



# The Regional Municipality of Durham

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**Advisory / Other Committee Minutes**

There are no Advisory/Other Committee Minutes

Members of Council – Please advise the Regional Clerk at [clerks@durham.ca](mailto:clerks@durham.ca), if you wish to pull an item from this CIP and include on the next regular agenda of the appropriate Standing Committee. Items will be added to the agenda if the Regional Clerk is advised by Wednesday noon the week prior to the meeting, otherwise the item will be included on the agenda for the next regularly scheduled meeting of the applicable Committee.

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# The Regional Municipality of Durham Information Report

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From: Commissioner of Corporate Services  
Report: #2021-INFO-19  
Date: February 19, 2021

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**Subject:**

Durham York Energy Centre – Approval of the Negotiated Resolution Between Covanta Durham York Renewable Energy Limited Partnership (“Covanta”) and the Owners for the 2018 Reconciliation

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**Recommendation:**

Receive for information

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**Report:**

**1. Purpose**

1.1 The purpose of this Information Report is to report to Regional Council about the exercise of delegated authority by the Regional Solicitor who approved a negotiated settlement between Covanta and the Owners over various disputes which arose surrounding the 2018 reconciliation process and who will execute minutes of settlement in accordance with the delegated authority.

**2. Background**

2.1 Pursuant to a letter dated December 11, 2019, Covanta filed a Notice of Dispute including, but not limited to, the calculation of the Performance Liquidated Damages for the 2018 contract year (the “2018 Dispute”).

2.2 In response, the DYEC Management Committee approved a three-step process under the Dispute Resolution provisions of the Project Agreement whereby Covanta would present their arguments at the first step, the Owners would then have the opportunity to present their positions on the disputed items, followed finally by a meeting of the commissioners and representatives of Covanta to negotiate a resolution.

- 2.3 Covanta presented their position to the owners on February 20, 2020. Twenty-six (26) days later the Province of Ontario declared a state of emergency in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and the negotiations were impacted as a result. Despite challenges imposed by the pandemic, the parties met virtually/remotely throughout the year for the purposes of holding technical meetings intended to resolve or at least better understand certain items in the 2018 Dispute. As a result of these meetings the Owners presented their positions to Covanta by letter dated December 18, 2020 containing an offer to settle which had been approved and endorsed by the DYEC Management Committee.
- 2.4 Covanta accepted the Owners' offer by email dated January 5, 2020.
- 2.5 Pursuant to Article 1.25 of Regional By-law 29-2020 otherwise referred to as the Delegation By-law, the Regional Solicitor and Director of Legal Services (or their designate) is permitted to take any step in a legal proceeding and to execute minutes of settlement provided any funds required for the minutes of settlement are within the approved Council budget and is equal to or less than \$250,000.
- 2.6 Pursuant to article 28.3.1 of the Project Agreement, the parties must keep confidential all matters arising directly or indirectly from the dispute which is why the balance of the information in respect of this report is contained in the separately distributed confidential memorandum from the Regional Solicitor.

### **3. Previous Reports and Decisions**

- 3.1 For the 2016 and 2017 Reconciliation, reports seeking council approval were brought forward, but given the passage of the Delegation by-law in 2020, the 2018 reconciliation and any future reconciliation that meets the restrictions in the Delegation By-law may be resolved at the Staff level and reported to Council as required in the Delegation By-law.

### **4. Relationship to Strategic Plan**

- 4.1 This report aligns with/addresses the following strategic goals and priorities in the Durham Region Strategic Plan:
- a. Goal 5: Service Excellence. Objective: To provide exceptional value to Durham taxpayers through responsive, effective and fiscally sustainable service delivery.

**5. Conclusion**

5.1 Regional Council is requested to receive this report for information.

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by

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Don Beaton, BCom, M.P.A.  
Commissioner of Corporate Services

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# The Regional Municipality of Durham Information Report

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From: Commissioner of Works  
Report: #2021-INFO-20  
Date: February 19, 2021

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**Subject:**

Management of Toxics in the Environment

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**Recommendation:**

Receive for information

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**Report:**

**1. Purpose**

1.1 The purpose of this report is to explain how Canada and Ontario regulate and limit the introduction of toxics to the environment and how the Regional Municipality of Durham's (Region) waste management programs provide residents with safe disposal options for products containing toxic substances.

**2. Background**

2.1 At the January 27, 2021 Council Meeting there was discussion on the management of toxics in the environment related to solid waste management resulting in a request for more information.

2.2 The common definition of toxic is a poisonous substance. Most chemicals in use today are considered poisonous if exposure is high enough in quantity. Regulators focus on limiting the use of substances considered the most highly poisonous and minimizing exposure to other substances.

2.3 The manufacture or import of toxic substances is regulated at the federal level by Environment Canada and Health Canada prior to the substances entering the market.

- 2.4 The transportation, storage and emissions from the use of toxic substances are regulated both federally and provincially.
- 2.5 Disposal by industry or businesses of materials containing toxic substances is regulated under provincial waste regulations.
- 2.6 Most municipalities in Ontario operate household hazardous waste programs to collect and properly dispose of consumer products containing toxic substances. Financial and operational responsibility for this program is scheduled to transition to Extended Producer Responsibility on July 1, 2021.
- 2.7 Emissions of toxics or compounds of concern in Ontario are regulated in Environmental Compliance Approvals for air, water and land emissions.

### **3. Management of Toxic Substances**

#### **Federal Programs**

- 3.1 Canada's Chemicals Management Plan (CMP) is the federal program to track the manufacture and use of all chemical substances in commerce in Canada. This is the basis for regulating what chemicals are made or imported for use in manufacturing consumer products in Canada. This program does not measure, monitor or regulate releases of chemicals but is a program to collect information on the quantities of a particular chemical substance in commerce in Canada.
- 3.2 The Region does not report under the CMP, as the Region only purchases products that are commercially available for use in its operations. Examples of where such products are used by the Region include water and wastewater treatment facilities, cleaning of Long-Term Care Homes and Regional offices, road repairs and maintenance.
- 3.3 Releases of toxics or pollutants to the air, water or land are reported annually to Environment Canada as part of the National Pollutant Release Inventory (NPRI). Facilities that manufacture or use prescribed substances above the regulated threshold level must report the quantity of the substance released as air emissions, wastewater or disposal.
- 3.4 NPRI does not establish release limits but only gathers data on the quantity of each substance that is released. Waste incinerators and large wastewater treatment plants are typically obligated to report. The Durham York Energy Centre (DYEC) reports pollutant releases under this program. A review of the NPRI data for other major facilities within the Durham area shows that the DYEC air releases



are lower for the majority of reportable pollutants. Emissions of dioxins and furans and heavy metals are lower from the DYEC than other reporting industry in the area.

### **Ontario Programs**

- 3.5 Ontario's Toxics Reduction Act and associated regulations are intended to reduce the use and creation of toxic substances by manufacturers. Prescribed companies in Ontario are required to report on the quantity of designated toxic substances used and develop plans to reduce the use of each substance. Implementation of developed plans is voluntary.
- 3.6 Municipal waste management operations are not subject to the Toxics Reduction Act.
- 3.7 The Toxics Reduction Act and associated regulations are repealed effective December 31, 2021. The Environmental Registry of Ontario notification of the repeal of the Act stated that the program did not result in meaningful reductions in the use of toxic substances in Ontario.
- 3.8 Air, water and land emissions from waste disposal facilities in Ontario, such as landfills, compost facilities and the energy from waste facility, are regulated under provincial regulatory limits and facility specific Environmental Compliance Approvals (ECA). Emissions limits are imposed on the Region's closed landfills and the Durham York Energy Centre. The DYEC limits are equal to or lower than the provincial guidelines for emissions from EFW facilities. The planned Mixed Waste Pre-sort and Anaerobic Digestion Facility will also be subject to ECA limits established by provincial regulators which may include but not be limited to odour control measures, process water requirements and digestate management quality.

### **4. Waste Management Responsibility and Influence**

- 4.1 The Region has no influence on the chemical substances that are imported or used by manufacturers in consumer products.
- 4.2 The Region operates several programs to divert consumer products containing toxics out of the garbage stream. These programs include the used tire program, used battery collection program, used electronics program and the household hazardous waste program. Three of these programs have transitioned to full Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) under Ontario regulations. The household hazardous waste program is the final program to move to full EPR and

is scheduled for transition on July 1, 2021. Under EPR the producers of designated products containing toxics are responsible for program management and meeting provincial targets.

- 4.3 The first objective of the Long-term Waste Management Plan (LTWMP) is to educate and engage with residents on the 5Rs. The first two Rs, Rethink and Reduce, encourage consumers to rethink purchases before they buy and to reduce consumption. Enhancing these practices would reduce the quantity of toxic substances purchased and eventually disposed of by residents.
- 4.4 The Region is forecast to see significant population growth over the coming decades. This growth will result in a corresponding increase in the generation of garbage, recyclables, organics and household hazardous waste; all of which could increase the impacts on the environment. The LTWMP will consider the management of each waste stream through regulated programs and operating our facilities within the approved limits.

## **5. Relationship to Strategic Plan**

- 5.1 This report aligns with/addresses the following strategic goals and priorities in the Durham Region Strategic Plan:
  - a. To protect the environment for the future by demonstrating leadership in sustainability and addressing climate change.

## **6. Conclusion**

- 6.1 The Regional Municipality of Durham has limited influence on the various factors that determine the quantity of toxic material that enters the environment. The Regional Municipality of Durham will continue to provide diversion opportunities for consumer products that contain toxic substances. Resident education about the importance and availability of these programs will continue to be a focus.
- 6.2 The Durham York Energy Centre source test report will be presented in March and will demonstrate that the plant performance is resulting in emissions well below the stringent limits.

6.3 For additional information, contact: Gioseph Anello. Director, Waste Management Services, at 905-668-7711, extension 3445.

Respectfully submitted,

**Original signed by:**

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Susan Siopis, P.Eng.  
Commissioner of Works

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# The Regional Municipality of Durham Information Report

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From: Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development  
Report: #2021-INFO-21  
Date: February 19, 2021

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**Subject:**

Monitoring of Land Division Committee Decisions of the February 8, 2021 meeting and Consent Decisions made by the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development

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**Recommendation:**

Receive for information

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**Report:**

**1. Purpose**

- 1.1 This report summarizes the decisions on consent applications made by the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development pursuant to By-law 19-2020 and decisions made by the Regional Land Division Committee at its meeting of February 8, 2021 (see Attachment #1). The applications approved by the Commissioner are deemed to be non-controversial in that no comments or concerns were raised during the circulation process. All approved applications conform to the Durham Regional Official Plan. For the applications approved by the Land Division Committee, no appeals to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal are recommended.
- 1.2 A copy of this report will be forwarded to the Land Division Committee for its information.

**2. Previous Reports and Decisions**

- 2.1 This is a monthly report which tracks Land Division application activity.

**3. Relationship to Strategic Plan**

3.1 This report aligns with/addresses the following strategic goals and priorities in the Durham Region Strategic Plan:

- a. Service Excellence – To provide exceptional value to Durham taxpayers through responsive, effective and fiscally sustainable service delivery.

**4. Attachments**

Attachment #1: Monitoring Chart from the February 8, 2021 Meeting and Consent Decisions Made by the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by

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Brian Bridgeman, MCIP, RPP  
Commissioner of Planning and  
Economic Development



**Monitoring of Land Division Committee Decisions  
for the Meeting Date of Monday, February 08, 2021  
and Consent Decisions Made by the  
Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development**

**Appeal Deadline: Tuesday, March 09, 2021**

<b>LD File Number</b>	<b>Owner</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Nature of Application</b>	<b>Regional Official Plan</b>	<b>LDC Decision</b>
LD 015/2020	Collins, Royden Collins, Judy	Part lot 6, Conc. 7 Twp. of Scugog	Consent to sever a vacant 0.287 ha hamlet lot, retaining a 0.833 ha hamlet lot with an existing dwelling to remain.	Conforms	Approved by Commissioner
LD 016/2020	Collins, Royden Collins, Judy	Part lot 6, Conc. 7 Twp. of Scugog	Consent to sever a vacant 0.281 ha hamlet lot, retaining a 0.552 ha hamlet lot with an existing dwelling to remain.	Conforms	Approved by Commissioner
LD 083/2020	Baird, Derek	Part lot 85 & 86 Twp. of Scugog	Consent to sever a vacant 459 m2 residential parcel of land, retaining a vacant 983 m2 residential parcel of land.	Conforms	Approved by Commissioner
LD 084/2020	Baird, Derek	Part lot 85 & 86 Twp. of Scugog	Consent to sever a vacant 433 m2 residential parcel of land, retaining a vacant 550 m2 residential parcel of land.	Conforms	Approved by Commissioner
LD 001/2021	Metropia (Notion Road) Development Inc.	Part lot 17, Conc. 1 City of Pickering	Consent to add a vacant 803.5 m2 commercial parcel of land to the property to the south west, retaining vacant 35,459 m2 commercial parcel of land for future development	Conforms	Approved by Commissioner

<b>LD File Number</b>	<b>Owner</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Nature of Application</b>	<b>Regional Official Plan</b>	<b>LDC Decision</b>
LD 014/2021	Giordano, Frank Raponi, Dan	Part lot 18, Conc. 1 Town of Whitby	Consent to sever a vacant 630 m2 residential parcel of land, retaining a 1,311 m2 residential parcel of land with an existing dwelling to remain.	Conforms	Approved by Committee
LD 015/2021	Giordano, Frank Raponi, Dan	Part lot 18, Conc. 1 Town of Whitby	Consent to sever a vacant 630 m2 residential parcel of land, retaining a 681 m2 residential parcel of land with an existing dwelling to remain.	Conforms	Approved by committee.
LD 016/2021	Stein, Lorne	Part lot 17, Conc. 5 Twp. of Scugog	Consent to add a vacant 9 m2 residential parcel of land to the property to the west, retaining a vacant 475 m2 residential parcel of land for future development.	Conforms	Approved by Commissioner
LD 018/2021	Edwards, Dan	Part lot 19, Conc. 4 Town of Whitby	Consent to sever a vacant 4,991.25 m2 residential parcel of land, retaining a vacant 12,240 m2 residential parcel of land. Application includes easement.	Conforms	Approved by Commissioner
LD 019/2021	Vanniejenhuis, Wil & Nancy	Part lot 10, Conc. 1 Municipality of Clarington	Consent to sever a vacant 4,012 m2 hamlet lot retaining an 82,537 m2 hamlet lot an existing dwelling to remain	Conforms	Approved by Commissioner
LD 020/2021	Vanniejenhuis, Wil & Nancy	Part lot 10, Conc. 1 Municipality of Clarington	Consent to sever a 4,094 m2 hamlet lot with an existing single family dwelling to be remain, retaining a 78,443 m2 hamlet lo an existing dwelling to remain.	Conforms	Approved by Commissioner
LD 021/2021	Vanniejenhuis, Wil & Nancy	Part lot 10, Conc. 1 Municipality of Clarington	Consent to sever a vacant 4001 m2 hamlet lot, retaining a 74,442 m2 hamlet lot with an existing dwelling to remain.	Conforms	Approved by Commissioner

<b>LD File Number</b>	<b>Owner</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Nature of Application</b>	<b>Regional Official Plan</b>	<b>LDC Decision</b>
LD 022/2021	Sinnadurai, Sukumar	Part lot 21, Conc. 1 City of Pickering	Consent to sever a vacant 322.85 m2 residential parcel of land retaining, a 728.21 m2 residential parcel of land with an existing dwelling to be demolished.	Conforms	Approved by Committee
LD 023/2021	Sinnadurai, Sukumar	Part lot 21, Conc. 1 City of Pickering	Consent to sever a vacant 219.67 m2 residential parcel of land, retaining a 508.70 m2 residential parcel of land with an existing dwelling to be demolished.	Conforms	Approved by Committee
LD 024/2021	Sinnadurai, Sukumar	Part lot 21, Conc. 1 City of Pickering	Consent to sever a vacant 219.74 m2 residential parcel of land, retaining a 288.83 m2 residential parcel of land with an existing dwelling to be demolished.	Conforms	Approved by Committee
LD 025/2021	Wheatle, Peter Wheatle, Joan	Part lot 10, 11, Conc. PL 395 City of Pickering	Consent to add a vacant 331.5 m2 residential parcel of land to the property to the south, retaining a 663.21 m2 residential parcel of land with an existing dwelling to remain.	Conforms	Approved by Commissioner



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February 12, 2021

Lisa Trevisan, Director, Central Region  
Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks  
Place Nouveau  
5775 Yonge Street, Floor 8  
North York, Ontario M2M 4J1

Dear Ms. Trevisan:

**RE: Durham/York Energy from Waste Project**  
**[Ambient Air Monitoring 2020, Fourth Quarterly Report \(Q4\)](#)**  
**(Environmental Assessment Condition 11)**  
**MECP File #: EA-08-02**

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In accordance with the approved Ambient Air Monitoring and Reporting Plan and the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks' (MECP) Ambient Air Monitoring Guideline, the Regional Municipalities of Durham and York (Regions) submit the Fourth Quarterly (Q4) Ambient Air Monitoring Report for calendar year 2020, covering the period from October to December 2020.

The report has been prepared by RWDI Air Inc. who was awarded the ambient air monitoring and reporting contract for the Regions. The Regions are available to discuss the report at your convenience.

Sincerely,

**Original signed by:**

Gioseph Anello, M.Eng., P.Eng., PMP  
Director, Waste Management Services

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Ajax, Ontario L1S 7J5

Dear Ms. Dugas:

**RE: Durham York Energy Centre**

**[Submission of November 2020 Complaint and Inquiry Logs](#)**

**MECP File #: EA-08-02**

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The Regional Municipality of Durham, the Regional Municipality of York, and Covanta continue to monitor complaints and inquiries for the Durham York Energy Centre and provide monthly reports to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks' (MECP) York Durham District Office. The next reporting period will cover the month of December 2020.

We trust that this meets the MECP's expectation. If you require additional information, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

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G. Battarino, Special Project Officer, Project Coordination, Environmental Assessment  
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A. Huxter, Environmental Specialist, Covanta  
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Enclosure



# Interoffice Memorandum

**Date:** February 19, 2021

**To:** Health & Social Services Committee

**From:** Dr. Robert Kyle

**Subject:** Health Information Update – February 14, 2021

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Health  
Department

Please find attached the latest links to health information from the Health Department and other key sources that you may find of interest. Links may need to be copied and pasted directly in your web browser to open, including the link below.

You may also wish to browse the online Health Department Reference Manual available at [Board of Health Manual](#), which is continually updated.

Boards of health are required to “superintend, provide or ensure the provision of the health programs and services required by the [Health Protection and Promotion] Act and the regulations to the persons who reside in the health unit served by the board” (section 4, clause a, HPPA). In addition, medical officers of health are required to “[report] directly to the board of health on issues relating to public health concerns and to public health programs and services under this or any other Act” (sub-section 67.(1), HPPA).

Accordingly, the Health Information Update is a component of the Health Department’s ‘Accountability Framework’, which also may include program and other reports, Health Plans, Quality Enhancement Plans, Durham Health Check-Ups, business plans and budgets; provincial performance indicators and targets, monitoring, compliance audits and assessments; RDPS certification; and accreditation by Accreditation Canada.

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by

R.J. Kyle, BSc, MD, MHSc, CCFP, FRCPC, FACPM  
Commissioner & Medical Officer of Health

*“Service Excellence  
for our Communities*

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**UPDATES FOR HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE**  
**February 14, 2021**

**Health Department Media Releases/Publications**

**[tinyurl.com/lbk6qqs4](https://tinyurl.com/lbk6qqs4)**

- Immunization Reminder Letter to Students (Feb 5)

**[tinyurl.com/yj8gwyup](https://tinyurl.com/yj8gwyup)**

- New eConsult for COVID-19 Vaccine Allergies Available to Health Care Providers (Feb 9)

**[tinyurl.com/1az90c8y](https://tinyurl.com/1az90c8y)**

- COVID-19 Vaccine Update #1 (Feb 12)

**GOVERNMENT OF CANADA**

**Canada Revenue Agency**

**[tinyurl.com/185png6f](https://tinyurl.com/185png6f)**

- Government of Canada addresses CERB repayments for self-employed individuals and announces interest relief on 2020 income tax debt due to COVID-19 related income support (Feb 9)

**Employment and Social Development Canada**

**[tinyurl.com/32jxdgjm](https://tinyurl.com/32jxdgjm)**

- Government of Canada invests in making post-secondary education more affordable for all (Feb 3)

**Environment and Climate Change Canada**

**[tinyurl.com/1xv3ad4e](https://tinyurl.com/1xv3ad4e)**

- Government of Canada review of fuel efficiency standards confirms the economic and environmental benefits of ambitious action (Feb 12)

**Health Canada**

**[tinyurl.com/286egnoy](https://tinyurl.com/286egnoy)**

- Certain hand sanitizers recalled because they may pose health risks (Feb 3)

**[tinyurl.com/5833q7wr](https://tinyurl.com/5833q7wr)**

- Health Canada issues label change authorization for Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 (Feb 9)

**Indigenous Services Canada**

**[tinyurl.com/t6ekkhsj](https://tinyurl.com/t6ekkhsj)**

- Government of Canada COVID-19 Update for Indigenous Peoples and communities (Feb 4)

**[tinyurl.com/3mw93lsp](https://tinyurl.com/3mw93lsp)**

- Government of Canada COVID-19 Update for Indigenous Peoples and communities (Feb 10)

### **Prime Minister's Office**

**[tinyurl.com/17jsjrug](https://tinyurl.com/17jsjrug)**

- New support to produce COVID-19 vaccines and treatments in Canada (Feb 2)

### **Public Services and Procurement Canada**

**[tinyurl.com/ukk0eapg](https://tinyurl.com/ukk0eapg)**

- Canada negotiates accelerated delivery schedule for Pfizer-BioNTech's COVID-19 vaccine (Feb 12)

### **Public Health Agency of Canada**

**[tinyurl.com/bjgyk84g](https://tinyurl.com/bjgyk84g)**

- Statement from the Chief Public Health Officer of Canada on February 1, 2020

**[tinyurl.com/180lj04c](https://tinyurl.com/180lj04c)**

- Government of Canada supports projects to encourage vaccine uptake in Canada (Feb 2)

**[tinyurl.com/1r8w35ht](https://tinyurl.com/1r8w35ht)**

- Statement from the Chief Public Health Officer of Canada on February 3, 2020

**[tinyurl.com/1mpzgilw](https://tinyurl.com/1mpzgilw)**

- Statement from the Chief Public Health Officer of Canada on February 4, 2020

**[tinyurl.com/3fl7wuss](https://tinyurl.com/3fl7wuss)**

- Statement from the Chief Public Health Officer of Canada on February 6, 2020

**[tinyurl.com/jlg2nxc4](https://tinyurl.com/jlg2nxc4)**

- CPHO Sunday Edition, February 7, 2021 – Celebrating Women and Girls in STEM

**[tinyurl.com/tmjm6po7](https://tinyurl.com/tmjm6po7)**

- Statement from the Chief Public Health Officer of Canada on February 8, 2020

**[tinyurl.com/uhj1kohe](https://tinyurl.com/uhj1kohe)**

- Statement from the Chief Public Health Officer of Canada on February 10, 2020

**[tinyurl.com/1ryxs5vt](https://tinyurl.com/1ryxs5vt)**

- Statement from the Chief Public Health Officer of Canada on February 11, 2020

**[tinyurl.com/f4rutmox](https://tinyurl.com/f4rutmox)**

- Government of Canada invests \$53 million to address COVID-19 virus variants of concern (Feb 12)

**[tinyurl.com/2fw56o4x](https://tinyurl.com/2fw56o4x)**

- Government of Canada expands restrictions to international travel by land and air (Feb 12)

**[tinyurl.com/38vob77s](https://tinyurl.com/38vob77s)**

- Statement from the Chief Public Health Officer of Canada on February 13, 2020

[tinyurl.com/yfqf4pch](https://tinyurl.com/yfqf4pch)

- CPHO Sunday Edition: Equipping ourselves against mis- and disinformation during COVID-19 (Feb 14)

### **Transport Canada**

[tinyurl.com/ljf4dqhs](https://tinyurl.com/ljf4dqhs)

- Government of Canada announces one-year ban for pleasure craft and cruise ships (Feb 4)

## **GOVERNMENT OF ONTARIO**

### **Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services**

[tinyurl.com/5978mqlp](https://tinyurl.com/5978mqlp)

- Ontario Expanding Supports for Families of Children with Autism (Feb 3)

[tinyurl.com/yb8anckw](https://tinyurl.com/yb8anckw)

- Ontario Working with Municipal Partners to Improve Social Assistance (Feb 11)

### **Ministry of Colleges and Universities**

[tinyurl.com/16gt4irm](https://tinyurl.com/16gt4irm)

- Ontario Increases Mental Health Funding for Postsecondary Students (Feb 9)

### **Ministry of Education**

[tinyurl.com/1vrrhlsz](https://tinyurl.com/1vrrhlsz)

- Enhanced Safety Measures in Place as In-Person Learning Resumes Across Ontario (Feb 3)

[tinyurl.com/1exf98n9](https://tinyurl.com/1exf98n9)

- Ontario Expands Emergency Child Care to More Frontline Workers (Feb 7)

[tinyurl.com/57yp7jk5](https://tinyurl.com/57yp7jk5)

- Ontario Delays March Break in an Effort to Reduce Community Transmission of COVID-19 (Feb 11)

### **Minister of Finance**

[tinyurl.com/11jtxujm](https://tinyurl.com/11jtxujm)

- Third Quarter Finances Demonstrate Ontario's Unwavering Commitment to Protect Individuals, Families and Businesses (Feb 10)

### **Ministry of Health**

[tinyurl.com/lf9v5mt9](https://tinyurl.com/lf9v5mt9)

- Ontario Deploys Rapid Tests to More Essential Workplaces and Settings (Feb 12)

[tinyurl.com/1v3hrcfg](https://tinyurl.com/1v3hrcfg)

- Ontario Returning 27 Public Health Regions to Strengthened COVID-19 Response Framework (Feb 12)

### **Ministry of Long-Term Care**

[tinyurl.com/4l93qg53](https://tinyurl.com/4l93qg53)

- First Round of COVID-19 Vaccinations Completed in All Ontario Long-Term Care Homes (Feb 11)

### **Minister for Seniors and Accessibility**

[tinyurl.com/1lpn14h4](https://tinyurl.com/1lpn14h4)

- Ontario Helping Keep Seniors Safe and Connected During COVID-19 (Feb 9)

### **Ministry of the Solicitor General**

[tinyurl.com/ydnhggxs](https://tinyurl.com/ydnhggxs)

- Ontario Taking Steps to Improve Mental Health Supports for First Responders and Public Safety Personnel (Feb 1)

### **Ministry of Transportation**

[tinyurl.com/pi7nqe5l](https://tinyurl.com/pi7nqe5l)

- Ontario Restarting Passenger Road Tests in Most DriveTest Centres Across the Province (Feb 12)

### **Office of the Premier**

[tinyurl.com/2om2x8f6](https://tinyurl.com/2om2x8f6)

- Ontario Community Support Program Extended until 2022 (Feb 1)

[tinyurl.com/1dk6ij2b](https://tinyurl.com/1dk6ij2b)

- Ontario Continues Accelerated Vaccinations of Most Vulnerable Despite Vaccine Delays (Feb 2)

[tinyurl.com/8aamu016](https://tinyurl.com/8aamu016)

- Ontario Extending Stay-at-Home Order across Most of the Province to Save Lives (Feb 8)

[tinyurl.com/5ds8vp8u](https://tinyurl.com/5ds8vp8u)

- Ontario Supporting COVID-19 Response in High Priority Communities (Feb 9)

### **Treasury Board Secretariat**

[tinyurl.com/4xtg4gaj](https://tinyurl.com/4xtg4gaj)

- Ontario Seeks Public Input to Help Shape Digital ID Program to Help Shape Digital ID Program (Feb 2)

## **OTHER ORGANIZATIONS**

### **Association of Local Public Health Agencies**

[tinyurl.com/2838cf8x](https://tinyurl.com/2838cf8x)

- Paid Sick Leave Letter (Feb 9)

### **Canadian Cancer Society**

[tinyurl.com/24yz7nne](https://tinyurl.com/24yz7nne)

- On World Cancer Day, preventing the continued spread of COVID-19 is the best way to support those affected by cancer (Feb 4)



### **Canadian Institute for Climate Choices**

[tinyurl.com/no2ffc9n](https://tinyurl.com/no2ffc9n)

- Canada's net zero goal hinges on stronger policy and strategic bets: report (Feb 8)

### **Centre for Addiction and Mental Health**

[tinyurl.com/1m6h3g8w](https://tinyurl.com/1m6h3g8w)

- CAMH, CMHA and CSC Partner to Implement Pan-Canadian Suicide Prevention Service (Feb 4)

### **Financial Accountability Office of Ontario**

[tinyurl.com/f8zv4w8d](https://tinyurl.com/f8zv4w8d)

- COVID-19 pandemic causes record deficit and debt in Ontario (Feb 11)

### **Neighbourhood Pharmacy Association of Canada**

[tinyurl.com/1nt7o0y5](https://tinyurl.com/1nt7o0y5)

- Neighbourhood Pharmacies Launches Newly Designed Website Profiling Role of Association and Community Pharmacy in Canada (Feb 11)

### **Office of the Privacy Commissioner of Canada**

[tinyurl.com/1i85tz4n](https://tinyurl.com/1i85tz4n)

- Clearview's AI's unlawful practices represented mass surveillance of Canadians, commissioners say (Feb 3)

### **Ontario Hospital Association**

[tinyurl.com/y66noeld](https://tinyurl.com/y66noeld)

- OHA Calls for Discipline and Ruthlessness in Fight Against COVID-19 (Feb 8)

### **Ontario Medical Association**

[tinyurl.com/382hpkh2](https://tinyurl.com/382hpkh2)

- Doctors emphasize need to follow science, evidence to curb the pandemic (Feb 3)

[tinyurl.com/3xdqpnu2](https://tinyurl.com/3xdqpnu2)

- Ontario's doctors urge everyone to celebrate Valentine's, Family Day safely (Feb 12)

### **Patented Medicine Prices Review Board**

[tinyurl.com/4jsle35p](https://tinyurl.com/4jsle35p)

- New drugs entering Canada at steady rate over past 5 years – Canada still among top 10 OECD countries in terms of access to new drugs (Feb 10)

### **Registered Nurses Association of Ontario**

[tinyurl.com/19yp1bzn](https://tinyurl.com/19yp1bzn)

- RNAO statement on the government's reopening announcement (Feb 8)



**TOWN OF AJAX**  
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February 12, 2021

Ralph Walton, Regional Clerk  
Regional Municipality of Durham  
605 Rossland Road East  
Whitby, ON L1N 6A3

Delivered by E-Mail to: [clerks@durham.ca](mailto:clerks@durham.ca)

Re: **Request from Annandale Park Developments Ltd for Minister's Zoning Order: 221 Church Street South, Ajax**

The following resolution was adopted by Council of the Corporation of the Town of Ajax at its special meeting held on February 11, 2021:

Moved by: S. Collier  
Seconded by: L. Bower

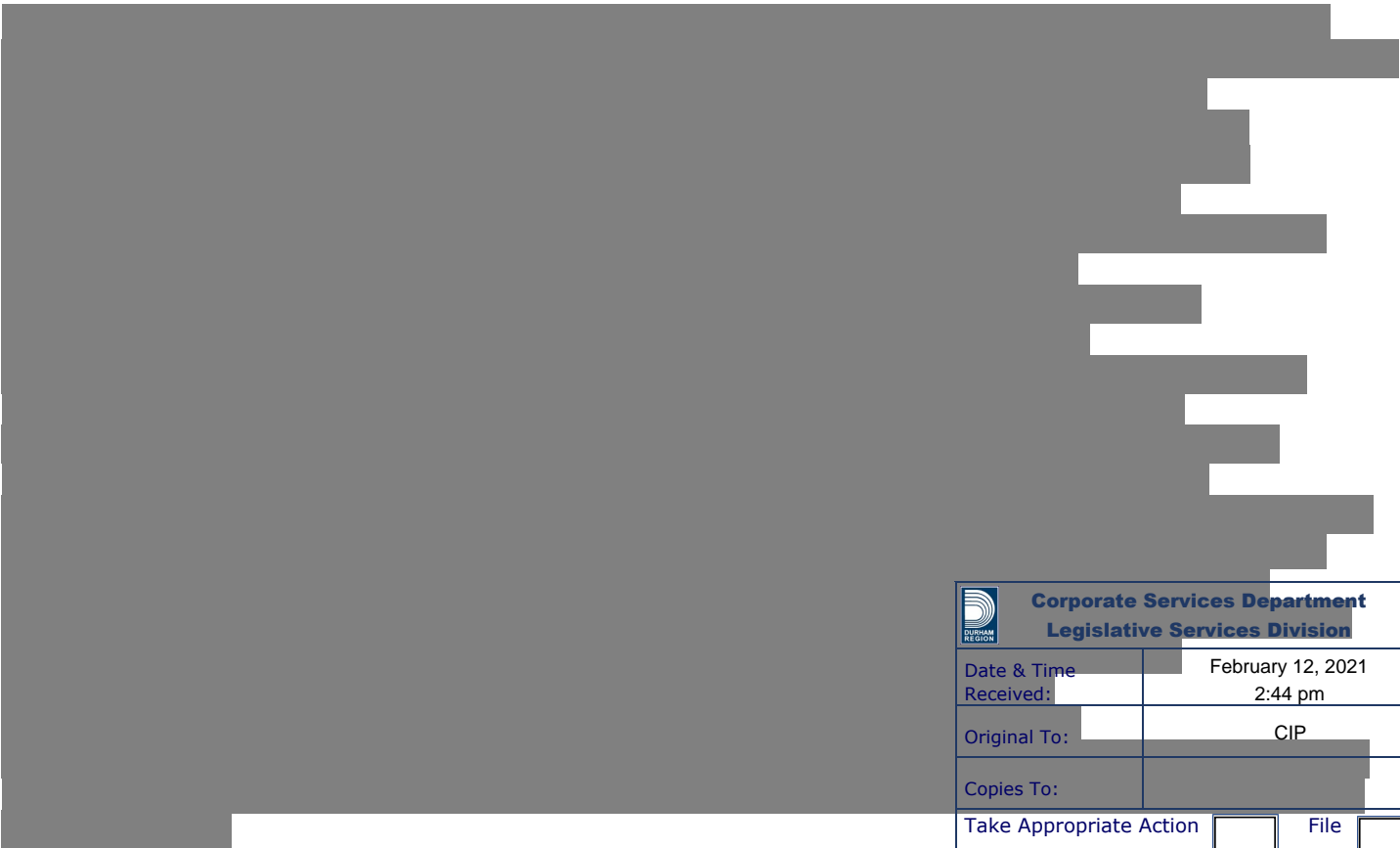
1. That the Town of Ajax supports the request from Annandale Park Developments Ltd. For a Minister's Zoning Order (MZO) to implement the approvals made under Town of Ajax By-law 52-2020, as outlined in its letter to the Town dated February 10, 2021; and
2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs Housing, and the Region of Durham.

CARRIED

Should you have any questions regarding the contents of this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

Alexander Harras  
Manager of Legislative Services/Deputy Clerk  
Town of Ajax  
65 Harwood Avenue South  
Ajax, ON L1S 2H9  
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**Subject:** Town of Orangeville Resolution - Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Good afternoon,

Please see below a resolution passed by the Town of Orangeville on February 8, 2021 regarding greenhouse gas emissions.

2021-069

Moved: Councillor Peters

Seconded: Councillor Andrews

Whereas the Town of Orangeville prides itself on being a municipal leader with respect to sustainability, including the endorsement of the Sustainable Neighbourhood Action Plan and a community greenhouse gas (GHG) inventory;

And whereas the Town will be establishing a long term carbon goal later this year;

And whereas municipalities account for 50% of global emissions thus necessitating further action by all sectors and other levels of government;

And whereas the Ontario government recently purchased 3 gas plants, a move that could lead to the increase of provincial greenhouse gas pollution by more than 400% by 2040;

And whereas a number of municipalities, as partners in government, have passed motions to ask Queen’s Park to reverse this decision in keeping with the need to reduce, not increase, greenhouse gas emissions;

Therefore Be It Resolved That the Town of Orangeville write to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and the Minister of Environment, Conservation, Energy, and Parks to request that the Government of Ontario develop and implement a plan to phase-out all gas-fired electricity generation as soon as possible, with an emphasis on proven renewable energy technologies and energy storage, to ensure that Orangeville and other municipalities are enabled to achieve climate action goals (or “GHG emission reduction targets”); and

That the Town of Orangeville write the respective portfolio critics, all party leaders in the Legislature, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, requesting that the Government of Ontario develop and implement a plan to phase-out all gas- fired electricity generation, and direct the IESO to accelerate the use of renewable electricity supply,

energy storage, and energy efficiency in all sectors, in order to reduce provincial greenhouse gas emissions as soon as possible and bolster our competitiveness in the global cleantech marketplace and overall emerging low-carbon economy.

Result: Carried

Regards,

**Tracy Macdonald | Assistant Clerk | Corporate Services**

**Town of Orangeville | 87 Broadway | Orangeville ON L9W 1K1**

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**THE TOWNSHIP OF GEORGIAN BAY  
Council**


DATE: 9 February 2021

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

**DEFERRED** \_\_\_\_\_ **CARRIED** X \_\_\_\_\_ **DEFEATED** \_\_\_\_\_ **REFERRED** \_\_\_\_\_

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council send a letter of support to the Municipality of Charleton and Dack to immediately review the recommendations to investigate the unethical practice of preferred vendors who are paid substantial amounts over industry standards, despite COVID-19 delays, as insurance premiums will soon be out of reach for many communities;

AND THAT this motion be provided to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance, the Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General of Ontario and all other Ontario municipalities.

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**Peter Koetsier**  
Mayor



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**The following resolution was passed by the Council of the Township of Conmee at its regular meeting on January 26<sup>th</sup> 2021:**

**Resolution No. 2021-022**

Moved by: Councillor Arnold

Seconded by: Councillor MacMaster

WHEREAS duly elected Officials of a Municipality, or a Township are expected to be above reproach and to conduct themselves with integrity, truth, justice, honesty, transparency and courtesy.

AND WHEREAS there are people of dubious character who have a Criminal Record, having been convicted of a Federal Offence of any of the Federal Statutes of Canada, but not limited to the Criminal Code or Narcotic Control Act, who are currently on Council of a Municipality or have let their name stand for election for Mayor, Reeve or Councillor as a municipal candidate.

NOT WITHSTANDING the provisions of the Ontario Human Rights Code

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Conmee lobby the Provincial Government to amend The Municipal Act and Municipal Elections Act, as may be, so that people with a criminal record who have not had their record cleared from the RCMP Data Base by order of the Governor General of Canada, be prohibited from becoming a candidate in municipal elections.

AND THAT an elected local government official be disqualified from office upon conviction of a serious criminal offense and must resign

AND THAT Council of the Township of Conmee direct the Clerk to send a copy of this resolution to the Ontario Premier Doug Ford, Attorney General Doug Downey, Solicitor-General Sylvia Jones, Minister of Municipal Affairs Steve Clark, Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Rural Ontario Municipal Association, Northern Ontario Municipal Association, Thunder Bay District Municipal League, MPP Judith Monteith-Farrell, and all Ontario municipalities

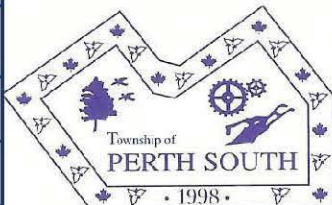
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**Corporation of the Township of Perth South**

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February 2, 2021

Via Email: [minister.mecp@ontario.ca](mailto:minister.mecp@ontario.ca)

Honourable Jeff Yurek  
Minister of Environment, Conservation, and Parks  
777 Bay Street  
College Park - 5th Floor  
Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

**Re: ONTARIO ANNOUNCES WORKING GROUP TO BETTER FOCUS  
CONSERVATION AUTHORITIES**

Dear Minister,

The Municipality of Perth South (“Perth South”) is pleased to see your Ministry’s development of regulations for the *Conservation Authorities Act*, 1990 R.S.O. 1990, c. C.27 (the “Act”). Perth South supports the proposed changes your government passed respecting conservation authorities in schedule 6 of Bill 229, the *Protect, Support and Recover from COVID-19 Act* (Budget Measures), 2020 (“Bill 229”). I expressed this support in my email to you on November 5, 2020.

Our municipality, like many others across Ontario, has encountered longstanding conflicts regarding operational scope and costs with our principal conservation authority the Upper Thames River Conservation Authority (“UTRCA”). Despite requests made in writing and through delegations at annual Board Budget meetings no resolution has been found. It is for this reason that Perth South was pleased to see the changes made through Bill 229; however, we were disappointed when the Working Group composition was announced as it is dominated by conservation authorities who are tasked with recommending the very regulations that govern them. I am sure you can agree that the initial optics of the governed designing the governance of themselves is concerning. Conservation authorities, most of whom opposed your reforms, should not be relied upon to develop fair and objective recommendations on their own.

Further to my email of January 12, 2021, I am writing to you to confirm and clarify your full intent and scope for the Working Group your Ministry announced on December 16, 2020 to develop updated regulations. We are hopeful that you will direct this Working Group with clear, limited, and specific instructions that will focus on the intent of changes included in Bill 229.

Perth South seeks your clarity that this Working Group's tasks will be built on the following principles in the areas of focus highlighted:

1. *Mandatory core programs and services conservation authorities would be required to provide.*
  - a) That 'mandatory' core programs are limited to the changes included in schedule 6 of Bill 229: conservation lands solely owned by conservation authorities, flood-control, erosion, and natural hazards;
  - b) That conservation authorities are not permitted any discretion via regulations to exit those defined and strict categories; and
  - c) That 'services' must be concise, limited, and have obvious direct need to fulfil core mandates not merely 'link' or 'complement' the same.
2. *The agreements between municipalities and conservation authorities and the transition period associated with non-mandatory programs and services*
  - a) That the regulations establish a clear, consistent, and template pro-forma for these agreements that includes at a minimum:
    - i. a specified time limitation to prevent perpetuity;
    - ii. clear intent and objectives;
    - iii. clear definitions, terms, and conditions;
    - iv. the identified necessity for it/them;
    - v. accurate, evidence-supported budget forecasting;
    - vi. the impact of items i-iv) on each participating municipality;
    - vii. supporting science-based evidence that meets or exceeds the standard(s)/threshold(s) applied to any third party deemed an applicant and/or subject to an



agreement's provisions including on any items requiring peer review;

- viii. municipal and public input mechanisms and timelines;
- ix. dispute resolution processes that adhere to the legislation and the timelines proscribed therein; and
- x. municipal refusal/opt-out clauses where proposals do not have the support of the participating municipality and/or do not reasonably benefit a participating municipality or municipalities given their geographical extent or limit within the watershed of the conservation authority in question.

- b) That the "transition period," associated cannot be greater than one (1) fiscal year from the date of Bill 229's passage in the case of any pre-existing agreement and no more than two (2) years from the date of Bill 229's passage; and
- c) That the Working Group must understand the principle that one "cannot do by regulation what one cannot do in law."

3. *How local members of the community can participate in their conservation authorities through community advisory boards*

- a) That these advisory boards and the conservation authorities that they 'advise' are not delegated responsibilities or tasks that are a normative function of a conservation authority's operations and not delegation(s) or devolution(s) of a conservation authority's board and its committees' obligations and normal work;
- b) That voluntarily submitted proposals for programs, projects, and services cannot be for activities either not contemplated or permitted under either conservation authorities' mandated functions or approved non-mandatory agreements;
- c) That advisory committee's recommendations and work are neither binding nor required under a conservation authority's administrative by-laws;
- d) That any aspect of an advisory committee's work that requires public consultation becomes a function of the conservation authority's board or its approved board-fulfilled committees not the advisory committee/group;
- e) That membership on any advisory committee or group must be balanced and reflect its composition to watershed citizens who are

resident and contributing ratepayers in participant municipalities of the conservation authority in question;

- f) That conservation authorities' obligations to conduct deliberate, regular, thorough, and transparent public consultation on matters of policies, programs, and services cannot be delegated to an 'advisory' committee or group. That such functions remain a core and mandatory function of a conservation authority's board; and
- g) That community advisory boards neither relieve nor substitute a conservation authority's obligation to incorporate citizens into consultative and/or input processes that are board-led or directed.


We understand and agree that partnerships and collaboration are critical but want to ensure that there is balance in the parties that will represent the Working Group.

Perth South also looks forward to greater clarity from the Ministry with respect to conservation authority budget and levy processes in the regulation updates. We are very pleased with the avenues of appeal Bill 229 will now provide, after recently exploring the costly and difficult appeal process that previously existed.

As you work to reach the final outcome on these long overdue changes, Perth South and its residents are relying on you to ensure that the development of regulations will align with the spirit of the changes requested by Perth South and other municipalities across the province during the consultations that occurred in early 2020.

I thank you for the work you are undertaking and trust our comments will be received and conveyed with your support to this Working Group. I am confident many more municipalities in this province would echo our points of view.

Yours sincerely,



Robert Wilhelm  
Mayor  
Township of Perth South

cc: All municipalities in Ontario

Ministry of Environment, Conservation, and Parks Working Group members on Proposed Regulations under the Conservation Authorities Act.

Randy Pettapiece, MPP Perth-Wellington



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February 11, 2021

**RE: TOWN OF GRAVENHURST RESOLUTION – ONTARIO FIRE COLLEGE**

At the Town of Gravenhurst Committee of the Whole meeting held on February 9, 2021 the following resolution was passed:

**Moved by Councillor Lorenz  
Seconded by Councillor Murray**

**WHEREAS** the site of the Ontario Fire College has been in institutional use since 1902 as the Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives and the site of many heritage buildings that require protection;

**AND WHEREAS** the Town of Gravenhurst has been home to the Ontario Fire College since 1957, providing world-class training and camaraderie to thousands of Firefighters from across the Province in a unique setting;

**AND WHEREAS** the Ontario Fire College has established the reputation to certify both Volunteer and Career firefighters in a cost effective manner, offering top-tier training to all Fire Departments in Ontario;

**AND WHEREAS** there is concern from several municipalities and firefighters across the Province that the closure is detrimental to their training and that downloading of training is simply too expensive for municipalities and not included in their 2021 budgets;

**AND WHEREAS** the Fire Marshal has a duty (F.P.P.A.S 9.2(e)) to operate and maintain a central fire college and that regional training facilities are unproven and the closure of the Ontario Fire College was implemented with no stakeholder consultation;

**AND WHEREAS** the community of Gravenhurst has benefitted from the employment opportunities that the Ontario Fire College has provided;

**AND WHEREAS** the closure of the facility will result in significant job losses and would be a detriment to the broader community;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Province of Ontario reconsider the closure of the Ontario Fire College;

**AND THAT** if the closure occurs, the facility and site in the Town of Gravenhurst be considered to be the location of a Regional Training Centre for Fire and Emergency Services, for all the people of Ontario;

**AND THAT** the Province engage the Town of Gravenhurst and community partners to use the site in a matter that fosters growth of the community in a responsible way;

**AND FINALLY THAT** this motion be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Sylvia Jones, Ontario Solicitor General, the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, MPP Norm Miller, the Ontario Fire Marshal, Jon Pegg and all Ontario Municipalities.

**CARRIED**

Sincerely,



Kayla Thibeault  
Director of Legislative Services / Clerk  
Town of Gravenhurst

## Lydia Gerritsen


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**Subject:** Follow up

This is just a follow up to the Save the Ontario Fire College email sent out earlier.

Attached is a motion to present to council if you would like to do so. If a motion is approved, please send to us so that we know we have your support and can keep track of our supporters.

Please don't forget to fill in the highlighted area with your information.

Thank you for your consideration

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DRAFT MOTION:

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College Campus has been in operation in Gravenhurst since 1958; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College Campus is one of the primary sources of certified training for Ontario Firefighters; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College Campus has built a reputation of integrity, credibility, and reliability in providing some of the best training to our Fire Services within the Province of Ontario; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College Campus has been used to train and certify both Volunteer, Part-Time and Career firefighters throughout Ontario; and

WHEREAS the Regional Training Centers are not all created equal and similar in function to the Ontario Fire College Campus; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College Campus gives Ontario Firefighters another option other than Regional Training Centers to obtain National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) certifications; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College Campus is the most cost-effective method for municipalities to certify Firefighters to NFPA Standards in Ontario; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Government enacted and revoked O. Reg. 379/18: Firefighter Certification in 2018; and

WHEREAS when the Ontario Government revoked O. Reg. 379/18: Firefighter Certification, it was made known by the Office of the Solicitor General that the act would be amended and brought back in the future; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the **TOWNSHIP/MUNICIPALITY** requests that the Province of Ontario reverse their decision to close the Ontario Fire College Campus in Gravenhurst as the OFC is one of the best and most cost-effective methods for municipalities to train their firefighters which assists us in protecting our residents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this Resolution is forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Sylvia Jones; Ontario Solicitor General, the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Ontario Fire Marshal; Jon Pegg, and all municipalities within the Province of Ontario.