

Memorandum

To: Mayor and Members of Chatham-Kent Council
From: Heather Haynes, Council Assistant
Date: June 28, 2021
Re: Council Information Package

I have attached a list of items that have come into the office that may be of interest to members of Council. Please note that in accordance with Section 6.4(d) of the Procedural By-law, **Any member of Council may raise for discussion a communication, petition or resolution that is in the Information Package during the Approval of Communication Items portion of the Council Meeting.**

1. Staff Reports and Information

- (a) Action items from the June 14, 2021 Council Meeting.

2. Correspondence From

- (a) Letter from Shannon Stubbs, MP Lakeland dated May 28, 2021 re Bill C-21 – Changes to the Criminal Code and Firearms Act.
- (b) Communication from Paul Dalmazzi, Hydro One, Environmental Services dated June 10, 2021 re Chatham to Lakeshore Transmission Line Project.
- (c) Communication from Julia Baldesarra, Community Relations Consultant, Hydro One, dated June 16, 2021 re Coaching Community Grant and Hydro One Safe Play Award.
- (d) Communication from Peter Julian, MP, New Westminster-Burnaby dated June 17, 2021 re Seeking Endorsement for Motion M-84 Anti-Hate Crimes and Incidents & Private Member's Bill C-313 Banning Symbols of Hate Act.
- (e) News Release from Ontario's Big City Mayors dated June 18, 2021 re Call for Action on Ambitious Mental Health and Addictions Plan.

3. Resolutions

- (a) Resolution from Perth County dated May 26, 2021 and supporting resolution from the Township of Huron-Kinloss re Domestic COVID-19 Vaccine Production and Capacity.

- (b) Resolutions from the Town of Fort Erie, Township of Perry and the Town of Plympton-Wyoming re Capital Gains Tax on Primary Residence.
- (c) Resolution from the City of St. Catharines dated June 11, 2021 re Lyme Disease Awareness Month.
- (d) Supporting resolution from the Township of Georgian Bay dated June 14, 2021 re Bill 279 – Environmental Protection Amendment Act (Microplastics Filters for Washing Machines) 2021.
- (e) Supporting resolution from the Town of Plympton-Wyoming dated June 18, 2021 re Funding for Maintenance and Preservation Repair of Abandoned Cemeteries.
- (f) Resolution from the Town of Fort Erie addressed to Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada dated June 22, 2021 re Licensing of Cannabis Operations – Previously Operating Illegally.

		ITEM	<u>Department</u>	<u>Division</u>	<u>Director</u>	<u>Requestor</u>	<u>Comments</u>
1,232	June 14, 2021	I councillor Anthony Ceccacci Hereby provide notice I will be bringing the following motion for voting and discussion on June 14th Meeting of council: Whereas the pandemic and subsequent public health measures have resulted in capacity restrictions of various businesses due to the limitation of indoor in-person gatherings; Be it resolved that the Municipality will allow businesses such as dance, yoga studios, and fitness institutions to operate outdoors on municipally owned property in Chatham-Kent at a rate of \$19.30 per hour plus HST which will be waived for the for a trial period of 2021. The process to follow will be - • Contact the Parks, Recreation and Cemeteries office indicating the locations, dates and times requested • Provide proof of \$2M in general liability insurance • Provide a COVID-19 compliance plan that satisfies the Provincial Roadmap to Recovery • Pay the \$19.30 per hour fee plus HST and sign the rental permit for subsequent years after 2021	IES	Parks	Scott Mailing	Cl. Ceccacci	
1,233	June 14, 2021	I councillor Anthony Ceccacci Hereby provide notice I will be bringing the following motion for voting and discussion on June 14th Meeting of council: Whereas during the pandemic trails, parks and other open space amenities have been documented and confirmed to be more heavily utilized. And Whereas despite the increased usage service levels have remained relatively status's quo; Be it resolved administration conduct a service level review of these areas of trails, parks, and open spaces, including staffing allocation, maintenance, garbage receptacles.. porta johns and signage, to determine if any changes in service levels are warranted.	IES	Parks	Scott Mailing	Cl. Ceccacci	Motion was withdrawn by Councillor as a promise from administration will look into additional maintenance relating to these services.
1,231	June 14, 2021	I councillor Latimer hereby provide notice I will be bringing the following motion for voting and discussion on June 14th Meeting of councilOntario Retirement Home Funding, Staffing and Service Equity Resolution - Whereas... there are 700 retirement homes in Ontario regulated by the Retirement Homes Regulatory Authority in accordance with the Retirement Homes Act; this includes the Residential Tenancies Act, the Occupational Health and Safety Act, the Ontario Fire Protection Act, the Personal Health Information Protection Act and College of Nurses standards And Whereas...Retirement Homes are privately owned, renting private accommodation to seniors without access to public funding by the government the same way home care services and long term care homes do And Whereas... currently 60% of these Ontario Retirement Homes, that are small facilities under 70 beds, are failing financially and/or are facing imminent closure risking loss of supportive, safe and secure environments for 60,000 retirement home residents in Ontario, as per Ontario Retirement Communities Association (ORCA) And Whereas...the cost of living in a retirement home is \$1500 - \$6000 a month which is significantly more expensive versus the cost of homecare services and/or long term care homes, as most assisted living/retirement homes do not provide personal care as a part of the basic fee; instead requiring residents to pay full cost of accommodation and any care services they require And Whereas ... home care services may be provided at no cost to resident "only if" appropriate level(s) of community service provider staffing is available And Whereas...many Retirement Home residents or individuals in the community, who do not require long term care levels of service, are forced into long term beds due to extinguishing funds and/or lack of adequate financial means to pay for Retirement Home and/or required extra personal care services, inappropriately burdening limited long term care bed or acute hospital bed capacity And Whereas...many seniors living in Retirement Homes and who experience worsening medical conditions, increased number of falls and overall increased frailty, often do "not" move onto long term care due to lack of long term bed availability and/or family preference, placing significant stress on Retirement Home staffing complements and financial resources And Whereas...Retirement Homes have not been afforded recent government Nursing and/or PSW staff subsidies as provided to home care service providers and long term care homes And Whereas...Retirement Homes have not been included in recent reduction of resident activity restrictions Therefore Be It Resolved....that the Municipality of Chatham-Kent request that the Ontario Government 1. Enable individuals in the community opportunity to apply for financial assistance from the Ministry of Seniors and Accessibility to help cover accommodation costs and/or required personal care service costs at Retirement Home level, similar to available funding assistance for home care services and long term care homes. 2. Recognize Retirement Homes as an essential community health care partner and implement an equitable service funding program that facilitates/enables Retirement Homes to safely care for residents who require significant personal care assistance while awaiting a long term care bed. 3. Afford equitable Nursing and PSW staffing subsidies retroactively across all divisions of the community health care provision sector, including Retirement Homes. 4. Allow for equitable resident activity levels across all divisions of the community health care provision sector, including Retirement Homes. And Further That.....this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Ministry of Seniors and Accessibility and all Ontario municipalities.	CHS	Seniors	Mary Alice Searles	Cl. Latimer	
1,234	June 14, 2021	I, Councillor Marjorie Crew hereby provide notice that I will bring forward the following motion at the June 14, 2021 Council Meeting for discussion and voting: Whereas: The Chatham Coloured All-Stars first formed in 1932, with majority of the players being from North Buxton, Chatham and Windsor areas. Whereas: They began competing in the Chatham City League in 1932; Whereas: They broke colour barriers being the first black team to win a major championship competing for and winning the Ontario Baseball Amateur Association's Intermediate B Championship on October 24, 1934; Whereas: The team was honoured by both the Chatham Sports Hall of Fame and the Ontario Baseball Hall of Fame; Whereas: in 2001 and 2002, the Toronto Blue Jays wore replica Chatham Coloured All-Stars uniforms in honour of the team when Major League Baseball honoured the Negro Leagues; Therefore: I move that Chatham-Kent Council send a letter supporting the induction of the Coloured All-Stars into the Canadian Baseball Hall of Fame to the Director of Operations, Scott Crawford. And that this letter and motion be shared with all municipalities and councils in Ontario and Canada.	CS	Clerk's Office	Judy Smith	Cl. Crew	

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1,238	June 14, 2021	<p>I, Councillor Jamie McGrail hereby provide notice that I will bring forward the following motion at the June 28, 2021 Council Meeting for discussion and voting: Whereas Council's priorities and strategic direction for this term includes Economic Prosperity, a Healthy and Safe Community, People and Culture and Environmental Sustainability.</p> <p>And whereas these priorities include a dedicated focus on implementing strategies to improve transportation through active transportation options.</p> <p>And whereas expanding trails and active transportation will promote physical activity and a healthy lifestyle, while ensuring everyone has access to social and built infrastructure that enables them to participate fully in their community.</p> <p>And whereas CK plan 2035 states that Chatham-Kent will meet and exceed environmental sustainability targets.</p> <p>And whereas the Dresden BIA is taking the initiative to become a Bicycle Friendly Business Area through the Ontario by Bike Certification.</p> <p>Be it resolved that the Municipality will assist where possible to support Community BIA's related to initiatives to become a Bicycle Friendly Business Area through the Ontario by Bike Certification.</p> <p>Next steps include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The BIA/Community to review the Ontario by Bike Certification standards and to assess what needs are to be met to qualify • The BIA/Community to schedule a community review with the Active Transportation and Special Event Coordinator • The Municipality's Active Transportation and Special Event Coordinator will assist with any amenities or documentation needed to meet the qualifications such as booklets, maps and tourism information. • The BIA/Community to apply for and maintain their certification • Municipality to support and create a tool kit for other BIA's/Communities to become certified 	n/a	n/a	n/a	McGrail	
1,239	June 14, 2021	<p>I Councillor Anthony Ceccacci bring forth this notice of motion for debate and voting at the next regular meeting on June 28th2021.</p> <p>Where as in 2008 Council accepted the donation of the Moderwell home at 45 Sandy Street, Blenheim for the purpose of establishing a museum to showcase the history of South Kent.</p> <p>And where as Council has expressed a desire to divest of assets where possible.</p> <p>And where as the Historical Society of Blenheim and District (HSOBD) has expressed an interest in taking ownership of the home to continue to operate as a museum.</p> <p>Therefore be it resolved that Council direct Administration to consult with Hsobd and to bring a report to Council and consider a recommendation for Chatham-Kent to sell the home to the HSOBD for \$1 and absorb Chatham-Kent's legal fees and cost in the 2021 variance. The report should outline any concerns of the HSOBD and Arts & Culture Services, include recommendations considering future taxation of the museum and include any budget implication in the 2022 Draft Budget for Council's consideration.</p>	n/a	n/a	n/a	Ceccacci	
1,240	June 14, 2021	<p>Overdose Crisis - I Councillor Amy Finn hereby provide notice I will be bringing the following motion for voting and discussion on June 28th Meeting of council;</p> <p>Whereas the opioid crisis is one of the largest public health emergencies of our lifetime, with an average of 6 deaths per day in Ontario in 2020 (a 60% rise from 2019) and a death toll of nearly 20,000 across Canada and nearly 7000 in Ontario (January 2016 to September 2020);Whereas the vast majority of opioid deaths are accidental, which has only increased in the pandemic period (to 96% of deaths), fentanyl directly contributed to 87% of deaths during the pandemic and nearly three out of four deaths occur with no one present to respond; Whereas the number of confirmed opioid toxicity deaths in Chatham-Kent nearly tripled from 6 deaths in 2019 to 15 deaths in 2020; Whereas the rate of emergency department visits due to opioid poisoning in Chatham-Kent has increased significantly over the last 5 years and in 2020 Chatham-Kent experienced some of the highest rates in the province; Whereas many opioid poisonings go unreported due to the highly criminalized and stigmatized nature of substance use; Whereas several gaps in harm reduction services have been identified for Chatham-Kent through assessment and consultation with frontline service providers, people who use drugs, and their families, including lack of access to overdose prevention sites, safer supply, and resources for peer-led substance use work; Whereas other countries have significantly reduced drug-related fatalities with reforms such as legal regulation of illicit drugs to ensure safe supply and decriminalization for personal use; Whereas the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police have stated that they agree the evidence clearly states "decriminalization for simple possession as an effective way to reduce the public health and public safety harms associated with substance use", causing the government to indicate that it is now "deliberating" over decriminalization; Whereas the federal government has indicated it is premature to discuss these measures until there are comprehensive supports for people to get well; Whereas supports are needed, but measures that save lives are essential if people are to survive and access supports; Whereas the overdose crisis rages, showing few signs of abating. THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor write to the Government of Canada, in particular the Minister of Health on behalf of Council, requesting the following: - that the Government of Canada declare the overdose crisis a national public health emergency and that the crisis be met with the same urgency observed in the federal response to the COVID-19 pandemic, and - that the federal government decriminalize the possession of all drugs for personal use, and scale up prevention, harm reduction and treatment services. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Mayor on behalf of Council, request Community Human Servies provide a presentation to Council regarding the opioid crisis in Chatham-Kent. AND BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Mayor send this resolution to the Premier of Ontario, Provincial Minister of Health, the Attorney General, Association of Municipalities of Ontario, area municipalities, and Boards of Health.</p>	n/a	n/a	n/a	Finn	

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1,241	June 14, 2021	Re: Cross community Partnership for a Mixed Use Pathway - I councillor Harrigan, hereby give notice that I will bring forward the following motion at the June 28th 2021. Whereas "Expand trails and active transportation to promote physical activity and a healthy lifestyle" is one of the current council priorities, and whereas a Healthy and Safe Community where "Everyone will feel safe, supported and have opportunities to be healthy, physically and mentally" is a part of the CK Plan 2035. And Whereas communities on the boundaries of Chatham-Kent have shared infrastructure with neighboring communities. And Whereas it is important to promote partnership across communities to achieve active transportation goals. Therefore, I Councillor Harrigan move that, staff return to council with a report with information about the required partnerships with Leamington and the County of Essex, and feasibility of a mixed use pathway on the west side of Erie St South (old Kent Rd. 1) from Middleton Line to lake Erie in the Community of Wheatley, and that this report return to council in advance of the 2022 capital planning process.	n/a	n/a	n/a	Harrigan	
1,242	June 14, 2021	Communication Items 2 (c), 3 (a), 3 (d), and 3 (g) - Letters to be sent to support the resolutions	CS	Clerk's Office	Judy Smith	Many	
1,243	June 14, 2021	Council to endorse a letter to the OHA requesting the change of status	Mayor's Office	Mayor's Office	Jessie Passa	Mayor	
1,244	June 14, 2021	Council to write a letter with regard to Teksavvy and the recent CRTC decision.	Mayor's Office	Mayor's Office	Jessie Passa	Mayor	



Shannon Stubbs, MP
Lakeland

May 28, 2021

Mayor and Council/Reeve and Council,

On February 16, 2021 Bill C-21, a bill that makes changes to the Criminal Code and the Firearms Act, and targets law abiding firearms owners, was introduced and is being debated in the House of Commons. Conservatives constitutently call for cracking down on illegal gun smuggling, trading, gang and crime gun use, but Bill C-21 misses the mark if the aim really is to improve and protect the personal and public safety of Canadians. Bill C-21 focuses on the wrong people and groups, while also creating uncertainty and adding undo pressure on other levels of government.

Bill C-21 includes provision to allow municipalities to create handgun bylaws, which would place conditions on federal firearms licenses relating to handgun use, storage, or transportation within municipalities that have passed such bylaws.

Residents in cities and other places, with ever increasing gang shootings and violence rightfully expect their government ought to be taking action to keep them safe, but a regulation that gives municipalities the ability to pass bylaws does not do that. The municipal provision in Bill C-21 would be a bylaw on licenses, so this measure literally, specifically, and only targets Canadians who have licenses. This does nothing to stop dangerous criminals who certainly would never comply with a municipal bylaw when they do not obtain their guns legally, do not get licenses and who frankly do not care about criminal laws. What this purposed municipal bylaw section would do is lead to yet another layer of confusing, overlapping regulations and a patchwork of rules for already law-abiding Canadians within and between communities, while violations could result in two years imprisonment or permanent license revocations.

I have been hearing from municipalities concerned with being tasked by the Federal government to create these types of bylaws. They are sharing fears about economic and housing impacts by the perception that one community has higher safety standards than others, or that law-abiding firearms citizens will literally be unaware they are in violation just by crossing a municipal boundary that has different bylaws.



Some municipalities are saying that they do not have the expertise to create these bylaws and certainly would not have the resources to enforce such regulations. They are also concerned these bylaws potentially violate their own provinces' jurisdiction. Some provinces in opposition to the federal legislation have already passed or are proposing laws that would prohibit this type of power to shift to individual municipalities. Saskatchewan has already passed such a provincial law, and Alberta's bill received royal assent on April 29, 2021.

Due to these concerns, some municipalities have already opposed Bill C-21 and have taken the steps to pass resolutions in opposition to this potential new power that they neither requested, nor have the resources to impose and enforce.

I have attached a copy of the resolution passed by the council in Kingsville, Ontario. I encourage you to seek feedback from your rate payers, and to discuss this issue in council. You may decide to pass a similar resolution on behalf of your community. Please feel free to advise my office if you do so, and to reach out if you require any additional information on Bill C-21.

Sincerely,

Thank you

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Shannon Stubbs". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Shannon" and last name "Stubbs" clearly distinguishable.

Shannon Stubbs, MP
Lakeland



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Sub-Item 3

SENT VIA EMAIL

March 25, 2021

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, MP
Prime Minister of Canada
Langevin Block
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0A2

Prime Minister:

RE: Bill C-21, An Act to amend certain Acts and to make certain consequential amendments (firearms)

At its Regular Meeting held on March 8, 2021 Council of the Town of Kingsville passed the following Resolution:

“205-2021

Moved By Councillor Thomas Neufeld, **Seconded By** Councillor Larry Patterson

A Resolution concerning Bill C-21, An Act to amend certain Acts and to make certain consequential amendments (firearms), specifically Amendment 26, Section (58.01 (1-8), Conditions-by-law.

WHEREAS municipalities have never been responsible for gun control laws in Canada;

AND WHEREAS law abiding Kingsville residents who own legal handguns have already been thoroughly vetted through the CFSC, PAL and ATT applications;

AND WHEREAS illegal gun owners and smugglers do not respect postal codes;

AND WHEREAS if one municipality enacts a ban and not a neighbouring municipality, this will create a patchwork of by-laws;

AND WHEREAS a municipal ban would be difficult to enforce and easy to get around.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that The Corporation of the Town of Kingsville is OPPOSED to the adoption of any by-laws restricting the possession, storage and transportation of legally obtained handguns;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be forwarded to the following public officials: MP Chris Lewis-Essex, MPP Taras Natyshak-Essex, Premier of Ontario The Honourable Doug Ford, Leader of the Official Opposition Andrea Horwath, Prime Minister of Canada The Honourable Justin Trudeau, and Leader of Official Opposition The Honourable Erin O'Toole.”

If you require any further information, please contact the undersigned.

Yours very truly,



Sandra Kitchen
Deputy Clerk-Council Services
Legislative Services Department
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cc: Hon. Doug Ford, Premier
cc: Hon. Andrea Horwath, Official Leader of the Opposition
cc: Hon. Erin O'Toole, Official Leader of the Opposition
cc: MP Chris Lewis- Essex
cc: MPP Taras Natyshak-Essex
cc: Hon. Bill Blair, Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness
cc: MP Shannon Stubbs
cc: Mayor Aldo DiCarlo, Town of Amherstburg
cc: Mayor Larry Snively, Town of Essex
cc: Mayor Tom Bain, Town of Lakeshore
cc: Mayor Marc Bondy, Town of LaSalle
cc: Mayor Hilda MacDonald, Municipality of Leamington
cc: Mayor Gary McNamara, Town of Tecumseh
cc: all Municipalities in Ontario

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From: Paul Dalmazzi <paul.dalmazzi@hydroone.com>

Sent: June 10, 2021 3:09 PM

To: Judy Smith <JUDYS@chatham-kent.ca>

Subject: Hydro One Chatham x Lakeshore Line Class EA - Notice of Completion and Draft ESR Review Period

Hello, I am writing to inform you that Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One) has completed a draft Environmental Study Report (ESR) as part of the Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) for the Chatham to Lakeshore Transmission Line Project.

The proposed undertaking involves the construction of a new 230 kilovolt (kV) transmission line between the Chatham Switching Station (SS) and the future Lakeshore Transformer Station (TS). As the preferred Route Alternative will repurpose approximately 16 km of an existing idle 115 kV transmission corridor between Tilbury and Chatham, the Project will involve dismantling and removal of the existing transmission structures, conductor and associated components and equipment along this stretch of the idle transmission line. The Project will also involve an expansion of the Chatham SS to facilitate the connection of the new transmission lines. The purpose of the Project is to reliably supply the forecast load growth in the Windsor-Essex region.

This study was completed in accordance with the Class Environmental Assessment for Minor Transmission Facilities (Hydro One, 2016), under the Ontario *Environmental Assessment Act*. The draft ESR will be available for an extended 60-day review and comment period from **Friday, June 11 to Tuesday, August 10, 2021 at 4:30 p.m.** The draft ESR will be made available on the project website: www.hydroone.com/Chatham-to-Lakeshore.

Please find enclosed a copy of the Notice of Completion of the draft ESR for the Chatham to Lakeshore Transmission Line Project. Questions and comments on the draft ESR may be submitted as per the instructions in the notice, or you may provide written comments via email directly to me at Paul.Dalmazzi@HydroOne.com.

Thank you,

Paul Dalmazzi

Hydro One | Environmental Services

Cell: 416.460.8108

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CHATHAM TO LAKESHORE LINE

Notice of Completion of Draft Environmental Study Report

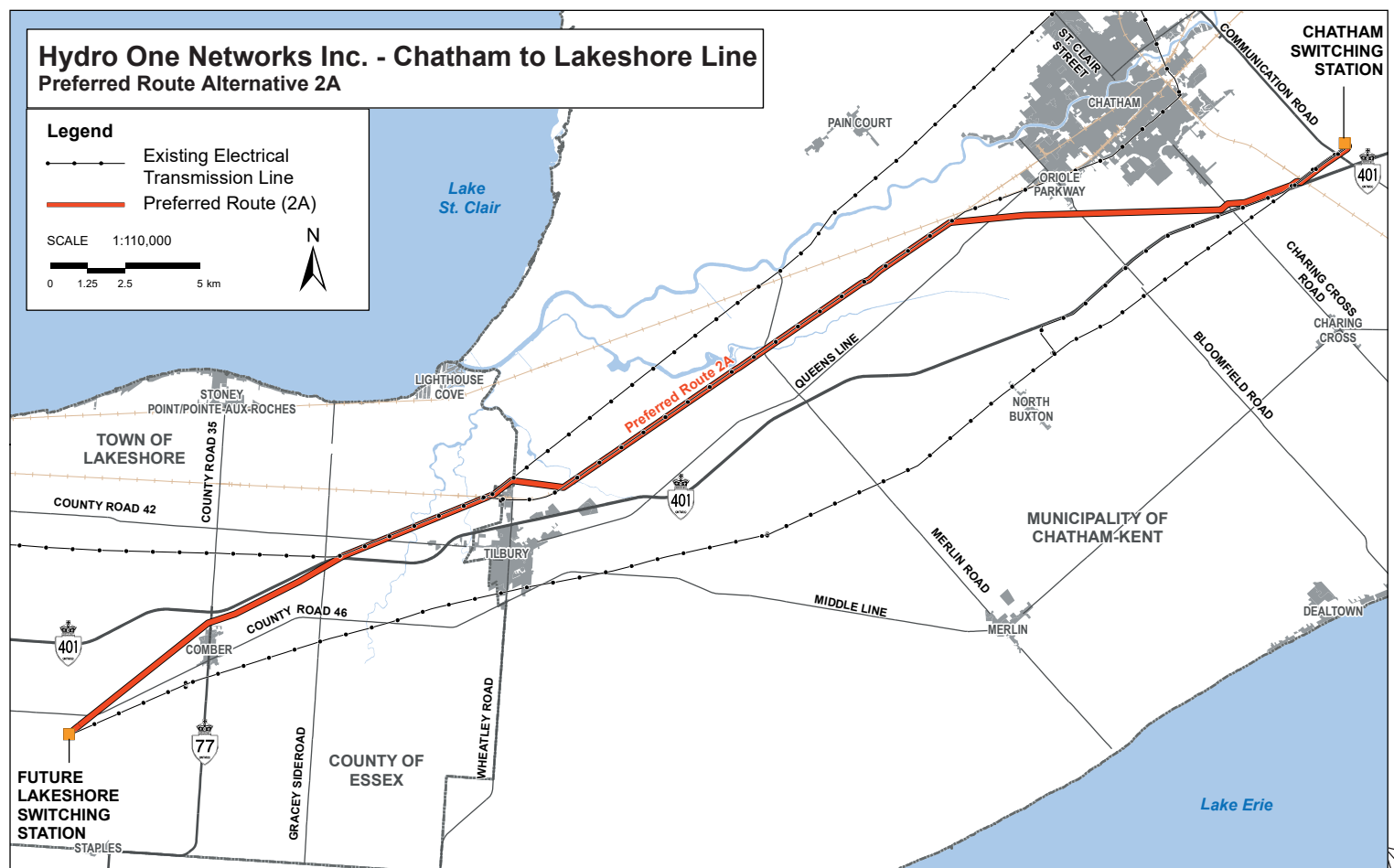
June 2021

As the next step in the Chatham to Lakeshore Line project, Hydro One has completed the draft Environmental Study Report (ESR). This document outlines the Class Environmental Assessment (EA) process conducted and will be available for a 60-day public review and comment period, beginning on June 11, 2021.

A safe and reliable power supply is essential to ensure southwestern Ontario can continue to grow now, and into the future. That is why, in January 2020, Hydro One began a Class Environmental Assessment (EA), in accordance with the Class EA for Minor Transmission Facilities to build a new double-circuit 230 kilovolt transmission line between the Chatham Switching Station (SS) and future Lakeshore Switching Station (SS). This new line will accommodate anticipated electricity demand, improve reliability for homes and businesses and support local industries.

Through this process, three alternative routes and their associated variations were evaluated. Based on environmental and technical information collected and feedback received, Route Alternative 2A was selected as the preferred route for the new transmission line, shown on the map, or in more detail at [HydroOne.com/Chatham-to-Lakeshore](https://www.hydroone.com/chatham-to-lakeshore). The draft ESR summarizes the EA process, route alternatives identified, environmental information collected, consultation undertaken, the route evaluation and selection process, and environmental effects and mitigation measures planned.

Having reached this milestone in the electricity transmission planning process, Hydro One will continue to work with landowners, as design and construction planning continues.



Next Steps and Providing Your Input:

The draft ESR will be available for comment from June 11 to August 10, 2021. Due to ongoing public health restrictions, the draft ESR can be viewed electronically on Hydro One's website at **HydroOne.com/Chatham-to-Lakeshore**. Electronic copies of the draft ESR are also available on USB drives for sign out and/or curbside pickup at the following locations, pending operating hours (please call ahead):

Chatham-Kent Public Library 120 Queen Street Chatham, ON N7M 2G6 519-654-2940	Chatham-Kent Public Library 2 Queen Street Tilbury, ON NOP 2L0 519-682-0100	Chatham-Kent Civic Centre 315 King Street Chatham, ON N7M 5K8 519-360-1998	Atlas Tube Centre Essex County Library-Toldo Branch 447 Renaud Line Lakeshore, ON NOR 1K0 519-727-0470
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To help aid those without access to a computer, limited e-readers will be available at the above locations for sign out. In the event that public health restrictions cease during the review period, hard copies of the draft ESR will also be available for on-site review at the above locations.

Written comments or questions on the draft ESR must be received by Hydro One no later than **4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 10, 2021** and must be addressed to:

Paul Dalmazzi, Environmental Planner, Hydro One Networks Inc.
483 Bay Street, North Tower, 12th Floor, Toronto, ON M5G 2P5
Phone: 1-877-345-6799 (community relations hotline)
Email: Community.Relations@HydroOne.com

During the review period, Hydro One will respond to and make best efforts to resolve any issues raised by concerned parties, following which, Hydro One will finalize the ESR and file it with the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP). The project will then be considered acceptable to proceed as outlined in the ESR.

A request may be made to the MECP for an order requiring a higher level of study (i.e., requiring comprehensive EA approval before being able to proceed), or that conditions be imposed (e.g., require further studies), however; only on the grounds that the requested order may prevent, mitigate or remedy adverse impacts on constitutionally protected Aboriginal and treaty rights. The MECP will not consider requests on other grounds.

Requests should include the requester's contact information, as well as specify what kind of order is being requested (request for conditions or comprehensive EA), how an order may prevent, mitigate or remedy potential adverse impacts on Aboriginal and treaty rights, and any information in support of the statements in the request. The request should be sent in writing or by email to:

Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks 777 Bay Street, 5th Floor Toronto ON M7A 2J3 Email: Minister.mecp@ontario.ca	Environmental Assessment Branch Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks 135 St. Clair Avenue West, 1st Floor Toronto, ON M4V 1P5 Email: EABDirector@ontario.ca
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Requests should also be copied to Hydro One per the contact information provided above. Please visit the ministry's website for more information on requests for orders under section 16 of the Environmental Assessment Act at: www.ontario.ca/page/class-environmental-assessments-part-ii-order

All personal information included in your request – such as name, address, telephone number and property location – is collected, under the authority of section 30 of the Environmental Assessment Act and is collected and maintained for the purpose of creating a record that is available to the general public. As this information is collected for the purpose of a public record, the protection of personal information provided in the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FIPPA) does not apply (s.37). Personal information you submit will become part of the available public record unless you request that your personal information remain confidential.

From: community.relations@HydroOne.com <community.relations@HydroOne.com>

Sent: June 16, 2021 12:13 PM

To: CKmayor <CKmayor@chatham-kent.ca>

Cc: CKcorpserv <CKcorpserv@chatham-kent.ca>

Subject: Hydro One kickstarts a safe return to sports

Hello Mayor Canniff and Council,

I am reaching out to you today to share news that the Coaches Association of Ontario has recently launched the Return to Coaching Community Grant.

Hydro One's support of this program provides coaches and their teams with up to \$2,000 for the tools they need to get back to safe, in-person playing. These might include, but are not limited to, new personal protective equipment, extra practice time, additional sport equipment to reduce sharing, safety training.

The pandemic put a pause on amateur sports and while we are all excited for these activities to resume, we know that safety remains top of mind for parents, athletes and coaches. Hydro One is committed to building safe communities and we are thrilled to team up with grassroots sporting associations.

Applications for the Return to Coaching Community Grant can be submitted online at www.safesport101.coachesontario.ca. Submissions close August 8, 2021 and decisions will be issued by September 1.

Also returning is the **Hydro One Safe Play Award**, awarded to one exemplary coach committed to promoting safety within their team(s) and community, as part of the 2021 Ontario Coaching Excellence Awards. For more information on the Ontario Coaching Excellence Awards, visit www.coachesontario.ca/awards.

In an effort to spread the word, please feel free to share this information within your community.

Thank you,
Julia

Julia Baldesarra
Community Relations Consultant

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June 17th, 2021

RE: Seeking your endorsement for Motion M-84 Anti-Hate Crimes and Incidents & Private Member's Bill C-313 Banning Symbols of Hate Act

Dear Mayor and Council,

I am writing to you today seeking your endorsement of my House of Commons [Motion M-84 Anti-Hate Crimes and Incidents](#) and my private member's legislation on [Banning Symbols of Hate Act - Bill C-313](#). We are living in an unprecedented time. The killing of George Floyd in the U.S., and the deaths of Regis Korchinski-Paquet, a 29-year-old Indigenous-Ukrainian-Black Canadian woman, occurred in Toronto, and Chantel Moore, an Indigenous Canadian woman, was shot and killed by Edmundston police, New Brunswick police, who were called to perform a wellness check - were results of systemic racism.

Since the start of the pandemic, there has been an alarming increase of anti-Asian racism and hate crimes in Canada and across North America. A new [Angus Reid public opinion](#) poll shows that nearly 50% of young Asian Canadians have experienced and been affected by anti-Asian racism and bigotry in the last year. [Statistics Canada](#) reported that in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic, fear and misinformation about the virus may disproportionately impact the sense of personal and community safety of many people in Canada.

The recent murder of the Muslim family in London, Ontario, was yet another reminder that hate and Islamophobia exist in Canada. We must take a strong stance against all forms of hate and racism against Black, Indigenous, People of Colour and Racialized communities.

My Bill C-313 would prevent anyone from selling and displaying symbols that promote hatred and violence against identifiable groups. Julian says banning symbols of hatred like swastikas or Klu Klux Klan insignia is important for all Canadians to feel safe.

I hope I can count on your endorsement to urge the federal government to immediately stop all forms of hate and all forms of discrimination, hate crimes and incidents as well as ending all display and sale in Canada of symbols of hate. Please consider using the following endorsement paragraph as a reply as soon as possible:

On behalf of _____ (Number of residents in your city), the Mayor and Council of _____ (city name) endorse MP Peter Julian's private member's motion, Motion M-84 Anti-Hate Crimes and Incidents and his private member's bill Bill-C 313 Banning Symbols of Hate Act.

Thank you very much for your consideration. Please feel free to contact my Chief of Staff, Doris Mah, at 604-353-3107 if you require any further information.

We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

Peter Julian, MP
New Westminster-Burnaby

Ontario's Big City Mayors call for action on ambitious mental health and addictions plan

June 18, 2021 – Ontario's Big City Mayors (OBCM) are joining mental health leaders and Chiefs of Police in calling for the decriminalization of controlled substances and the continued creation and funding of Mental Health Crisis Response Units. These units combine trained mental health professionals and police officers to respond to identified low-risk crisis calls and wellness checks.

OBCM is not alone in advocating in these changes. Mental health and substance use experts have been advocating for reforms for years. Opioid poisonings, hospitalizations, and deaths have been on a dangerous incline. The Ontario Drug Policy Research Network reported 2,426 opioid-related deaths in 2020, a 60 per cent increased over 2019, making 2020 the worst year on record since tracking began.

It has never been clearer that action is needed now. While the provincial government is responsible for funding and coordinating mental health and addictions supports, all levels of government have a role to play in improving services for our residents.

"Now is the time to be bold," said Jeff Lehman, Chair of OBCM and Mayor of Barrie. "Our call for policy change is consistent with OBCM's growing mandate to advocate for the resources our residents and communities need. The province's *Roadmap to Wellness* plan is a good plan and we want to work together to implement it vigorously. We look forward to working closely with the province to bring this plan into reality."

"Mental Health Crisis Response Teams are tried and tested in municipalities across the province. Many OBCM members have first-hand experience with programs like COAST and IMPACT, and have seen significant outcome improvements for residents," said Marianne Meed Ward, Mayor of Burlington and Co-Chair of the Mental Health Working Committee. "We are calling for a consistent program to be mandated province wide with the necessary funding to support and ensure their success."

"The federal government has taken evidence-based action before and we are asking them to do it again by decriminalizing controlled substances to enhance public safety and save lives," said Darrin Canniff, Mayor of Chatham-Kent and Co-Chair of the Mental Health Working Committee. "The OBCM caucus is eager to collaborate with the federal



government on how we better improve people's lives who are struggling with substance use and reduce societal trauma associated with deaths."

Recommendations put forward by OBCM can be found here in its Mental Health and Addictions Policy Paper.

About Ontario's Big City Mayors

Ontario's Big City Mayors (OBCM), formerly known as the Large Urban Mayors' Caucus of Ontario, includes mayors of 29 single and lower-tier cities with a population of 100,000 or more, who collectively represent nearly 70 per cent of Ontario's population. OBCM advocates for issues and policies important to Ontario's largest cities.

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MOTIONS FROM JUNE 18, 2021 - OBCM

CITY OF LONDON, ONTARIO, TERROR ATTACK

MOVED by Mayor Crombie (Mississauga)

Seconded by Mayor Lehman (Barrie)

Ontario's Big City Mayors wish to strongly condemn the act of terrorism that occurred on June 6, 2021, and express our sincere condolences to the Afzaal family. We stand united with Mayor Holder of London and his community. We are only too aware that hate and islamophobia are present in Ontario, and collectively we condemn all forms of racism and islamophobia and encourage participation in anti-Islamophobia events and activities.

CARRIED

KAMLOOPS RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL UNMARKED BURIAL SITE DISCOVERY

MOVED by Mayor Bigger (Greater Sudbury)

Seconded by Mayor Guthrie (Guelph)

Whereas in May 2021, the remains of 215 children were found in unmarked burial sites at the Kamloops Indian Residential School;

Whereas we join with the Tk'emlups te Secwepemc First Nation and Indigenous communities and individuals across the country in mourning these 215 lives;

Whereas our communities recognize the importance of and support the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada's Calls to Action.

Therefore, OBCM expresses condolences and offer our support to the Tk'emlups te Secwepemc First Nation, and we commit to continuing to support our local indigenous communities and organizations through addressing the recommendations of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission. We support the funding of searches of all former residential school sites and the proposed Day of Mourning.

CARRIED

MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTIONS POSITION PAPER

MOVED by Mayor Canniff (Chatham-Kent)
Seconded by Mayor Meed Ward (Burlington)

Whereas the intersecting crises of mental health and addictions have worsened during COVID, including rising numbers of overdose and suicide deaths;

Whereas the OBCM Mental Health Working Group has prepared a policy paper with recommendations to upper levels of government, including bold steps designed to address both the current crises and its root causes;

Therefore, OBCM receives and endorses the policy direction as stated within the submitted paper and looks forward to working with the upper levels of government to implement these recommendations.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING FLEXIBILITY

MOVED by Mayor Collier (Ajax)
Seconded by Mayor Lehman (Barrie)

WHEREAS *Ontario Regulation 588/17: Asset Management Planning for Municipal Infrastructure* requires municipalities to have sustainable funding mechanisms for key assets in place by 2024;

AND WHEREAS the most equitable funding option available to municipalities is user fees, which according to common interpretation of the *Municipal Act, 2006*, must be levied on a utility bill;

AND WHEREAS many lower-tier municipalities are inhibited in their ability to levy appropriate user fees because utilities do not fall within their jurisdiction, or due to a lack of appetite or cooperation from local utility partners;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

1. Ontario's Big City Mayors request that the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) discuss constructive, long-term solutions to this roadblock with the Province of Ontario on behalf of all municipalities; and
2. That OBCM support AMO and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)'s calls to the Province of Ontario and Government of Canada about predictable, sustainable funding opportunities to address municipal infrastructure needs.

CARRIED

Working Together to Improve our Wellness: Recommendations from Ontario's Big City Mayors to improve mental health and addiction services in Ontario

We need action on Mental Health and Addiction

As Mayors of Ontario's Big Cities, we see the suffering caused by mental health and addiction every day. These issues have been a long time in the making.

The transition of mental health services from institutional to community-based settings has brought many improvements, but significant gaps still remain in the services available to those in need of mental health services. These gaps have put increasing pressure on services like income support, social and supportive housing, and policing.

Addictions, new and old, continue to ravage Ontario communities. According to the Canadian Institute for Health Information (CIHI), from 2019 to 2020, emergency department visits for opioid poisonings are up 16% and hospitalizations are up 13%. Alcohol related emergency department visits are up 5%. The Ontario Drug Policy Research Network reported 2,426 opioid-related deaths in 2020, a 60% increase over 2019, making 2020 the worst year on record for opioid-related death since tracking began.

The provincial government is responsible for funding and coordinating mental health and addiction supports, but all levels of government have a role to play in improving services for our residents. Gone are the days when anyone in government could say the mental health of our residents was "not our department."

- Ontario municipalities deliver community health, income support and social services, recreation, housing, and policing services, all of which connect to mental health. Mental health and addiction cause some of the most serious challenges in our communities, and those who suffer from them are among those in greatest need.

It is our role to advocate for the resources needed to meet the needs of our residents.

It is also our role to convene the many health care and community partners who work to serve our populations, to try to identify gaps in the system, connect services, and improve community well-being.

OBCM supports Ontario's Roadmap to Wellness

The provincial government has recognized these gaps and has committed to an ambitious \$4 billion, 10-year, *Roadmap to Wellness* plan to build a more complete

mental health system in Ontario.

Ontario's Big City Mayors propose a series of recommendations to support and complement the *Roadmap to Wellness* plan.

These recommendations include:

- Structural recommendations to improve mental health services and ensure more Ontarians get the help they need, when they need it, and where appropriate;
- Support that helps improve and connect municipal services with community mental health services;
- Legislative and regulatory changes that reduce the harm of substance use and support system change, and
- Municipal leadership opportunities.

Structural recommendations to ensure more Ontarians get the help they need, when they need it, and where they need it.

1. Develop common assessments and coordination of services in mental health, substance use and homelessness based on acuity and need.
2. Develop a prioritized wait time strategy that focuses on consistent care, faster care, easier to access care, and transparent care to address a wide scope of mental health and addiction needs.
 - Focus on at risk populations first, including racialized and Indigenous persons, children and youth, survivors of intimate partner violence, and men facing homelessness.
3. Municipalities are key partners in the delivery of mental health and addiction services. Municipal expertise needs to be included in the development of policy. Additionally, include municipal members in the Ontario Mental Health and Addiction Centre of Excellence to ensure it benefits from municipal experience.
4. Increase social assistance funding to above the poverty line and tie future increases to appropriate economic indicators.
5. Expand mental health and PTSD support to all first responders (police, fire, ambulance, nurses).
6. Continue to fund broadband infrastructure to make web-based services available to more Ontarians – while acknowledging that web-based services are not a replacement for in-person care.

Support that helps improve and connect municipal services with community mental health services

1. Ensure the client experience is seamless across the continuum of care. The Integrated Care Hub model coordinates all the agencies serving a geographic area, to make it easier to navigate the full spectrum of programs. In this day and age, service models should ensure individuals about to be discharged from hospital settings should already be set up with access to the community supports needed to make their transition a success.
2. Move from incident response to prevention. Break down the silos among different system actors to better anticipate issues and prevent their escalation. Utilize the experience of the “situation table” model in community policing to facilitate inter-agency information sharing that can promote opportunities for prompt, preventative intervention and de-escalation.
3. Improve digital health records to create a single record for primary care providers and community-based care providers to address gaps in mental health information. Ensuring all care providers have access to care histories which can be incorporated into plans for ongoing treatment. This can be integrated with the by-name list Ontario is implementing to help alleviate homelessness.
4. Increase the supply of supportive housing by:
 - Building a minimum of 30,000 units of supportive housing over 10 years as recommended by the Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA) and others in the sector.
 - Introducing legislation to mandate that 15% of RGI housing be supportive housing.
 - Developing a coordinated plan to align operating and capital funding with the relevant ministries and local delivery agencies.
 - Identifying a lead to deliver coordinated funding.
 - Providing additional funding for supportive housing for complex needs, including intensive, ACT level supports.
 - Working with OBCM Mayors to secure equitable and equal federal funding under Reaching Home and the National Housing Strategy for all communities in Ontario for all Ontario communities.
 - Working with OBCM Mayors to secure additional provincial investments in supportive housing based on an assessment of need.

5. Prioritize recreation and infrastructure funding to priority neighbourhoods that require more and better public assets.
6. Fund and implement an Ontario Opioid Strategy to support local community response to the opioid crisis.
 - OBCM supports AMO's recommendations to implement the Ontario Opioid Strategy.
 - This plan should include funding naloxone for all municipal first responders.
 - Increased access to additional opiate replacement therapies – some of which do not require special medical training to administer.
7. Review municipal Community Safety and Well-Being Plans to identify areas for coordination and funding.

Legislative and regulatory changes that reduce the harm of substance use and support system change

1. As part of the Public Health Modernization review, ensure that Boards of Health/Public Health Units are properly funded and resourced to collaborate with the mental health promotion as outlined in the Health Promotion and Prevention Act and corresponding Standards and Guidelines.
2. Work with OBCM and the federal government to decriminalize more controlled substances to better protect people struggling with substance use, reduce societal trauma associated with deaths, and take profits away from criminal syndicates.
3. Update the Police Standards Manual to provide clear and up to date guidance to police officers regarding interactions with individuals experiencing a mental health and/or addiction-related crisis.
4. Implement the police to hospital transition framework.
5. Mandate and fund Mobile Crisis Response Teams, which combine policing and mental health professionals. Funding should also be provided for community mobile teams that respond to low-risk crisis calls and wellness checks. These teams can be created in partnership with front line service providers and policing and mental health and addiction experts.

Municipal leadership opportunities

1. OBCM members will implement best practice mental health and addiction supports for their own employees across all divisions.
2. OBCM Mayors will convene health care, supportive housing, community services providers, police, and community development professionals to identify and solve local barriers to success.
 - OBCM Mayors will create a coordinated table to help coordinate across city departments that have an impact on mental health and addiction.
3. OBCM members will use their oversight role in policing to help implement proactive measures to support mental health and addiction.
4. OBCM Mayors will work with their Councils to help fund the development and evaluation of evidence-based best practices like safe consumption sites.

Moving Forward

Ontario's Big City Mayors understand that solving problems proactively requires upfront investment and making hard decisions. OBCM is ready to support the full implementation of the province's *Roadmap to Wellness*.

By building a complete system, working together and taking bold action Ontario can help more people overcome the mental health and addiction challenges they face.

Let's keep working together to improve our collective wellness.

MPP Randy Pettapiece
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May 26, 2021

RE: Domestic COVID-19 Vaccine Production and Capacity

Dear MPP Pettapiece,

At the regular meeting of Council held on May 20, 2021, Perth County Council passed the following resolution brought forward from a Notice of Motion:

Moved by: Councillor Doug Eidt
Seconded by: Councillor Doug Kellum

WHEREAS throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, Canada has relied on international partners to provide COVID-19 vaccinations; and

WHEREAS the distribution of COVID-19 vaccines to Canada may be delayed due to the production/distribution of the vaccine outside of Canada; and

WHEREAS the increased support from all levels of government on the creation of COVID-19 vaccines domestically would increase Canada's vaccine capacity; and

NOW THEREFORE the Council of Perth County recommend to the Federal Government to support domestic production of a COVID-19 vaccine; and

THAT the Council of Perth County encourage all levels of Government to engage and support domestic vaccine capacity; and

THAT this motion be sent to Perth / Wellington MPP Randy Pettapiece, MP John Nater and to all municipalities of Ontario.

The conversation was centered around the COVID-19 vaccination, but further developed to ensuring that as a Country we can best create and supply all necessary vaccinations. We thank you for your

advocacy on this matter and look forward to supportive responses from our municipal counterparts and officials from all levels of government.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jim Aitcheson', with a stylized, cursive script.

Jim Aitcheson, Warden
The Corporation of the County of Perth

CC:

MP John Nater - John.Nater@parl.gc.ca

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Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
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June 18, 2021

Dear Honourable Doug Ford;

Re: Copy of Resolution #425

Motion No. 425

Moved by: Jeff Elliott Seconded by: Jim Hanna

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby supports the County of Perth in their recommendation to the Federal Government to support domestic production of a COVID-19 vaccine; and to encourage all levels of Government to engage and support domestic vaccine capacity AND directs staff to circulate as appropriate.

Sincerely,

Kelly Lush
Deputy Clerk

c.c All Ontario Municipalities



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Legislative Services

June 1, 2021
File #120203

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Honourable and Dear Sirs:

Re: Capital Gains Tax on Primary Residence

The Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie at its meeting of May 31, 2021 passed the following resolution:

Whereas primary residences are currently exempt from a capital gains tax, and

Whereas currently secondary and additional non-primary properties are subject to capital gains, and

Whereas the Federal Government is currently looking into a primary residence capital gains tax as they have recognized that affordable housing has become a serious issue in Canada, and

Whereas smaller communities including the Town of Fort Erie are seeing unprecedented higher selling prices that are outpacing prices in larger cities, and

Whereas many hard-working Canadians who have only a primary residence with no additional non-primary homes count on their home equity as financial aid to apply to upsizing or downsizing their home depending on their personal situation, and

Whereas a change in taxation to primary residences would be a significant financial blow to Canadians and would create an unfair, two-tiered taxation which could lead to depleted savings, inter-generational disparities, disparities among diverse groups such as seniors who may have a significant portion of their savings vested in their primary residence, as well as, reducing the ability of home ownership thereby a further, higher need for rentals, and

Whereas the Federal government could look at other means to slow down the rapidly escalating housing costs to improve housing affordability;

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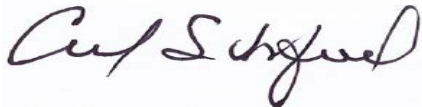
Now therefore be it resolved,

That: The Federal Government cease further consideration of eliminating capital gains tax exemptions on primary residences, and further

That: A copy of this resolution be circulated to The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, All Members of Parliament, All Members of Provincial Parliament, The Regional Municipality of Niagara, and all Municipalities, for their support.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours very truly,



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June 17, 2021

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Honourable and Dear Sirs:

RE: Capital Gains Tax on Primary Residence

Please be advised that at their last regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, June 16, 2021, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Perry carried the following resolution:

"Resolution No. 2021-255

Moved By: Paul Sowrey

Seconded By: Jim Cushman

Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Perry hereby supports the resolution received from the Town of Fort Erie regarding the proposed Capital Gains Tax on Primary Residences; and

Further that a copy of this support be circulated to The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada, The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, Honourable Scott Aitchison, MP Parry-Sound Muskoka, Honourable Norm Miller, MPP Parry Sound-Muskoka, The Town of Fort Erie, and All Ontario Municipalities.

Carried."

Enclosed please find a copy of the resolution supported by the Municipal Council for the Town of Fort Erie on May 31, 2021.

Thank you for your attention on this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Bmorton'.

Beth Morton
Clerk-Administrator

Encl.

c.c. Honourable Scott Aitchison, MP Parry Sound-Muskoka
Honourable Norm Miller, MPP Parry Sound-Muskoka
Carol Schofield, Clerk, Town of Fort Erie (cschofield@forterie.ca)
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June 18th 2021

Honourable and Dear Sirs:

Re: Capital Gains Tax on Primary Residence

Please be advised that on June 16th 2021 the Town of Plympton-Wyoming Council passed the following motion to support the Council of the Town of Fort Erie motion (attached) requesting that the Province of Ontario work with the Federal Government to address concerns regarding Capital Gains Tax on primary residences.

Motion 23

Moved by Muriel Wright, Seconded by Gary Atkinson that Council support item 'w' of correspondence from the Town of Fort Erie regarding Capital Gains Tax on Primary Residences.

Motion Carried.

If you have any questions regarding the above motion, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email at ekwarciak@plympton-wyoming.ca.

Sincerely,

Erin Kwarciak

Clerk

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Cc: (via e-mail)

All Members of Parliament
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June 11, 2021

The Honourable Doug Ford, M.P.P.
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Sent via email: premier@ontario.ca

Re: Lyme Disease Awareness Month
Our Files: 35.31.99/35.23.12

Dear Premier Ford,

At its meeting held on May 31, 2021, St. Catharines City Council approved the following motion:

“WHEREAS May is Lyme Disease National Awareness Month; and

WHEREAS the City of St. Catharines Strategic Plan includes improving livability for all; and

WHEREAS Niagara Region is a high-risk area for ticks and Lyme Disease, and cases continue to increase; and

WHEREAS Ontario health does not cover treatment and testing for all strains of Lyme Disease; and

WHEREAS Lyme Disease is a crippling disease if not diagnosed and treated appropriately;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the City of St. Catharines call on the Ontario government to expand testing to all strains of Lyme Disease and improve the level of treatment and care for those diagnosed with this crippling disease; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Premier of Ontario, Ontario Minister of Health, local MPPs, Niagara Health, Niagara Region Public Health, all Ontario municipalities, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario be sent correspondence of Council's decision; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Mayor bring this matter to the attention of the Niagara Region and request that the Region build an awareness campaign with on-line resources for families with Lyme Disease.”

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of the City Clerk at extension 1524.



Bonnie Nistico-Dunk, City Clerk
Legal and Clerks Services, Office of the City Clerk
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cc: Ontario Minister of Health
Niagara Area MPPs
Niagara Health
Niagara Region Public Health
Niagara Region
Ontario Municipalities
Association of Municipalities of Ontario, amo@amo.on.ca
Melissa Wenzler, Government Relations Advisor

THE TOWNSHIP OF GEORGIAN BAY Council

DATE: 14 June 2021

	YEA	NAY	
Councillor Bochek	_____	_____	MOVED BY: <u>Jarvis</u>
Councillor Cooper	_____	_____	
Councillor Douglas	_____	_____	SECONDED BY: <u>Cooper</u>
Councillor Hazelton	_____	_____	
Councillor Jarvis	_____	_____	
Councillor Wiancko	_____	_____	
Mayor Koetsier	_____	_____	

DEFERRED _____ **CARRIED** X **DEFEATED** _____ **REFERRED** _____

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council support the Township of the Archipelago's Resolution 21-091 regarding Bill 279 – Environmental Protection Amendment Act (Microplastics Filters for Washing Machines) 2021; and

THAT this resolution be circulated to the Great Lakes St. Lawrence Cities Initiative, all municipalities in the Great Lakes Watershed and to the Federal and Provincial Representatives.

Peter Koetsier
Mayor



Township of The Archipelago

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May 21, 2021

21-091

Moved by Councillor Andrews
Seconded by Councillor Manners

RE: Bill 279 – Environmental Protection Amendment Act (Microplastics Filters for Washing Machines), 2021

WHEREAS microfibers are human-made strands less than 5mm composed of either synthetic or natural materials. Microfibers are shed through the wear and tear of textiles through the laundering process;

WHEREAS billions of microfibers are released into the Great Lakes daily from machine laundering of clothes. Studies have found a single load of laundry can release up to millions of microfibers into washing machine effluent, which flows to the wastewater treatment plant. Wastewater treatment can capture up to 99% of microfibers in sewage sludge, but microfibers are still released into aquatic ecosystems through treated effluent. Billions of microfibers are released into the aquatic ecosystem daily in the Great Lakes basin, either directly via treated final effluent, or indirectly as runoff from land-application of treated sewage sludge; and

WHEREAS microfiber contamination is widespread: Worldwide and local studies have shown microfibers present in commercial fish, Great Lakes fish (including Lake Trout, Rainbow smelt, Brown bullhead, etc.), honey, salt, Great Lakes beer, tap water, bottled water and much more; and

WHEREAS microfibers are the most prevalent type of microplastics in the environment and have been found in surface water, soil, biota, and atmospheric samples; and

WHEREAS a 2014 surface water study in Lake Erie, Lake Ontario, and their tributaries measured microplastics at abundances between 90,000 and 6.7 million particles per square kilometer. These levels of microplastics are similar to or exceed concentrations found in ocean gyres like the "Great Pacific Garbage Patch; and

WHEREAS microplastics do not biodegrade; and

WHEREAS chemicals such dyes and flame retardants are added to textiles during manufacturing. Textiles can also absorb chemicals from their environment after manufacturing. Some of these chemicals are toxic, and harmful chemical compounds can be released into the environment via leaching from microfibers; and

WHEREAS a growing body of research shows that the effects of microplastics on animal life are far-reaching. Researchers have investigated the impacts of microplastics on gene expression, individual cells, survival, and reproduction. Mounting evidence shows that negative impacts can include decreased feeding and growth, endocrine disruption,

decreased fertility, and other lethal and sub-lethal effects. Some of these effects are due to ingestion stress (physical blockage), but many of the risks to ecosystems are associated with the chemicals in the plastic. Studies have shown that chemicals transfer to fish when they consume microplastics. When these fish end up on our dinner plates, we potentially increase the burden of hazardous chemicals in our bodies; and

WHEREAS a recent set of laundering experiments in the laboratory; have shown that an external filter can capture an average of 87% of fibres by count and 80% by weight before they go down the drain (McIlwraith et al. 2019). On a wider scale and in real-life context, Georgian Bay Forever, the University of Toronto and the Town of Parry Sound are completing a study that is measuring the effect that about 100 filters in households has on reducing microfibre pollution in the effluent of a wastewater treatment plant. The results of this study are to be released in August; and

WHEREAS add-on filters cost approximately \$180-220 CDN to purchase and install, which is prohibitive for the average household. Accordingly, voluntary adoption rates are low; and

WHEREAS France has passed legislation (France 2020-105, Article 79) that requires future washing machines sold to have filters. California has introduced a bill (California AB 622), and Ontario has tabled Private Member's Bill 279 to prohibit sales of washing machines without a filter of mesh size 100 microns or smaller. Companies such as Arclik have manufactured washing machines with filters built directly into them;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Great Lakes St. Lawrence Cities Initiative (Cities Initiative) recognizes that to date the largest documented source of environmental microfibers is washing machines, and that findings indicate washing machine filters mitigate the majority of fibres shed during machine washing; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Cities Initiative recognizes the need to require future sales of washing machines to include filters with a maximum mesh size of 100 microns; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Cities Initiative and its members call on the Ontario government to pass Bill 279, and to call on the Canadian and U.S. government to create appropriate regulatory measures to the same effect; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that until households can only buy new laundry machines outfitted with <100 micron filters, the Cities Initiative and its members call on provincial, state and federal governments to provide funding and education to help constituents reduce microfiber waste.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that Council for the Corporation of the Township of The Archipelago directs its staff to submit this resolution to the Great Lakes St. Lawrence Cities Initiative; and forward this resolution to all municipalities in the Great Lakes watershed and to Federal and Provincial Representatives.

Carried.



Bereavement Authority of Ontario (BAO)
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June 18th 2021

Re: Cemetery Funding

Please be advised that on June 16th 2021 the Town of Plympton-Wyoming Council passed the following motion to support the Council of Rideau Lake's motion (attached) requesting that the Province of Ontario provide funding sources for Municipalities for the ongoing maintenance and preservation repair of abandoned cemeteries and their care.

Motion 23

Moved by Muriel Wright, Seconded by Gary Atkinson that Council support item 't' of correspondence from Rideau Lakes regarding Cemetery Funding.

Motion Carried.

If you have any questions regarding the above motion, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email at ekwarciak@plympton-wyoming.ca.

Sincerely,

Erin Kwarciak

Clerk

Town of Plympton-Wyoming

Cc: (via e-mail)

Minister of Government and Consumer Affairs
Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA)
MPP Steve Clark

The Corporation of the Town of Plympton-Wyoming

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At the Regular E-Meeting of the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Rideau Lakes held Monday, June 7, 2021, the following Resolution was passed:

RESOLUTION #68-2021

Moved By: Councillor Livingston
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Maxwell

To pass a Resolution that;

WHEREAS at the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting held May 20, 2021, Resolution #12-2021 was passed regarding cemetery funding;

AND WHEREAS Municipalities in Ontario have been made responsible for abandoned cemeteries within their boundaries, and are required by the *Funeral, Burial and Cremation Services Act, 2002* "to ensure that the cemetery grounds, including all lots, structures, and markers, are maintained to ensure the safety of the public and to preserve the dignity of the cemetery;

AND WHEREAS cemeteries are not only symbols of respect, preserving the memory of families, prominent citizens, and local history; some cemeteries are landmarks in themselves and hold great historical value worldwide;

AND WHEREAS preservation repairs to older cemeteries are very costly, requiring the specialized services of stonemasons and archeologists;

AND WHEREAS the care and maintenance funds of abandoned cemeteries are generally non-existent or so small as to produce insufficient annual interest to cover even the cost of lawn care at the site;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Rideau Lakes hereby Urges the Government of Ontario to immediately provide funding sources for Municipalities for the ongoing maintenance and preservation repair of abandoned cemeteries in their care;

AND FURTHER that this Resolution be forwarded to the Bereavement Authority of Ontario, the Minister of Government and Consumer Affairs, the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA), and MPP Steve Clark.

Certified to be a true copy of the original

Date: June 8, 2021

Signature:

Title: Clerk, The Corporation of the
Township of Rideau Lakes

Carried:

Signed: Arie Hoogenboom, Mayor



Community Services

Legislative Services

June 22, 2021

File #120203

Sent via email: Justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau,
Prime Minister of Canada
House of Commons
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

Honourable and Dear Sir:

Re: Licensing of Cannabis Operations – Previously Operating Illegally

Please be advised the Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie at its meeting of June 21, 2021 passed the following resolution:

Whereas there have been a number of illegal cannabis grow operations within the Town of Fort Erie, and

Whereas these illegal cannabis operations take significant municipal and regional manpower to control, and pose a significant threat to nearby communities, and

Whereas monetary fines and penalties do not restrict cannabis growers from future illegal cannabis activities on the lands, and do not appear to be enough of a deterrent, and

Whereas operating an illegal cannabis grow operation does not restrict the owners from applying for a legal licence to Health Canada through another responsible person, and

Whereas the licensed operators for the grow facilities may be producing for owners or owners within a corporation previously convicted of an offence;

Now therefore be it resolved,

That: The Federal Government look at prohibiting the ability to obtain a licence to grow cannabis if any of the owners including those owners within a corporation have ever been convicted of operating an illegal cannabis operation, and further

That: The Federal Government look at restricting lands previously operated for illegal cannabis use from obtaining a licence for a period of 5 years from the date of the offence, and further

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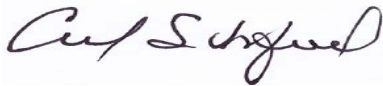
That: The Federal Government require that before submitting an application to the Minister for a licence for cultivation, a licence for processing or a licence for sale that authorizes the possession of cannabis, the person that intends to submit the application must first obtain a letter of compliance from the following authorities in the area in which the site referred to in the application is located:

- (a) the local government;
- (b) the local fire authority; and
- (c) the local police force or the Royal Canadian Mounted Police detachment that is responsible for providing policing services to that area, and further

That: A copy of this resolution be circulated to The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, The Minister of Health Patty Hajdu, All members of Parliament, All municipalities, Niagara Regional Police, Royal Canadian Mounted Police and the Federation of Municipalities of Ontario for their support.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours very truly,



Carol Schofield, Dipl.M.A.
Manager, Legislative Services/Clerk

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Federation of Canadian Municipalities