of St. Joseph supports Stone Mills Township opposition to the proposed changes to FIPPA and call on the Province to ensure records related to government business remain accessible to the public and urge the Province to consult with the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario and the public before proceeding.

Respectfully,

Amanda Richardson
CAO/Clerk-Treasurer

Cc: Premiere Hon. Doug Ford, Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario, MPP Bill Rosenburg



The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

Tuesday, May 19, 2026

Resolution # RC26106	Meeting Order: 6
Moved by: <i>John Opato</i>	Seconded by: <i>Cathy Cannon</i>

WHEREAS the Township of Stone Mills passed Resolution No. 30-706-2026 opposing proposed changes to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA) that would exclude records of the Premier, Cabinet Ministers, and their staff from public access requests;

AND WHEREAS the Township of Stone Mills has expressed concerns that the proposed amendments may reduce transparency and accountability in government;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa hereby supports Resolution No. 30-706-2026 passed by the Township of Stone Mills regarding the proposed changes to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA);

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Township of Stone Mills, Premier Doug Ford, the appropriate Provincial Ministers, local Members of Provincial Parliament, and Ontario municipalities.

RESOLUTION RESULT	RECORDED VOTE	YES	NO
<input type="checkbox"/> CARRIED	MAYOR AND COUNCIL		
<input type="checkbox"/> DEFEATED	Mitch Hatfield		
<input type="checkbox"/> TABLED	Cathy Cannon		
<input type="checkbox"/> RECORDED VOTE (SEE RIGHT)	Melanie Pilon		
<input type="checkbox"/> PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARED	Jim Hoffmann		
<input type="checkbox"/> WITHDRAWN	Joseph Opato		

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof.

Disclosed the pecuniary interest and general name thereof and abstained from the discussion, vote and influence.

Clerk: _____

DEPUTY MAYOR - MITCH HATFIELD	CLERK - MAURY O'NEILL
<i>Micheline Hatfield</i>	<i>Maury O'Neill</i>

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From: [Lori Crellin](#)
To: [Brandi Teeple](#)
Subject: RE: Opposition to Changes to FIPPA
Date: Wednesday, June 3, 2026 1:58:17 PM
Attachments: [image003.png](#)

Good afternoon

Please be advised that at the June 2nd Council meeting, Council of the Municipality of Tweed passed a Resolution of support for the Township of Stone Mills re: Opposition to the changes to Ontario's Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

Best Regards,

Lori Crellin
Clerk
Municipality of Tweed
clerk@tweed.ca
613-478-2535



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From: Administration <administration@tweed.ca>
Sent: May 15, 2026 9:16 AM
To: Lori Crellin <clerk@tweed.ca>
Subject: FW: Opposition to Changes to FIPPA

Cassie Tebo

Administration/Public Works/Planning Assistant

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From: Brandi Teeple <bteeple@Stonemills.com>

Sent: May 14, 2026 3:50 PM

Subject: Opposition to Changes to FIPPA

Some people who received this message don't often get email from bteeple@stonemills.com. [Learn why this is important](#)

Good afternoon,

Please find attached correspondence related to a resolution passed by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Stone Mills.

Regards

Brandi Teeple

Township Clerk

Township of Stone Mills

4504 County Road 4

Centreville, ON, K0K 1N0

Phone: 613 378-2475 ext. 225

Email: bteeple@stonemills.com



2026 Municipal Elections

The next Municipal Election will be held on **Monday, October 26, 2026.**

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RegisterToVoteON.ca.

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June 15, 2026

Sent via email: bteeples@stonemills.com

Brandi Teeple

Township Clerk

Township of Stone Mills

And

Sent via email: info@brucemines.ca

Tarra Lapensee

Deputy Clerk

The Corporation of the Town of Bruce Mines

Re: Changes to Ontario's Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

We acknowledge receipt of your respective correspondence dated May 14, 2026, regarding the above-mentioned matter.

The said correspondence was provided to Stratford City Council for consideration as part of the June 8, 2026, Council meeting Consent Agenda (CA-2026-064). At the meeting, Council adopted the following resolution:

R2026-272

THAT CA-2026-064, being resolutions from The Corporation of The Township of Stone Mills and The Corporation of The Town of Bruce Mines regarding changes to Ontario's Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, be endorsed.

Enclosed is a copy of the endorsed resolutions.

Sincerely,
T. Dafoe
Tatiana Dafoe, Clerk

/mf

Cc: Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing,
Matthew Rae, MPP Perth-Wellington

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May 14, 2026

Sent Via Email Only

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

Dear Hon. Doug Ford,

Re: Township of Stone Mills opposition to the changes to Ontario's Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

Please be advised that during the regular Council meeting of April 13, 2026, Township of Stone Mills Council passed the following motion,

Resolution 30-706-2026

Whereas the government of Ontario is proposing changes to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA) that would exclude records of the premier, cabinet ministers and their staff from public access requests;

AND Whereas these changes would apply retroactively and may limit access to records related to matters of public interest;

AND Whereas the Information and Privacy Commissioner for Ontario has warned that these changes would reduce transparency and accountability, Freedom of Information laws are an essential to the public trust and democratic accountability;

Therefore Be It Resolved That Stone Mills Township oppose the proposed changes to FIPPA;

1. Call on the Province to ensure records related to government business remain accessible to the public;
2. Urge the Province to consult with the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario and the public before proceeding;
3. Direct that this motion be circulated to the Premier Doug Ford, appropriate minister, all MPP's and Ontario municipalities.

Moved By Councillor Woodcock

Seconded By Councillor Milligan

Carried

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

B Teeple

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cc. All Ontario Municipalities
All MPP's



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May 14, 2026

Sent by email: Doug.fordco@pc.ola.org

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

Dear Honourable Doug Ford,

Re: Bill 97, Plan to Protect Ontario Act (Budget Measures), 2026 – Schedule 7

At its Regular Meeting held on May 4, 2026, the Council of the Town of Bruce Mines reviewed the changes introduced through Schedule 7 of Bill 97, which amends the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA).

At that meeting, Council adopted a resolution expressing concern regarding these amendments and their impact on transparency and public access to information.

Enclosed is a copy of the resolution supported by Bruce Mines Council.

Sincerely,

Tarra Lapensee
Deputy Clerk
info@brucemines.ca
705-785-3493

cc:

The Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General of Ontario
The Honourable Bill Rosenberg, Member of Provincial Parliament
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM)
Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario, Patricia Kosseim
All Ontario Municipalities

WHEREAS THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF PRIVACY ACT (FIPPA) RECEIVED ROYAL ASSENT IN 1987, COMING INTO FORCE ON JANUARY 1, 1988; AND

WHEREAS THE MUNICIPAL FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF PRIVACY ACT (MFIPPA) RECEIVED ROYAL ASSENT IN 1990, COMING INTO FORCE ON JANUARY 1, 1991; AND

WHEREAS BOTH ACTS PROVIDE THE PUBLIC WITH A LEGAL RIGHT OF ACCESS TO GOVERNMENT-HELD INFORMATION, REFLECTING THE PRINCIPLE THAT SUCH INFORMATION BELONGS TO THE PUBLIC UNLESS THERE IS A VALID REASON TO WITHHOLD IT; AND

WHEREAS THE INFORMATION AND PRIVACY COMMISSIONER OF ONTARIO HAS REINFORCED THAT ACCESS TO INFORMATION IS “ESSENTIAL TO THE HEALTHY FUNCTIONING OF A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY” AND TO TRANSPARENT GOVERNANCE; AND

WHEREAS BILL 97 (2026): PLAN TO PROTECT ONTARIO ACT (BUDGET MEASURES) RECEIVED ROYAL ASSENT ON APRIL 24, 2026, INTRODUCING SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO FREEDOM OF INFORMATION RULES, INCLUDING NEW EXEMPTIONS FOR MINISTERS’ OFFICES; AND

WHEREAS RECORDS HELD BY THE PREMIER, CABINET MINISTERS, PARLIAMENTARY ASSISTANTS, AND THEIR OFFICES ARE NO LONGER SUBJECT TO FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUESTS AND ARE NO LONGER CONSIDERED FOI-ELIGIBLE RECORDS; AND

WHEREAS COUNCIL IS OF THE OPINION THAT THE PASSAGE OF BILL 97 REPRESENTS A STEP BACKWARD FROM LONG-STANDING PROVINCIAL COMMITMENTS TO OPENNESS, TRANSPARENCY, AND ACCOUNTABILITY;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES FORMALLY EXPRESSES ITS CONCERN WITH THE PASSAGE OF BILL 97 (2026) AND FINDS THAT IT CONSTITUTES A REGRESSION FROM ESTABLISHED PRINCIPLES OF TRANSPARENT GOVERNANCE; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL URGES THE GOVERNMENT OF ONTARIO TO REPEAL THIS PROVISION OF THE LEGISLATION; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION BE FORWARDED TO THE PREMIER OF ONTARIO, DOUG FORD; THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF ONTARIO, DOUG DOWNEY; THE MEMBER OF PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT, BILL ROSENBERG; THE ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPALITIES OF ONTARIO (AMO); THE FEDERATION OF NORTHERN ONTARIO MUNICIPALITIES (FONOM); AND THE INFORMATION AND PRIVACY COMMISSIONER OF ONTARIO, PATRICIA KOSSEIM, AND THAT IT BE CIRCULATED TO ALL MUNICIPALITIES IN ONTARIO.

Township of Champlain

**Resolution
Regular Council Meeting**

Agenda Number: 15.1.
Resolution Number 2026-184
Title: Township of Stone Mills - Opposition to changes to FIPPA
Date: May 28, 2026

Moved By: Gérard Miner
Seconded By: André Roy

Be it resolved that the correspondence from the Township of Stone Mills dated May 14, 2026, regarding opposition to proposed changes to Ontario's *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA)*, including concerns that the proposed amendments would exclude records of the Premier, Cabinet Ministers and their staff from public access requests, apply retroactively, and reduce transparency and accountability, and calling on the Province to ensure continued public access to government records and to consult with the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario and the public before proceeding, be endorsed.

Carried

Certified True Copy of Resolution, Karla Barton Deputy Clerk on behalf of

Alison Collard, Clerk Date:

Canton de Champlain
Résolution
Réunion régulière du Conseil

No. du point à l'ordre du jour: 15.1.
No. du point 2026-184
Titre: Municipalité de Stone Mills - Objection aux modifications apportées à la LAIPVP
Date: le 28 mai 2026

Proposée par : Gérard Miner
Appuyée par : André Roy

Qu'il soit résolu que la correspondance du canton de Stone Mills datée du 14 mai 2026, concernant son opposition aux modifications proposées à la *Loi sur l'accès à l'information et la protection de la vie privée (LAIPVP)*, notamment les préoccupations selon lesquelles ces modifications excluraient de l'accès du public les dossiers du premier ministre, des ministres et de leur personnel, s'appliqueraient de façon rétroactive et réduiraient la transparence et la reddition de comptes, et demandant à la Province de maintenir l'accès du public aux documents gouvernementaux et de consulter la commissaire à l'information et à la protection de la vie privée de l'Ontario ainsi que le public avant d'aller de l'avant, soit appuyée.

Adoptée

Copie certifiée conforme

Alison Collard, greffière Date :



Municipality of Killarney

June 16, 2026

Premier Doug Ford
Email Only: premier@ontario.ca

Dear Premier Ford:

Re: Requesting Support Regarding Changes to Freedom of Information & Protection Privacy Act (FIPPA)

Attached hereto is Resolution #26-215 that was passed by the Council of the Municipality of Killarney at their Regular Meeting held June 10th, 2026.

The Municipality of Killarney supports Resolution No. 30-706-2026 passed by the Township of Stone Mills on April 13, 2026, opposing the proposed changes to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA) and calling on the Province of Ontario to:

1. Ensure that records related to government business remain accessible to the public; and
2. Consult with the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario and the public before proceeding with any amendments to FIPPA.

We look forward to your favorable reply regarding this request.

Sincerely,
THE MUNICIPALITY OF KILLARNEY

(Mrs.) Angie Nuziale,
Administrative Assistant

*cc: Township of Stone Mills
Local MPPs*

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*The Corporation of the Municipality of Killarney
32 Commissioner Street
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MOVED BY: Robert Campbell

SECONDED BY: Dave Froats

RESOLUTION NO. 26-215

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has proposed changes to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA) that would exclude records of the Premier, Cabinet Ministers, and their staff from public access requests;

AND WHEREAS these changes would apply retroactively and may limit access to records related to matters of significant public interest;

AND WHEREAS the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario has expressed concerns that these changes would reduce transparency and accountability, and has emphasized that freedom of information laws are essential to maintaining public trust and democratic accountability;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Killarney supports Resolution No. 30-706-2026 passed by the Township of Stone Mills on April 13, 2026, opposing the proposed changes to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA) and calling on the Province of Ontario to:

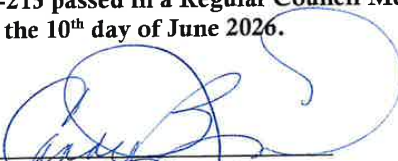
1. Ensure that records related to government business remain accessible to the public;
and
2. Consult with the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario and the public before proceeding with any amendments to FIPPA;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to all those noted in the resolution passed by the Township of Stone Mills.

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Resolution Result	Recorded Vote		
	Council Members	YES	NO
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CARRIED	Mary Bradbury		
<input type="checkbox"/> DEFEATED	Robert Campbell		
<input type="checkbox"/> TABLED	Dave Froats		
<input type="checkbox"/> RECORDED VOTE (SEE RIGHT)	Nikola Grubic		
<input type="checkbox"/> PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARED	Michael Reider		
<input type="checkbox"/> WITHDRAWN	Peggy Roque		

I, Candy K. Beauvais, Clerk-Treasurer of the Municipality of Killarney do certify the foregoing to be a true copy of Resolution #26-215 passed in a Regular Council Meeting of The Corporation of the Municipality of Killarney on the 10th day of June 2026.


Candy K. Beauvais
Clerk-Treasurer

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May 14, 2026

Sent Via Email Only

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

Dear Hon. Doug Ford,

Re: Township of Stone Mills opposition to the changes to Ontario's Freedom of
Information and Protection of Privacy Act

Please be advised that during the regular Council meeting of April 13, 2026, Township of
Stone Mills Council passed the following motion,

Resolution 30-706-2026

Whereas the government of Ontario is proposing changes to the Freedom of Information
and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA) that would exclude records of the premier, cabinet
ministers and their staff from public access requests;

AND Whereas these changes would apply retroactively and may limit access to records
related to matters of public interest;

AND Whereas the Information and Privacy Commissioner for Ontario has warned that these
changes would reduce transparency and accountability, Freedom of Information laws are an
essential to the public trust and democratic accountability;

Therefore Be It Resolved That Stone Mills Township oppose the proposed changes to
FIPPA;

1. Call on the Province to ensure records related to government business remain
accessible to the public;
2. Urge the Province to consult with the Information and Privacy Commissioner of
Ontario and the public before proceeding;
3. Direct that this motion be circulated to the Premier Doug Ford, appropriate minister,
all MPP's and Ontario municipalities.

Moved By Councillor Woodcock

Seconded By Councillor Milligan

Carried

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

B Teeple

Brandi Teeple
Township Clerk
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cc. All Ontario Municipalities
All MPP's

June 03, 2026

Town of Bruce Mines
- and -
Township of Stone Mills

Sent via email: bteep@stonemills.com
info@brucemines.ca

To whom it may concern:

Re: Resolution 2026-377 Changes to FIPPA

Please be advised that the following resolution was passed at the June 03, 2026 meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Grey Highlands.

2026-377

**That Council receive the 2026-05-14 - Township of Stone Mills - Opposition to changes to Ontario's Freedom of Information Act for information; and
That Council receive the 2026-05-14 - Town of Bruce Mines - Concerns over changes to Ontario's Freedom of Information Act for information; and
That Council direct staff to send a letter of support to the Township of Stone Mills resolution 30-706-2026 and to the Town of Bruce Mines resolution on Bill 97, Plan to Protect Ontario Act, 2026 - Schedule 7 and to cc the letter to all MPP's, Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario (IPC) and All Ontario Municipalities.
CARRIED.**

If you require anything further, please contact this office.

Sincerely,

Amanda Fines-VanAlstine

Amanda Fines-VanAlstine
Manager of Corporate Services/Municipal Clerk
Municipality of Grey Highlands

cc. All MPP's
AMO
IPC; and
All Ontario Municipalities

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MUNICIPAL CLERK: JUDY DAVIS

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May 14, 2026

Sent by email: Doug.fordco@pc.ola.org

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

Dear Honourable Doug Ford,

Re: Bill 97, Plan to Protect Ontario Act (Budget Measures), 2026 – Schedule 7

At its Regular Meeting held on May 4, 2026, the Council of the Town of Bruce Mines reviewed the changes introduced through Schedule 7 of Bill 97, which amends the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA).

At that meeting, Council adopted a resolution expressing concern regarding these amendments and their impact on transparency and public access to information.

Enclosed is a copy of the resolution supported by Bruce Mines Council.

Sincerely,

Tarra Lapensee
Deputy Clerk
info@brucemines.ca
705-785-3493

cc:

The Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General of Ontario
The Honourable Bill Rosenberg, Member of Provincial Parliament
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM)
Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario, Patricia Kosseim
All Ontario Municipalities

WHEREAS THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF PRIVACY ACT (FIPPA) RECEIVED ROYAL ASSENT IN 1987, COMING INTO FORCE ON JANUARY 1, 1988; AND

WHEREAS THE MUNICIPAL FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF PRIVACY ACT (MFIPPA) RECEIVED ROYAL ASSENT IN 1990, COMING INTO FORCE ON JANUARY 1, 1991; AND

WHEREAS BOTH ACTS PROVIDE THE PUBLIC WITH A LEGAL RIGHT OF ACCESS TO GOVERNMENT-HELD INFORMATION, REFLECTING THE PRINCIPLE THAT SUCH INFORMATION BELONGS TO THE PUBLIC UNLESS THERE IS A VALID REASON TO WITHHOLD IT; AND

WHEREAS THE INFORMATION AND PRIVACY COMMISSIONER OF ONTARIO HAS REINFORCED THAT ACCESS TO INFORMATION IS “ESSENTIAL TO THE HEALTHY FUNCTIONING OF A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY” AND TO TRANSPARENT GOVERNANCE; AND

WHEREAS BILL 97 (2026): PLAN TO PROTECT ONTARIO ACT (BUDGET MEASURES) RECEIVED ROYAL ASSENT ON APRIL 24, 2026, INTRODUCING SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO FREEDOM OF INFORMATION RULES, INCLUDING NEW EXEMPTIONS FOR MINISTERS’ OFFICES; AND

WHEREAS RECORDS HELD BY THE PREMIER, CABINET MINISTERS, PARLIAMENTARY ASSISTANTS, AND THEIR OFFICES ARE NO LONGER SUBJECT TO FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUESTS AND ARE NO LONGER CONSIDERED FOI-ELIGIBLE RECORDS; AND

WHEREAS COUNCIL IS OF THE OPINION THAT THE PASSAGE OF BILL 97 REPRESENTS A STEP BACKWARD FROM LONG-STANDING PROVINCIAL COMMITMENTS TO OPENNESS, TRANSPARENCY, AND ACCOUNTABILITY;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BRUCE MINES FORMALLY EXPRESSES ITS CONCERN WITH THE PASSAGE OF BILL 97 (2026) AND FINDS THAT IT CONSTITUTES A REGRESSION FROM ESTABLISHED PRINCIPLES OF TRANSPARENT GOVERNANCE; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL URGES THE GOVERNMENT OF ONTARIO TO REPEAL THIS PROVISION OF THE LEGISLATION; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION BE FORWARDED TO THE PREMIER OF ONTARIO, DOUG FORD; THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF ONTARIO, DOUG DOWNEY; THE MEMBER OF PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT, BILL ROSENBERG; THE ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPALITIES OF ONTARIO (AMO); THE FEDERATION OF NORTHERN ONTARIO MUNICIPALITIES (FONOM); AND THE INFORMATION AND PRIVACY COMMISSIONER OF ONTARIO, PATRICIA KOSSEIM, AND THAT IT BE CIRCULATED TO ALL MUNICIPALITIES IN ONTARIO.

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May 14, 2026

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Dear Hon. Doug Ford,

Re: Township of Stone Mills opposition to the changes to Ontario's Freedom of
Information and Protection of Privacy Act

Please be advised that during the regular Council meeting of April 13, 2026, Township of
Stone Mills Council passed the following motion,

Resolution 30-706-2026

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and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA) that would exclude records of the premier, cabinet
ministers and their staff from public access requests;

AND Whereas these changes would apply retroactively and may limit access to records
related to matters of public interest;

AND Whereas the Information and Privacy Commissioner for Ontario has warned that these
changes would reduce transparency and accountability, Freedom of Information laws are an
essential to the public trust and democratic accountability;

Therefore Be It Resolved That Stone Mills Township oppose the proposed changes to
FIPPA;

1. Call on the Province to ensure records related to government business remain
accessible to the public;
2. Urge the Province to consult with the Information and Privacy Commissioner of
Ontario and the public before proceeding;
3. Direct that this motion be circulated to the Premier Doug Ford, appropriate minister,
all MPP's and Ontario municipalities.

Moved By Councillor Woodcock
Seconded By Councillor Milligan
Carried

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

B Teeple

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cc. All Ontario Municipalities
All MPP's

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June 4, 2026

Re: Support for the Municipality of Wawa – Opposing Proposed Changes to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

Please be advised that at the June 3, 2026, regular Council meeting, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Southgate approved the following:

No. 2026-226

Moved By Deputy Mayor Dobreen
Seconded By Councillor Shipston

Be it resolved that the Township of Southgate receive correspondence from the Municipality of Wawa and the Township of Stone Mills re: Proposed Changes to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA); and

That Southgate Council oppose the proposed changes to FIPPA; and

1. call on the Province to ensure records related to government business remain accessible to the public; and
2. urge the Province to consult with the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario and the public before proceeding; and

Further, that this resolution and supporting documentation be circulated to Premier Doug Ford, the appropriate Minister, all MPPs and Ontario municipalities.

If you have any questions, please contact our office at (519) 923-2110.

Sincerely,

Lindsey Green

Lindsey Green, Clerk
Township of Southgate

Encl: Municipality of Wawa – Opposing Proposed Changes to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

CC:

Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
All MPP's
All Ontario Municipalities



The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

Tuesday, May 19, 2026

Resolution # RC26106	Meeting Order: 6
Moved by: <i>John Opato</i>	Seconded by: <i>Cathy Cannon</i>

WHEREAS the Township of Stone Mills passed Resolution No. 30-706-2026 opposing proposed changes to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA) that would exclude records of the Premier, Cabinet Ministers, and their staff from public access requests;

AND WHEREAS the Township of Stone Mills has expressed concerns that the proposed amendments may reduce transparency and accountability in government;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa hereby supports Resolution No. 30-706-2026 passed by the Township of Stone Mills regarding the proposed changes to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA);

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Township of Stone Mills, Premier Doug Ford, the appropriate Provincial Ministers, local Members of Provincial Parliament, and Ontario municipalities.

RESOLUTION RESULT	RECORDED VOTE	YES	NO
<input type="checkbox"/> CARRIED	MAYOR AND COUNCIL		
<input type="checkbox"/> DEFEATED	Mitch Hatfield		
<input type="checkbox"/> TABLED	Cathy Cannon		
<input type="checkbox"/> RECORDED VOTE (SEE RIGHT)	Melanie Pilon		
<input type="checkbox"/> PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARED	Jim Hoffmann		
<input type="checkbox"/> WITHDRAWN	Joseph Opato		

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof.

Disclosed the pecuniary interest and general name thereof and abstained from the discussion, vote and influence.

Clerk: _____

DEPUTY MAYOR - MITCH HATFIELD	CLERK - MAURY O'NEILL
<i>Micheline Hatfield</i>	<i>Maury O'Neill</i>

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May 14, 2026

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Dear Hon. Doug Ford,

Re: Township of Stone Mills opposition to the changes to Ontario's Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

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Resolution 30-706-2026

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AND Whereas these changes would apply retroactively and may limit access to records related to matters of public interest;

AND Whereas the Information and Privacy Commissioner for Ontario has warned that these changes would reduce transparency and accountability, Freedom of Information laws are an essential to the public trust and democratic accountability;

Therefore Be It Resolved That Stone Mills Township oppose the proposed changes to FIPPA;

1. Call on the Province to ensure records related to government business remain accessible to the public;
2. Urge the Province to consult with the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario and the public before proceeding;
3. Direct that this motion be circulated to the Premier Doug Ford, appropriate minister, all MPP's and Ontario municipalities.

Moved By Councillor Woodcock
Seconded By Councillor Milligan
Carried

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

B Teeple

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cc. All Ontario Municipalities
All MPP's

May 18, 2026

Please be advised that during the regular Council meeting of May 12, 2026 the following resolution regarding reinstating the requirements for compliance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act was carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-208

DATE: **May 12, 2026**

MOVED BY: **Councillor MacNaughton**

SECONDED BY: **Councillor Branderhorst**

WHEREAS all residents of Ontario have the right to fair, open and democratic government; and,

WHEREAS all elected representatives, municipal and provincial alike, in Ontario have a duty to faithfully execute the powers and trust placed in them and willingly swear an oath to this effect and are subject to fair public scrutiny; and,

WHEREAS the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA) and the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA) are essential tools to protect Ontarians against privacy breaches, and abuses of power; and,

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario enacted Bill 97, the Plan to Protect Ontario Act (Budget Measures), 2026, which received Royal Assent on April 24, 2026, and introduced significant amendments to both FIPPA and MFIPPA to alter statutory timelines and privacy governance frameworks;

WHEREAS the amendments introduced via Bill 97 have created a jurisdictional imbalance by excluding records held by provincial Ministers, their offices, and staff from the application of FIPPA, while maintaining the statutory responsibilities and administrative burdens for municipal elected officials and staff under MFIPPA, thereby establishing higher standards for transparency and personal record accountability for municipal governments;

WHEREAS excluding members of the highest offices and their staff from reasonable public access requests and records retention creates security concerns, reinforces the appearance of self-dealing and is contrary to the public interest,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Prince Edward County Council call on the Province to reinstate requirements for compliance with FIPPA to ensure that the Premier, Ministers, and their staff are subject to proper and fair public scrutiny like all other elected representatives in Ontario; and



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THAT the Government of Ontario implement recommendations of the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario to increase and ensure proper security, record keeping and democratic accountability; and

THAT this resolution be circulated to Premier Doug Ford, Minister of Finance Bethlenfalvy, Bay of Quinte MPP Tyler Allsopp, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and the 444 municipalities of Ontario.

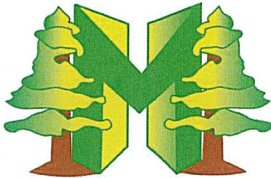
CARRIED

Yours truly,

Catalina Blumenberg, **CLERK**

cc: Mayor Steve Ferguson, Councillor MacNaughton, Councillor Branderhorst





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Jun 2, 2026

Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto ON
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Via Email: premier@ontario.ca

Dear Premier Doug Ford:

Re: Opposing proposed changes to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA)

Please be advised that during the regular Council meeting of Jun 1, 2026, Township of Machar Council passed the following motion,

86-26 McLaren, Ivens

Whereas the government of Ontario is proposing changes to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA) that would exclude records of the premier, cabinet ministers and their staff from public access requests;

AND Whereas these changes would apply retroactively and may limit access to records related to matters of public interest;

AND Whereas the Information and Privacy Commissioner for Ontario has warned that these changes would reduce transparency and accountability, Freedom of Information laws are an essential to the public trust and democratic accountability;

Therefore Be It Resolved That the Township of Machar oppose the proposed changes to FIPPA;

1. Call on the Province to ensure records related to government business remain accessible to the public;
2. Urge the Province to consult with the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario and the public before proceeding;
3. Direct that this motion be circulated to the Premier Doug Ford, appropriate minister, all MPP's and Ontario municipalities. CARRIED.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

Clerk Administrator

#73 Municipal Rd. N., P.O. Box 70, South River, On. P0A 1X0
Phone 705-386-7741, Fax. 705-386-0765

TOWNSHIP OF MACHAR

Resolution Number: 86-26

Moved by:	Ron McLaren <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Blair Flowers <input type="checkbox"/>	Pearl Ivens <input type="checkbox"/>	Neil Scarlett <input type="checkbox"/>
Seconded by:	Ron McLaren <input type="checkbox"/>	Blair Flowers <input type="checkbox"/>	Pearl Ivens <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Neil Scarlett <input type="checkbox"/>

Jun 1, 2026

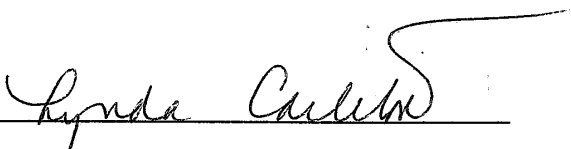
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3. Direct that this motion be circulated to the Premier Doug Ford, appropriate minister, all MPP's and Ontario municipalities.

Carried by: 



May 25, 2026

Attn: Brandi Teeple, Township Clerk

Re: Tyendinaga Township Volunteer Firefighters Association re: Opposition to current proposal for ALTO High Speed Rail Project

Dear Brandi,

The Yarker Firefighters Association has received information regarding the opposition letter from the Tyendinaga Township Volunteer Firefighters Association regarding the ALTO High Speed Rail Project (council resolution 23-708-2026).

The contents of the opposition letter have been reviewed and presented to the membership of the Yarker Firefighters Association. We appreciate the concern our brothers and sisters from Tyendinaga expressed and realize this is a concerning issue for everyone affected by the proposal.

After careful consideration, the Yarker Firefighters Association has chosen to not take a standpoint on this issue. We respect the points made by our colleagues from Tyendinaga, and their right to have a voice, however it is the opinion of our association that these matters are issues to be handled by the Fire Chief and Deputy Chief in an official capacity.

We support our members' right to have their own opinions to support or oppose the ALTO project, however at this time our association will not be officially supporting or opposing the project.

Sincerely,

Andrew Field
President
Yarker Firefighters Association
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357-2026-1281

May 1, 2026

TO: Conservation Authorities Chairs, GMs/CAOs, and municipalities

SUBJECT: Minister's direction under section 1.14 of the *Conservation Authorities Act*
(re: temporary restrictions)

I am writing with regards to the transition of Ontario's conservation authority system to a consolidated regional model. The *Plan to Protect Ontario Act* (Budget Measures), 2026 received Royal Assent on April 24, 2026 and pursuant to my authority under section 1.14 of the *Conservation Authorities Act* (CAA), I am issuing a direction to conservation authorities – please see attached to this letter as Attachment A (the "Direction").

The intention of this Direction, which is effective from May 1, 2026 to the transition date under the CAA (i.e., February 1, 2027 or such later date as may be prescribed by the regulations), is to apply temporary restrictions on significant financial, asset or employment decisions to mitigate risk and ensure a stable transition to the new regional structure.

This Direction applies to certain conservation authority decisions related to: governance, organizational or staffing changes; the acquisition and disposition of lands; significant capital transactions; and the provision or acquisition of goods or services. For the decisions specified in this Direction, conservation authorities will be required to seek authorization from the chief executive officer of the Ontario Provincial Conservation Agency (or the Chief Conservation Executive of the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks if the chief executive officer has not yet been appointed), before the authority can make the decision. This Direction applies to all current conservation authorities, as listed in Appendix A to the attachment. Further guidance on the process to obtain authorization is set out in Appendix B to the attachment. The CAA provides that if an authority makes a decision in contravention of a direction issued under clause 1.14 (1) (a), the authority's decision has no effect and any agreement that the authority enters into that is in contravention of the direction is void.

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These measures are not intended to interfere with the regular day-to-day business and operations of conservation authorities. If you are contemplating whether or not this Direction applies to a conservation authority decision under consideration, if you have any questions regarding this Direction, or if you are looking to request authorization for a conservation authority decision that may be covered under this Direction, please contact the Chief Conservation Executive at CCEO@ontario.ca and copy the Conservation Authorities Section at the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks at ca.office@ontario.ca.

Continuity for communities is a core principle of this transition. These time-limited measures are intended to ensure there aren't any service disruptions during transition and to ensure that the transition to consolidation is smooth and successful with minimal disruptions to conservation authorities' governance, programs and services. Thank you for your continued leadership and collaboration as we work to improve the conservation authority system in Ontario.

Sincerely,



Todd McCarthy
Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

Enclosures

c: The Honorable Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Attachment A

Minister's Direction Issued Pursuant to Section 1.14 of the *Conservation Authorities Act* (this "Direction")

Section 1.14 of the Conservation Authorities Act provides the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks with the authority to issue a direction to a conservation authority in relation to various matters for the purpose of facilitating the transition to a regional watershed-based framework for conservation authorities. The types of directions that can be issued by the Minister are set out in clauses 1.14 (1) (a) to (d):

- (a) prohibiting the authority from making a decision in relation to its exercise of any of its powers under this Act or any other Act in the circumstances specified in the direction and subject to any specified conditions;
- (b) requiring the authority to give notice, in accordance with the direction, of a decision that it has made;
- (c) requiring the authority to send notices under subsection 25 (2), 27 (3) or 27.2 (3) by the date specified in the direction;
- (d) governing budgetary and apportionment matters relating to the authority that are otherwise addressed in a regulation made under clause 40 (1) (c), (e) or (f) or clause 40 (3) (k).

Section 1.14 further provides that an authority that receives such a direction shall comply with the direction within the time specified in the direction.

If an authority makes decision in contravention of a direction issued under clause 1.14 (1) (a), the authority's decision has no effect and any agreement that the authority enters into that is in contravention of the direction is void.

Pursuant to the authority of the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks under clauses 1.14 (1) (a) and (b), the conservation authorities set out under Appendix "A" to this Direction (the "**authorities**" or each, an "**authority**") are hereby directed as follows:

Decisions prohibited unless authorization obtained (direction issued under clause 1.14 (1) (a))

1. Commencing on the Effective Date and until the transition date, an authority is prohibited from making a decision to do any of the following unless the authority obtains written authorization from the chief executive officer of the Ontario Provincial Conservation Agency ("OPCA CEO") in accordance with the conditions set out in paragraph 4:

- i. Amending an authority's by-laws made under section 19.1 of the CAA, unless the amendment is administrative in nature and does not affect the substance or legal effect of the by-law (e.g. updating references, dates, and terminology; name or title changes; and making obvious corrections where the intended meaning is clear).
- ii. Any of the following related to employment:
 - a. Terminating the employment of a permanent or temporary employee who serves in a senior leadership position, including the authority's chief administrative officer or general manager, its secretary treasurer, and any departmental directors if applicable.
 - b. Filling a vacancy for (i.e. temporarily or permanently) or making any changes to the terms and conditions of employment for any senior leadership position as referred to in sub-subparagraph a.
 - c. Terminating the employment of any employee who serves in a leadership position related to or who are essential to the provision of the following mandatory programs and services described in the following provisions of O. Reg. 686/21 made under the CAA: flood forecasting and warning (section 2), ice management (section 4), infrastructure (section 5), plan reviews (sections 6 and 7) and the administration and enforcement of Parts VI and VII of the CAA (section 8).
 - d. Increasing the total number of employees of the authority unless the increase was already included in the authority's approved final budget for the 2026 calendar year.
- iii. Changing the organizational structure of the employees of the authority, including creating, merging, or eliminating departments.
- iv. Acquiring, by purchase, lease or otherwise, any land or to sell, lease or otherwise dispose of any land owned by the authority.
- v. Acquiring services from a person or body where:
 - a. the duration of the provision of the service exceeds 2 years in length,
 - or
 - b. the total cost of the service exceeds the lesser of \$500,000 and 5% of the authority's operating expenses, as reported in the authority's most recent audited financial statement.

This does not include a decision to renew or extend an agreement for a service that a person or body was providing to the authority prior to the Effective Date.

- vi. Providing a service to a person or body where:
 - a. the duration of the provision of the service exceeds 2 years in length,
or
 - b. the total amount to be charged for the service exceeds the lesser of \$500,000 and 5% of the authority's revenues, as reported in the authority's most recent audited financial statement.

This does not include a decision to, renew or extend an agreement for a service that the authority was providing to the person or body prior to the Effective Date.

- vii. Incurring a capital cost in connection with a project or purchasing, leasing or otherwise acquiring personal property, including materials, equipment and vehicles, where:
 - a. in the case of a lease, the duration of the term of the lease exceeds 2 years in length,
or
 - b. the total amount of the capital cost or purchase, lease or other acquisition would exceed the lesser of \$500,000 and 5% of the authority's tangible capital assets, as reported in the authority's most recent audited financial statement.

This direction does not apply if the capital cost or acquisition is contemplated for a particular program or service identified in the authority's approved final budget for the 2026 calendar year and the total capital cost or acquisition amount is within the budgeted amount for the program or service.

- viii. Selling, leasing, or otherwise disposing of or dealing with personal property, including materials, equipment and vehicles, where:
 - a. in the case of the lease, the duration of the term of the lease exceeds 2 years in length,
or
 - b. the total amount of the lease or other disposition or dealing would exceed the lesser of \$500,000 and 5% of the authority's tangible capital assets, as reported in the authority's most recent audited financial statement.
2. Despite paragraph 1, sub-paragraphs 1. v to viii do not apply to a decision of an authority that is made for the purpose of alleviating an immediate danger to human life, the health of any persons, or to property.

3. For greater certainty, paragraph 1 does not apply to a decision of an authority to execute an agreement that has the effect of implementing a decision made by the authority before the Effective Date.
4. The following conditions must be satisfied before an authority is authorized to make a decision that is subject to paragraph 1:
 - i. The authority must request authorization from the OPCA CEO to make the decision, in accordance with paragraph 5 of this Direction.
 - ii. The authority must receive written authorization from the OPCA CEO to make the decision. If authorization for the request is granted only in part, the authority must ensure that its decision does not exceed the scope of the authorization.
5. For the purposes of paragraph 4, the authority must request authorization to make a decision that is subject to paragraph 1 by submitting the following information to the OPCA CEO:
 - i. A description of the decision that the authority is seeking authorization to make, including details of the proposed decision and why the proposed decision is a decision that is subject to paragraph 1.
 - ii. A resolution of the authority supporting the proposed decision.
 - iii. An explanation for why authorization should be granted, including any risks associated with deferring the proposed decision until after the transition date.
 - iv. Any information about relevant dates for the proposed decision, including any considerations around urgency or the time-sensitive nature of the proposed decision.
6. The authority must provide any additional information about the request to the OPCA CEO at the OPCA CEO's request.

**Notice of a decision that an authority has made to address an emergency
(direction issued under clause 1.14 (1) (b))**

7. Commencing on the Effective Date and until the transition date, where the authority makes a decision that is not subject to paragraph 1 by reason that the decision is made for the purpose of alleviating an immediate danger to human life, health, or property, the authority must give notice to OPCA CEO within 3 business days after making the decision.
8. The notice mentioned in paragraph 7 must describe the decision that was made and explain how the decision that was made for the purpose of alleviating an immediate danger to human life, the health of any persons, or to property.

General

9. In this Direction, a reference to the OPCA CEO means the Chief Conservation Executive of the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, if a chief executive officer of OPCA has not yet been appointed.
10. In this Direction, a reference to an authority's approved final budget for the 2026 calendar year means the authority's final budget for the 2026 calendar year that was approved prior to the Effective Date. For greater certainty, if an authority has not yet approved its final budget for the 2026 calendar year prior to the Effective Date, the authority does not have an approved final budget for the 2026 calendar year for the purposes of this Direction.
11. The authority must ensure that any employee of the authority who is responsible for or involved in making a decision that is subject to this Direction is made aware of this Direction, and the authority must require these employees to take all steps necessary to ensure the authority complies with this Direction.
12. This Direction applies to the conservation authorities listed in Appendix "A" to this Direction.
13. For greater certainty, this Direction also applies to the conservation authorities listed in Appendix "A" to this Direction when such conservation authorities are meeting as a source protection authority under the *Clean Water Act, 2006*.
14. This Direction is effective from May 1, 2026 (the "**Effective Date**") to the transition date, within the meaning of the *Conservation Authorities Act* (i.e., February 1, 2027 or such later date as may be prescribed by the regulations).
15. This Direction may be amended in writing from time to time at the sole discretion of the Minister.



Todd McCarthy
Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks
May 1, 2026

Appendix A

LIST OF CONSERVATION AUTHORITIES TO WHICH THE DIRECTION APPLIES

Ausable Bayfield CA	Lower Trent Region CA
Cataraqui Region CA	Maitland Valley CA
Catfish Creek CA	Mattagami Region CA
Central Lake Ontario CA	Mississippi Valley CA
Credit Valley CA	Niagara Peninsula CA
Crowe Valley CA	Nickel District CA
Essex Region CA	North Bay-Mattawa CA
Ganaraska Region CA	Nottawasaga Valley CA
Grand River CA	Otonabee Region CA
Grey Sauble CA	Quinte Region CA
Halton Region CA	Raisin Region CA
Hamilton Region CA	Rideau Valley CA
Kawartha Region CA	Saugeen Valley CA
Kettle Creek CA	Sault Ste. Marie Region CA
Lake Simcoe Region CA	South Nation River CA
Lakehead Region CA	St. Clair Region CA
Long Point Region CA	Toronto and Region CA
Lower Thames Valley CA	Upper Thames River CA

Appendix B

GUIDANCE DOCUMENT FOR THE MINISTER'S DIRECTION ISSUED UNDER SECTION 1.14 OF THE CAA

The following sets out additional information and guidance for authorities in relation to the Minister's Direction issued May 1, 2026 under s. 1.14 of the CAA.

The ministry strongly encourages conservation authorities to contact the Ontario Provincial Conservation Agency (OPCA) at CCEO@ontario.ca if an authority is uncertain about the scope, application or requirements of this direction. OPCA can help clarify whether a proposed decision is subject to this Direction and how the authority can ensure it complies with this Direction.

As paragraph 11 of the Direction provides, if any decisions covered by the Direction are made by employees of the authority, the authority has the obligation to ensure that their employees are aware of this Direction and that the authority seeks prior authorization in accordance with the Direction before the decision is made.

The CAA provides that, if an authority makes a decision in contravention of a direction issued under clause 1.14 (1) (a), the authority's decision has no effect and any agreement that the authority enters into that is in contravention of the direction is void.

Request and OPCA CEO Decision Process

Making a Request

After a conservation authority determines that a proposed decision requires authorization from the OPCA CEO, the authority may make a request for authorization via email to CCEO@ontario.ca containing the following required information:

- A description of the decision that the authority is seeking authorization to make, including details of the proposed decision and why the proposed decision is a decision that is subject to paragraph 1 of the Direction.
- A resolution of the authority supporting the proposed decision.
- An explanation for why authorization should be granted, including any risks associated with deferring the proposed decision until after the transition date.
- Any information about relevant dates for the proposed decision, including any considerations around urgency or the time-sensitive nature of the proposed decision.

Any notices of decisions required to be given to OPCA CEO under paragraph 7 of the Direction should also be sent via email to CCEO@ontario.ca.

Confirmation of Receipt

Once the OPCA (or Office of the Chief Conservation Executive (OCCE) if the OPCA CEO has not yet been appointed), receives a request from the authority that includes the required information, the authority will be notified by OPCA that the request has been received and the timeline for a decision. The OPCA will also inform the Ministry's Conservation Authorities Section (CAS) (via ca.office@ontario.ca) that a request for written authorization has been received. In addition, if the authority provides notice under paragraph 7 of the Direction of a decision made for the purpose of alleviating an immediate danger to human life, health, or property, the OPCA will inform the CAS.

If, upon review by the OPCA CEO, it is determined that a decision is not subject to the requirement for prior written authorization, the authority will be notified as soon as possible that the decision is not subject to this Direction.

Consideration of Request

The OPCA CEO will endeavour to make a decision on the request in a timely manner and not more than 30 calendar days from the day of receiving the request that is accompanied with the required information. Where the complexity of the request or the need for additional information necessitates, written notice will be provided to the authority by the OPCA of any additional time needed to issue a decision.

The OPCA CEO may consult on an authority's request with the relevant transition committee and project executive that has been appointed by OPCA for that authority. . The OPCA CEO may also require the authority to provide additional information if needed to support their consideration of the request.

Decision

The OPCA CEO may make the following types of decisions on a request for written authorization:

- Grant authorization to the authority to proceed with making the decision that was the subject of the request, in whole or in part (i.e., authorize the authority to proceed in a more limited manner than what was requested).
- Deny authorization, including in circumstances where, in the opinion of the OPCA CEO, the decision would not be in the best interest of the future regional conservation authority, or it would be more appropriate to defer the decision to the future regional conservation authority.

The decision of the OPCA CEO on the request will be given in writing to the authority and will include a rationale for the decision if the decision is to deny authorization or only grant authorization in part. The Ministry's CAS will also be notified of the OPCA CEO's decision.

Where an authority's proposed decision is authorized by the OPCA CEO, or where the proposed decision has been authorized but only in part, this in no way compels the authority to proceed with the decision. In all cases, the authority retains the sole power to determine whether to proceed with any decision that has been authorized by the OPCA CEO.

Reconsideration

There is no process for reconsideration of an OPCA CEO decision on a request for authorization under the Direction.

An authority whose request for authorization is denied or granted only in part may request authorization again in accordance with the Direction at a later date if the circumstances have changed and the authority believes that these changes in circumstances would support the granting of authorization.



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Friday, May 29, 2026

SENT VIA E-MAIL

RE: Municipal Heritage Register Extension

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Grimsby at its meeting held on Monday May 25, 2026, approved the following motion:

Whereas amendments to the Ontario Heritage Act under the More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022 introduced timelines requiring municipalities to issue Notices of Intention to Designate for properties listed on municipal heritage registers as of December 31, 2022, originally requiring action by January 1, 2025; and

Whereas the Province subsequently amended the legislation through the Homeowner Protection Act, 2024 to extend the deadline to January 1, 2027, in response to concerns raised by municipalities and heritage stakeholders; and

Whereas many municipalities have been actively engaging in research, documentation, and consultation to ensure that listed cultural heritage resources are adequately evaluated to determine whether listed properties warrant designation under the Ontario Heritage Act; and

Whereas the removal of listed properties from municipal heritage registers if the prescribed timelines are not met may place cultural heritage resources at increased risk of irreversible alteration or demolition before municipalities have the opportunity to properly evaluate their cultural heritage value or interest; and

Whereas municipalities across Ontario are facing significant workloads associated with evaluating listed properties; and



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Whereas since 2023, the Town of Grimsby has consulted over 200 property owners regarding designation, started the designation process on 63 properties, and completed designation on 49 properties, 47 of which did not go to the Ontario Land Tribunal; and

Whereas the Town of Grimsby values its heritage resources and has also been working with property owners and developers on plans to restore, adapt, and meaningfully incorporate heritage buildings into their upcoming new, large scale rental housing developments. This collaborative work is evidence that protected heritage properties are not obstacles that inherently restrict development, but valuable assets that have the potential to contribute to the betterment of both the site and future of the community; and

Whereas since 2023, the Town of Grimsby has implemented the new heritage property grant program and tax relief incentive program to support the long-term preservation of the Town's invaluable heritage resources. Thus far, 13 heritage property grants and 26 tax relief rebates have been awarded; and

Whereas the Grimsby Heritage Advisory Committee, at its meeting of May 12, 2026, recommended that Council advocate to the Province of Ontario for a further extension to the current deadline;

Therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Grimsby endorse the recommendation of its Heritage Advisory Committee and respectfully request that the Province of Ontario further amend the Ontario Heritage Act to maintain the municipal heritage registers indefinitely, or if more appropriate extend the deadline to January 1, 2030, for issuing Notices of Intention to Designate for properties listed on municipal heritage registers as of December 31, 2022.

*Be it further resolved that the extension of the deadline to January 1, 2030, or another reasonable timeframe, will provide municipalities with adequate time to complete heritage evaluations and make informed designation decisions;
and*



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Be it further resolved that this resolution be circulated to the Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the local Member of Provincial Parliament, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Ontario Municipal Heritage Committee Association, and all Ontario municipalities for their information and consideration.

If you require any other additional information, please let me know.

Regards,

Victoria Steele
Town Clerk

CC:

Hon. Graham McGregor, Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism

Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Hon. Sam Oosterhoff, Associate Minister of Energy-Intensive Industries

Association of Municipalities of Ontario

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All Ontario Municipalities



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June 10, 2026

Via email: doug.fordco@pc.ola.org

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Dear Hon. Doug Ford

Re: Sustainable Provincial Grant Funding for Fire Services in Ontario

Please be advised that South Huron Council passed the following resolution at their June 1, 2026, Regular Council Meeting:

258-2026

Moved By: Aaron Neeb

Seconded by: Wendy McLeod-Haggitt

That South Huron Council supports the May 13, 2026, correspondence of the Town of Plympton-Wyoming regarding Sustainable Provincial Grant Funding for Fire Services in Ontario; and

That this supporting resolution and the originating correspondence be circulated to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of the Solicitor General, the Minister of Infrastructure, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs, the Ontario Professional Fire Fighters Association, the Ontario Volunteer Fire Fighters Association, AMO, ROMA and all municipalities in Ontario.

Result: Carried

Please find attached the originating correspondence for your reference.

Respectfully,

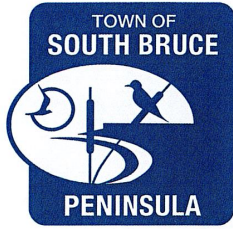
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Municipality of South Huron
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Encl.

cc:

Minister of the Solicitor General, Hon. Michael Kerzner, michael.kerzner@pc.ola.org; Minister of Infrastructure, Hon. Kinga Surma, kinga.surma@pc.ola.org; Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Hon. Rob Flack, rob.flack@pc.ola.org; Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs, info@oafc.on.ca; Ontario Professional Fire Fighters Association, admin@ontariofirefighters.org; Ontario Volunteer Fire Fighters Association, communication@ffao.on.ca; AMO resolutions@amo.on.ca; ROMA, roma@roma.on.ca; and all municipalities in Ontario.



Excerpt from Council Meeting Minutes – June 2, 2026

19. Notice of Motion – Deputy Mayor Hull – Affirming Outdoor Education as an Essential Part of Public Education in Ontario

Deputy Mayor Hull explained the importance of outdoor education and how this motion is in response to the closure of the Toronto District School Board outdoor education centre. He explained that he is asking for the Parks, Recreation and Culture Department to be mindful of outdoor nature-related opportunities for citizens; he is not asking for a formal report.

Discussion included staff evaluation and making a change to the motion to recognize the work staff currently undertake regarding outdoor opportunities.

R-151-2026

It was **Moved** by C. Hull, **Seconded** by J. Kirkland and **Carried**

Whereas outdoor and experiential education provides students with critical opportunities to improve mental health, physical well-being, environmental literacy, teamwork, leadership, resilience, and academic engagement;

And whereas access to nature and outdoor learning opportunities should not depend on a family's income, geography, or ability to afford private camps, cottages, or outdoor recreation;

And whereas many students, especially those living in urban communities, rely on publicly funded school programs as their primary opportunity to experience forests, trails, waterways, dark skies, overnight camping, and land-based learning;

And whereas closures of Outdoor Education Centres risk creating long-term negative consequences for student wellness, environmental stewardship, and equitable access to experiential learning opportunities;

And whereas knowledgeable and experienced outdoor education staff are essential to delivering safe, inclusive, and curriculum-based learning experiences;

And whereas municipalities that benefit from tourism connected to parks, trails, and natural spaces depend on environmentally responsible stewardship by visitors.

Therefore be it resolved that the Town of South Bruce Peninsula requests the Province of Ontario to:

1. Recognize outdoor education as an essential educational service and commit to equitable access for all Ontario students, and
2. Halt the closure of outdoor education centres and restore stable funding for programming across Ontario;

And that the Town's Parks, Recreation and Culture Department continues to evaluate how it can increase nature-related educational opportunities for citizens of all ages and abilities;

And further that this motion be forwarded to the Bluewater District School Board Trustees, MPP Paul Vickers, the Ontario Minister of Education MPP Paul Calandra, AMO, ROMA, The Council of Outdoor Educators of Ontario, and all other municipalities across Ontario.



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Moved by: Shelley Maika

05-RC-20 May 2026

Seconded by: Linda Neuman

20 May 2026

BE IT RESOLVED

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Madawaska Valley does hereby endorse the advancement of the Ottawa Valley Trade Corridor Improvement Project and direct staff to work with federal, provincial, and regional partners to pursue funding through the Government of Canada's Trade Diversification Corridors Fund (TDCF) for improvements to the Highway 17 corridor between Meath Hill and Deep River, as amended;

AND THAT staff be directed to prepare and submit the necessary expressions of interest, project documentation, and funding applications required to position the project for federal investment;

AND THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Madawaska Valley affirms its support for strategic investments in the Highway 17 corridor as a critical component of Canada's national transportation and trade network;

AND THAT this recommendation be circulated to all Ontario Municipalities, MPP Billy Denault, MP Cheryl Gallant, the Association of municipalities of Ontario (AMO), Minister of Transportation Prabmeet Sakaria, and other relevant stakeholders for advocacy and action

X CARRIED

Suzanne Klatt

Suzanne Klatt, CAO/Clerk

***Replies to this correspondence can be forwarded
electronically to dclerk@madawaskavalley.ca***



May 28, 2026

Hon. Graham McGregor
Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism
14th Floor, 56 Wellesley St W
Toronto, ON M7A 2E7

Sent via email to: graham.mcgregor@ontario.ca

Subject: Town of Orangeville resolution re: Request to the Province to Extend the Deadline for Notices of Intention to Designate Listed Heritage Properties

Dear Minister McGregor,

The Council of the Corporation of the Town of Orangeville requests your consideration and support for the following resolution that was passed at the May 25, 2026 meeting of the Council of the Town of Orangeville.

Resolution Number: 2026-193

Moved by Councillor Sherwood

Seconded by Councillor Macintosh

Whereas amendments to the Ontario Heritage Act under the *More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022* introduced timelines requiring municipalities to issue Notices of Intention to Designate for properties listed on municipal heritage registers as of December 31, 2022, originally requiring action by January 1, 2025; and

Whereas the Province subsequently amended the legislation through the *Home-owner Protection Act, 2024* to extend the deadline to January 1, 2027 in response to concerns raised by municipalities and heritage stakeholders; and

Whereas municipalities require sufficient time and resources to undertake research, documentation, consultation, and evaluation to determine whether listed properties warrant designation under the Ontario Heritage Act; and

Whereas the removal of listed properties from municipal heritage registers if the prescribed timelines are not met may place cultural heritage resources at increased risk of demolition or irreversible alteration before municipalities have the opportunity to properly evaluate their cultural heritage value or interest; and

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Whereas the Heritage Orangeville Committee comprises of a handful of dedicated volunteers who are not able to review the current non-designated register containing 454 properties on or before the deadline of January 1, 2027; and

Whereas many municipalities, including the Town of Orangeville, do not have dedicated heritage planning staff and must rely on volunteer Heritage committee members or external heritage consultants to undertake the evaluations, which can result in additional financial and administrative pressures; and

Whereas Heritage Orangeville Committee, heritage consultants or staff members would need to review the municipal heritage register, research the heritage value and interest of listed non-designated properties, contact owners of such properties, determine which properties should potentially be designated in accordance with the provisions of Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, and take all required steps to designate such properties; and

Whereas the above noted work involving 454 listed properties in the Town of Orangeville is extremely time-consuming and cannot be completed by January 1, 2027 with the current resources available given other competing interests including reviewing and supporting new housing development proposals; and

Whereas municipalities across Ontario are facing significant workloads associated with evaluating listed properties; and

Whereas the Heritage Orangeville Committee, at its meeting of March 19, 2026, discussed and supported advocating to the Province of Ontario for a further extension to the current deadline;

Now therefore be it resolved that The Council of the Town of Orangeville respectfully request that the Province of Ontario further amend the Ontario Heritage Act to extend the January 1, 2027 deadline to January 1, 2030, or another reasonable timeframe for issuing Notices of Intention to Designate for properties listed on the municipal heritage non-designated register; and

That the Town Clerk be directed to send a copy of this motion to the Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the local Member of Provincial Parliament, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Municipal Councils across the province, and the Ontario Municipal Heritage Committee Association.

Carried

If you have any questions, please contact clerk@orangeville.ca.

Sincerely,
Ishita Soneji
Council Co-ordinator/Assistant Clerk
Corporate Services
Town of Orangeville

cc: Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, via email
Hon. Syliva Jones, Members of Provincial Parliament, via email
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), via email
Community Heritage Ontario, via email
All Ontario Municipalities, via email



Honourable Doug Ford,
Premier of Ontario
Via Email:
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Honourable Sylvia Jones
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May 25, 2026

Honourable Marjorie
Michel, Minister of Health
Via Email:
hcminister.ministresc@hc-
sc.gc.ca

The Ontario Medical
Association
Via Email: info@oma.org

RE: Township of Puslinch Support Resolution No.2026-128, Regarding Consent item 6.8
Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus Finlay's Law on Emergency Room Reform

Please be advised that Township of Puslinch Council, at its meeting held on May 6, 2025
considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

Resolution No. 2026-128:

Moved by Councillor Bailey and
Seconded by Councillor Sepulis

That the Consent Agenda item 6.8 be received; and

**Whereas Council supports the WOWC resolution that Council direct staff to send a
support resolution accordingly.**

CARRIED



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

Sincerely,

Justine Brotherston
Municipal Clerk

CC:
The Ontario Hospital Association (OHA)
The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
Ontario Big City Mayors
Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus



Monday, April 20, 2026

Premier of Ontario
Hon. Doug Ford
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto ON M7A 1A1
Sent via email: premier@ontario.ca

Re: Support of Finlay's Law on Emergency Room Reform

At its regular meeting on April 10, 2026, the Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus adopted the following motion in support of Finlay's Law on Emergency Room Reform:

#11 Moved by D. Bailey seconded by B. Clark:

WHEREAS growing pressures across the Ontario healthcare system are increasing patient volumes in emergency rooms (ER), requiring more complex care, and contributing to longer patient wait times in ERs for residents in Ontario's largest municipalities; and

WHEREAS Health Quality Ontario data from October 2025 reports that patients needing admission to the hospital waited an average of 19-20 hours, with high-urgency patients waiting close to 5 hours on average to be seen by a physician; and

WHEREAS in December 2023, the Auditor General of Ontario reported that significant hospital staffing shortages were reducing access to timely emergency care; and

WHEREAS the Financial Accountability Office of Ontario reported in March 2023 that ER wait times were increasing significantly with the longest wait times recorded in over 15 years and that provincial funding was \$21.3 billion short to maintain current health programs through 2028; and

WHEREAS according to the Ontario Hospital Association (OHA), Ontario has had the lowest per capita hospital expenditure in Canada since 2018; and

WHEREAS according to the OHA, approximately 4,200 alternate level care (ALC) patients remain in acute beds (40% awaiting long term care), worsening ER delays; and

WHEREAS Canadian ER researchers have highlighted that between 8,000 and 15,000 Canadians die prematurely as a result of ER overcrowding; and

WHEREAS reports of patients dying in crowded ERs across Canada are increasing, such as 16-year-old Finlay van der Werken who waited over 8 hours in an Oakville ER without being seen by a physician and tragically passed away on February 9, 2024 from pneumonia that developed into sepsis; and

WHEREAS ER delays are contributing to excessive ambulance offload times, adding undue strain on response capacity of municipal paramedic services across Ontario; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has taken important steps to improve health care in Ontario, however additional funding and staffing resources for hospitals to reduce ER wait times and increase capacity to provide timely access to care for all patients in ER's remains critical; and

WHEREAS despite growing concerns regarding staffing shortages in and closures of ERs across Ontario, as well as failure to meet federal standards such as the Canadian Triage and Acuity Scale, the Provincial Government continues to receive full contributions of Canada Health Transfers from the federal government.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Western Ontario Wardens Caucus calls on the Provincial Ministry of Health to take immediate action to reduce ER wait times with consideration for the importance of enhanced ER triage protocols and increased funding to strengthen emergency readiness;

AND THAT the Western Ontario Wardens Caucus calls on the Provincial Ministry of Health to introduce Finlay's Law to ensure that no child in Ontario is left without timely emergency medical care in hospitals by:

- Setting legal maximum ER wait times for children under 18 (e.g., physician assessment within 2 hours, admission within 8 hours).
- Mandating safe pediatric nurse-to-patient and physician-to-patient ratios in emergency settings.
- Establish independent oversight to audit hospitals, investigate pediatric ER deaths, and enforce compliance.
- Mandate public, independent, and timely (within 1 year) inquiry by the Chief Coroner of Ontario of every pediatric death in an ER waiting area.
- Fund better pediatric emergency readiness, including staffing, training and infrastructure

AND THAT the Western Ontario Wardens Caucus calls on the Federal Ministry of Health to enforce the principles and requirements of the Canada Health Act through its spending power of Canada Health Transfers to Ontario by:

- monitoring compliance to national health standards, such as Canadian Triage and Acuity Scale (CTAS) in ERs;
- and establishing and ensuring compliance with a new sepsis care

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, the Ontario Minister of Health, the Federal Minister of Health, the Ontario Medical Association (OMA), the Ontario Hospital Association (OHA), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO).

Carried.

Please contact the office if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely,



Marcus Ryan
Chair, Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus

cc.
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Hon. Sylvia Jones, Ontario Minister of Health
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SENT VIA EMAIL

May 21, 2026

Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building
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Dear Premier Ford:

This is to advise that City Council, at a meeting held on April 13, 2026, passed the following resolution regarding the Heritage Helping Housing Building Grant:

"That the City of Kitchener call on the Province of Ontario to implement a new housing-focused Heritage Helping Housing Building Grant of \$10 million per year to encourage the creation of additional housing units within heritage buildings; and further,

That staff be directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, The Honourable Rob Flack, the Minister of Finance, the Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, the Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism, the Honourable Graham McGregor and John Ecker, Chair, Ontario Heritage Trust, AMO, all Ontario MPPs and to all municipalities across the province."

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "A. Fusco".

A. Fusco
Director of Legislated Services & City Clerk

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Cc: Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance
Hon. Graham McGregor, Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism
John Ecker, Chair, Ontario Heritage Trust, AMO
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MEMORANDUM TO: Heads of Council - Ontario Municipalities

DATE: May 22, 2026

FROM: Tom McKinlay,
Assistant Deputy Attorney General

RE: **Follow-up to Updates to “Tailgate Event” Permits** under
the *Liquor Licence and Control Act, 2019*

Further to my earlier letter dated January 13, 2026, I am writing to provide clarification regarding bring-your-own event permits.

What is the change?

Recent amendments to Ontario Regulation 747/21 (Permits) under the *Liquor Licence and Control Act, 2019* (LLCA) introduce a new bring-your-own event permit. This change expands what was previously called the tailgating permit.

This permit allows individuals aged 19 and older to bring and consume their own liquor within a designated area of a cultural or community event that has been approved by a municipality **or** held in connection with, and in proximity to, a professional, semi-professional or post-secondary sporting event.

What action should municipalities take?

Municipalities have the option to designate community or cultural events as eligible for the new bring-your-own event permit. **Importantly, municipalities are not required to designate any events as eligible.**

Event organizers who are interested in the bring-your-own permit will need to approach the municipality where they would like to hold the event and seek designation as a community or cultural event. The government recognizes that municipalities are best positioned to understand local needs and contexts, and therefore to determine whether and how to designate eligible events.

Municipalities may establish their own local processes to determine which events qualify and the form of the municipal designation.

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There would be two routes a municipality could take:

- Review each request on a case-by-case basis before their council or;
- Delegate the authority to designate events to a municipal official, such as the clerk

Municipalities that do not wish to allow bring-your-own events may choose to express their position by way of a resolution.

These amendments do not affect existing municipal approval requirements for events held on municipal property (e.g., parks).

What about events tied to sporting events?

Unlike the cultural or community permitting process, bring-your-own events that are held in proximity to a professional, semi-professional or post-secondary sporting event are unchanged and do not require a designation by the responsible municipality.

What action do organizers take once a municipality designates their event as community or cultural?

It is up to event organizers to confirm with the responsible municipality that their event qualifies as a designated cultural or community event.

Once confirmed, organizers may apply for a bring-your-own event permit through the [iAGCO portal](#). **The AGCO will issue a permit only where the applicant provides proof of municipal designation.**

Why did the Government make this change?

This change is intended to provide greater flexibility for some event organizers, potentially reducing costs and increasing attendance. For example, a movie screening in a municipal park may invite more of a “picnic atmosphere” and thus, organizers may prefer the bring-your-own permit.

The province recognizes that this permit may not be relevant to all. Events that rely on alcohol sales and do not use a bring-your-own model may continue to operate as usual.

What considerations were made for safety?

All permitted events will continue to be subject to the existing health and safety requirements under the LLCA. Permit-holders are responsible for ensuring these standards and requirements.

What if I still have questions?

If you have any questions about these regulatory changes, please contact Armina Samadi, Director, Agency and Tribunal Relations Branch at Armina.Samadi@ontario.ca.

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If you have any questions about AGCO permits and the application process, please contact Ruxandra Ilicea, Senior Eligibility Officer at Ruxandra.Ilicea@agco.ca.

Yours truly,



Tom McKinlay
Assistant Deputy Attorney General

c: Armina Samadi
Director, Agency and Tribunal Relations Branch, Ministry of the Attorney General

Leslie Fenton
Director, Corporate Affairs, Governance and Agency Oversight, AGCO

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**Ministre de la Protection civile et
de l'Intervention en cas d'urgence**

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May 07, 2026

Township of Stone Mills

Dear James Richmond - CEMC:

The Ministry of Emergency Preparedness and Response (MEPR) is pleased to advise that we have completed our review of the documentation submitted to the Ministry towards meeting the requirements in the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* (EMCPA) O. Reg. 380/04 and our assessment indicates that your municipality has satisfied all thirteen (13) program elements for 2025. Congratulations and thank you for your continued dedication to a safe, practiced and prepared Ontario.

On December 3, 2025, the Government of Ontario passed Bill 25, the *Emergency Management Modernization Act, 2025* which amended the EMCPA to enable a more effective, coordinated and comprehensive approach to provincial and community emergency management.

Some amendments are now in effect, with no new requirements for partners. **All existing EMCPA municipal requirements remain the same for 2026.**

EMCPA amendments specific to municipalities are expected to come into force at a later date pending direction and future regulations, including

- Enabling flexibility regarding requirements for municipal emergency management programs and plans based on needs and capacity.
- Allowing two or more municipalities to voluntarily develop and implement joint emergency management programs and plans.
- Clarifying the process for and ensuring accountability of municipal emergency declarations under the EMCPA.

The [e-Laws link](#) to the EMCPA has now been updated and includes text with a grey background for the provisions not yet in force.

The ministry remains committed to working closely with municipal emergency management partners throughout the implementation of these amendments, including the development of supporting regulations pending direction.

If you have any questions on the amendments, please contact the Strategic Policy and Governance Branch in the Ministry of Emergency Preparedness and Response at EMOPolicy@ontario.ca.

For further information on our assessment or if you have any questions or concerns about this letter, please contact your Field Officer.

Name: James Brown

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Phone: 613-242-4189

Sincerely,

Tony Bavota
Assistant Deputy Minister, Emergency Response Division
Ministry of Emergency Preparedness and Response

cc: Mayor John Wise





The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

Tuesday, June 2, 2026

Resolution # RC26116	Meeting Order: 5
Moved by: 	Seconded by: 

WHEREAS while these changes have improved opportunities for inclusion and independence, the current system of supports is often delivered across multiple programs and providers and may not fully address the long-term need for integrated living environments that combine housing, supports, and meaningful daily participation; and

WHEREAS there is an increasing need for innovative, sustainable, and inclusive models of care that support independence, dignity, and community integration for adults with developmental disabilities; and

WHEREAS opportunities may exist to explore models that provide safe and supportive living environments for adults with developmental disabilities while also offering structured, voluntary, and supported participation in day-to-day activities that foster a sense of purpose, skill development, and social connection; and

WHEREAS such models, if thoughtfully designed, could complement existing care environments and contribute positively to the overall well-being of both participants and residents; and

WHEREAS the Regional Municipality of York is responsible for a range of human services including housing, community services, and the operation of long-term care homes, and is therefore well-positioned to explore integrated and interdisciplinary approaches to care;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa supports the resolution passed by the City of Richmond Hill requesting that the Regional Municipality of York consider exploring innovative models of housing and support for adults with developmental disabilities, including the potential for an "Integrated Living and Participation Model"; and

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The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

THAT Council supports consideration of opportunities for co-location or partnership with existing regional services, including long-term care and community housing, where appropriate; and

THAT Council supports a model that emphasizes voluntary, supported, and meaningful participation in activities that enhance quality of life, social inclusion, and community engagement, without displacing existing workforce roles; and

THAT Council supports engagement with relevant stakeholders, including developmental service organizations, families, and advocacy groups, in considering such approaches; and

THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the City of Richmond Hill, the Regional Municipality of York, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, local MPPs, and Ontario municipalities for information.

RESOLUTION RESULT		RECORDED VOTE		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CARRIED	MAYOR AND COUNCIL	YES	NO
<input type="checkbox"/>	DEFEATED	Mitch Hatfield		
<input type="checkbox"/>	TABLED	Cathy Cannon		
<input type="checkbox"/>	RECORDED VOTE (SEE RIGHT)	Melanie Pilon		
<input type="checkbox"/>	PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARED	Jim Hoffmann		
<input type="checkbox"/>	WITHDRAWN	Joseph Opato		

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof.

Disclosed the pecuniary interest and general name thereof and abstained from the discussion, vote and influence.

Clerk: _____

MAYOR - MELANIE PILON	CLERK - MAURY O'NEILL

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May 18, 2026

Please be advised that during the regular Council meeting of May 12, 2026 the following resolution regarding exploring the feasibility of a Vacant Commercial Storefront Tax was carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-207

DATE: **May 12, 2026**

MOVED BY: **Councillor Braney**

SECONDED BY: **Councillor Engelsdorfer**

WHEREAS the vitality of Prince Edward County's main streets is essential to the economic, social, and cultural health of our community;

WHEREAS there are numerous long-term vacant commercial storefronts, which detracts from the character of the community, reduces pedestrian traffic, discourages business investment, and negatively impacts the viability of surrounding small businesses;

WHEREAS the current Municipal Act, 2001 does not provide municipalities with the explicit legal authority to implement a "Vacant Commercial Storefront Tax," although other jurisdictions are actively advocating for such tools to address similar challenges;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Council of the Corporation of the County of Prince Edward:

1. **THAT** staff be directed to report back to Council on the feasibility of implementing a Vacant Commercial Storefront Tax, including an analysis of the necessary provincial legislative changes required, recommendations for stakeholder consultation, and to concurrently explore potential enforceable mechanisms available under current legislation;
2. **THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the County of Prince Edward hereby requests that the Government of Ontario amend the Municipal Act, 2001 to grant Ontario municipalities the permissive authority to implement a "Vacant Commercial Storefront Tax" or similar levy to encourage the productive use of long-term vacant retail properties;
3. **THAT** this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Premier of Ontario, and the Member of Provincial Parliament representing the Corporation of the County of Prince Edward for their immediate consideration; and



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4. **THAT** this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

CARRIED

Yours truly,

Catalina Blumenberg, **CLERK**

cc: Mayor Steve Ferguson, Councillor Braney, Councillor Engelsdorfer



May 18, 2026

Please be advised that during the regular Council meeting of May 12, 2026 the following resolution regarding improved accessibility to home insurance for owners of properties designated under the Ontario Heritage Act was carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-209

DATE: **May 12, 2026**

MOVED BY: **Councillor Pennell**

SECONDED BY: **Councillor Hirsch**

WHEREAS the historic built and cultural heritage of Prince Edward County is recognized as a fundamental part of its community character and identity, and is a driver of the local tourism economy;

WHEREAS the Ontario Heritage Act encourages municipalities in Ontario to designate and protect properties that meet provincial criteria related to design, historical and contextual value;

WHEREAS the municipality has designated, and continues to encourage owners of heritage properties to protect those attributes which exemplify design, historical, and contextual value and interest by consenting to designation of those properties as being of cultural heritage value and interest under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act;

WHEREAS the municipality has designated properties of heritage value and interest in the Picton Heritage Conservation District and Wellington Heritage Conservation District under Part V of the Ontario Heritage Act;

WHEREAS homeowners require insurance to protect their homes, which is often their most significant investment, and can be required to maintain a mortgage; and

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has stated that a heritage designation does not place additional requirements on insurers and that insurance premiums should not go up because of a heritage designation;

WHEREAS some owners of designated properties have reported that their premiums have gone up as a result of a heritage designation or they have been denied an insurance policy as a result of a heritage designation;

WHEREAS as a result of insurance concerns, some homeowners have objected to proposed heritage designation on their property; and



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WHEREAS this directly threatens the unique and irreplaceable heritage character of Prince Edward County;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the County of Prince Edward calls on the Provincial Government to:

1. Investigate why some insurers are raising premiums on heritage designated properties or are denying insurance policies as a result of a heritage designation in contravention of provincial guidance;
2. Bring insurance regulators, insurance industry representatives and heritage professionals together to find solutions that enable the continued protection of heritage properties without unwarranted financial burden on homeowners;
3. Regulate the impact of heritage designation on insurance premiums through enforcement, education and new solutions; and

THAT the Built & Cultural Heritage Advisory Committee be directed to continue exploring ways to educate homeowners regarding insurance for heritage designated properties; and

THAT this resolution be forwarded to the forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism; Bay of Quinte M.P.P. Tyler Allsopp; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario; the Financial Services Regulatory Authority; the Canadian Council of Insurance Regulators, and the Insurance Bureau of Canada.

CARRIED

Yours truly,

Catalina Blumenberg, **CLERK**

cc: Mayor Steve Ferguson, Councillor Pennell, Councillor Hirsch





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~~WHEREAS~~ ~~WHEREAS~~ Municipalities are being asked to shoulder an escalating percentage of municipalities are public health unit costs while also asked to solve complex social determinates of public health unit costs health such as rural homelessness and food insecurity but with limited revenue health such as rural tools; tools;

~~WHEREAS~~ ~~WHEREAS~~ Provincial and federal governments continue to collect significant the province and federal revenue from local/municipal property transactions through the Land Transfer Tax revenue from local and Goods & Services Tax;and Goods & Services Tax;

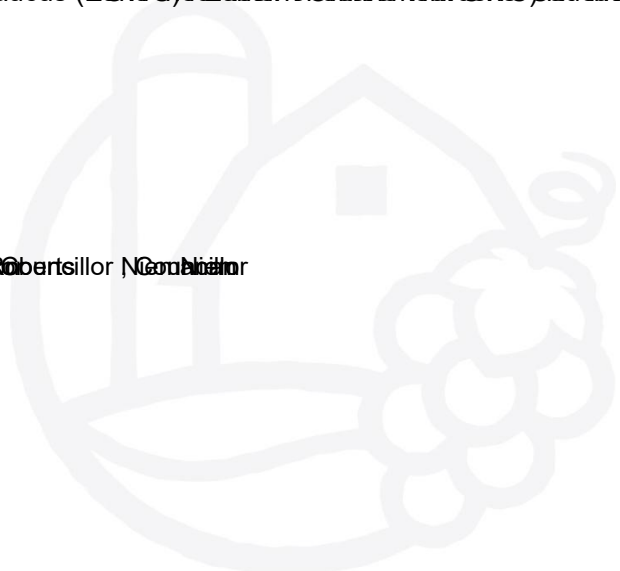
~~NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT~~ ~~NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT~~ Council of the County of Prince Edward requests: County of Prince Edward requests:

- 1.1. ~~THAT~~ ~~THAT~~ Provincial Government redistribute a portion of the Land Transfer the Provincial Government Tax to municipalities to address public health funding gaps and the rising % Tax to municipalities share of municipal contributions to public health units; share of municipal contributions to public health units;
- 2.2. ~~THAT~~ ~~THAT~~ the province announces its new Ontario Public Health Standards, when the province it also commits to minimum annual funding increases tied to Ontario's it also commits to minimum consumer price inflation, currently holding at 2.4%;consumer price inflation, currently holding at 2.4%;
- 3.3. ~~THAT~~ ~~THAT~~ Resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Mark Carney, Premier this resolution be forwarded to Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs Doug Ford, the Ontario and Housing, Bay of Quinte Member of Parliament, Chris Malette, and and Housing, Bay of Quinte Member of Provincial Parliament, Tyler All Members of Provincial Parliament, Tyler All Members of Provincial Parliament;
- 4.4. ~~THAT~~ ~~THAT~~ Resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the this resolution be forwarded to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Federation of Canadian Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) Municipalities of Ontario and the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus (EOWC) Eastern Ontario Warden's Caucus (EOWC) and advocacy.and advocacy.

Yours truly, Yours truly,

Catalina Blumenberg, ~~CLERK~~ ~~CLERK~~ Blumenberg,

cc: Mayor Steve Ferguson Mayor Steve Ferguson, Councillor Robert Robb, Councillor Robert Robb, Councillor Neil Coulter, Councillor Neil Coulter





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MOVED BY:

- Jason Cote
- Marc Lepine
- Ray Maltais
- Bert McDowell

SECONDED BY:

- Jason Cote
- Marc Lepine
- Ray Maltais
- Bert McDowell

RESOLUTION # 26-06

Date: April 13, 2026

WHEREAS the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) provide policing services to both organized municipalities and unorganized territories across the Province of Ontario;

AND WHEREAS organized municipalities receiving OPP policing services are billed under the OPP Municipal Policing Billing Model, which includes a base service cost and additional costs related to calls for service;

AND WHEREAS unorganized townships and territories contribute to policing costs through provincial taxation mechanisms and pay only a base rate while receiving OPP policing services;

AND WHEREAS residents of unorganized territories receive comparable OPP policing services to those provided in organized municipalities;

AND WHEREAS recent increases in OPP policing costs have placed a growing and disproportionate financial burden on organized municipalities and their taxpayers;

AND WHEREAS municipalities have limited revenue tools and must rely primarily on property taxation to fund essential services such as policing;

AND WHEREAS the current funding structure creates an inequitable situation in which organized municipalities are required to subsidize a larger share of policing costs while similar services are provided in unorganized territories at a significantly lower contribution level;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Baldwin calls upon the Province of Ontario to conduct an immediate review of the OPP Municipal Policing Billing Model and the policing funding structure for unorganized territories



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AND FURTHER THAT the Province be requested to implement a fair and equitable funding model that ensures all communities receiving OPP policing services contribute appropriately to the cost of those services;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province be requested to consult with municipalities, particularly those in Northern Ontario, regarding the financial impacts of OPP policing costs and the current inequities in the system;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Minister of the Solicitor General, the local Member of Provincial Parliament, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM), the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA), and neighbouring municipalities for their support.


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CAO/Clerk – Administrator/Treasurer
Holly Zahorodny

I DECLARE THIS RESOLUTION

- Carried
 Defeated
 Deferred



Mayor

RECORDED VOTE		
	For	Against
V. Gorham	—	—
J. Cote	—	—
M. Lepine	—	—
R. Maltais	—	—
B. McDowell	—	—

MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS-TURNBERRY

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May 20, 2026

Please be advised that during the regular Council meeting of May 19, 2026, the following resolution regarding the proposed consolidation of Ontario's Conservation Authorities and the future of funding for regional Conservation Authorities was passed by the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry.

RESOLUTION: 99-2026

DATE: May 19, 2026

MOVED BY: Deputy Mayor Freiburger

SECONDED BY: Councillor Zinn

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has announced its intention to consolidate Ontario's 36 Conservation Authorities into 9 large regional entities;

AND WHEREAS this Council, municipalities, and Conservation Authorities across Ontario have expressed significant concerns regarding the proposed consolidation, including the absence of a demonstrated business case and a lack of evidence that consolidation will improve service delivery, efficiency, or environmental outcomes;

AND WHEREAS Conservation Authorities in Ontario were established on a watershed basis to provide locally informed, science-based management of natural resources, flooding, and erosion hazards;

AND WHEREAS the proposed consolidation will combine watersheds with significantly different characteristics, land uses, and environmental pressures into large regional entities, undermining the effectiveness of watershed-based decision-making;

AND WHEREAS Conservation Authorities play a critical role in protecting public safety through the regulation of development in areas prone to flooding and erosion, and weakening locally informed decision-making will increase risks to life and property;

AND WHEREAS the proposed governance model will reduce local municipal representation and diminish the voice of rural municipalities in decisions affecting their communities and watersheds;

AND WHEREAS there is broad concern among municipalities that the proposed changes do not reflect local priorities, knowledge, or the established partnership model between municipalities and the Province;

AND WHEREAS municipalities fund the majority of Conservation Authority operations, with provincial contributions generally representing only a small percentage ranging from approximately 2 to 8 percent, and therefore municipalities have a direct and substantial interest in the governance, structure, effectiveness, and long-term sustainability of the watershed-based Conservation Authority system;

AND WHEREAS the Province of Ontario is advancing significant structural changes to the Conservation Authority system unilaterally, despite its limited contribution to Conservation Authority operational funding and without meaningful consultation or support from the municipalities that bear primary responsibility for funding these essential local services;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry strongly opposes the consolidation of Conservation Authorities in Ontario; and,

THAT Council affirms that locally governed, watershed-based Conservation Authorities remain the most effective model for protecting natural resources, managing natural hazards, and supporting safe, sustainable development in Ontario; and,

THAT Council calls upon the Province of Ontario to immediately halt the proposed consolidation process and recommit to strengthening the existing watershed-based Conservation Authority system, including through the provision of appropriate provincial funding, enhanced municipal collaboration and support, and improved communication and coordination among Conservation Authorities to advance more efficient permitting and greater standardization of systems and processes; and,

THAT if the Province proceeds with the consolidation without addressing the concerns of municipalities, Council will direct staff to review all available options with respect to the potential withholding or reallocation of municipal funding to any restructured regional Conservation Authority model; and,

THAT this resolution be circulated to the Office of the Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, the Maitland Valley Conservation Authority, the Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority, the Honourable Lisa Thompson, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Minister of the Environment, Climate Change and Nature, Member of Parliament Ben Lobb, and all Ontario municipalities for their consideration and support.

CARRIED.

Thank you,



Trevor Hallam
CAO/Clerk
Municipality of Morris-Turnberry



Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin Council Resolution

Date: May 27, 2026

Request for Provincial Review of CVA-Based Apportionment for Shared Municipal and Provincially Mandated Services

Resolution Number: 2026-173

Moved By: Mayor Gould

Seconded By: Councillor Manson

WHEREAS many provincially mandated services, shared municipal services, and board-imposed levies are apportioned among municipalities using Current Value Assessment (CVA) or weighted assessment formulas; and

WHEREAS CVA-based apportionment formulas are intended to reflect municipal assessment capacity, but often do not adequately account for population, service access, geographic isolation, infrastructure constraints, or the differing realities of small and rural municipalities; and

WHEREAS municipalities with significant industrial assessment, utility corridors, resource infrastructure, protected lands, seasonal properties, or large geographic areas may experience disproportionately high per-resident levy impacts despite limited local services and lower resident incomes; and

WHEREAS some municipalities contribute substantially toward regional services such as long-term care, policing, conservation authorities, social services, and other provincially mandated boards and agencies, while residents may have limited local access to those services due to geography, travel distance, or service availability; and

WHEREAS increasing levy pressures are creating significant financial strain for small and rural municipalities and their residents;

NOW THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Council of the Municipality of Calvin requests that the Province of Ontario, including the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and the Minister of Finance, undertake a review of policies, legislation, and regulations governing the use of Current Value Assessment (CVA) and weighted assessment as the basis for apportioning provincially-mandated levies and shared municipal service costs;

AND THAT the Province consider developing fairer and more balanced apportionment models which may include:

- hybrid formulas incorporating both CVA and population;
- consideration of service access and service availability;
- household count or permanent population metrics;
- ability-to-pay considerations for small and rural municipalities;
- rurality and geographic isolation factors; and
- measures to limit disproportionate per-resident levy impacts on smaller municipalities; and


AND THAT the Province work with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA), rural municipalities, municipal service boards, and regional service providers to develop best practices and model apportionment frameworks for shared municipal services and provincially mandated boards;

AND THAT this resolution with the mayor's report attached, be circulated to:


- the Premier of Ontario;
- the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing;
- the Minister of Finance;
- The Minister of Rural Affairs
- the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO);
- the Rural Ontario Municipal Association
- local Member of Provincial Parliament;
- all Ontario municipalities;
- and relevant municipal service boards and associations for consideration and support.

Result: Carried

CERTIFIED to be a true copy of
Resolution No. 2026-173 passed by the Council of
The Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin
on the 26th day of May, 2026.



Trish Araujo
Deputy Clerk



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Report to Council by: Mayor Richard Gould Date: May 26, 2026

Subject: Request for Provincial Review of, and Change to CVA-Based Apportionment

The purpose of this report is to provide background information and supporting rationale for the attached resolution requesting that the Province of Ontario review the use of Current Value Assessment (CVA) and weighted assessment formulas as the basis for apportioning costs for provincially-mandated services, regional boards, and shared municipal services.

The report focuses on the growing financial impacts that CVA-based apportionment can have on small and rural municipalities, particularly where assessment values do not accurately reflect resident income levels, service access, or local municipal capacity.

Many shared municipal services and provincially-mandated boards in Ontario allocate costs among participating municipalities using Current Value Assessment (CVA) or weighted assessment formulas.

Examples include: Long-Term Care facilities; District Social Services Administration Boards (DSSAB); policing costs; conservation authorities; health and social service boards; and School boards and other regional service arrangements.

Under these formulas, municipalities with higher assessment values contribute a larger percentage of overall costs.

The intent of the current CVA-based apportionment is only a reflection of the municipalities "ability to pay." However, in many rural municipalities, assessment values do not accurately represent:

- or the actual level of services available within the municipality
- resident income levels;
- local economic strength;
- access to services;
- population density;
- transportation challenges.

As a result, some rural municipalities experience disproportionately high levy impacts on a per-household or per-resident basis.

Rural and Northern Municipal Realities

Small rural municipalities often differ significantly from urban centres in both geography and service availability.

In many cases:

- residents must travel substantial distances to access healthcare and government services;
- municipalities may lack public transit;
- municipalities may not have local hospitals, long-term care homes, or other major services;
- populations may be older and more geographically dispersed;
- infrastructure costs may be high due to large geographic areas and low population density.

At the same time, rural municipalities may contain:

- pipelines;
- hydro corridors;
- industrial infrastructure;

- protected lands;
- provincial parks;
- seasonal properties;
- or large acreages.

These features can substantially increase municipal assessment values while providing little indication of the financial capacity of local residents. This creates a disconnect between the assessed property value; and actual household ability to absorb increasing levy costs.

The Municipality of Calvin is a small rural municipality with approximately 230 households.

A significant portion of municipal assessment is influenced by industrial infrastructure, including a major pipeline corridor. The municipality also contains multiple provincial parks and large acreages, much of which limits future residential or commercial development opportunities.

Many residents live on inherited rural properties and have fixed or modest incomes. While assessment values may appear significant on paper, they do not necessarily reflect disposable household income or enhanced municipal service levels.

The Township has no hospital, no long-term care facility, no public transit, and limited local health and social service infrastructure.

Despite these limitations, the Township contributes toward many regional services through CVA-based apportionment formulas.

Cassellholme Capital Cost Example

The attached Appendix "A" illustrates the distribution of Cassellholme redevelopment capital costs among participating municipalities using:

- the current CVA formula;
- a household-based formula; and
- a hybrid formula combining CVA and household count.

The analysis demonstrates substantial differences in per-household impacts between municipalities.

Under the current CVA model:

- Calvin households contribute approximately \$393.89 per household;
- South Algonquin contributes approximately \$377.48 per household;
- Mattawan contributes approximately \$283.74 per household.

By comparison:

- Mattawa contributes approximately \$94.50 per household;
- Chisholm contributes approximately \$193.18 per household;
- North Bay contributes approximately \$203.56 per household.

Under a purely household-based model, the contribution would be approximately \$209.09 per household across all municipalities.

The analysis suggests that CVA-based formulas can create substantial disparities in per-household costs between municipalities, particularly in smaller rural communities where industrial or resource-based assessment inflates municipal valuation figures.

Hybrid and Alternative Models

The report recommends that the province review whether the current reliance on CVA alone remains the most equitable method of apportionment in all circumstances.

Alternative approaches could include:

- hybrid formulas combining CVA and household count;
- formulas incorporating permanent population;
- service availability considerations;
- rurality and geographic isolation factors;
- ability-to-pay considerations;
- or mechanisms to limit disproportionate impacts on smaller municipalities.

The attached example demonstrates that even a partial hybrid approach can reduce extreme disparities while still recognizing assessment capacity.

Broader Provincial Relevance

This issue extends beyond the Municipality of Calvin.

Many rural Ontario municipalities face similar circumstances where; industrial assessment; utility corridors, hydro infrastructure, pipelines, resource lands, or protected lands, increase municipal assessment values without proportionally increasing local service access or household financial capacity.

As provincial and regional levy pressures continue to rise, concerns regarding the fairness and sustainability of existing apportionment models are likely to become increasingly significant for rural municipalities across Ontario.

Conclusion

The current use of CVA and weighted assessment formulas was developed to reflect municipal assessment capacity. However, the growing divergence between assessment values and the realities facing many rural municipalities suggests that a provincial review is warranted.

The Municipality of Calvin is requesting that the Province of Ontario review the use of CVA-based apportionment for provincially-mandated and shared municipal services and consider more balanced approaches that better reflect:

- household impacts;
- rural realities;
- service access;
- and municipal capacity.
- The attached resolution seeks to initiate that broader provincial discussion.
- Recommendation:

That Council adopt the attached resolution requesting a provincial review of Current Value Assessment (CVA)-based apportionment formulas for shared municipal and provincially-mandated services.

Appendix A:

Distribution of Capital cost for Cassellholme construction:

This chart shows the distribution of costs based on current CVA, Per Household, and a Hybrid of 75% per household and 25% CVA.

Municipality	Households	Current CVA		Per Household			Hybrid 75/25			
		Current CVA Pct	Current CVA Annual	Per household	Household based PCT	Household Based Annual	by household only	Hybrid PCT	Hybrid Annual	hybrid by household
North Bay	23470	79.187%	\$4,777,615.40	\$203.56	81.34%	4,907,375.69	209.09	80.8000%	4,874,935.62	207.71
East Ferris	1890	7.742%	\$467,100.64	\$247.14	6.55%	395,182.79	209.09	6.8480%	413,162.25	218.60
South Algonquin	530	3.316%	\$200,065.32	\$377.48	1.84%	110,818.45	209.09	2.2066%	133,130.17	251.19
Bonfield	890	3.237%	\$195,298.99	\$219.44	3.08%	186,091.37	209.09	3.1225%	188,393.27	211.68
Papineau-Cameron	405	1.726%	\$104,135.33	\$257.12	1.40%	84,682.03	209.09	1.4842%	89,545.35	221.10
Chisholm	510	1.633%	\$98,524.33	\$193.18	1.77%	106,636.63	209.09	1.7338%	104,608.55	205.11
Calvin	227	1.482%	\$89,414.00	\$393.89	0.79%	47,463.75	209.09	0.9605%	57,951.31	255.29
Mattawa	860	1.347%	\$81,269.00	\$94.50	2.98%	179,818.62	209.09	2.5721%	155,181.22	180.44
Mattawan	70	0.329%	\$19,861.73	\$283.74	0.24%	\$14,636.40	209.09	0.2642%	15,942.73	227.75
TOTAL	28852		\$6,033,284.73		99.99%	\$6,032,705.73	209.09	1.00	6,032,850.48	

Totals 65693 \$6,033,284 \$6,033,333 \$6,033,333

Total Capital rebuild cost is an estimate of \$121,000,000 plus \$110,000,000 interest, minus the \$50,000,000 arranged by the province to be divided in each of the first years of the loan. This is a Total of \$181,000,000. Divided over the next 30 years this equals \$6,033,333 per year.



The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

Tuesday, May 19, 2026

Resolution # RC26104	Meeting Order: 4
Moved by: <i>[Signature]</i>	Seconded by: <i>[Signature]</i>

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees of the Durham District School Board has requested that a province-wide consultation process be undertaken prior to any governance changes or decisions that would result in the elimination of school board trustees; and

WHEREAS the potential elimination of elected school board trustees represents a significant and fundamental shift in Ontario's education governance structure; and

WHEREAS school board trustees serve as a longstanding and essential democratic link between local communities and the public education system, ensuring that community voices are reflected in decision-making processes; and

WHEREAS changes of this magnitude should not proceed without evidence-based research, transparency, and meaningful public engagement to fully understand potential impacts; and

WHEREAS the Municipality of Wawa recognizes the importance of local representation in addressing the diverse and unique needs of communities, including rural, remote, and Northern municipalities; and

WHEREAS the removal of school board trustees may result in unintended consequences that could negatively impact community representation, accountability, and responsiveness within the education system; and

WHEREAS transparency regarding the rationale, objectives, and anticipated outcomes of any proposed governance changes is essential to maintaining public trust and ensuring informed dialogue;

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The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa supports the request of the Durham District School Board for the Province of Ontario to undertake a comprehensive, province-wide consultation process prior to making any decisions regarding changes to school board governance, including the potential elimination of trustees;

AND FURTHER THAT the Council of the Corporation of Municipality of Wawa supports the call for an independent review by the Ombudsman's Office regarding the potential impacts of removing school board trustees, particularly with respect to fairness, openness, transparency, and accountability;

AND FURTHER THAT the Council of the Corporation of Municipality of Wawa urges the Province of Ontario to ensure that any future governance model maintains strong local representation and reflects the diverse needs of communities across the province, including Northern and rural municipalities;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Education, the Ontario Ombudsman, the Durham District School Board, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), local Members of Provincial Parliament, and all Ontario municipalities for their consideration and support.

RESOLUTION RESULT	RECORDED VOTE	YES	NO
<input type="checkbox"/> CARRIED	MAYOR AND COUNCIL		
<input type="checkbox"/> DEFEATED	Mitch Hatfield		
<input type="checkbox"/> TABLED	Cathy Cannon		
<input type="checkbox"/> RECORDED VOTE (SEE RIGHT)	Melanie Pilon		
<input type="checkbox"/> PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARED	Jim Hoffmann		
<input type="checkbox"/> WITHDRAWN	Joseph Opato		

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof.

Disclosed the pecuniary interest and general name thereof and abstained from the discussion, vote and influence.

Clerk: _____

DEPUTY MAYOR - MITCH HATFIELD	CLERK - MAURY O'NEILL

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The Council of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville

Resolution No. CC-098-2026

Date: May 21, 2026

Moved by Aric Hoogenboom

Seconded by Michael Cameron

WHEREAS municipalities are responsible for the planning, construction, operation, rehabilitation, and replacement of critical public infrastructure; and

WHEREAS municipal engineers play a key role in supporting safe, reliable, and cost-effective infrastructure systems for residents and businesses; and

WHEREAS the Municipal Engineers Association has raised concerns and recommendations regarding the Province's proposed harmonization of municipal road construction standards, which have implications for municipal operations, long-term asset management, and financial sustainability; and

WHEREAS the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville supports advocacy that promotes effective infrastructure planning, responsible funding frameworks, and realistic implementation requirements for municipalities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville supports the Municipal Engineers Association's position regarding the Province's proposed harmonization of municipal road construction standards, particularly the concerns about the exemption approval process, mandatory annual reporting, lack of clarity around governance/co-stewardship, and the need for meaningful municipal consultation before implementation proceeds; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council urges the Province of Ontario to engage with municipalities and the Municipal Engineers Association to implement practical solutions that reflect municipal capacity, infrastructure needs, and local government realities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be circulated to the Minister of Transportation, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Minister of

Item# 9.4

Infrastructure, the local Member of Provincial Parliament (MPP), the Municipal Engineers Association (MEA), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA), and Ontario municipalities.

Carried Defeated Deferred


Corinna Smith-Gatcke, Warden



Box 608, Little Current, POP 1K0
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June 3, 2026

Please see attached a motion passed unanimously by our Council regarding the need of our health care system.

Resolution No. 133-06-2026

Moved by: D. Orr

Seconded by: G. Williamson

Whereas the Canadian Center for Policy Alternatives (CCPA) has conducted research which unequivocally identifies that Ontario Hospitals are underfunded by the Government of Ontario;

And Whereas the CCPA study, Failure by Design, clearly identifies that smaller and rural hospitals are disproportionately disadvantaged by the underfunding;

And Whereas as a direct result of the underfunding Emergency Department wait times for an initial physician assessment have increased to 4.5 hours in 2024 – 2025 from 2.7 hours in 2020 – 2021;

And Whereas 90 percent of patients spend on average 44 hours in the emergency department waiting to be admitted when further care is required;

And Whereas the Provincial Government increased total health care spending from 7.4 percent of GDP in 2014 to only 7.6 percent of GDP by 2023, which did not keep pace with raising health care costs:

Therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands request that the Province of Ontario provide immediate and sustained funding to improve hospital finances and capacity, which as per the recommendations in the CCPA study, would require an immediate injection of \$3.2 billion supported by annual increases of 6% per year thereafter.

Carried

We would appreciate your support by forwarding your supporting motion on to the Provincial Government.

Thank you



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May 26, 2026

Re: OPP Detachment Board Resolution of Support - Traffic Calming & Speeding Mitigation Techniques

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford, at its Regular Meeting on May 25, 2026, passed the following motion pertaining to the OPP Detachment Board Resolution of Support - Traffic Calming & Speeding Mitigation Techniques:

Resolution #: R-24-05-25-26

Moved by: Councillor Maitland

Seconded by: Councillor Ireland

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford receive for information the resolution from the Municipality of North Grenville, Merrickville-Wolford Village OPP Detachment Board dated May 7, 2026 regarding traffic calming and speeding mitigation techniques;

AND THAT Council endorse and support the resolution from the OPP Detachment Board and direct staff to circulate the resolution of support to Premier Doug Ford, the Minister of Transportation, the Minister of Finance, MPP Steve Clark, AMO, ROMA, all Ontario Police Service Boards, and all 444 Municipalities in Ontario.

Carried.

If you have any questions regarding the above resolution, please do not hesitate to contact me by email at clerk@merrickville-wolford.ca.

Thank you.

Julia McCaugherty-Jansman
Clerk



May 2026, 2026

Traffic Calming/Speeding Mitigation Techniques

The North Grenville, Merrickville-Wolford Village OPP Detachment Board, with the request for municipal support with the request for municipal support

Moved by: Moved by: Ian Fraser
Seconded by: Seconded by: Jim Goodman

WHEREAS history demonstrates that speeding and public safety concerns are increasing across Ontario;

WHEREAS the Provincial government has shown interest and allocated financial resources to certain municipalities to implement alternative measures to photo radar, reaffirming its ongoing commitment to addressing public safety issues;

WHEREAS this commitment currently applies only to municipalities utilizing photo radar as a deterrent;

AND WHEREAS such funding support would assist municipalities with limited financial resources in protecting their citizens and school aged children.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Grenville 1 OPP request North Grenville and Merrickville-Wolford Council request North Grenville and Merrickville-Wolford Council to include all municipalities in Ontario, adopting a stated interest and province wide approach to public safety and thereby ensuring the safety of all Ontarians.

AND THAT this resolution be sent to the following:
 Premier Doug Ford
 Minister of Transportation
 Minister of Finance
 MPP Steve Clark
 AMO
 ROMAROMA
 All Ontario Police Service Boards
 And all 444 Municipalities in Ontario
Carried.



May, 27, 2026

Re: OPP Detachment Board Resolution of Support - Traffic Calming and Speeding Mitigation Techniques

Please be advised that the Council of the Municipality of North Grenville, at its Regular Meeting on May 26, 2026, passed the following motion pertaining to the OPP Detachment Board Resolution of Support - Traffic Calming and Speeding Mitigation Techniques:

Resolution #: C-2026-215
Moved By: Deputy Mayor John Barclay
Seconded by: Councillor Deb Wilson

THAT Council accept the OPP Board Resolution - Traffic Calming/Speeding Mitigation Techniques as information as submitted and circulated.
FURTHER THAT Council consider the request to support the OPP Board resolution as attached.

Carried.

If you have any questions regarding the above resolution, please do not hesitate to contact me by e-mail at clerk@northgrenville.on.ca.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lindsey Lee".

Lindsey Lee
Municipal Clerk

Municipality of North Grenville
285 County Road 44, Box 130, Kemptville, ON K0G 1J0
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May 2026, 2026

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May ~~2022~~ 2026, 2026

Please be advised that during the ~~Present Council Meeting of May 26, 2026~~ following the following resolution ~~seeking support for sustainable funding for Public Health Units from the~~ funding for Public Health Units from the

RESOLUTION NO. RES ~~2022-014~~ NO.

DATE: DATE: May ~~2022~~ 2026, 2026

MOVED BY: MOVED BY Councillor ~~Robert~~ Roberts

SECONDED BY: SECONDED BY Councillor ~~Neil~~ Nieman

WHEREAS ~~WHEREAS~~ public health units and agencies provide a vital service to Ontario public health u
Ontarians that keeps people healthy, out of hospitals and out of the acute care Ontarians that keeps
system; system;

WHEREAS ~~WHEREAS~~ equity in Ontario's public healthcare delivery is essential for urban equity in C
a thriving provincial economy that keeps people at work and contributing; a thriving provincial econor

WHEREAS ~~WHEREAS~~ public health units & agencies sector has received a mere 1% Ontario's public
in its annual budget increase from Queen's Park since 2018, a sum significantly in its annual budget
below inflation and real world inflation increases; world cost increases;

WHEREAS ~~WHEREAS~~ Ontario faces steadily increasing demands, such as a 231% public health faces ste
increase in respiratory outbreaks supported in Ontario's long-term respiratory outbreaks, oppo
hospitals, and retirement homes since 2018, as well as a 637% increase in Infection hospitals, and r
Prevention & Control complaints; Prevention & Control complain

WHEREAS ~~WHEREAS~~ to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), according to the Associ
municipalities across Ontario spend close to \$4 billion on health despite receiving municipalities acro
less than \$2 billion in provincial grants, and Canada's Constitution Act 1867 clearly less than \$2 billio
asserts provincial responsibility for health; responsibility for health;

WHEREAS ~~WHEREAS~~ consistently ranks at the bottom for provincial health spending Ontario consider
per capita, at \$876 below the average of other provinces using 2022 per capita, 2023 (below the av

WHEREAS ~~WHEREAS~~ Ontario's hospitals are overwhelmed and in dire operating 60% of Ontario's hosp
deficits, yet the Canadian Public Health Association asserts that investment in deficits, yet the Canad
Ontario public health's preventative and health promotion initiatives delivers a 4:1 Ontario public hea
return on investment, for example, for every dollar spent on upstream public health example, for eve
vaccine immunization of children, \$16 in downstream hospital and primary health vaccine immunizat
care costs are saved; care costs are saved;



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~~WHEREAS~~ ~~WHEREAS~~ Municipalities are being asked to shoulder an escalating percentage of municipalities are public health unit costs while also asked to solve complex social determinates of public health unit costs health such as rural homelessness and food insecurity but with limited revenue health such as rural tools; tools;

~~WHEREAS~~ ~~WHEREAS~~ The province and federal governments continue to collect significant the province and federal revenue from local/municipal property transactions through the Land Transfer Tax revenue from local and Goods & Services Tax;and Goods & Services Tax;

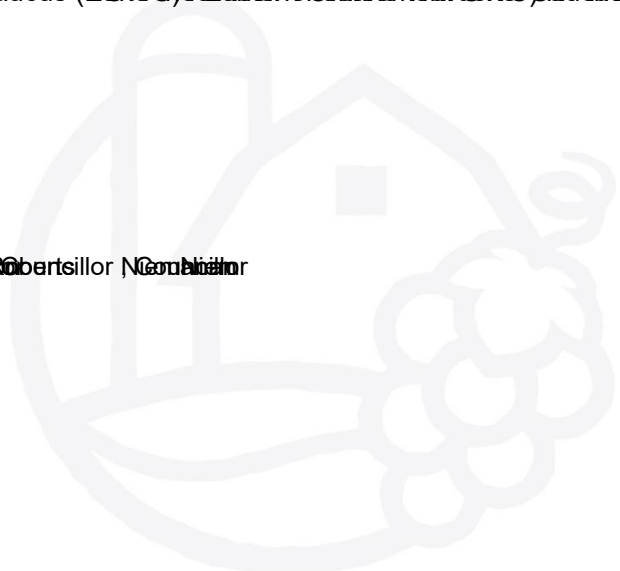
~~NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT~~ ~~NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT~~ The Council of the County of Prince Edward requests: County of Prince Edward requests:

- 1.1. ~~THAT~~ ~~THAT~~ The Provincial Government redistribute a portion of the Land Transfer the Provincial Government Tax to municipalities to address public health funding gaps and the rising % Tax to municipal share of municipal contributions to public health units; share of municipal contributions to public health units;
- 2.2. ~~THAT~~ ~~THAT~~ The province announces its new Ontario Public Health Standards, when the province it also commits to minimum annual funding increases tied to Ontario's it also commits to minimum consumer price inflation, currently holding at 2.4%;consumer price inflation, currently holding at 2.4%;
- 3.3. ~~THAT~~ ~~THAT~~ This resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Mark Carney, Premier this resolution be forwarded to Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs Doug Ford, the Ontario Member of Provincial Parliament, Chris Malette, and and Housing, Bay of Quinte Member of Provincial Parliament, Tyler All Members of Provincial Parliament, Tyler All Members of Provincial Parliament;
- 4.4. ~~THAT~~ ~~THAT~~ This resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the this resolution be forwarded to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Federation of Canadian Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) Municipalities of Ontario and the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus (EOWC) Eastern Ontario Warden's Caucus (EOWC) and advocacy.and advocacy.

Yours truly, Yours truly,

Catalina Blumenberg, ~~CLERK~~ ~~CLERK~~ Blumenberg,

cc: Mayor Steve Ferguson Mayor Steve Ferguson, Mayor Steve Ferguson, Mayor Steve Ferguson, Mayor Steve Ferguson



ALTO HIGH-SPEED RAIL PROJECT

DATE: APRIL 16, 2026

DEPARTMENT: QUINTE SOURCE WATER PROTECTION,

MANAGER/TEAMLEAD: NATASHA MATHIEU

PREPARED BY: NATASHA MATHIEU, SOURCE WATER PROTECTION COORDINATOR

APPROVED MOTION SPA-26-005

MOVED BY: Kathryn Brown SECONDED BY: Kelly Henderson UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

WHEREAS the ALTO Highspeed Rail proposal is a federal project that is planned to connect Toronto, Peterborough, Ottawa, Montreal, Laval, Trois-Rivieres and Quebec City consisting of 1000 km of new rail line with trains travelling through the Quinte Source Protection Area at 300 km/hr, and

WHEREAS there has not been sufficient information provided to residents to demonstrate a clear and comprehensive plan for the proposed high-speed rail project, and

WHEREAS the proposed corridors (north or south) will significantly change the connectivity of our municipalities and residents to local service delivery, and

WHEREAS there are not any identified local benefits of having a high-speed rail system through the Quinte Source Protection Area, and

WHEREAS the currently proposed southern and northern route will intersect and impact wetlands, significant woodlands, agricultural lands, source water protection areas, and ecologically sensitive shoreline systems within the Quinte Conservation watershed region; and,

WHEREAS the proposed northern corridor route may impact two municipal drinking water systems (Village of Madoc and the Municipality of Marmora and Lake), and

WHEREAS Quinte Conservation has a mandated responsibility under Ontario's Clean Water Act and the Quinte Region Source Protection Plan to protect existing and future municipal drinking water sources in the source protection area, and to ensure that for every area identified in the Assessment Report, as an area where an activity is, or would be, a significant drinking water threat:

- The activity never becomes a significant drinking water threat; or
- If the activity is occurring when the Source Protection Plan takes effect, the activity ceases to be a significant drinking water threat; or
- For every area identified in the assessment report as an area where a condition that results from a past activity is a significant drinking water threat;

Therefore, Be It Resolved that because of the significant impacts that will occur to our region, Quinte Source Protection Authority does not support the proposed northern or southern corridor;

And further that, the Quinte Source Protection Authority recommends that the Federal Government enhance the existing passenger rail service that already has established corridors through our region instead of creating unnecessary negative impacts on our environment, communities and properties,

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

The Right Honourable Mark Carney, P.C., M.P. Prime Minister of Canada; The Honourable Steve MacKinnon, P.C.; M.P., Minister of Transportation; Martin Imbleau, President and CEO; Alto; Scott Reid, M.P. Lanark-Frontenac; John Jordan, M.P.P. Lanark-Frontenac-Kingston; Shelby Kramp-Neuman, M.P. Hastings–Lennox and Addington–Tyendinaga; Ric Breese, M.P.P. Hastings-Lennox and Addington; Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte First Nation; the eighteen (18) municipalities under the jurisdiction of Quinte Source Protection Authority; the twelve (12) Conservation Authorities and their Source Protection Authorities that affected by this project; and, Conservation Ontario.

About Quinte Source Protection Authority (SPA): Quinte SPA serves 18 municipalities in the watersheds of the Moira, Napanee and Salmon Rivers and Prince Edward County. Information about Quinte Source Water Protection can be found at www.quintesourcewater.ca.

May 29, 2026

Please be advised that during the regular Council meeting of May 26, 2026 the following resolution regarding the Better Regional Governance Act was carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-246

DATE: **May 26, 2026**

MOVED BY: **Councillor MacNaughton**

SECONDED BY: **Councillor Branderhorst**

WHEREAS electoral representation is the keystone of Canadian democracy; and,

WHEREAS the Better Regional Governance Act, 2026 (Act) received royal assent on May 7th; and,

WHEREAS the Act allows the provincial government to interfere with shape and composition of certain local and regional governments in Ontario without consultation, clear rationale or democratic process; and,

WHEREAS the Act allows the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, without consultation, clear rationale, or democratic process to appoint or vacate heads of council; and

WHEREAS the Act allows any appointed, non-elected head of council to have the voting rights of an elected mayor which may include strong chair powers; and

WHEREAS these changes are part of a series of anti-democratic decisions that undermine municipal authority and centralize local decision making at the province;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Prince Edward County Council, in solidarity with the impacted municipalities, urge the Province to recommit to local democracy, empower municipalities to determine their own composition, and restore the requirement that all local governments and regional council members including regional chairs be directly elected by their communities to ensure heads of council remain directly accountable to local voters; and,

THAT Council urge the province to restrict any further changes or expansion of the Act in any way that could undermine the democratic vigour of any additional municipality; and,

THAT this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Rob Flack, and Member of Provincial Parliament, Tyler Allsop; and



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THAT this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

Yours truly,

Catalina Blumenberg, **CLERK**

cc: Mayor Steve Ferguson, Councillor MacNaughton, Councillor Branderhorst



From: [Jacob Battenfelder](#)
To: [Bob Norrie](#); [Jim Hegadorn](#); [Shari Milligan](#); [Tony Fritsch](#); [Jessica Jones](#); [Tina Marie Chamberlain](#); [O"Byrne, Al \(OPP\) <al.obyrne@opp.ca>](#); [Brandi Teeple](#); [Tovell, David \(OPP\)](#)
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Good morning,

Below is correspondence FYI.

Thanks,

Jacob Battenfelder

Township Clerk



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From: Jeanine Lassaline-Berglund <communications@policegovernanceontario.ca>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2026 2:47 PM
To: Clerk Group <clerk@loyalist.ca>
Subject: Introducing Your 2026-2027 Police Governance Ontario Board of Directors

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Dear Members,

At our Annual General Meeting held during the 2026 Police Governance Ontario Spring Conference, members elected the 2026-2027 Board of Directors.

This year's election marks an important milestone as the first Board of Directors elected under the Police Governance Ontario name following our transition from the Ontario Association of Police Service Boards (OAPSB).

We are pleased to introduce the Executive of the 2026-2027 Board:

- Al Boughton, Chair, Peel Regional Police Service Board
- Bill Hagborg, First Vice Chair, North Bay Police Service Board
- Susan Stevenson, Second Vice Chair and Secretary, London Police Service Board
- John Thomson, Treasurer, Owen Sound Police Service Board

Together with directors representing municipal police service boards, OPP Detachment Boards, and First Nations police governance bodies from across Ontario, the Board will help guide the organization's strategic direction and continue advancing governance excellence throughout the province.

On behalf of Police Governance Ontario, we would like to thank all directors who continue to dedicate their time, expertise, and leadership in support of effective civilian oversight and strong police governance.

To learn more about the members of the 2026-2027 Board of Directors and the experience they bring to the organization, please visit our [Board of Directors](#) page.

We look forward to working alongside the Board as we continue to strengthen governance capacity, support our members, and advance excellence in police governance across Ontario.

Kind Regards,

Jeanine Lassaline-Berglund

Director, Communications & Engagement

Police Governance Ontario

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**The Corporation of The
Township Of Stone Mills
By-Law Number 2026-xxxx**

Being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council

The Council of The Corporation of The Township of Stone Mills Enacts as Follows:

1. The action of the Council at its Regular meeting held Monday, June 22, 2026 in respect to each recommendation contained in each report and in respect of each motion, resolution and other action passed and taken by the Council at its said meeting is hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed.
2. The Mayor and appropriate officials of the Corporation are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to each of the said actions, motions and resolutions or to obtain approvals where required.
3. Except where otherwise provided, all documents required to be signed on behalf of the Corporation shall be signed by the Mayor or in the Mayors absence, the Deputy Mayor, and by the Clerk or in the Clerks absence the Deputy Clerk, and the Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to affix the seal of the Corporation to all such documents.
4. This By-law, to the extent to which it provides authority for or constitutes the exercise by the Township Council of its powers to proceed with, or to provide any money for any undertaking, work, project, act, matter or thing which requires an approval in addition to the approval of Council, shall not take effect until the additional approval has been obtained.
5. This By-law shall come into force and take effect on the date of its passing.

This By-law having been read a first, second and third time is hereby adopted the 22nd day of June, 2026.

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John Wise, Mayor

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Brandi Teeple, Clerk