



The Regional Municipality of Durham

COUNCIL INFORMATION PACKAGE

October 19, 2018

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There are no Early Release Reports

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There is no Staff Correspondence

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There are no Other Municipalities Correspondence/Resolutions

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Advisory Committee Minutes

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2. Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee (DAAC) minutes – [October 9, 2018](#)

Members of Council – Please advise the Regional Clerk at clerks@durham.ca, if you wish to pull an item from this CIP to be included on the next regular agenda of the appropriate Standing Committee, beginning with the new term of Council in December 2018.

(Note: Items will be included on the next regularly scheduled Committee meeting if the Regional Clerk is advised by Wednesday noon the week prior to the meeting).



The Regional Municipality of Durham Information Report

From: Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development
Report: [#2018-INFO-143](#)
Date: October 19, 2018

Subject:

Durham Tourism E-Newsletter- October 2018

Recommendation:

Receive for information

Report:

1. Purpose

1.1 The Durham Tourism e-newsletter is a monthly snapshot of the tourism initiatives and activities across the Region of Durham. It serves as an environmentally-conscious, cost-effective marketing tool to promote economic development and tourism activity in Durham Region.

2. Background

2.1 The Durham Tourism e-newsletter was distributed to 8,689 subscribers in October 2018 with a 32% open rate. It is also posted on the Region's website and distributed via social media channels through the Corporate Communications office.

- View the [Durham Tourism e-newsletter](https://myemail.constantcontact.com/Enjoy-autumn-days-in-Durham.html?soid=1101562300271&aid=Zs-mP834jeg) online at <https://myemail.constantcontact.com/Enjoy-autumn-days-in-Durham.html?soid=1101562300271&aid=Zs-mP834jeg>

2.2 The Durham Tourism e-newsletter is produced in cooperation with Corporate Communications

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by

B.E. Bridgeman, MCIP, RPP
Commissioner of Planning and
Economic Development

Original
To: CIP
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To: CAO / AMO Communications <communicate@amo.on.ca>
Dept/Head: Clerks
Admins
CC: S.C.C. File
Take Appr. Action

Maria Flammia

From: AMO Communications <communicate@amo.on.ca>
Sent: Thursday, October 11, 2018 6:20 PM
To: Clerks
Subject: AMO Policy Update - AMO Recommendations: Bill 36 Ontario Cannabis Statute Law Amendment Act, 2018

October 11, 2018

AMO Recommendations: Bill 36 Ontario Cannabis Statute Law Amendment Act, 2018

Earlier today, AMO briefed the government members of the Ontario Legislature’s Standing Committee on Social Policy regarding the Association’s recommendations on Bill 36. Provided for your reference is a copy of [AMO’s written submission](#) that speaks to municipal governments’ role. The Standing Committee will undertake clause-by-clause review on Monday October 15th after which we will know whether our advice is accepted. The Bill is to be in effect for October 17 as it specifies the role of the AGCO, places of use, and other important matters.

AMO’s recommendations for amendments include:

- A technical amendment to the Municipal Act to ensure that municipal governments have the proper authority to regulate cannabis smoking in public;
- Ensuring cannabis retail stores are located only in commercially zoned areas allowing retail;
- Clarifying the role of municipal government in providing input to the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) regarding its decision-making for store site licenses; and
- A formal process for municipal government input into cannabis retail siting authorizations in our communities that requires AGCO to have regard to municipal concerns in its decision making.

AMO will continue to work with our Municipal Reference Group on Cannabis Retail to operationalize these recommendations if the government moves forward with them. AMO remains concerned that the costs related to legalization, from closing illegal dispensaries to road enforcement and other use will exceed the funds the province receives from the federal government, of which \$40 million to be shared with municipal governments. We will be working with members to monitor this.

Last week, AMO provided members with a comprehensive [briefing](#) on legalized recreational cannabis in Ontario. We will update members as any major developments arise.

AMO Contact:

Craig Reid, Senior Advisor, creid@amo.on.ca, 416-971-9856 ext. 334.

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Maria Flammia

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To: CJP
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To: Dept of Health admins emailed Oct 16/18
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From: AMO Communications <communications@amo.on.ca>
Sent: Monday, October 15, 2018 6:02 PM
To: Clerks
Subject: AMO Policy Update - Bill 36 Ontario Cannabis Statute Law Amendment Act - Ready for Legislative Approval

October 15, 2018

Bill 36 Ontario Cannabis Statute Law Amendment Act – Ready for Legislative Approval

Next Steps for Municipal Governments

A. What is Happening?

The Standing Committee on Social Policy completed its work today and the Bill will be report to the Legislature for 3rd Reading and anticipated Royal Assent for October 17th. Many groups, including AMO recommended changes to clarify elements of the framework, the Committee made only one change. It clarifies that the amount of cannabis sold at one time to an individual is limited to 30 grams, in line with individual possession limits under federal legislation.

Bill 36 will be the framework for sales, retailer licensing, store licensing, places of use and other cannabis rules on Wednesday, barring any unforeseen events. While the Committee did not accept the amendments AMO proposed, AMO will now focus on the regulation-making process to try to safeguard municipal input to the AGCO on siting and buffers from sensitive sites. For more information on AMO's Submission to the Committee, see [AMO's Recommended Amendments to Bill 36](#).

B. What Do You Need To Do? Next Steps for Municipal Governments

Municipal staff need to become familiar with Bill 36 and the legal framework for recreational cannabis. Municipal staff need to understand the Bill and be ready to respond to inquiries about where people are able to use cannabis in public and manage nuisance complaints. See AMO's [Cannabis Briefing](#) for more on the *Smoke Free Ontario Act* and how it deals with places to smoke. A council may review its bylaw to be more restrictive.

Staff should also begin to research the information needed by council to take a decision on whether to opt-out of retail licensing which is required before January 22, 2018. To ensure sufficient time is available for council's decision-making, staff will need to consider a work-back schedule taking into account the council meeting schedule and procedural by-law. AMO will continue to inform members of any significant developments that affect municipal council decisions and local services including the status and content of any regulations that put the legislative framework into effect.

Remember, Bill 36 exempts retail stores from municipal business licensing and land use planning. The Standing Committee chose not to explicitly require only areas zoned for commercial use as eligible for cannabis retail operations. We are hopeful that we can achieve this in the days ahead and a clear process for input to AGCO on cannabis retail store siting. In the meantime, AMO recommends that the appropriate municipal staff begin looking at siting considerations.

Ontario municipal governments will share at least \$40 million of the provincial portion of the federal cannabis excise tax to help manage the transition to legal recreational cannabis. Individual municipalities will have access to at least \$10,000 and more if cannabis retail stores are to be located in their communities. The no opt out contribution is a rate per household. AMO is seeking clarity on the amount and hold back for those that may opt out initially but opt in sometime in the future.

It is likely that municipal costs for legal recreational cannabis may exceed the municipal allocation of \$40 million as front line policing (e.g., roadside and illegal dispensary), public health, by-law enforcement, paramedic and other services feel impacts. Ontario municipalities will share on a 50-50 basis with the province if the federal cannabis excise tax is above \$100 million in the first two years of legalization.

C. What Else Do You Need To Know?

On October 17th, the federal government will lift criminal prohibitions on cannabis subject to certain limits. In Ontario, people will be able to grow, possess and use cannabis as set out in federal and provincial laws. People in Ontario can smoke or vape cannabis anywhere they can currently smoke tobacco. Public Health Units are responsible for enforcing places of cannabis and tobacco use including prohibitions on use in enclosed workplaces, near playgrounds and restaurant and bar patios, among others. Municipal governments are able to set stricter rules for use of tobacco and cannabis. Councils will need to consider community needs along with likely increase enforcement costs where more restrictions occur.

Retail establishments, licensed by the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO), will open on or after April 1, 2019. AGCO operator license applications open in December 2018 with store site licenses to follow after councils decide whether to ban sales. Police forces are responsible for unlicensed storefronts. Current storefront operators that wish to avoid legal action or to obtain a license must close by the Wednesday to be eligible for an AGCO license.

Ontarians can buy cannabis on-line from the Ontario Cannabis Store (OCS) starting this Wednesday. The OCS will deliver cannabis to adults 19 and over anywhere in Ontario, including municipalities that choose not to host a retail store. Identification checks are required for delivery and packages cannot be left at the door. The OCS has created a cannabis learning resource for Ontario residents that focuses on the health and biological effects of the drug to help people better understand the risks of the product. It offers a great deal of information.

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Afreen Raza

From: Carol Hancock
Sent: October-15-18 10:45 AM
To: Ralph Walton
Cc: Cheryl Bandel; Maria Flammia; Afreen Raza
Subject: FW: AMO's 2017 report on the federal Gas Tax Fund

Please see the below email – would you please forward this to the next CIP.
Thank you,

Carol



Carol Hancock | Executive Assistant to the Regional Chair and CEO
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From: Federal Gas Tax Program <GasTax@amo.on.ca>
Sent: Thursday, October 11, 2018 2:44 PM
To: chair <chair@durham.ca>
Cc: Garry Cubitt <Garry.Cubitt@Durham.ca>; Nancy Taylor <Nancy.Taylor@durham.ca>
Subject: AMO's 2017 report on the federal Gas Tax Fund

C.S. - LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

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Dear Gerri Lynn,

I'm pleased to announce that AMO's [annual report](#) on the federal Gas Tax Fund is now available. I encourage you to share this report with your local Council.

Our communities own and operate much of Ontario's infrastructure; the Fund provides permanent and stable funding to help us build and maintain it. In 2017 alone, we invested \$607 million from the Fund to rebuild roads, install energy-efficient upgrades, and more.

The Regional Municipality of Durham has invested \$187.7 million in two infrastructure and capacity-building projects worth \$239.6 million since the federal Gas Tax Fund was established in 2005.

AMO is proud to administer the federal Gas Tax Fund on behalf of Ontario's municipalities. Please feel free to contact AMO's Director of Membership Centre, Brian Rosborough, at 416-971-9856 or brosborough@amo.on.ca if you have any questions about the Fund or this report.

Sincerely,
Jamie McGarvey
AMO President

- c. Garry Cubitt, Chief Administrative Officer
- c. Nancy Taylor, Commissioner of Finance/Treasurer

Afreen Raza

10/15/18 11:21

From: Carol Hancock
Sent: October-15-18 9:50 AM
To: Ralph Walton; Gerri Lynn O'Connor
Cc: Cheryl Bandel; Maria Flammia; Afreen Raza
Subject: FW: Firefighter Aid for Ukraine
Attachments: Urgent request for equipment with letterhead and list.pdf

Good morning, the below email was received on the "Chair" general email. I spoke with FCM and they have requested the attached be shared with Regional Council. Although "firefighting" does not fall under the jurisdiction of the Region of Durham, would you please advise whether this could be placed in the next CIP, which would bring it to the attention of our 8 area municipalities.

Thank you,
 Carol

From: Maryana Nikoula <mnikoula@fcm.ca>
Sent: Friday, October 12, 2018 3:44 PM
Cc: info@firefighteraidukraine.com
Subject: Firefighter Aid for Ukraine

Dear Partners,

I hope this finds you well.

I am sharing this request from the city of Edmonton, on behalf of the **Firefighter Aid for Ukraine (FAU)**.

Firefighter Aid for Ukraine is a humanitarian effort created by Firefighters in Edmonton, Alberta with a goal to supply firefighting equipment, life rescue tools and medical supplies to cities in Ukraine. They are seeking to expand their reach in Ukraine and looking for support from other municipalities in Canada.

We would like to ask you to please forward the attached request to your fire service administration (fire chief, deputy chief of logistics) or city council encouraging them to get in touch with FAU - either **Stacy Jahns** at 780-238-6170, or **Kevin Royle** at 780-887-5387 to arrange pick up, or drop off of the equipment. This equipment is badly needed in Ukraine.

If you have any questions, please feel free to connect with the above contacts by phone or e-mail them at: info@firefighteraidukraine.com.

Sincerely,

Maryana

Maryana Nikoula

Project Manager | PLEDDG - Ukraine
 Gestionnaire de projet | PDELGD - Ukraine
 T. 613-907-6238



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FIREFIGHTER AID UKRAINE

Urgent Request for Equipment Donation

To Whom it may concern;

Firefighter Aid for Ukraine (FAU) is a humanitarian effort created by firefighters in Edmonton, Alberta who are aiding firefighters and emergency responders in Ukraine. Volunteers successfully completed their first mission in the fall of 2017, delivering over 7500 kg of aid in the form of firefighting equipment, life rescue tools, and medical supplies to 6 regions. A group of volunteers oversaw the ethical distribution of the aid and conducted training in Ukraine. The need for assistance in Ukraine is still great, and organizers have committed to a second mission that has already begun that will see aid collected and sent to Ukraine in Spring of 2019. FAU is seeking support vital to the execution of the mission.

Why Ukraine? While many countries exist that need support for their first responders, the need in Ukraine is critical. Very few countries see more civilian and firefighter deaths than Ukraine, and those that do are typically unsafe for humanitarian efforts and volunteers. According to the World Life Expectancy (WLE), Ukraine has the second highest death rate due fire related injury (second only to Belarus) in Europe. WLE estimates that the death rate due to fire related injury (per 100,000) in Ukraine to be approximately 5.25. WLE estimates Canada's death rate due to fire related injury to be approximately 0.47, with Caribbean, Central, and South American countries supported by similar projects with death rates ranging between 0.17-4.09.

FAU is seeking life cycled, retired, and decommissioned fire fighting equipment and tools to send to first responders in Ukraine.

Examples of tools and equipment include:

- PPE (personal protective equipment) such as turnout gear, helmets, gloves, structural and safety boots, balaclavas
- Hose and nozzles
- Hand tools such as axes, Haligans, pike polls, plaster hooks, pry bars
- Specialty tools such as extrication tools, shoring, water/ice rescue, high angle/rope rescue, and HAZMAT equipment
- Training aids such as CPR mannequins
- Uniforms and station wear

There is an urgent need for SCBA, communications equipment, and thermal imaging cameras. If you have questions about donating items not listed above, feel free to contact us. FAU will gladly accept almost anything, regardless of condition, as we can repurpose many items, and, should it not be applicable to our project, we work closely with several similar first responder and medical aid projects, and with Alberta Fire Aid, a not for profit organization working to assist fire services in Alberta. Should your department have future plans to replace equipment after our targeted shipping date, we would still very much like to discuss those plans with you. Lastly, Lakeland Fire & Safety Supply, a supporter of FAU, has offered discounts to departments replacing equipment that has been donated to the project. We would be happy to put you in touch with one of their representatives.

Call Stacy Jahns at 780-238-6170 or Kevin Royle at 780-887-5387 with additional questions or to arrange pick up or drop off, or email info@firefighteraidukraine.com. Please contact us or visit www.firefighteraidukraine.com for more information. Also, follow us on facebook for updates.

Regards,
Kevin Royle
Founder, Firefighter Aid Ukraine





FIREFIGHTER AID UKRAINE

I hope you to add your department, community, organization, or business to the long list of supporters that have contributed to the success of this program and made a difference in the communities we have visited.

Contributing Departments/Municipalities

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Andrew, AB
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Lamont County, AB
Morinville, AB
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Vegreville, AB
Strathcona County, AB
Bruderheim, AB
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Leduc, AB

Contributing Businesses

FIRM (Fire Industry Repair and Maintenance), Calgary, AB
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Urban Sparq Hospitality (the Pint), Edmonton, AB
Sandy's Ukrainian Foods, Edmonton, AB
Emergency Services Academy, Sherwood Park, AB
Medical Mart West, Edmonton, AB
Myshack Group of Companies, Edmonton, AB
Jobsite Workwear, Edmonton, AB
Sherbrooke Liquor, Edmonton, AB
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Canadian National Railway (CN)
Work Authority, Edmonton, AB
Lakeland Fire & Safety, St. Paul, AB

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Rotary Jasper, AB
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Ukrainian Canadian Congress, AB
Amigo Relief Missions, Sherwood Park, AB
Alberta Health Services, AB
Emergency Medical Services, AB
Bishop Budka Society, Edmonton, AB
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Firefighters Without Borders



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SENT VIA EMAIL
Jennifer French
MPP for Oshawa
2-78 Centre Street
Oshawa, ON, L1G 4B6

October 18, 2018

Ms. French,

Re: Private Member Bill to end 412/418 tolling

On behalf of the Ajax-Pickering Board of Trade (APBOT), I am writing to express our support regarding the Private Member Bill to bring an end to the tolls on Highway 412 and Highway 418.

APBOT was very disappointed when the tolling of Highway 412 and then Highway 418 were announced. We believe it is important to ensure that our transportation infrastructure supports north/south travel. By tolling these major arteries, the province has likely pushed highway traffic on to residential streets. Further, it has created an economic disadvantage for those local businesses relying on north/south highways. This includes our local agriculture businesses.

Given our position on tolling, we would like to thank you for listening to Durham business owners and residents. APBOT will continue to advocate on behalf of business leaders and employers in the Ajax and Pickering community to ensure the free movement of people and goods throughout our region.

Sincerely,



Christine Ashton
President, Ajax-Pickering Board of Trade

CC:
Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Rod Phillips, MPP for Ajax
Peter Bethlenfalvy, MPP for Pickering-Uxbridge
Gerri Lynn O'Connor, Durham Regional Chair
Dave Ryan, City of Pickering Mayor
City of Pickering Council
Steve Parish, Town of Ajax Mayor
Town of Ajax Council

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The Regional Municipality of Durham

MINUTES

DURHAM AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

October 9, 2018

A regular meeting of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee was held on Tuesday, October 9, 2018 in Boardroom 1-B, Regional Municipality of Durham Headquarters, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby at 7:30 PM

Present: E. Bowman, Clarington
Z. Cohoon, Federation of Agriculture, Chair
B. Howsam, Member at Large
K. Kemp, Scugog
K. Kennedy, Member at Large attended the meeting at 7:32 PM
F. Puterbough, Member at Large, Vice-Chair attended the meeting at 7:35 PM
D. Risebrough, Member at Large
H. Schillings, Whitby
B. Smith, Uxbridge
G. Taylor, Pickering
T. Watpool, Brock, Vice-Chair
B. Winter, Ajax

Absent: I. Bacon, Member at Large
J. Henderson, Oshawa
G. O'Connor, Regional Chair

Staff

Present: K. Kilbourne, Project Planner, Department of Planning and Economic Development
N. Prasad, Committee Clerk, Corporate Services – Legislative Services

1. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by B. Winter, Seconded by K. Kemp,
That the minutes of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting held on September 11, 2018 be adopted.

CARRIED

2. Declarations of Interest

H. Schillings made a declaration of interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act* with respect to Item 4 C) Correspondence from MPAC regarding on-farm business subclasses. He indicated that he owns property that may be financially impacted.

3. Presentations

A) Nancy Rutherford, Durham Agricultural Strategy Update

N. Rutherford, Manager, Agriculture and Rural Affairs, provided a verbal report regarding the update of the Region of Durham Agricultural Strategy by way of telephone conference call.

She stated that the Agricultural Strategy assists the Durham agricultural industry by: attracting, retaining and expanding agriculture and agri-food business; promoting outreach and education; maintaining a supportive policy environment; and supporting the agricultural labor force.

N. Rutherford advised that consultation for the update of the Durham Agricultural Strategy will be coordinated with the Durham Region Official Plan review. She advised that further next steps will be to hire a consultant to meet with key stakeholders to review the plan, and focus efforts on current issues in the agriculture and agri-food sector.

4. Discussion Items

It was the consensus of the Committee to receive the Rural and Agricultural Economic Development Update [Item 4. B)] from N. Rutherford at this time.

B) Rural and Agricultural Economic Development Update – N. Rutherford

N. Rutherford, Manager, Agriculture and Rural Affairs provided the following update:

- With regards to the Local BR&E Project, 64 agri-food businesses across the 8 area municipalities have been interviewed and staff is working with a consultant to review the data as well as host data retreats to present the results.

A) 2018 DAAC Farm Tour

A copy of the DAAC Farm Tour 2018 Survey Response Summary was provided as Attachment #2 to the Agenda.

Z. Cohoon thanked Committee Members for their help and contribution to a successful Farm Tour. The following points were made about the tour:

- Great turnout and weather
- The designated parking lot worked well
- Presentations were well received
- Great survey responses

Discussion ensued regarding possibilities for the 2019 Farm Tour.

B) Rural and Agricultural Economic Development Update – N. Rutherford

The Rural and Agricultural Economic Development Update was provided earlier in the meeting (see page 2 of these minutes).

C) Correspondence from Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) re: On-Farm Business Subclasses

A copy of the correspondence from the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) dated June 11, 2018 regarding small-scale on-farm business subclasses was provided as Attachment #3 to the Agenda and received.

Discussion ensued with regards to the announcement made by the Minister of Finance regarding optional subclasses for both industrial and commercial property classes to promote and support local farm enterprises across Ontario. K. Kilbourne advised that MPAC is currently assessing how many properties in Durham will qualify for the tax reduction for small-scale on-farm businesses and will provide information to eligible property owners and the Durham Region Finance Department once their assessment is completed. She advised that a representative from MPAC will be available to present to DAAC in early 2019 with regards to the on-farm business subclasses.

Further discussion ensued with regards to the Committee's support in the creation of the new subclasses and the adoption of a by-law when the MPAC assessment is complete and more information is available.

Moved by D. Risebrough, Seconded by K. Kemp,
That the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee (DAAC)
recommends to the Planning and Economic Development
Committee for subsequent recommendation to Regional Council:

That Regional Council actively pursue the investigation of the creation of subclasses for small scale on-farm businesses by the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation.

CARRIED

5. Information Items

A) Correspondence from CLOCA regarding Updates to Watershed Plans

A copy of the correspondence from Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority dated September 20, 2018 regarding a Watershed Plan Review was provided as Attachment #4 to the Agenda and received. K. Kilbourne advised that a representative from CLOCA has been invited to present at the November meeting.

6. Other Business

A) Membership of Committee Members

K. Kilbourne requested that Committee Members provide confirmation in writing to her with regards to whether or not they wish to serve another term on the Committee.

B) December 11, 2018 DAAC Meeting

K. Kilbourne inquired whether Committee Members wished to cancel or proceed with the December 11, 2018 meeting. It was the consensus of the Committee to proceed with the meeting.

7. Date of Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee will be held on Tuesday, November 13, 2018 starting at 7:30 PM in Boardroom 1-B, Level 1, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby.

8. Adjournment

Moved by B. Winter, Seconded by K. Kemp,
That the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:26 PM

Z. Cohoon, Chair, Durham
Agricultural Advisory Committee

N. Prasad, Committee Clerk

The Regional Municipality of Durham

MINUTES

DURHAM TRAIL CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE

September 13, 2018

A meeting of the Durham Trail Co-ordinating Committee was held on Thursday, September 13, 2018, in Meeting Room 1-B, Main Level, Regional Headquarters, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby, at 7:00 PM.

Present: T. Clayton, Chair, Brock
J. Ballinger, Regional Councillor, Uxbridge
C. Gray, Clarington
K. Jones, Vice Chair, Oshawa
R. Lalonde, Whitby
I. McDougall, Scugog
P. Smith, Uxbridge

Absent: J. Back, Local Councillor, Scugog
D. Carter, Regional Councillor, Oshawa
S. Collier, Regional Councillor, Ajax
G. Lodwick, Local Councillor, Brock
A. Mujeeb, Pickering
Joe Neal, Regional Councillor, Clarington
D. Pickles, Regional Councillor, Pickering
E. Roy, Regional Councillor, Whitby
M. Weist, Ajax

Staff

Present: A. Caruso, Senior Planner, Transportation Planning, Planning and Economic Development
P. Roy, Manager, Transportation Planning & Research; Planning and Economic Development
R. Trewin, Project Manager, Transportation Design, Works Department
C. Tennisco, Committee Clerk, Corporate Services – Legislative Services

Chair Clayton introduced Constance Gray, the new Clarington representative on the DTCC. At the request of the Chair, C. Gray provided a summary of her interests with respect to the Durham Trail Coordinating Committee.

1. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Ballinger, Seconded by K. Jones,
That the minutes of the regular meeting of the Durham Trail
Co-ordinating Committee held on May 3, 2018, be adopted.

CARRIED

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Presentations

A) John Grieve, Supervisor of Transportation, Planning and Development Services, Town of Ajax, re: Bike Friendly Community Program

J. Grieve provided a PowerPoint presentation titled, "Bike Friendly Community (BFC) Program". He advised that the Program was launched by the Share the Road Cycling Coalition in August 2010; and provides incentives, hands-on assistance and award level recognition to communities.

J. Grieve reviewed the BFC application process, including the assessment checklist, application deadlines, and tips on how to be a 'Champion'. He advised that additional details are available on the Share the Road Cycling Coalition webpage.

J. Grieve provided an overview of the next steps for the Town of Ajax which includes continuing to support and promote active and sustainable transportation options; to evolve, expand and refine outreach events and initiatives; explore new opportunities; and evaluate and analyze the network, gaps and impacts.

J. Grieve responded to questions regarding the extent of his involvement at the Town of Ajax in the pre-consultation planning process on future cycling decisions such as zoning and local road upgrades.

Discussion ensued on re-identifying the Durham Trail Coordinating Committee (DTCC) as the Durham Active Transportation Committee (DATC); how the DATC will assist on matters of AT with the Region and the local area municipalities; and the need for designated AT budgets and funding.

A. Caruso advised that the Region will be working with Share the Road Cycling Coalition to host a series of Bicycle Friendly Communities Workshops that will be held on September 27 and 28, 2018, as well as on October 2, 2018.

B) Dan Andrews, Watershed Coordinator, Lake Simcoe Region, Conservation Authority, re: Beaver River Wetland Trail (BRTW)

D. Andrews provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding an update on the Beaver River Wetland Trail (BRWT) titled, "Building from Success". He advised that the Conservation landholdings own, manage or hold easement over 35 properties; 2,425 ha being in

Durham, York and Simcoe Regions; and includes a range of landscapes, ecosystem types and recreational opportunities.

D. Andrew reviewed the uniqueness of the landholdings active recreation areas; passive recreation areas; natural heritage areas; ecological preserves; and conservation easements. He also displayed maps identifying the BRWT in Durham; and the Beaver River Wetland Conservation Area trail and natural heritage boundary areas.

D. Andrew explained that in moving forward, the challenges include sustaining adequate funding to maintain the Trail; mitigating risks and liability; encroachment issues; managing property proactively vs. reactively; meeting public expectations; dealing with ATVs; and securing an agreement with Infrastructure Ontario. He outlined the various BRWT partnerships and collaboration; user safety improvements and user engagement. He explained that what is needed next is help with mid-trail parking close to Blackwater.

D. Andrews responded to questions of the Committee.

Discussion ensued regarding the “No Trespassing” signs posted along the Beaver River; the navigational challenges to paddle up certain sections of the river; and the number of users on the Trail.

C) Ron Trewin, Project Manager, Transportation Design, Works Department, re: Transportation Design and Standards for Cycling

R. Trewin provided a PowerPoint presentation titled, “Transportation Design and Standards for Cycling”.

Highlights from the presentation included:

- General background – regional road network
- Budget and forecast figures
- Expansion projects
- Road rehabilitation projects
- Design Considerations
- What’s New
- The Regional Municipality of Durham 2018 Region Roads Network Map – Transportation Infrastructure
- Capital Road Program Growth

R. Trewin reviewed the Priority Corridor expansion projects forecasted for 2019 - 2027; the proposed 2018 - 2022 Road Rehabilitation Projects; and 2018 - 2022 Structures Projects. He displayed maps depicting the Seaton – Region Road Network Map; the 2018 Rural Road Rehabilitation Projects within the Region; and the 2018 Intersection Project with future rural road reconstruction.

R. Trewin outlined the improvements, enhancements and upgrades to the cycling infrastructure. These include right-of-way widening property purchases; paved shoulders including rumble strips and buffer for a 300 m section along Lake Ridge Road. He also outlined the changes in Regional policy which allows for bicycle accessible shoulders, to pave all rural road shoulders where feasible.

R. Trewin also discussed the new Waterfront Trail on Victoria Street in the Town of Whitby; implementation of the Cross Rides standard at intersections with multi-use paths; and the proposed building of roundabouts at Lake Ridge Road and Regional Road 12 and Regional Road 57 and Regional Road 3.

Discussion ensued regarding cycling not being a direct line item in the capital budget; the paving of Mara Road in the Township of Brock not being part of the Lake Simcoe cycling plan; and the potential for cycling opportunities along Castle Harbour Drive in Port Perry.

R. Trewin responded to questions of the Committee regarding the construction of the Lynde Creek tributary bridge; and whether the loose stone in the Reach Road and Highway 12 area could be cleaned up.

P. Smith inquired whether the application of rumble strips to protect the shoulders on all Regional rural roads could be part of the paving when widening these roads. R. Trewin advised he would follow-up with staff on the application of rumble strips during the widening of Regional rural roads and report back to the Committee.

D) Cameron Richardson, Project Manager and Arlen Leeming, Project Manager, Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, re: The Meadoway

A. Leeming provided a PowerPoint presentation titled, "The Meadoway – Community Powered Green Spaces". He advised that The Meadoway will build strong communities and put nature back into city living by connecting ravines, parks and neighbourhoods from the Don River Ravine in downtown Toronto to the Rouge National Urban Park in Scarborough. A copy of the "Meadoway – Community Powered Green Spaces" pamphlet/poster was provided as a handout.

A. Leeming presented photos displaying the transformation of a barren hydro power corridor into a 16 kilometre stretch of urban greenspace and meadowlands. He advised that the Meadoway trails will allow pedestrians and cyclists to travel the entire length without ever leaving the park.

Highlights from the presentation included:

- High Functioning Pollinator Habitat
- An Active Transportation Route
- The Future of Urban Agriculture
- Innovative Meadow Maintenance
- Four Seasons Adventure
- World Class and Transformative Connections
- Conservation Begins with Connection
- An Iconic City Building Opportunity

A video titled, "Trail Powerline" was viewed by the Committee which provided an overview of The Meadoway initiative by the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, W. Garfield Weston Foundation and the City of Toronto.

4. Discussion Items

There were no items for discussion.

5. Information Items

- A) Report #2018-COW-125: Durham Trail Coordinating Committee 2018 Regional Trail Network (RTN) Map Update, File: A01-40

A copy of Report #2018-COW-125 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development was received as Attachment #2 to the agenda.

Moved by P. Smith, Seconded by C. Gray,
That Information Item A) be received for information.
CARRIED

6. Other Business

- A) Durham Trail Coordinating Committee Update

A. Caruso provided the following update:

- With the upcoming 2018 Municipal Election and the inaugural of a new Regional Council the December meeting has been cancelled;
- The existing sitting DTCC citizen members will be asked by their local municipalities to confirm their intent to remain on the DATC for the 2018 - 2022 term; and
- That the members submit their expense claims to A. Caruso after signing.

Chair Clayton thanked the Committee members for the volunteering of their time and efforts over the last four years.

7. Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Durham Active Transportation Advisory Committee will be held on Thursday, March 21, 2019, in Room 1-G, Regional Headquarters Building, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby, at 7:00 PM.

8. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Ballinger, Seconded by I. McDougall,
That the meeting be adjourned.
CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.

T. Clayton, Chair,
Durham Trail Coordinating Committee

C. Tennisco, Committee Clerk