



## Township of Douro-Dummer Revised Agenda for a Regular Meeting of Council

Tuesday, November 7, 2023, 5:00 p.m.  
Council Chambers in the Municipal Building

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22.	Adjournment	

# **Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council of the Township of Douro-Dummer**

**October 17, 2023, 5:00 PM**

**Township Douro-Dummer YouTube Channel**

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**Member Present:** Mayor Heather Watson  
Deputy Mayor Harold Nelson  
Councillor Thomas Watt  
Councillor Adam Vervoort  
Councillor Ray Johnston

**Staff Present:** CAO - Elana Arthurs  
Clerk - Martina Chait-Hartwig  
Interim Treasurer - Paul Creamer  
Manager of Public Works - Jake Condon  
Planner - Christina Coulter  
Fire Chief - Chuck Pedersen  
Legislative Services Assistant – Patti O’Grady

1. Call to Order

With a quorum of Council being present, the Mayor called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. Land Acknowledgement

The Mayor recited the Land Acknowledgement.

3. Moment of Silent Reflection

Council observed a moment of silent reflection.

4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest:

The Mayor reminded members of Council of their obligation to declare any pecuniary interest they might have. None were declared.

5. Adoption of Agenda: October 17, 2023

**Resolution Number 308-2023**

Moved by: Councillor Watt

Seconded by: Councillor Vervoort

That the agenda for the Regular Council Meeting, dated October 17, 2023, be adopted, as circulated.

Carried

6. Adoption of Minutes and Business Arising from the Minutes

6.1 Council Meeting Minutes - October 3, 2023

**Resolution Number 309-2023**

Moved by: Councillor Vervoort

Seconded by: Councillor Johnston

That the Council Meeting Minutes from October 3, 2023 be received and approved as presented.

Carried

7. Consent Agenda (Reports voted upon by ONE motion) - No Debate

7.1 Municipal Appraisal Forms (MAFs) for Severance Files B-65-23 and B-66-23

7.2 Peterborough County Council - Meeting Minutes - September 13, 2023

7.3 2024 Annual OPP Service Billing Statement

**Resolution Number 310-2023**

Moved by: Councillor Watt

Seconded by: Councillor Vervoort

That the Consent Agenda for October 17, 2023 be received.

Carried

8. Delegations, Petitions, Presentations or Public Meetings:

8.1 Public Meeting - Zoning By-law Amendment File R-07-23 (Kidd & Spence)

1635 County Road 6

Roll No. 1522-020-004-08700

Dummer Ward

**Resolution Number 311-2023**

Moved by: Councillor Vervoort

Seconded by: Councillor Johnston

That the Public Meeting regarding the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment R-07-23 (Kidd and Spence) be declared open. (5:05 p.m.).

Carried

Christina Coulter, Planner, explained that the subject property is currently zoned Rural. The Zoning By-law Amendment proposes to rezone the subject lands from the Rural Zone to the EC

This rezoning is required as a condition of Consent Application for File B-60-22, that was conditionally approved by Peterborough County on October 13, 2022.

In attendance:

None

Comment received:

- Enbridge Gas: No objections to the application.
- Hiawatha First Nation: No questions or concerns.
- County of Peterborough Public Works: No further comments than those provided for the Severance Review (dated May 2, 2022 under reference B-60-22).

- Otonabee Region Conservation Authority:

The proposed rezoning is appropriate to rezone the land to the Environmental Conservation Zone (EC) to recognize existing wetlands. Therefore, it is the opinion of Otonabee Conservation Authority staff that the application remains consistent with section 3.1 of the PPS.

The subject property is partially subject to Ontario Regulation 167/06 Otonabee Conservation's "development, interference with wetlands and alterations to shorelines and watercourses" regulation. Permits from this agency will be required prior to any site alteration or construction in those areas regulated by Otonabee Conservation.

The subject lands are not located in a vulnerable area as per the Revised Trent Source Water Protection Plan (SPP).

**Resolution Number 312-2023**

Moved by: Councillor Vervoort

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That the Public Meeting for the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment R-07-23 (Kidd and Spence) be declared closed. (5:09 p.m.)

Carried

**Resolution Number 313-2023**

Moved by: Councillor Johnston

Seconded by: Councillor Watt

That Report, dated October 17, 2023, regarding Zoning By-law Amendment – File R-07-23 be received; and

That Council receive all comments related to Zoning By-law Amendment File R-07-23; and

That the By-law to enact the amendment be passed at the appropriate time in the meeting.

Carried

8.2 Bruce Johnson and Jim Coyle, Birchcliff Property Owners Association - Plans for Birchview Road

**Resolution Number 314-2023**

Moved by: Councillor Johnston

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That the presentation from Bruce Johnson and Jim Coyle of the Birchcliff Property Owners Association regarding Birchview Road be received.

Carried

9. Public Comment Period - No Debate or Decision

9.1 Public Comment Period - List of Registered Speakers

- The following person(s) provided a public comment on the following item(s):  
Jane Cooper - Item 10.6

10. Staff Reports

10.1 Report and Capital Project Status - October 2023

**Resolution Number 315-2023**

Moved by: Councillor Watt

Seconded by: Councillor Vervoort

That the Report and Capital Status document for October 2023 received with thanks.

Carried

10.2 False Alarm By-law, Fire Chief-2023-08

**Resolution Number 316-2023**

Moved by: Councillor Vervoort

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That the report, dated October 17<sup>th</sup> 2023, regarding False Alarm By-law be received and that Council passed the attached By-law and fee schedule, effective January 1, 2024 at the appropriate time during the Council meeting.

Carried

10.3 Volunteer Firefighter Wage Review, Fire Chief-2023-09

**Resolution Number 317-2023**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Nelson

Seconded by: Councillor Johnston

That the report, dated October 17, 2023 regarding firefighter wages be received and that Council approves firefighter wages, including honorariums to receive 6% retroactive pay for 2023 and furthermore that the firefighter wages and honorariums be subject to the same percent increase as Council and Staff on a go forward basis.

Carried

- 10.4 Application 15T-21006 (162 County Road 4 – Clancy Plan of Subdivision Application), Planning-2023-35

**Resolution Number 318-2023**

Moved by: Councillor Watt

Seconded by: Councillor Vervoort

That report, dated October 17, 2023, regarding Application 15T-21006 (162 County Road 4 – Clancy Plan of Subdivision Application) be received and;

That Council advise the County of Peterborough that the Township of Douro-Dummer supports the approval of Application 15T-21006 (162 County Road 4 – Clancy Plan of Subdivision Application), in principle, subject to the Draft Plan Conditions attached to this Report.

Carried

- 10.5 2024 Regular Council Meeting Schedule, Clerk's Office-2023-26

**Resolution Number 319-2023**

Moved by: Councillor Vervoort

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That the report, dated October 17, 2023 regarding the Council and Committee of the Whole meeting schedule for 2024 be received and approved.

Carried

- 10.6 ORV Use in the Township of Douro-Dummer, C.A.O.-2023-26

**Resolution Number 320-2023**

Moved by: Councillor Johnston

Seconded by: Councillor Vervoort

That the discussion regarding Off-Road Vehicles (ORVs) on Township roads be deferred to the Committee of the Whole meeting to be held on December 12, 2023 to allow for fulsome discussion of routes and options and further that the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) be invited to the meeting.

Carried

**Resolution Number 321-2023**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Nelson

Seconded by: Councillor Watt

That Council approve the request from the Township of Selwyn to remove County Road 29 from the list of County roads where ORVs may be permitted and that County Council considers the previous request as approved by Council on June 20, 2023.

Carried

10.7 Township of Douro-Dummer Tree Planting Project, C.A.O.-2023-27

**Resolution Number 322-2023**

Moved by: Councillor Watt

Seconded by: Councillor Johnston

That the report, dated October 17, 2023, regarding the Township of Douro-Dummer Tree Planting Project report be received; and

That Council direct staff to allocated \$10,000.00 in the 2024 draft budget for discussion during budget negotiations to run a similar program next year.

Carried

10.8 Manulife Benefit Plan 2024 Renewal, C.A.O.-2023-28

**Resolution Number 323-2023**

Moved by: Councillor Johnston

Seconded by: Councillor Vervoort

That the report, dated October 17, 2023, regarding the Manulife Benefit Plan 2024 Renewal report be received; and

That Council approve enhancements to the plan resulting in a 1% overall increase in annual premiums.

Carried

11. Committee Minutes and Other Reports:

11.1 Township of Douro-Dummer Arena Facilities Ad-Hoc Committee Minutes from September 12, 2023

11.2 Events Committee Meeting Minutes - September 18, 2023

**Resolution Number 324-2023**

Moved by: Councillor Vervoort

Seconded by: Councillor Johnston

That the minutes from both the Township of Douro-Dummer Arena Facilities Ad-Hoc Committee meeting held on September 12, 2023 and the minutes from the Events Committee meeting held on September 18, 2023 be received and approved. Carried

12. Correspondence – Action Items: None

13. By-laws:

13.1 By-law 2023-44 - To amend By-law Number 10-1996, as amended, otherwise known as "The Township of Douro-Dummer Comprehensive Zoning By-law" (R-07-23) (Kidd and Spence)

13.2 By-law 2023-45 - Township of Douro-Dummer False Alarm By-law

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Nelson

Seconded by: Councillor Watt

That the By-law 2023-44, Being a By-law to amend By-law Number 10-1996, as amended, otherwise known as "The Township of Douro-Dummer Comprehensive Zoning By-law" (R-07-23 - Kidd and Spence); and

That By-law 2023-45, Being a False Alarm By-law, both be passed, in open council this 17th day of October, 2023 and that the Mayor and the Clerk be directed to sign same and affix the Corporate Seal thereto.

Carried

14. Reports derived from previous Notice of Motions: None

15. Notices of Motion – No Debate: None

16. Announcements:

Councillor Johnston provided updates regarding the Remembrance Day Ceremony on November 10, 2023 and the Santa Claus Parade on November 25, 2023.

17. Closed Session: None

18. Rise from Closed Session with or without a Report

19. Matters Arising from Closed Session: None

20. Confirming By-law: 2023-46

Moved by: Councillor Vervoort

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That By-law Number 2023-46, being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Regular Meeting of Council, held on the 17th day of October, 2023, be passed in open Council and that the Mayor and the Clerk be directed to sign same and affix the Corporate Seal thereto. Carried

21. Next Meetings:

Special Meeting - Budget - October 31, 2023, 10:00 a.m.

Special Meeting - Budget - November 1, 2023, 2:00 p.m.

Regular Council Meeting - November 7, 2023, 5:00 p.m.

22. Adjournment

**Resolution Number 325-2023**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Nelson

Seconded by: Councillor Watt

That this meeting adjourn at 6:48 p.m.

Carried

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Mayor, Heather Watson

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Clerk, Martina Chait-Hartwig

# Minutes County Council - Regular Meeting



9:30 AM - Wednesday, October 4, 2023

Electronic Participation

The meeting was held hybrid (in-person and electronic) and was streamed live on the County of Peterborough's YouTube channel ([Watch Video](#)).

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**Present:** Warden Bonnie Clark, Deputy Warden Sherry Senis, Councillor Carol Armstrong, Councillor Ron Black, Councillor Lori Burtt, Councillor Matthew Graham, Councillor Ryan Huntley, Councillor Terry Lambshead, Councillor Jim Martin, Councillor Harold Nelson, Councillor Joe Taylor, Councillor Heather Watson, Councillor Hart Webb, Councillor Jim Whelan, and Councillor Pat Wilford

**Regrets:** Councillor Carolyn Amyotte

**Staff Present:** Chief Administrative Officer Sheridan Graham; Senior Director of Emergency & Shared Services/Chief of Paramedics/Deputy CAO Randy Mellow; Chief Information Officer/Chief Financial Officer and Senior Director of Corporate Services Jennifer Stover; Director of Strategic Services Lynn Fawn; Director of Human Resources Mary Spence; Senior Director of Planning and Public Works Bryan Weir; Director of Legislative Services/Clerk Kari Stevenson; Manager of Finance/Deputy Treasurer Michelle Fisher; Deputy Chief of Community Programming and Emergency Management Craig Jones; Manager of Communications and Strategic Initiatives Tracie Bertrand; Manager of Corporate Data and GIS Tammy Sikma;

## 1. Call To Order

Warden Clark called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

## 2. Land Acknowledgement

The Warden recited the Land Acknowledgement.

## 3. Moment of Silent Reflection/Silence

## 4. Adoption of Agenda

**Resolution No. 194-2023**

Moved by Councillor Lambshead

Seconded by Councillor Burt

That the agenda be adopted as circulated.

**Carried**

**5. Disclosure of Interest**

There were no disclosures of interest.

**6. Adoption of Minutes**

**Resolution No. 195-2023**

Moved by Deputy Warden Senis

Seconded by Councillor Martin

That the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of September 13, 2023 be adopted as circulated.

**Carried**

**7. Delegations and Presentations**

- a. Tammy Sikma, Manager of Corporate Data and GIS  
Re: Next Generation 9-1-1 (20 minutes)**

**Resolution No. 196-2023**

Moved by Councillor Whelan

Seconded by Councillor Armstrong

That the presentation from Tammy Sikma regarding Next Generation 9-1-1 be received.

**Carried**

- b. Craig Jones, Deputy Chief, Community Programs & Emergency Management  
Re: PAR 2023-05 Community Paramedics**

**Resolution No. 197-2023**

Moved by Councillor Graham

Seconded by Councillor Watson

That presentation PAR 2023-05 Community Paramedics from Craig Jones, Deputy Chief, Community Paramedics & Emergency Management be received.

**Carried**

**8. Consent Items**

Note: All matters listed under Consent Items are considered to be routine, housekeeping, information or non-controversial in nature and to facilitate Council's consideration can be approved by one motion.

- a. **Staff Reports**  
**Mary Spence, Director, Human Resources**  
**Re: HRS 2023-04 Employee Group Benefit Plan - Renewal Nov.1.2023**
- b. **Staff Reports**  
**Randy Mellow, Senior Director of Emergency & Shared Services,**  
**Paramedic Chief, Deputy CAO**  
**Re: PAR 2023-06 Ministry of Health Land Ambulance Service Review**  
**Final Report**
- c. **Correspondence Report**  
**Re: CPS 2023-29 Correspondence Report**
- d. **Liaison Reports from External Committees, Boards and Agencies**  
**Fairhaven Committee of Management**  
**Re: Minutes of August 9, 2023**
- e. **Liaison Reports from External Committees, Boards and Agencies**  
**Peterborough Public Health - Board of Health**  
**Re: Summary of September 13, 2023 Meeting**  
**Resolution No. 198-2023**

Moved by Councillor Webb

Seconded by Councillor Lambshead

That report HRS 2023-04 Employee Group Benefit Plan Renewal be received;  
and,

That the continuation of employee benefit services by Manulife Life Insurance Company and AIG Insurance for the period November 1, 2023 to October 31, 2024, with an overall premium rate decrease for the County plan of -3.2%% be authorized; and,

That the savings of \$59,460 be retained in the 2024 budget as a provision for future non union benefit enhancements; and,

That Report PAR 2023-06 – Ministry of Health Land Ambulance Service Review Final Report be received for information only; and,

That report CPS 2023-29 Correspondence be received; and,

That the minutes of Fairhaven Committee of Management meeting of August 9, 2023 be received; and,

That the summary of Peterborough Public Health - Board of Health meeting on September 13, 2023 be received.

**Carried**

## **9. Staff Reports - Direction**

## **10. Notices of Motion**

## **Resolution No. 199-2023**

Moved by Councillor Nelson  
Seconded by Councillor Taylor

Whereas County Council passed By-law No. 2012-26, being a by-law to adopt guidelines concerning development adjacent to County Roads (Entrance Permit) on April 18, 2012;

And Whereas Section 3 in Schedule "A" to By-law 2012-26 sets out the minimum spacing for entrances, including Low Traffic Volume Entrances (eg. residential, etc.) - Rural;

And Whereas eleven years have passed since this by-law has been reviewed by Council;

Now therefore be it resolved that staff be directed to review the guidelines concerning development adjacent to County Roads (Entrance Permit) being Schedule "A" to By-law No. 2012-26 and bring a report providing considerations and options to Council by the end of the first quarter of 2024.

**Carried**

## **11. Announcements**

Councillor Burt announced that on Thanksgiving weekend, Saturday, October 7 until Monday, October 9, 2023, the Norwood Fair will be taking place. Councillor Wilford added that as part of the festivities, there will be a Norwood Fair Parade on the Saturday, October 7, 2023, at noon.

Councillor Taylor advised that Pumpkin Fest will be held on Saturday, October 14, 2023, in the Village of Keene.

Warden Clark recognized Kari Stevenson, Director of Legislative Services/Clerk, for receiving the Accredited Ontario Municipal Clerk (AOMC) designation.

Deputy Warden Senis requested an update on the status of the James A. Gifford Causeway, which has been closed since Friday September 29, 2023, at 7 p.m. for urgent unforeseen repairs. Bryan Weir, Sr. Director of Public Works and Planning, advised that employees have been working extended hours on the repairs, and that the reopening is anticipated to be prior to this thanksgiving weekend (October 6).

## **12. Closed Session**

## **13. Rise from Closed Session**

## **14. Matters Arising from Closed Session**

## **15. By-laws**

## **16. Confirming By-law**

### **Resolution No. 200-2023**

Moved by Councillor Wilford  
Seconded by Councillor Huntley

That the confirming by-law to adopt, ratify, and confirm the actions of Council at today's meeting in respect to each report, motion, resolution or other action passed and taken by Council be adopted.

**Carried**

## **17. Adjournment**

### **Resolution No. 201-2023**

Moved by Councillor Webb  
Seconded by Councillor Black

That the Council meeting adjourn at 10:46 a.m.

**Carried**

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Warden, Bonnie Clark

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Clerk, Kari Stevenson



COUNTY OF PETERBOROUGH  
MUNICIPAL APPRAISAL FORM

APPLICANT: Irwin Inn of Stony Lake Inc. (Dennis Irwin)

FILE B – **87-23**

LOT: 31 & 32, CON.: 9 MUNICIPAL WARD: Dummer

911 address: 1375 Irwin Road, Roll #: 1522-020-005-42700, Island # or other: \_\_\_\_\_

APPLICATION FOR: Addition to a Lot

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Application **conforms** to the Official Plan. Severed parcel **does not conform** to the Zoning By-Law. Retained parcel **conforms** to the Zoning By-Law. The Township **recommends** this application. If the application is approved, the following conditions are requested:

1. ☒ Rezoning of the severed parcel to the satisfaction of the Municipality.
2. ☒ A 3-metre strip of frontage from the severed parcel be deeded to the Township for road widening purposes. Cost to be incurred by the applicant.
3. ☒ A Merger Agreement is to be entered into between the Transferor, Transferee and Municipality, pursuant to Section 51(26) and Section 53(12) of the *Planning Act, R.S.O., 1990*, and registered on title to merge the severed parcel with the abutting (or separated) land identified by property roll # **1522-020-005-40300**, such that these 2 parcels shall be considered as one lot and shall not be dealt with separately. The current fee is \$250.00. *(To be used in the case of an addition to a lot which was previously created by severance, plan of subdivision or is physically separated).* **OR**
4. ☒ The solicitor for the applicant is to provide an undertaking, whereby he informs the Committee, in writing, that the lands are being conveyed to an abutting property owner and a merger of title shall take place. *(To be used in the case of an addition to a lot which had not been created by severance – usually created before subdivision control began in 1979).*
5. ☒ A test hole for the septic system be inspected. The applicant is responsible for the digging of the test holes. Note: The \$150 fee to inspect test holes to ensure a septic system would be viable has been paid (Receipt #219578).
6. ☒ A Surveyor's Real Property Report be completed by an Ontario Land Surveyor with respect to the severed parcel and the parcel it is to be merged with to assist with the rezoning process.

Comments: The severed parcel does not contain the existing two single detached dwellings as noted in Section 21.223.2 a) of the By-law. This provision is applicable to the retained parcel only. Therefore, the severed parcel should be rezoned to the Rural Zone (RU) to reflect the zone of the parcel it is to be added to and to acknowledge the proposed residential use of the severed parcel and the parcel it is to be added to.

**OFFICIAL PLAN:**

Application **conforms** to the Township Official Plan policies, Section(s) **6.2.2.7 a), 7.12.1 & 7.12.21**.

Severed Parcel:

- a) Proposed Use: Residential.
- b) Land Use Designation(s): Rural.
- c) The proposed use **is** a permitted one.
- d) Special policies affecting the severed parcel (i.e. OPA): 6.2.2.11 c) vii) s/b 6.2.2.11 d) vii).

Retained Parcel(s):

- a) Proposed Use: Agricultural.
- b) Land Use Designation(s): Rural.
- c) The proposed use **is** a permitted one.
- d) Special policies affecting the retained parcel (i.e. OPA): 6.2.2.11 c) vii) s/b 6.2.2.11 d) vii).

**ZONING BY-LAW:**

Severed Parcel:

- a) The severed parcel **does not conform** to the Township Zoning By-Law provisions, Section(s) **21.223.2 a)**.
- b) ☒ A rezoning **is** required for the severed parcel.
- c) ☒ A minor variance **is not** required for the severed parcel.
- d) The existing zoning of the severed parcel is: Special District 223 (S.D. 223).
- e) The recommended zoning of the severed parcel would be: Rural (RU).

Retained Parcel(s):

- a) The retained parcel **conforms** to the Township Zoning By-Law provisions, Section(s) **21.223**.
- b) ☒ A rezoning **is not** required for the retained parcel.
- c) ☒ A minor variance **is not** required for the retained parcel.
- d) The existing zoning of the retained parcel is: S.D. 223.
- e) The recommended zoning of the retained parcel would be: \_\_\_\_\_.

General:

- a) If the severed and/or retained parcel(s) do not conform to the Zoning By-Law, Council **supports** a rezoning and/or minor variance.

Completed By: Christina Coulter

Date: October 22, 2023

Amended Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**From:** [minister.mah@ontario.ca](mailto:minister.mah@ontario.ca)  
**To:** [Martina Chait](#)  
**Subject:** Letter from Minister Calandra - Township of Douro-Dummer  
**Date:** Monday, October 16, 2023 7:56:50 PM

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Municipal Affairs  
and Housing**

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234-2023-5060

October 16, 2023

Dear Municipal Clerks/CAOs, and Conservation Authority Administrators:

**Subject: Proposed Legislation to Return Lands to the Greenbelt and Oak Ridges Moraine**

I am writing to you to let you know that the Ontario government [introduced legislation](#) that if passed, would restore the 15 parcels of land that were redesignated or removed from the Greenbelt Plan and the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan areas in late 2022. The Greenbelt Statute Law Amendment Act, 2023, if passed, would enhance protections for these areas by ensuring any future boundary changes can only be made through an open, public and transparent legislative process.

In response to the feedback from Indigenous communities, the public, municipalities and stakeholders we introduced proposed legislative amendments that would:

- Add 15 sites back to the Greenbelt that were removed in December 2022 by incorporating the description of the Greenbelt Area and Oak Ridges Moraine Area boundaries directly into the proposed legislation.
- Eliminate the authority to remove lands from the Greenbelt Area and Oak Ridges Moraine Area by regulation so that any future removals would require legislative change to the Greenbelt Act or the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Act.
- Revoke the existing Greenbelt Area boundary regulation (O. Reg. 59/05) and the existing regulation that designates the Oak Ridges Moraine Area (O. Reg. 1/02).
- Undo the redesignation of lands to Settlement Area in the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan.
- Provide for a concurrent amendment to the Greenbelt Plan's land use schedules to restore the same protections to lands that they had before the 2022 amendment
- Continue to ensure provide that no Plan amendments can be made that would reduce its total area in the Greenbelt Plan..
- Reverse the repeal of the Duffins Rouge Agricultural Preserve Act, 2005.
- Restore the same protections for easements and covenants on the lands in the Duffins Rouge Agricultural Preserve that they had before the 2022 amendment, and
- Strengthen immunity provisions.

The amendments, if passed, will maintain the lands added to the Greenbelt in 2022, which includes a total of 9,400 acres (13 additions of Urban River Valleys and lands in the Paris Galt Moraine area).

**Request for Feedback**

More information on the legislative proposal to amend the Greenbelt Act, 2005, Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Act, 2001 and other related legislation can be found on the Environmental Registry of Ontario (ERO) at:

- [ERO #019-7739 – Proposal to return lands to the Greenbelt - Greenbelt Statute Law Amendment Act, 2023.](#)
- [ERO #019-7735 – New Act regarding the Duffins Rouge Agricultural Preserve easements and covenants.](#)

Information and mapping on the 2022 decision to amend the Greenbelt Plan and Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan can be found here:

- [ERO #019-6216 - Amendments to the Greenbelt Plan](#)
- [ERO #019-6218 Proposed redesignation of land under the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan O. Reg. 140/02](#)

I look forward to receiving your feedback on this proposal. Comments can be sent through the registry or to [greenbeltconsultation@ontario.ca](mailto:greenbeltconsultation@ontario.ca) by November 30, 2023.

Sincerely,



Hon. Paul Calandra  
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

c. Martha Greenberg, Deputy Minister, Municipal Affairs and Housing  
Sean Fraser, Assistant Deputy Minister, Municipal Affairs and Housing, Planning and Growth Division

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Le 16 octobre 2023

**Objet : Projet de loi visant la réintégration de terres à la ceinture de verdure et à la moraine d'Oak Ridges**

Madame, Monsieur,

Je me permets de vous écrire pour vous informer que le gouvernement de l'Ontario [a déposé un projet de loi](#) qui, s'il est adopté, rétablira les 15 parcelles qui avaient été autrement désignées ou retirées du Plan de la ceinture de verdure et du Plan de conservation de la moraine d'Oak Ridges à la fin de 2022. S'il est adopté, ce projet de loi de 2023 modifiant la *Loi sur la ceinture de verdure* renforcera la protection de ces terres en veillant à ce que toute modification future de leurs limites ne puisse être apportée qu'au terme d'un processus législatif ouvert, public et transparent.

En réponse aux commentaires des communautés autochtones, du grand public, des municipalités et des parties prenantes, nous avons proposé des modifications législatives qui :

- ajoutent 15 parcelles à la ceinture de verdure qui avaient été retirées en décembre 2022 en incorporant la description des limites de la ceinture de verdure et de la moraine d'Oak Ridges directement dans le libellé;
- éliminent le pouvoir de retirer des terres de la ceinture de verdure et de la moraine d'Oak Ridges par voie réglementaire, de sorte que tout retrait futur nécessiterait une modification à la *Loi sur la ceinture de verdure* ou à la *Loi sur la conservation de la moraine d'Oak Ridges*;
- révoquent deux règlements existants, soit celui délimitant la ceinture de verdure (Règl. de l'Ont. 59/05) et celui désignant le territoire de la moraine d'Oak Ridges (Règl. de l'Ont. 1/02);
- annulent la réaffectation de terres à la zone de peuplement dans le Plan de conservation de la moraine d'Oak Ridges;
- prévoient une modification simultanée des schémas d'aménagement du Plan de la ceinture de verdure afin de rétablir les mêmes protections pour les terres que celles dont celles-ci bénéficiaient avant la modification de 2022;
- maintiennent l'interdiction de toute modification qui réduirait la superficie totale du Plan de la ceinture de verdure;
- renversent l'abrogation de la *Loi de 2005 sur la Réserve agricole de Duffins-Rouge*;
- rétablissent les mêmes protections pour les servitudes et engagements sur les terres de la Réserve agricole de Duffins-Rouge que celles dont celles-ci bénéficiaient avant la modification de 2022;
- renforcent les dispositions relatives à l'immunité.

Ces modifications, si elles sont adoptées, maintiendront les terres ajoutées à la ceinture de verdure en 2022, ce qui représente, au total, 9 400 acres (13 ajouts de vallées fluviales urbaines et de terres dans la région de la moraine de Paris Galt).

**Demande de commentaires**

De plus amples renseignements sur le projet de loi visant à modifier la *Loi de 2005 sur la ceinture de verdure*, la *Loi de 2001 sur la conservation de la moraine d'Oak Ridges* et d'autres lois connexes sont fournis dans le Registre environnemental de l'Ontario (REO) à partir des liens suivants :

- [REO n° 019-7739 – Proposition de réintégration de terres à la ceinture de verdure -Loi de 2023 modifiant des lois en ce qui concerne la ceinture de verdure](#)
- [REO n° 019-7735 – Loi de 2023 sur la réserve agricole de Duffins-Rouge](#)

Des renseignements et des cartes sur la décision de 2022 modifiant le Plan de la ceinture de verdure et le Plan de conservation de la moraine d'Oak Ridges sont accessibles à partir des liens suivants :

- [REO n° 019-6216 – Modifications au Plan de la ceinture de verdure](#)
- [REO n° 019-6218 – Nouvelle désignation proposée des terres dans le cadre du Plan de conservation de la moraine d'Oak Ridges \(Règl. de l'Ont. 140/02\)](#)

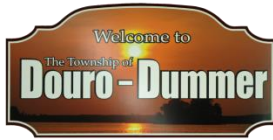
Je me réjouis à la perspective de recevoir vos commentaires en ce qui a trait à cette proposition. Vous pouvez envoyer vos commentaires par l'intermédiaire du registre ou à [greenbeltconsultation@ontario.ca](mailto:greenbeltconsultation@ontario.ca) avant le 30 novembre 2023.

Cordialement,



L'honorable Paul Calandra  
Ministre des Affaires municipales et du Logement

cc Martha Greenberg, sous-ministre, Affaires municipales et Logement  
Sean Fraser, sous-ministre adjoint, Affaires municipales et Logement, Division de l'aménagement et de la croissance



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November 6, 2023

### **Registered Speaker – Public Comment Period for November 7, 2023**

The Clerk's Office has not received any requests for the Public Comment Period to take place at the November 7, 2023 Council Meeting.

# Township of Douro-Dummer

## Report and Capital Project Status

- Directed by Council and/or CAO
- Directed by the Province/legislation
- Directed by an Agency
- New items and updates are highlighted in Yellow

### Report Status

Department	Date Requested	Directed By	Resolution/Direction	Est. Report Date
CAO	August 3, 2021	Council	Committee Recommendation on Short-Term Rentals	Completed
CAO	June 20, 2023	Council	Approve the By-law to regulate use of Municipal Docks	Completed
Planning	June 20, 2023	Council	Develop Zone provisions to regulate sports courts and playing surfaces.	Complete
CAO	April 11, 2023	COW	Report regarding Tree Seedling Program	Complete
CAO and Clerk	April 11, 2023	COW	Report to Council re ORV use in Township	Complete Will be on next COW agenda
Clerk	February 14, 2023	Council	Review of Records Retention By-law	Late Fall 2023

Corporate	May 3, 2022	Council	Future Gravel Resources	Winter 2023/2024
Finance/Clerk	February 21, 2023	Council	Policy/Program for Community Grants	Fall 2023
Finance/Clerk	February 21, 2023	Council	Policy to allow for multi-year budgets	Fall 2023
Planning	June 7, 2022	Council/ <b>Province</b>	Bill 109 – Update to Site Plan Control By-law, Create Pre-Consultation By-law, ensure the language in Official Plan allows for Peer Review as part of Complete Application	Changes pending release of final provincial regulations
Public Works/CAO	March 7, 2023	Council	Indacom Drive Lot 3	Fall 2023
Corporate	September 5, 2023	Council	Buildings Naming Rights and Memorials Policy	Winter 2024
Clerk	September 5, 2023	Council	Public Comment Period and Agenda Release Amendment	Complete
Building and By-law Enforcement	October 10, 2023	Council	Updated Sign By-law	Winter 2024

## Capital Project Status

Department	Capital Project List	Status
Fire	Douro Station Reconfiguration	Ongoing
Fire	Resurfacing of the parking lot at Fire Station 2	Fall 2023
Fire	Station 2 Pumper	Completed
Fire	Fans for the Trucks	Completed
Fire	Paging Infrastructure Fees	Fall/Winter 2023
Fire	Bunker Gear	Completed
Fire	Master Fire Plan & Community Risk Assessment	Due 2024
General Government	Demolition of Old House at Fifth Line	Barn removed – August 2022 Tender for house demolition and clean up – Waiting on results of contaminates test
General Government	New Sloped Roof - Town Hall	Under Investigation
General Government	Asset Management Plan	Ongoing

General Government	Computer Modernization	Ongoing
General Government	Finance Modernization	In progress – will continue into 2023 - New Payroll Module in place – Jan 2023
General Government	Municipal Office Front Door Replacement	Complete
General Government	Pay Equity Review	Complete
General Government	Development Charge Study	Late Fall 2023
General Government	Strategic Plan	January 2024
General Government	Marriage License and Civil Marriage Ceremonies	Complete – Now working on internal procedures and for new staff to be in place
General Government	Public Conduct Policy and Procedure	Complete
Parks and Recreation	Parks and Rec Master Plan – Implementation	On hold due to Covid-19
Parks and Recreation	Tables and Chairs	Complete
Parks and Recreation	Lime Kiln Restoration – 2022 Budget	Spring 2023
Parks and Recreation	Consultant Fees - Arena Facilities Future Ad-Hoc Committee	Fall 2023

Parks and Recreation	Back Dam Shelter Roof	Completed
Parks and Recreation	New Parks Mower	Complete
Parks and Recreation	Garage Door Replacement – Douro Community Centre	Complete
Parks and Recreation	Water Softener Replacement – Warsaw Community Centre	Completed
Parks and Recreation	Compressor Replacement Reserve Contribution	2024
Parks and Recreation	New Park Trailer	Complete
Planning	Zoning By-Law Update	On hold until Province Approves OP
Planning	Proposed Provincial Planning Statement	Comments provided to County and Province. Waiting on approval by Province.
Public Works	Spot Gravel Repairs - Centre Dummer Road	Complete
Public Works	Gravel Pit Purchase	Late 2023
Public Works	Excavator with Brush head (John Deere 190)	Waiting on delivery

**Recommendation:**

That the Recreation Facilities-2023-09 report, dated November 7<sup>th</sup> 2023, regarding Water Bottle Filling Stations, be received and that \$9,655.34 plus taxes be allocated from the \$17,641.98 carried over into the 2023 budget for the purchase and installation of one water bottle filling station to be installed at the Douro Community Centre and the Warsaw Community Centre.

**Overview:**

Since receiving the \$25,000.00 for facility upgrades from Kraft Hockeyville for being one of the finalists, the Township has used the funds for the purchase of 4 new hockey nets and wall mounted benches in the girls change room. After these purchases the Township has \$17,641.98 remaining.

Douro Minor Hockey has submitted another request to the Township for consideration for the winnings. They would like to have a water bottle fill station installed at both the Douro and Warsaw Community Centres. These units are in a number of other community centres and have coolers and a filtration system built in.

The combined cost of the units is \$4,625.34 plus H.S.T. Installation and plumbing are \$3,900.00 plus H.S.T and the electrical is \$1,130.00 plus H.S.T. The total cost of \$9,655.34 plus H.S.T.

**Conclusion:**

The Township of Douro-Dummer received the Kraft Hockeyville winnings in 2022. It is to be spent on facility upgrades such as the request from Douro Minor Hockey. Staff feel that this item is a very reasonable request given the fact that neither the Douro Community Centre or Warsaw Community Centre have the ability to fill water bottles without using the facilities taps.

**Financial Impact:**

There is no financial impact as the remaining \$17,641.98 Kraft Hockeyville winnings were carried over to the 2023 budget. Any remaining funds will be carried over to the 2024 budget.

**Strategic Plan Applicability:** To develop and/or assist with the development and delivery of social and recreational programs as well as effectively maintaining and updating recreational facilities to promote healthy lifestyles and meet the broad range of community needs.

### Report Approval Details

Document Title:	Water Bottle Filling Stations.docx
Attachments:	
Final Approval Date:	Oct 31, 2023

This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

Martina Chait-Hartwig

Elana Arthurs

**Recommendation:**

That the Treasurer-2023-22 report, dated November 7, 2023, regarding the Financial Summary of the South Park Redevelopment Project be received.

**Overview:**

Council requested a financial summary of the final costs related to the South Park Redevelopment Project. This project included the addition of tennis/pickleball courts, construction of a new building that contains a canteen, washroom, storage, and picnic shelter and reconstruction of the parking lot to make the park more accessible.

**Conclusion:**

This project was approved in the 2022 budget for \$393,000 and an additional \$22,336 was approved based on the results of the RFP to bring the total budget to \$415,336.

As shown below, the total cost of the project was \$427,887.97 and therefore the project was \$12,551.97, or 3% over budget. The variance was mostly related to additional well and septic work that was required.

	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actuals</b>	<b>Variance</b>
Tennis/Pickleball Courts	\$124,124.61	\$123,503.99	-\$620.62
Concession and Bathroom Building	\$247,157.93	\$246,722.70	-\$435.22
Parking lot and Accessibility Improvements	\$19,617.53	\$19,389.06	-\$228.47
Well and Septic	\$24,435.94	\$38,272.22	\$13,836.28
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$415,336.00</b>	<b>\$427,887.97</b>	<b>\$12,551.97</b>
Funding:			
Community Revitalization Fund (75%)	\$294,750.00	\$294,750.00	\$0.00
Township Share (25%)	\$120,586.00	\$133,137.97	\$12,551.97
<b>Total Funding</b>	<b>\$415,336.00</b>	<b>\$427,887.97</b>	<b>\$12,551.97</b>

**Financial Impact:**

The Township will fund the additional \$12,551.97 from 2022 and 2023 Operating surpluses in the Parks budget in Grounds Maintenance and Equipment Repairs accounts.

**Strategic Plan Applicability:** To develop and/or assist with the development and delivery of social and recreational programs as well as effectively maintaining and updating recreational facilities to promote healthy lifestyles and meet the broad range of community needs.

**Report Approval Details**

Document Title:	Financial Summary of South Park Re-development Project.docx
Attachments:	
Final Approval Date:	Nov 1, 2023

This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

Martina Chait-Hartwig

Elana Arthurs

**Recommendation:**

That the Clerk's Office-2023-27 report, dated November 7, 2023 regarding an amendment to the 2024 Council meeting schedule be received and that the Council meeting on February 6, 2024 be cancelled.

**Overview:**

In speaking to members of Council about the 2024 meeting schedule, the date of Tuesday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024 has been identified as a date that poses conflicts for various members of Council.

**Conclusion:**

Council meetings must have a quorum of Council to proceed, which for our Council is three members. Two members have already identified that they will not be able to attend the February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Council meeting. Staff are recommending that the meeting be cancelled and that only one regular meeting of Council occurs in February on February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024. There will also be a Committee of the Whole meeting on February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Should an important item need to be discussed prior to February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024, a Special meeting of Council can be called.

**Financial Impact:** None

**Strategic Plan Applicability:** To ensure and enable an effective and efficient municipal administration.

### Report Approval Details

Document Title:	Amendment to Council Meeting Schedule.docx
Attachments:	- Amended 2024 Regular Council Meeting Schedule.docx
Final Approval Date:	Nov 1, 2023

This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

Elana Arthurs

# **Amended - 2024 Council Meeting Schedule**

**Please note**, this schedule only outlines the regularly scheduled meetings of Council. Other Council meetings (i.e. special, emergency, budget, etc.) may be held in addition to the following. Please check the Township's website [www.dourodummer.ca](http://www.dourodummer.ca) on a regular basis to view agendas for Council meetings.

## **Regular Council Meetings**

<b>Month</b>	<b>First Meeting</b>	<b>Second Meeting</b>
January	No Meeting	16
February	Cancelled	20
March	5	19
April	2	16
May	7	21
June	4	18
July	No Meeting	No Meeting
August	6	No Meeting
September	3	17
October	1	15
November	5	19
December	3	17

**Recommendation:**

That the C.A.O.-2023-29 report, dated November 7, 2023 regarding the Strategic Plan Update received.

**Overview:**

In September, following the issuance of an RFP, Quarry Consulting was awarded the contract to develop a Strategic Plan for the Township of Douro-Dummer. The first meeting was held in late September with Staff followed by a presentation to Council which included a timeline for delivery of the plan and an outline of the process.

On October 17<sup>th</sup> a meeting was held with the core group which includes:

Heather Watson, Mayor  
Elana Arthurs, CAO  
Martina Chait-Hartwig, Clerk  
Chuck Pedersen, Fire Chief

Quarry Consulting facilitated the session and conducted a review on our Vision and Mission Statements as well as an exercise to define some of the future priorities while using the SWOT analysis data created during our staff and Council session held earlier in 2023. The session provided some guidance on how to move forward to the next stage of public consultation.

On November 28<sup>th</sup> Quarry Consulting will facilitate three (3) in person sessions, two (2) in the morning with external stakeholders consisting of businesses, user groups and residents. The afternoon will consist of the core group and all of Council which will be an opportunity to further explore the input received and move forward with an action plan. This session will include summarizing the vision and mission statements, sharing insights from the public engagement sessions, defining the pillars of focus for the next four (4) years and establishing their sequence by priority.

Following the full day session, Quarry Consulting will provide a draft Strategic Plan for review and comment.

**Conclusion:**

The Strategic Plan process is on track to be completed in early 2024 for Council approval and adoption.

**Financial Impact:**

The cost of developing the Strategic Plan was covered in the 2023 budget and no additional cost is anticipated.

# **Minutes of the Committee of the Whole of the Township of Douro-Dummer**

**October 10, 2023, 10:00 AM**  
**Council Chambers in the Municipal Building**

- Present:** Mayor Heather Watson  
Deputy Mayor Harold Nelson  
Councillor Thomas Watt  
Councillor Ray Johnston
- Members Absent:** Councillor Adam Vervoort
- Staff Present:** CAO - Elana Arthurs  
Acting Clerk - Martina Chait-Hartwig  
Temporary CBO - Don Helleman  
Interim Treasurer - Paul Creamer  
Manager of Public Works - Jake Condon  
Manager of Recreation Facilities - Mike Mood  
Planner - Christina Coulter  
Fire Chief - Chuck Pedersen

1. Call to Order  
The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m., with a quorum of the Committee in attendance.
  
2. Land Acknowledgement  
The Chair recited the Land Acknowledgement.
  
3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest:  
The Chair reminded members of the Committee of their obligation to declare any pecuniary interest they might have. None were declared.

4. Adoption of Agenda: October 10, 2023

**Resolution Number 051-2023**

Moved By: Mayor Watson

Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That the agenda for the Committee of the Whole meeting, dated October 10, 2023, be adopted, as circulated. Carried

5. Delegations, Petitions or Presentations: None

6. Reports - Managers' Updates:

6.1 Parks and Recreation Department Update - July to September, 2023, Recreation Facilities-2023-08

**Resolution Number 052-2023**

Moved By: Councillor Johnston

Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That the Parks and Recreation Department Monthly Report - July to September, 2023, Recreation Facilities-2023-08 be received with thanks.

Carried

6.2 Public Works Department Update - July to September, 2023, Public Works-2023-11

**Resolution Number 053-2023**

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Nelson

Seconded By: Councillor Johnston

That the Public Works Monthly Report - July to September, 2023, Public Works-2023-11 be received with thanks.

Carried

6.3 Fire Department Update - July to September, 2023, Fire Chief-2023-06

**Resolution Number 054-2023**

Moved By: Mayor Watson

Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That the Fire Department Monthly Report - July to September, 2023, Fire Chief-2023-06 be received with thanks. Carried

6.4 Building and By-law Enforcement Department Update - July to September 2023, Building Department-2023-12

**Resolution Number 055-2023**

Moved By: Mayor Watson

Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That the Building and By-law Enforcement Department Monthly Report - July to September 2023, Building Department-2023-12 be received with thanks. Carried

6.5 Planning Department Update - June to September 2023, Planning-2023-33

**Resolution Number 056-2023**

Moved By: Councillor Johnston

Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That the Planning Department Monthly Report - June to September 2023, Planning-2023-33 be received with thanks. Carried

6.6 Finance Department Update - July to September, 2023, Treasurer-2023-21

**Resolution Number 057-2023**

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Nelson

Seconded By: Mayor Watson

That the Finance Department Monthly Report - July to September, 2023, Treasurer-2023-21 be received with thanks. Carried

6.7 Clerk's Department Report - July to September 2023, Clerk's Office-2023-25

**Resolution Number 058-2023**

Moved By: Mayor Watson

Seconded By: Councillor Johnston

That the Clerk's Department Monthly Report - July to September 2023, Clerk's Office-2023-25 be received with thanks.

Carried

6.8 CAO Report - July to September, 2023, C.A.O.-202

**Resolution Number 059-2023**

Moved By: Councillor Johnston

Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That the CAO Monthly Report - July to September, 2023, C.A.O.-202 be received with thanks.

Carried

7. New Business to be requested for next Meeting:

**Resolution Number 060-2023**

Moved By: Councillor Johnston

Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That Staff be requested to bring a report to the next Council meeting regarding a 2023 holiday party.

Carried

8. Closed Session: None

9. Rise from Closed Session with or without a Report: None

10. Matters Arising from Closed Session: None

11. Adjournment:

**Resolution Number 061-2023**

Moved By: Mayor Watson

Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That this meeting adjourn.

Carried

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Chair, Tom Watt

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Clerk, Martina Chait-Hartwig

## **Township of Douro-Dummer Arena Facilities Future Ad-Hoc Committee Minutes**

**Date: October 12, 2023 5:30 p.m.**

**Upper Meeting Room at the Warsaw Community Centre**

**Committee:** Chair – Ray Johnston  
Vice Chair – Jim Bailey  
Committee Member – Gerard Sullivan  
Committee Member – Kerri Riel  
Committee Member – Liam Ryan

**Staff Present:** Manager of Recreation Facilities – Mike Mood  
CAO – Elana Arthurs

**Regrets:** Committee Member – Kerri Riel

**1. Chair to call meeting to order**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

**2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

The Chair asked if anyone had a pecuniary interest. None were declared

**3. Approval of Agenda - September 12, 2023**

**Resolution**

Moved by: Jim Bailey

Seconded by: Liam Ryan

That the Agenda for October 12, 2023 be received and approved. Carried

**4. Approval of Minutes and Business Arising from the Minutes – September 12, 2023.**

**Resolution**

Moved by: Gerrard Sullivan

Seconded by: Jim Bailey

That the Minutes from the meeting held on September 12, 2023 be received and approved. Carried

## **5. Other Business**

### **5.1 Review of Draft Committee Action Plan**

The Committee spent time reviewing the action plan and options for moving forward. The discussion included the challenges at both facilities and the costs associated with doing upgrades and ongoing maintenance. It was determined that there was insufficient funds to do anything impactful.

### **5.2 Discussion of Funding Opportunities to Assist with Studies**

Mike Mood, Manager of Recreation Facilities presented an opportunity to conduct a greenhouse gas emissions study for both the Douro and the Warsaw Community Centres. With the expectation to reduce the greenhouse gas emissions mandated by the Province, it is expected that any grant applications for construction or updating of facilities will require this study to be completed. Mr. Mood spoke to the opportunity to have CIMCO provide a presentation to further explain this opportunity and their part in the process.

Elana Arthurs, CAO spoke to the need to determine a path moving forward and possibly a new or updated Recreation Master Plan to identify where to begin and how to proceed. The Committee discussed their focus being the arenas and wanting to ensure that they received adequate review and attention in such a broad report. Ms. Arthurs spoke to a grant opportunity that may provide for 80% of the cost of the plan development. It was noted that the deadline was fast approaching but that an application could be submitted if the Committee was willing to allocate funds toward the 20% balance assuming grant approval.

#### **Resolution**

Moved by: Jim Bailey

Seconded by: Liam Ryan

That the Committee approve allocating \$10,000 toward the cost of the development of a Master Recreation Plan, pending approval of a grant application to cover the balance of the cost.

Carried

**6. New Business: None**

**7. Next Meeting Date**

The next meeting was not scheduled pending the meeting with Council on the GHG presentation on November 7, 2023.

**8. Adjournment Resolution**

Moved by: Liam Ryan

Seconded by: Gerrard Sullivan

That the meeting adjourn (6:32 p.m.).

Carried

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Chair, Ray Johnston

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Elana Arthurs, Deputy Clerk

Township of Douro-Dummer Events Committee  
Location: Upper Meeting Room, Warsaw Community Centre

Date: October 16, 2023

Time: 5:30 pm

Present:

Chair, Councillor Ray Johnston

Member, Alyssa Heffernan

Member, Julie Chatten

Clerk, Martina Chait-Hartwig

Absent:

Member, Angela O'Grady

Guests:

Sue Dubbin

Sharon Foster

Doreen Tighe

**1. Call to Order**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

**2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

The Chair told members of their obligation to declare any pecuniary interest they might have. None were declared.

**3. Adoption of Agenda: October 16, 2023**

Moved by: Julie Chatten

Seconded by: Alyssa Heffernan

That the Agenda for October 16, 2023 be approved.

Carried

**4. Adoption of Minutes Business Arising from Minutes:**

**4.1 Events Committee Meeting Minutes - September 18, 2023**

Moved by: Alyssa Heffernan

Seconded by: Julie Chatten

That the minutes from the September 18, 2023 Events Committee meeting be approved.

Carried

**5. New Business:**

**5.1 Planning for Remembrance Day**

- Discussion was held regarding the date and time. The consensus was the event would occur on November 10, 2023 at 11:00 a.m.
- Councillor Johnston and Angela will arrange for the refreshments in the Towns Hall for after the ceremony.
- A Council member will be requested to read "In Flanders Fields" during the ceremony.

**5.2 Planning for Santa Claus Parade**

- Invite all Santa Claus Parade volunteers to next meeting.
- Need candy for candy bags that Santa give out, Councillor Johnston to organize.
- The time and route of the parade will remain the same as 2023.
- Sharon Foster will work with staff on the reimbursement of various expenses.
- Theme of the parade will be "Peace on Earth".

**5.3 Discussion of Future Events**

No discussion took place at this time.

**6. Next Meeting: TDB**

All meeting will take place at 5:30 p.m. at the Warsaw Community Centre in the Upper Meeting Room.

- October 30th, 2023
- November 6th, 2023
- November 20th, 2023

**7. Adjournment**

Moved by: Alyssa Heffernan      Seconded by: Julie Chatten

That the meeting adjourn at 6:21 p.m.

Carried

# **Minutes of the Committee of the Whole of the Township of Douro-Dummer**

**October 10, 2023, 10:00 AM**  
**Council Chambers in the Municipal Building**

**Present:**                   **Mayor Heather Watson**  
                                   **Deputy Mayor Harold Nelson**  
                                   **Councillor Thomas Watt**  
                                   **Councillor Ray Johnston**

**Members Absent:**   **Councillor Adam Vervoort**

**Staff Present:**       **CAO - Elana Arthurs**  
                                   **Acting Clerk - Martina Chait-Hartwig**  
                                   **Temporary CBO - Don Helleman**  
                                   **Interim Treasurer - Paul Creamer**  
                                   **Manager of Public Works - Jake Condon**  
                                   **Manager of Recreation Facilities - Mike Mood**  
                                   **Planner - Christina Coulter**  
                                   **Fire Chief - Chuck Pedersen**

1.    Call to Order  
       The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m., with a quorum of the Committee in attendance.
  
2.    Land Acknowledgement  
       The Chair recited the Land Acknowledgement.
  
3.    Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest:  
       The Chair reminded members of the Committee of their obligation to declare any pecuniary interest they might have. None were declared.

4. Adoption of Agenda: October 10, 2023

**Resolution Number 051-2023**

Moved By: Mayor Watson

Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That the agenda for the Committee of the Whole meeting, dated October 10, 2023, be adopted, as circulated. Carried

5. Delegations, Petitions or Presentations: None

6. Reports - Managers' Updates:

6.1 Parks and Recreation Department Update - July to September, 2023, Recreation Facilities-2023-08

**Resolution Number 052-2023**

Moved By: Councillor Johnston

Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That the Parks and Recreation Department Monthly Report - July to September, 2023, Recreation Facilities-2023-08 be received with thanks.

Carried

6.2 Public Works Department Update - July to September, 2023, Public Works-2023-11

**Resolution Number 053-2023**

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Nelson

Seconded By: Councillor Johnston

That the Public Works Monthly Report - July to September, 2023, Public Works-2023-11 be received with thanks.

Carried

6.3 Fire Department Update - July to September, 2023, Fire Chief-2023-06

**Resolution Number 054-2023**

Moved By: Mayor Watson

Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That the Fire Department Monthly Report - July to September, 2023, Fire Chief-2023-06 be received with thanks. Carried

6.4 Building and By-law Enforcement Department Update - July to September 2023, Building Department-2023-12

**Resolution Number 055-2023**

Moved By: Mayor Watson

Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That the Building and By-law Enforcement Department Monthly Report - July to September 2023, Building Department-2023-12 be received with thanks. Carried

6.5 Planning Department Update - June to September 2023, Planning-2023-33

**Resolution Number 056-2023**

Moved By: Councillor Johnston

Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That the Planning Department Monthly Report - June to September 2023, Planning-2023-33 be received with thanks. Carried

6.6 Finance Department Update - July to September, 2023, Treasurer-2023-21

**Resolution Number 057-2023**

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Nelson

Seconded By: Mayor Watson

That the Finance Department Monthly Report - July to September, 2023, Treasurer-2023-21 be received with thanks. Carried

6.7 Clerk's Department Report - July to September 2023, Clerk's Office-2023-25

**Resolution Number 058-2023**

Moved By: Mayor Watson

Seconded By: Councillor Johnston

That the Clerk's Department Monthly Report - July to September 2023, Clerk's Office-2023-25 be received with thanks.

Carried

6.8 CAO Report - July to September, 2023, C.A.O.-202

**Resolution Number 059-2023**

Moved By: Councillor Johnston

Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That the CAO Monthly Report - July to September, 2023, C.A.O.-202 be received with thanks.

Carried

7. New Business to be requested for next Meeting:

**Resolution Number 060-2023**

Moved By: Councillor Johnston

Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That Staff be requested to bring a report to the next Council meeting regarding a 2023 holiday party.

Carried

8. Closed Session: None

9. Rise from Closed Session with or without a Report: None

10. Matters Arising from Closed Session: None

11. Adjournment:

**Resolution Number 061-2023**

Moved By: Mayor Watson

Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Nelson

That this meeting adjourn.

Carried

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Chair, Tom Watt

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Clerk, Martina Chait-Hartwig



# 2024 Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) Conference

Submit a request to meet with ministers and parliamentary assistants at the 2024 \*\*\*\*\* ROMA conference.

## Overview

The ROMA conference is organized annually by the [Rural Ontario Municipal Association](#). Municipalities across the province have an opportunity to meet with provincial ministers and parliamentary assistants at the conference to discuss specific issues.

This year, the conference will be held from January 21 to 23, 2024.

## Request a meeting

As a municipal delegate, you can request a delegation meeting with a minister or parliamentary assistant at the \*\*\*\*\* ROMA conference. The deadline to submit your request is **Monday, November 20, 2023**.

## Guidelines

- Do not submit the same issue to multiple ministries.
- Each form lets you request a meeting with up to three ministries. If you'd like to meet with more than three ministries, submit a new form.
- Not all ministers and parliamentary assistants will be accepting delegations. Do not contact your MPP or individual Ministers' Offices to request a meeting.
- Municipal associations requesting multi-ministry meetings should contact their Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing regional Municipal Services Office representative or email [delegations@ontario.ca](mailto:delegations@ontario.ca) for the appropriate request form.

## After you submit your request

If you included your email address in response to question 6 on the form, you will receive a copy of your submission within one business day of submitting it. The status of your request will be communicated by

email or telephone at least **one week before the conference**. If your request is successful, we will contact you with the time and location of your delegation meeting.

## Contact

If you have questions or concerns about this form, contact [delegations@ontario.ca](mailto:delegations@ontario.ca).

**Closing date and time:** Monday November 20, 2023 at 5:00PM ~~EST~~

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### 1. Enter the name of your municipality. \*

### 2. Contact person: \*

Choose a contact person who is knowledgeable about the issue(s) and is available to respond to ministry inquiries within one business day. Provide an alternate contact if this person will be on vacation.

### 3. Phone number: \*

### 4. Email address: \*

### 5. Alternate Contact Name and Email:

**6. If you would like to receive a copy of what you have submitted, please provide a valid email address. Note that the copy of your submission will be sent to this email address within one business day.**

**7. Select the minister you would like to meet with: \***

- ☐ Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs
- ☐ Attorney General
- ☐ Children, Community and Social Services
- ☐ Citizenship and Multiculturalism
- ☐ Colleges and Universities
- ☐ Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade
- ☐ Education
- ☐ Energy
- ☐ Environment, Conservation and Parks
- ☐ Finance
- ☐ Francophone Affairs
- ☐ Health
- ☐ Indigenous Affairs
- ☐ Infrastructure
- ☐ Intergovernmental Affairs
- ☐ Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development
- ☐ Legislative Affairs
- ☐ Long-Term Care
- ☐ Mines
- ☐ Municipal Affairs and Housing
- ☐ Natural Resources and Forestry
- ☐ Northern Development
- ☐ President of the Treasury Board
- ☐ Public and Business Service Delivery
- ☐ Red Tape Reduction
- ☐ Seniors and Accessibility
- ☐ Solicitor General
- ☐ Tourism, Culture and Sport

☐ Transportation

8. Select your preferred date of the meeting: \*

- ☐ Sunday January 21, 2024
- ☐ Monday January 22, 2024
- ☐ Tuesday January 23, 2024
- ☐ No preference

9. Enter the full names and titles of delegates who will attend this meeting: \*

10. Issue 1: Summarize your first discussion issue related to this ministry. \*

11. Background: Provide background/context of the first issue you listed: \*

12. Issue 2: If you have a second discussion issue related to this ministry, summarize it here.

13. Background: Provide background/context of the second issue you listed:

14. Issue 3: If you have a third discussion issue related to this ministry, summarize it here.

**15. Background: Provide background/context of the third issue you listed:****16. Would you like to meet with a second ministry? \***☐ Yes☐ No**Your privacy matters**

All submissions on this page will be collected by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH). If you choose to share your submission publicly, it may be used in future reports or other communications material by MMAH. If you choose to provide personal information through this website or by email, your information will be handled according to our [Privacy Statement](#).

[Preview](#)

Updated: October 26, 2023



Dear Minister Rodriguez:

Congratulations on your recent appointment as Minister of Transport. We wish you success in advancing the efficiency, sustainability, safety, and security of Canada's transportation system.

We are writing to request that you resolve a situation that has arisen in Ontario, concerning floating structures that are currently and erroneously classified by your Department as "vessels". In reality, these structures are designed and intended exclusively to be residences, not vessels. For this reason, we refer to them as "float homes" and strongly believe that they should be classified and regulated as such.

These floating structures pose a risk to the environment, safety, and navigation, but other Federal Ministries, (Environment/Parks Canada, Natural Resources), Provincial Ministries, (Environment and Natural Resources) nor municipalities are in a position to regulate them, since they currently fall under federal jurisdiction. Although Ontario municipalities do not have jurisdiction over these float homes, they are still expected to provide municipal services, including emergency services such as fire fighting and ambulance service. At the same time, such float homes pay no municipal property tax.

These structures are currently to be found near Port Severn, in the Kawarthas, and elsewhere in Ontario, but as we write, more are currently being built and marketed as floating residences to be deployed elsewhere in Ontario and beyond.

A solution to this growing problem rests exclusively with you, Minister. The solution we are seeking is for you and your Department to classify these structures as "float homes", thereby enabling the Province and municipalities to duly regulate their location, safety, and environmental conditions.

The good news is that your Department already does precisely this in British Columbia. In 2001, the BC provincial government asked Transport Canada to issue a document entitled "Standards for Float Homes and Live-Aboard Vessels in Victoria Harbour". With this step, the unregulated, growing problem of "vessels" being used as floating residences in Victoria was resolved. Over twenty years later, British Columbia enjoys a successful "float homes" sector, where these floating residences are located in designated locations in marinas, subject to electrical, sewage, environmental, safety and other provisions, and fall under municipal oversight. This is the exact solution that would resolve a growing problem in Ontario.

Unfortunately, our multiple appeals to your Department have fallen on deaf ears. We are told by your Ontario officials that the situation in BC differs from that in Ontario, in that the "float homes" in BC are permanently moored to shore, and have electrical and other utility hook-ups to shore, whereas the ones in Ontario do not. The historical context that your officials have overlooked is that the 500+ "float homes" in BC only have these features and controls because your Department, in their 2001 standards document, effectively forced them to do so.



In other words, your officials are unwilling to take the same steps to redress a growing problem in Ontario that they were willing to take in BC. They are unwilling to introduce national consistency.

As a signal to your ministry, the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry Ontario has recently passed regulations governing float home mooring location and controls. Minister Graydon Smith has communicated to Ontario Mayors that his ministry is keen to partner with municipalities to manage and regulate Float Homes as soon as Transport Canada re-classifies them from vessels to Float Homes.

It bears noting that this situation has been reported widely in the press. Citizens, cottage associations, Members of Parliament and Ontario Mayors have written to your predecessor and to your Department, pleading for action. A series of Petitions have been submitted to the House of Commons. The Provincial and municipal governments stand ready to cooperate with Transport Canada in bringing this untenable situation to a pragmatic, sensible solution, in which float homes would fall under provincial and municipal oversight, thus allowing an orderly, safe, and environmentally responsible development of the float homes sector.

We thank you for considering our letter and respectfully ask for your support.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Elliot-Fraser  
Co-Chair Float Homes Not Vessels Coalition

Stephen Sprague  
Co-Chair Float Homes Not Vessels Coalition

cc

Minister of Environment and Climate Change, Steven Guilbeault  
Minister of Energy and Natural Resources, Jonathan Wilkinson  
Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry of Ontario, Graydon Smith  
Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks of Ontario, Andrea Khanjin  
Shadow Minister for Transport, Mark Strahl

DRAFT Motion regarding Float Homes and Transport Canada

WHEREAS 'Float Homes' have become a great and growing concern for Ontario Municipalities that include navigable waters frontage, in that they affect the environment, character, health, safety, and overall enjoyment of those waters and abutting lands, and

WHEREAS 'Float Homes' would include floating accommodations or any combination of buildings, structures or things that can be floated into place, that are used for overnight or extended accommodation, and that are not designed primarily for navigation, and

WHEREAS Transport Canada currently deems these 'Float Homes' to be Vessels in Ontario, while having a 'Float Homes' Regulation in British Columbia since 2001, and

WHEREAS Federal regulations regarding Vessels take precedence over any Provincial and Municipal regulations concerning 'Float Homes';

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of \_\_\_\_\_ request that the Honourable Pablo Rodriguez, Minister of Transport, ~~ation~~ strongly urge direct Transport Canada to up-date their regulations regarding 'Float Homes' to include 'Float Homes' that are not connected to municipal services, and that such regulations be valid across Canada, and that such 'Float Homes' not be considered 'Vessels', such that they become subject to applicable Provincial and Municipal regulations, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this request to the Minister be copied to M.P.'s and M.P.P's and neighbouring Municipalities.



9.5.2.

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF PARRY SOUND  
RESOLUTION IN COUNCIL

NO. 2023 – 149

DIVISION LIST

YES NO

DATE: October 3, 2023

Councillor **G. ASHFORD**  
Councillor **J. BELESKEY**  
Councillor **P. BORNEMAN**  
Councillor **B. KEITH**  
Councillor **D. McCANN**  
Councillor **C. McDONALD**  
Mayor **J. McGARVEY**

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MOVED BY:

SECONDED BY:

CARRIED: ✓ DEFEATED: \_\_\_\_\_ Postponed to: \_\_\_\_\_

Whereas speeding on Town of Parry Sound roads is a concern, and can occur in all areas of the community; and

Whereas barriers and delays to enforcement pose a danger to the community; and

Whereas the Town of Parry Sound has limited resources to implement speed mitigation road design and re-design; and

Whereas local police service has limited resources to undertake speed enforcement; and

Whereas s.205.1 of the Highway Traffic Act (HTA) provides that Automated Speed Enforcement systems (ASE) may only be placed in designated community safety zones and school safety zones,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Parry Sound supports the request of the City of Cambridge that the Ontario Government amend s.205.1 of the HTA to permit municipalities to locate an ASE system permanently or temporarily on any roadway under the jurisdiction of municipalities and as determined by municipalities and not be restricted to only community safety zones and school safety zones; and

THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Ontario Minister of Transportation, the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, MPP Graydon Smith, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario Municipalities.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor Jamie McGarvey



## **Township of McKellar**

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October 19, 2023

Hon. Doug Downey  
Attorney General  
McMurtry-Scott Bldg 11th Flr, 720 Bay St.  
Toronto, ON M7A 2S9

Sent via email: [Doug.Downey@ontario.ca](mailto:Doug.Downey@ontario.ca)

### **RE: Call for an Amendment to the *Legislation Act, 2006***

Dear Mr. Downey,

At the Regular Meeting of Council held on October 17, 2023, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar carried the following resolution:

#### **Resolution No. 23-671**

Moved by: Councillor Kekkonen

Seconded by: Councillor Zulak

**WHEREAS** Metroland Media Group has sought bankruptcy protection and will cease the print publication of its weekly community newspapers across Ontario, moving to an online-only model; and

**WHEREAS** Neil Oliver, Chief Executive Officer and President of Metroland Media Group, said the 71 Metroland community publications will be digital only going forward; and

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

**WHEREAS** Ontario Municipalities are required to follow publication and notice requirements for Provincial Acts and Regulations; and

**WHEREAS** communities such as the West Parry Sound Area cannot comply with publication requirements in Provincial Acts and Regulations as the Parry Sound North Star news publication is no longer being printed in sheet form and there are no other local news publications fitting the definition of “newspaper”; and

**WHEREAS** some small, rural, Ontario Municipalities may not have the means to bring an application to the Court to ask for directions and approval of an alternate manner of providing notice;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of McKellar does hereby request the Provincial government to make an amendment to the *Legislation Act, 2006* to include digital publications as an acceptable means of publication and notice requirements for Provincial Acts and Regulations; and

**FURTHER** request the support of all Ontario Municipalities; and

**FURTHER THAT** this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Paul Calandra; Parry Sound-Muskoka MPP, Graydon Smith; The Association of Ontario Municipalities (AMO); CEO and President of Metroland Media Group, Neil Oliver and all Ontario Municipalities.

**Carried**

Regards,



Karlee Britton  
Deputy Clerk  
Township of McKellar  
[deputyclerk@mckellar.ca](mailto:deputyclerk@mckellar.ca)  
(705) 389-2842 x5

cc:

Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
Graydon Smith, MPP Parry Sound-Muskoka  
The Association of Ontario Municipalities (AMO)  
Neil Oliver, CEO & President, Metroland Media Group  
All Ontario Municipalities

## Fire Underwriters Survey supports Canada's volunteer firefighters, our first responders

*To continue protecting lives and property and ensuring a minimum level of public fire safety in Canada, we strongly invite you to add your voices to this wake-up call initiative of the Canadian Association of Fire Chiefs*

71% of firefighters in the Country are part-time, that's more than 90,000 firefighters. This essential profession no longer attracts these valiant workers we desperately need, because of their low pay, if any. It is only their passion that motivates them: **Protecting our communities**. But that's no longer enough in today's inflationary world. Their remuneration often consists of an annual tax credit of \$3,000 when they fight a minimum of 200 hours per year. And when they exceed that threshold, the tax credit decreases!!

Please take a minute to sign this petition proposed by the Canadian Association of Fire Chiefs to the Government of Canada <https://cafc.ca/page/Bill-C310-Petition> to support Bill C-310's amendments to the Income Tax Act to increase the amount of the tax credit from \$3,000 to \$10,000.

## Petition in Support of Volunteer Firefighters and Search and Rescue personnel

Advocacy » National Issues for the Fire Service » Petition in Support of Bill C-310



**Petition in Support of Bill C-310:**  
An Act to Amend the Income Tax Act  
(Volunteer Firefighting and  
Search and Rescue Volunteer Tax Credit)

**Pétition à l'appui du projet de loi C-310 :**  
Loi modifiant la Loi de l'impôt sur le revenu  
(services de pompier volontaire et  
de volontaire en recherche et sauvetage)

Click here to view and sign the e-petition

Pour la version en français, veuillez [appuyer ici](#)



**CANADIAN ASSOCIATION  
OF FIRE CHIEFS**

**ASSOCIATION CANADIENNE  
DES CHEFS DE POMPIERS**

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/new-brunswick/volunteer-firefighter-shortage-new-brunswick-1.6865721>

<https://globalnews.ca/news/9754788/canada-firefighter-shortage-recruitment/#:~:text=But%20the%20number%20of%20volunteers,census%20report%20for%202022%20showed>

## Le Service d'inspection des assureurs incendie appuie les pompiers à temps partiel, nos premiers répondants

*Pour continuer à assurer une sécurité incendie publique minimale au pays et protéger nos vies et nos biens, nous vous invitons ardemment à joindre vos voix à ce cri d'alarme, en appuyant cette initiative de l'Association canadienne des chefs de pompiers*

71% des pompiers au pays sont à temps partiel, ce sont plus de 90 000 pompiers. Ce métier essentiel n'attire plus ces valeureux intervenants à cause de leur faible rémunération, quand ils en obtiennent une. C'est uniquement leur passion qui les motive : **protéger nos communautés**. Mais ce n'est plus suffisant dans le contexte inflationniste d'aujourd'hui. Leur rémunération bien souvent consiste à obtenir un crédit d'impôt annuel de 3 000 \$ lorsqu'ils combattent un minimum de 200 heures par année. Et quand ils les dépassent, le crédit diminue !!!

Nous vous invitons à prendre une minute pour signer cette pétition proposée par l'Association canadienne des chefs de pompiers à l'intention du Gouvernement du Canada <https://cafc.ca/page/Loi-C310-Petition> afin qu'il appuie le projet de loi C-310 proposant une modification de la Loi de l'impôt sur le revenu afin d'augmenter le montant du crédit d'impôt de 3 000 \$ à 10 000 \$.

## Pétition à l'appui des pompiers volontaires et du personnel de recherche et de sauvetage



**Petition in Support of Bill C-310:**  
An Act to Amend the Income Tax Act  
(Volunteer Firefighting and  
Search and Rescue Volunteer Tax Credit)

**Pétition à l'appui du projet de loi C-310 :**  
Loi modifiant la Loi de l'impôt sur le revenu  
(services de pompier volontaire et  
de volontaire en recherche et sauvetage)

Click here to view and sign the e-petition

For the english version, please [click here](#)



CANADIAN ASSOCIATION  
OF FIRE CHIEFS

ASSOCIATION CANADIENNE  
DES CHEFS DE POMPIERS

Étude 2023 de l'Association des gestionnaires en sécurité incendie et civile du Québec (AGSICQ) sur Les enjeux de relève chez les pompiers : <https://www.newswire.ca/fr/news-releases/l-agsicq-publie-un-portrait-des-impacts-de-la-penurie-de-main-d-oeuvre-chez-les-pompiers-859614744.html>



MUNICIPALITY OF

# North Perth

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A Community of Character

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October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023

The Honourable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1  
Via Email: [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

Re: Social and Economic Prosperity Review

Please be advised that the Council of the Municipality of North Perth passed the following resolution at their regular meeting held on October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 regarding Policy Update – Social and Economic Prosperity Review from the Association of Municipalities Ontario.

**Moved By:** Matt Duncan      **Seconded By:** Allan Rothwell

THAT: The Council of the Municipality of North Perth endorses the briefing from AMO calling for discussion on Social and Economic Prosperity and that North Perth is willing to participate.

AND THAT: The resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, AMO, Perth-Wellington MP John Nater, Perth-Wellington MPP Matthew Rae, and all Ontario municipalities.

**CARRIED**

If you have any questions regarding the above resolution, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,

Sarah Carter  
Acting Clerk/Legislative Services Supervisor  
Municipality of North Perth  
330 Wallace Ave. N., Listowel ON N4W 1L3  
519-292-2062  
[scarter@northperth.ca](mailto:scarter@northperth.ca)

Cc: AMO  
Perth-Wellington MP, John Nater  
Perth Wellington MPP, Matthew Rae  
All Ontario Municipalities



## POLICY UPDATE

October 18, 2023

### Policy Update - Social and Economic Prosperity Review

Municipalities across Ontario are facing increasingly complex challenges, such as tackling homelessness and climate change, without the financial tools to solve them. It's time for the province and municipalities to work collaboratively towards solutions for the long-term stability and sustainability of municipal finances.

[AMO has called on Premier Ford](#) to propose an update of the partnership between provincial and municipal governments to build sustainable communities, a solid foundation for economic growth and quality of life.

A [social and economic prosperity review](#) would help to create a sustainable, accountable provincial-municipal relationship where both orders of government can meet their responsibilities, grounded in:

- Affordability and fiscal sustainability for both orders of government
- Fairness for taxpayers and affordability for residents
- Coordinated and timely infrastructure investment resilient to climate realities
- Increased housing supply and affordability
- Robust health and social services supporting increased economic participation
- Long term economic development and prosperity for Ontario and its communities
- Modern, effective and streamlined service delivery

It's the right time for a province-wide conversation.

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October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Minister of Long-Term Care  
438 University Avenue, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Toronto, ON M5G 2K8

To Whom It May Concern,

Please be advised that the Council of the Municipality of North Perth passed the following resolution at their regular meeting held on October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 regarding a request for support for Bill 21, Fixing Long-Term Care Amendment Act (Till Death Do Us Part), 2022 from Catherine Fife, Waterloo MPP.

**Moved By:** Lee Anne Andriessen     **Seconded By:** Sarah Blazek

THAT: The Council of the Municipality of North Perth supports Consent Agenda Item 7.11 *Catherine Fife, Waterloo MPP – Request for Support for Bill 21, Fixing Long-Term Care Amendment Act (Till Death Do Us Part), 2022.*

AND THAT: Staff be directed to forward the resolution to other provincial entities and other Council counterparts across Ontario.

**CARRIED**

If you have any questions regarding the above resolution, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,

Sarah Carter  
Acting Clerk/Legislative Services Supervisor  
Municipality of North Perth  
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519-292-2062  
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Cc: Catherine Fife, Waterloo MPP  
Perth Wellington MPP, Matthew Rae  
All Ontario Municipalities



# Catherine Fife

MPP Waterloo

Todd Kasenberg  
Mayor of Municipality of North Perth

**RE: Requesting your support for Bill 21, Fixing Long-Term Care Amendment Act (Till Death Do Us Part), 2022**

September 25, 2023

Dear Mayor Kasenberg,

I am writing to you today to share an update on Bill 21, Fixing Long-Term Care Amendment Act (Till Death Do Us Part), 2022, and to request your support for this important legislation.

Bill 21 amends the Residents' Bill of Rights set out in section 3 of Fixing Long-Term Care Act, 2021 by adding the right of residents not to be separated from their spouse upon admission but to have accommodation made available for both spouses so they may continue to live together.

The Act was inspired by Cambridge resident Jim McLeod, who will have been separated from his wife of 65 years Joan, on September 17, 2023. Nearly 6 years later, Jim continues to champion spousal reunification. He often says that he will talk to anyone and has two giant binders full of his advocacy work on the Bill. Last week, he told me that his heart is breaking because of his separation from Joan. He has brought other seniors who are separated from their spouses into the advocacy – you cannot sit with these folks for any amount of time and not care deeply about this legislation.

I know that you value the many contributions that older adults have made to Waterloo Region, and care deeply that they can live their final years with dignity and love. **I am hoping you will consider bringing a motion forward to your Council, in support of the Till Death Do Us Part Act.** Your support will help us to keep attention on this important legislation, so that it can finally be called to the Standing Committee on Social Policy – one step closer to Royal Assent.

I would be happy to discuss the Bill with you further, via phone call or an in-person meeting at your convenience. Thanks in advance for considering my request.

Sincerely,

Catherine Fife, Waterloo MPP  
Finance & Treasury Board Critic

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## BACKGROUND:

On November 15, 2022, the Till Death Do Us Part Act, passed second reading in the Ontario legislature after being [introduced for the third time in September 2022](#). The bill was then referred to the Ontario Legislature's Social Policy Committee. You can view highlights of the second reading debate here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mYRIgQgDe2k>

I have been pushing for the Standing Committee on Social Policy to schedule a time to begin the work of reviewing Bill 21 since November 2022. **Today marks 286 days since the Act passed second reading at the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.** Unfortunately, the Bill has yet to be called to committee.

Bill 21, which was formerly Bill 153 and 95, respectively, had passed second reading and was sent to the Justice Committee in December 2019, but was wiped off the order paper when Premier Ford prorogued the house in 2021. It was reintroduced early 2022 but did not have time to progress before the election.

Since I first introduced this Bill in 2019, the number of people who've reached out to my offices with heartbreaking stories of couples entering long-term care who are torn apart has skyrocketed. Simply put, Ontario seniors deserve dignity in care and should have the right to live with their partner as they age. Of note, Nova Scotia passed similar legislation, titled the [Life Partners in Long-Term Care Act](#) in 2021.

Following many meetings with stakeholders, it's clear that "care campuses" which offer different levels of care (independent, assisted living and long-term care) are the progressive model for investing in quality care for Ontario's aging population. Care campuses are an essential element to keeping couples together as they often age at different rates. This level of choice has been brought to my attention as especially important to rural and northern municipal leaders across Ontario. The care campus model for seniors housing that builds different levels of care has unique financial savings that will be critical as we grapple with a rapidly aging province.

We need the Bill to be called to the Standing Committee on Social Policy as soon as possible. We know that couples who are separated across Ontario cannot wait any longer for this legislative change to be made.

Here are the links to recent media coverage of the Till Death Do Us Part Act, which provide more specific insights into the lived experiences of older adults who are separated from their spouses:

- [CTV News Kitchener: Ontario seniors separated in long-term care pushing for the right to remain together](#)
- [CityNews Kitchener: Waterloo MPP appeals for seniors bill to be brought forward](#)
- [Waterloo Region Record: Cambridge senior calls for end to separating couples in long-term care](#)



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**RE: *Depot Operations Agreement***

Dear Elana,

The Township of Douro Dummer's January 1, 2024 blue box transition date is fast approaching. To achieve our shared objective of a seamless transition without service disruption for your residents, Circular Materials is requesting that you return your signed depot operations agreement by November 8, 2023. This date was selected because it aligns with your next council meeting.

We trust you recognize that a signed depot operations agreement is a critical next step given the number of weeks until your community transitions. The time constraints created by the MECP Transition Schedule are a challenge for both producers and transitioning communities.

If you are unable to execute your depot operations agreement by November 8, 2023, Circular Materials is prepared to support a seamless transition by arranging to pick up blue box material from your depot starting January 1, 2024, subject to your consent to do so by November 8, 2023. Under this arrangement, where CM is picking up your blue box materials without an executed depot operations agreement, depot operations compensation will not be provided until the service commencement date in an executed agreement.

Circular Materials has successfully transitioned numerous eligible communities since July 1, 2023. We are confident the same will be true for your community should you execute your depot operations agreement or provide consent for Circular Materials to pick up blue box material from your depot by November 8, 2023.

We appreciate the opportunity to collaborate with your team over the last several months and look forward to continuing to do so following your community's transition.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "Nicole Gourley".

Nicole Gourley  
Chief Operating Officer

CC: Mary Cummins, Registrar, Resource Productivity and Recovery Authority

## **The Corporation of the Township of Douro-Dummer**

### **By-law Number 2023-48**

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Being a By-law of The Corporation of the Township of Douro-Dummer to confirm the proceedings of the Special Meeting of Council held on the 7th day of November, 2023 and the Regular Meeting of Council held on the 7th day of November, 2023, in the Municipal Building

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#### **The Municipal Council of The Corporation of the Township of Douro-Dummer Enacts as follows:**

1. **That** the action of the Council at the Special Meeting of Council held on the 7th day of November, 2023 and the Regular Meeting of Council held on the 7th day of November, 2023, in respect to each motion, resolution, and other action passed and taken by the Council at its said meeting is, except where prior approval of the Local Planning Appeal Board is required, hereby approved, ratified, and confirmed.
2. **That** the Mayor and the proper officers of the Township are hereby authorized to do all things necessary to obtain approvals where required, and to execute all documents as may be necessary in that behalf and the Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to affix the Corporate Seal to all such documents.

Passed in Open Council this 7th day of November, 2023.

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Mayor, Heather Watson

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Clerk, Martina Chait-Hartwig