



**CORRESPONDENCE ITEMS PRESENTED FOR INFORMATION**  
**October 18, 2021**

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- 1) Correspondence from the Director of Corporate Services/Municipal Clerk, Township of Scugog re: Structure inventory and inspections.
- 2) Correspondence from the Deputy Clerk, Township of Huron-Kinloss re: Provincial offences court resolution.
- 3) Correspondence from the Deputy Clerk, Northumberland County re: Capital gains tax on primary residence.
- 4) Correspondence from the Grand Council Chief and Regional Deputy Grand Council Chiefs, Anishinabek Nation re: Use of First Nation status cards as proof of identification for vaccination passports.
- 5) Correspondence from Optometrist, Michelle Lafleur re: Chronic underfunding of eye care.
- 6) Correspondence from the Regional Tourism Organization re: Tourism Recovery Program to help stabilize the industry after impacts of COVID-19.
- 7) Correspondence from the following municipalities re: Eye care in Ontario.
  - a) Town of Kingsville
  - b) Municipality of Chatham-Kent
  - c) Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake
- 8) Correspondence from the Deputy Clerk, Town of The Blue Mountains re: Support for Grey Gables.
- 9) Correspondence from the Director of Municipal Governance, Municipality of Chatham-Kent re: Renovictions.
- 10) Correspondence from the Clerk, Municipality of Shuniah re:
  - a) Affordable internet
  - b) 988 Suicide and crisis hotline
  - c) M-84 Anti-hate crimes and incidents and Bill C-313 *Banning Symbols of Hate Act*
- 11) Correspondence from the Deputy Clerk, Township of Alnwick/Haldimand re: Lottery licensing to assist small organizations.
- 12) Correspondence from Dennis Kalichuk, Ontario Petition for Change re: Thank you for letter of support.



September 17, 2021

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

sent via email: [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

**Re: Structure Inventory and Inspections**

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Dear Premier:

At the last regular General Purpose and Administration Committee meeting held September 13, 2021 the above captioned matter was discussed.

I wish to advise that the following resolution was passed which will be going forward for ratification at the September 27, 2021 Township of Scugog Council meeting:

**THAT** Report PWIS-2021-027, 2021 Structure Inventory and Inspections, be received;

**THAT** the Township of Scugog 2021 Ontario Structure Inspection Manual Inventory and Inspection Summary Report, prepared by Planmac Engineering Inc., be received;

**THAT** as part of the annual budget process, the Township continue to increase the amount of funding available for bridges and culverts through the continuation of Roads and Other Infrastructure Levy;

**THAT** as part of the annual budget process, the Township continue to increase the investment in bridge and culvert maintenance and repair through other means including identifying efficiencies and cost savings and applying for grants through other levels of government for major bridge and culvert replacements;

**THAT** the Township follow the principles of Asset Management and prioritize preventative maintenance such as waterproofing decks, repaving decks, repair concrete soffits, parapet walls, abutments and wingwalls, etc.

**THAT** the Province of Ontario and the Government of Canada be encouraged to provide more funding to rural municipalities to support infrastructure projects related to major bridge and culvert replacements; and

**THAT** a copy of the staff report and resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, Provincial Minister of Finance, Federal Finance Minister, MP Erin O'Toole, MPP Lindsey Park, AMO, Durham Region and all Ontario municipalities."

Should you require anything further in this regard, please do not hesitate to contact Kevin Arsenault, Capital Projects Technologist at 905-985-7346 ext. 138.

Yours truly,



Becky Jamieson  
Director of Corporate Services/Municipal Clerk  
Encl.

cc:

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September 21, 2021

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

Re: Copy of Resolution #651

Motion No.: 651

Moved by: Don Murray    Seconded by: Lillian Abbott

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby supports Northumberland County and the City of Toronto in their plea to include in Bill 177 Stronger Fairer Ontario Act and take immediate action to streamline and modernize this section of the legislation by making it easier and more convenient for the public and prosecutors to engage in resolution discussions and by making it more effective and efficient to administer early resolution proceedings for Part I and Part II offences in the Provincial Offences Court AND directs staff to distribute as they see fit

**Carried**

Sincerely,



Kelly Lush  
Deputy Clerk

c.c all Ontario Municipalities



# Finance & Audit Committee Resolution

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Committee Meeting Date: August 31, 2021

Agenda Item: 6.g

Resolution Number: 2021-08-31- S89

Moved by: R. Crate

Seconded by: B. OStrander

Council Meeting Date: September 15, 2021

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"That the Finance and Audit, having previously supported the resolution from the City of Sarnia regarding 'Capital Gains Tax on Primary Residence', recommend that the correspondence from the Town of Niagara Lake, Town of LaSalle, Town of Greater Napanee, and the Municipality of Shuniah be received for information; and

**Further That** the Committee recommend that County Council support the correspondence items regarding this issue; and

**Further That** the Committee recommend that County Council direct staff to forward a copy of this resolution to the Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada, the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, MP Phillip Lawrence (Northumberland-Peterborough South), the Honourable David Piccini (Northumberland-Peterborough South), and all Ontario Municipalities."

Carried   
Committee Chair's Signature

Defeated \_\_\_\_\_  
Committee Chair's Signature

Deferred \_\_\_\_\_  
Committee Chair's Signature

# Council Resolution

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Moved By J. Henderson

Agenda  
Item 10.

Resolution Number  
2021-09-15-627

Seconded By B. Ostrander

Council Date: September 15, 2021

"That County Council adopt all recommendations from the six Standing Committees, as contained within the Committees' Minutes (August 30, 31, and September 1, 2021 meetings), with the exception of the items noted within the agenda which require separate discussion, and, any items identified by Members which require separate discussion."

Recorded Vote  
Requested by \_\_\_\_\_  
Councillor's Name

Carried   
Warden's Signature

Deferred \_\_\_\_\_  
Warden's Signature

Defeated \_\_\_\_\_  
Warden's Signature



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June 24, 2021

**SENT ELECTRONICALLY**

Town of Fort Erie  
1 Municipal Centre Drive  
Fort Erie ON, L2A 2S6

Attention: Carol Scholfield, Dip.M.A., Manager  
Legislative Services/Clerk

Dear Ms. Schofield:

**RE: Capital Gain Tax on Primary Residence**

Please be advised the Council of The Corporation of The Town of Niagara-on-the Lake, at its regular meeting held on June 21, 2021 approved the following resolution:

*BE IT RESOLVED that Council endorse the correspondence from the Town of Fort Erie for the resolution regarding Capital Gains Tax on Primary Residence dated June 1, 2021.*

If you have any questions or require further information, please contact our office at 905-468-3266.

Yours sincerely,

Colleen Hutt  
Acting Town Clerk



# Community Services

## Legislative Services

June 1, 2021  
File #120203

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The Honourable Doug Ford  
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Honourable and Dear Sirs:

**Re: Capital Gains Tax on Primary Residence**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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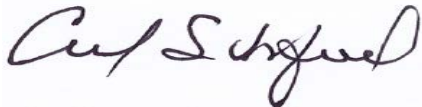
**Now therefore be it resolved,**

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

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

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours very truly,



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

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c.c. All Members of Parliament  
All Members of Provincial Parliament  
The Regional Municipality of Niagara  
Ontario Municipalities



## Corporation of the Town of LaSalle

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**July 20, 2021**

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**RE: Fort Erie Resolution Regarding Capital Gains Tax on Primary Residence**

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Honourable and Dear Sirs:

At the July 13, 2021 Regular Meeting of Council, Town of LaSalle Council gave consideration to correspondence received from the Town of Fort Erie, dated June 1, 2021, regarding Capital Gains Tax on Primary Residence.

At the Meeting, the following motion was passed:

That correspondence received from Fort Erie dated June 1, 2021 regarding Capital Gains on Primary Residence be received; and endorsed.

Correspondence received from the Town of Fort Erie is attached for your convenience.

Yours truly,

Linda Jean  
Deputy Clerk  
Town of LaSalle  
[ljean@lasalle.ca](mailto:ljean@lasalle.ca)

cc. All Members of Parliament  
All Members of Provincial Parliament  
The Town of Fort Erie  
Ontario Municipalities



July 7, 2021

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau  
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Honourable and Dear Sirs:

**Re: Correspondence received from the Town of Fort Erie regarding Capital Gains tax on Primary Residence**

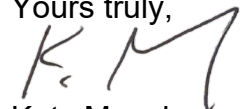
Please be advised that at the meeting held on June 22, 2021, the Council of the Town of Greater Napanee adopted the following resolution of support:

RESOLUTION #321/21: Pinnell/Norrie

That the correspondence from the Township of Scugog - June 10, 2021 be received;  
And further, That Council provide a letter of support to the Town of Fort Erie regarding Capital Gains Tax on Primary Residence. CARRIED.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Yours truly,



Katy Macpherson  
Legal Services Coordinator

Encl.

cc: All Ontario Municipalities



June 10, 2021

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau  
Prime Minister  
House of Commons  
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Sent via email to: [Justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca](mailto:Justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca)

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**Re: Correspondence received from the Town of Fort Erie regarding Capital Gains tax on Primary Residence**

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Honourable and Dear Sirs:

At the last regular General Purpose and Administration Committee meeting of the Township of Scugog held June 7, 2021, the Committee received and endorsed correspondence from the Town of Fort Erie dated June 1, 2021 with respect to Capital Gains Tax on Primary Residence. Attached please find a copy of the Town of Fort Erie's correspondence dated June 1, 2021.

Please be advised that Committee approved the following recommendation:

**"THAT** the correspondence received from the Town of Fort Erie regarding Capital Gains Tax on Primary Residence, be endorsed."

Please note that all recommendations made by the Committee are subject to ratification at the next Council meeting of the Township of Scugog, scheduled to take place on June 28, 2021.

Should you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Becky Jamieson'.

Becky Jamieson  
Director of Corporate Services/Municipal Clerk  
Encl.

cc: Carol Schofield, Dipl.M.A. Manager, Town of Fort Erie, Manager, Legislative  
Services/Clerk  
All Members of Parliament  
All Members of Provincial Parliament  
The Regional Municipality of Niagara  
Ontario Municipalities

July 19, 2021

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau  
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The Honourable Doug Ford  
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Dear Prime Minister Trudeau and Premier Ford,

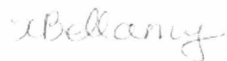
**RE: Support Resolution – Capital Gains Tax on Primary Residence**

Please be advised that, at its meeting on July 14, 2021, the Council of the Municipality of Shuniah resolved as follows:

That correspondence from the Town of Fort Erie regarding Capital Gains Tax on Primary Residence, be supported.

A copy of the above noted resolution is enclosed for your reference and consideration. We kindly request your support and endorsement for the Capital Gains Tax on Primary Residence.

Yours truly,



Kerry Bellamy  
Clerk

Cc: All members of Parliament  
All members of Provincial Parliament  
The Regional Municipality of Niagara  
Ontario Municipalities



## COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 244-21

Date: Jul 14, 2021

Moved By: ~~Ron Giardetti~~ Don Smith Donna Blunt

Seconded By: Meghan Chomut

THAT Council hereby receives the following correspondence

- a. Board of Health minutes for meetings held May 19, 2021
- b. City of Port Colborne Resolution – Capital Gains Tax on Primary Residence
- c. Elimination of LPAT Resolution 2021-0115
- d. Letter from Premier Ford et al Re: Land Transfer Tax
- e. Letter to Prime Minister Trudeau re Capital Gains Tax Exemptions on Primary Residences
- f. LRCA comments on ERO Posting 019-2986, June 23, 2021
- g. Updating Environmental Assessment Requirements for Transmission Lines
- h. TBDSSAB Board Meeting Regular Session Minutes May 20, 2021
- i. Resolution 21-111 Scott Aitchison, MP Parry Sound Muskoka Support for 988 Crisis Line
- j. CP Remedial Program Notification
- k. Mississauga's Resolution
- l. TC Energy Investigation Expense Dig Notification
- m. Township of Scugog Correspondence re: Williams Point Road and Beacock Road School Bus Turnarounds

and the same be filed at the Clerk's Office.

**Carried**

**Defeated**

**Amended**

**Deferred**

Wendy Landry  
Signature

Municipality of Shuniah, 420 Leslie Avenue, Thunder Bay, Ontario, P7A 1X8



# ANISHINABEK NATION

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## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Municipalities, Public Health Units, Chambers of Commerce

**From:** Grand Council Chief Reg Niganobe  
 Travis Boissoneau, Regional Deputy Grand Council Chief  
 Mel Hardy, Regional Deputy Grand Council Chief  
 James Marsden, Regional Deputy Grand Council Chief  
 Joe Miskokomon, Regional Deputy Grand Council Chief  
 Tim Ominika, Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory Representative

**CC:** Anishinabek Nation's First Nation Chiefs, Band Administrators/Directors of Operations, and Health Directors  
 Province of Ontario  
 Minister Greg Rickford, Indigenous Affairs of Ontario  
 Deputy Minister Shawn Batise, Indigenous Affairs of Ontario

**Date:** September 22, 2021

**Re:** Proof of Identification for Vaccination Passports & COVaxON

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Effective today, September 22, 2021, proof of vaccination status is required to access certain businesses and settings in the province of Ontario. This memo is intended to advise and inform organizations and businesses that the Province of Ontario has assured Anishinabek Nation that ***First Nation Status Cards (secure, unsecure, or expired) will be accepted widely and without interference or refusal***, provided the name on the card corresponds with the name on the proof of vaccination.

We, in turn, have assured the Anishinabek Nation communities of the following:

- Indian Status Cards (secure, unsecure, or expired) will be accepted as a valid form of Identification.
- The only information required is a proof of photo identification, and documentation receipt (2 doses plus 14 days from the date of the second dose). This proof can be obtained either from the provincial COVaxON system or from the First Nation organization that administered the vaccinations.
- Paper or downloaded proof of vaccination on a mobile device are both acceptable.
- No community member will be denied medical attention or service at any institution regardless of their vaccination status.

We trust that this information will be shared widely to avoid any confusion or disruption to your processes.





City of Owen Sound  
808 2nd Avenue East  
Owen Sound, ON

Dear Mayor Boddy,

As a local optometrist, I am writing to request that the Owen Sound City Council call on the Ontario Government to address the chronic underfunding of eye care.

For more than 30 years, previous Ontario governments have ignored our requests for a sustainable funding system.

Did you know in 1989 the Ontario government paid \$39.15 for OHIP-insured eye exams? Did you know that today, 32 years later, the government only contributes an average of \$44.65 per exam? That's a 14% increase over three decades! With over four million services performed annually under OHIP, this level of funding is not sustainable.

If the government doesn't act before September 1st, 2021, millions of Ontarians are at risk of losing their access to eye care. I'm concerned about what this will mean for my patients and my community. We know the ones who will be impacted most are children, seniors and adults with diabetes or certain eye diseases. Due to this lack of funding, optometrists are also limited in their ability to invest in their practices and access to eye care in rural areas is especially threatened. This is not acceptable.

As the most populated province in the country, compared to other provinces with publicly funded optometry services, Ontario is by far the lowest funded. For example, the funding for seniors' eye exams would have to increase more than 60% to reach the next lowest-funded province, Manitoba, and by more than 125% to reach the next lowest-funded, Québec.

Although it is the province that needs to fix the issue, the underfunding of eye care affects municipalities too.

Optometrists are located in over 200 communities, making us the most accessible primary eye care professionals in the healthcare system. In many of these locations, we are the **only** providers of comprehensive general eye care. This is why municipalities must stand up for their residents and help protect access to OHIP optometry services.

So far, twenty municipalities (including the Town of Oakville, the City of Cambridge, the Municipality of North Perth and the City of Niagara Falls to name a few) have passed motions in support of OHIP optometry services. I'm requesting that my municipal council stand up for eye care by asking the provincial government to commit to reforms so that optometrists are compensated fairly compared to their colleagues all across Canada. Please pass such a motion as soon as possible so that residents can continue to access the quality eye care that they deserve.

Should you have any questions, or would like more information, please let me know. My patients and I hope that we can count on your support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michelle Lafleur".

Michelle Lafleur, OD

**From:** Regional Tourism Organization 7 <[info@rto7.ca](mailto:info@rto7.ca)>

**Sent:** September 27, 2021 2:55 PM

**To:** Briana Bloomfield <[bbloomfield@owensound.ca](mailto:bbloomfield@owensound.ca)>

**Subject:** Ontario Investing \$100 Million to Help Tourism Sector Rebound From COVID-19

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## REGIONAL TOURISM ORGANIZATION 7

**September 27, 2021**

### **Ontario Investing \$100 Million to Help Tourism Sector Rebound From COVID-19**

TORONTO — The Ontario government is investing \$100 million through the new Tourism Recovery Program to help stabilize the province's tourism industry as it recovers from the impacts of COVID-19. The program will help for-profit tourism businesses in the attraction, accommodation, and leisure travel sectors protect critical jobs in communities across the province and help them prepare to reopen and safely welcome back visitors.

“The last 18-months of the pandemic have been the most challenging Ontario's tourism industry has ever faced. Previously an economic powerhouse for the province, tourism has been hit by the triple threat that COVID-19 represents – a health, economic and social crisis,” said Minister MacLeod. “This critical funding will help support regionally significant businesses, while protecting jobs in communities that rely on the tourism industry.”

Businesses that help drive employment and visitors to their regions are eligible to apply for the Ontario Tourism Recovery Program. These organizations are key employers and tourism generators in all regions of the province. Eligible tourism businesses include inns and lodges, boat tours, ski centres, live performance venues, cinemas, drive-in theatres, and amusement and water parks.

The [Ontario Tourism Recovery Program](#) will support tourism businesses that have experienced a loss of at least 50 per cent of eligible revenue in 2020-21 compared

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to 2019. Program funding will help successful applicants prepare to reopen safely, develop innovative tourism products, retain and create tourism jobs, and support tourism recovery in their region and throughout Ontario.

Successful recipients will have the flexibility to apply funds to any eligible expenses and do what makes the most sense for their businesses. Expenses could include reopening and operating costs such as staff salaries and maintenance, health and safety measures for visitors and workers, tourism product and experience development, or marketing.

Applications for this program will open on October 13, 2021.

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## Quick Facts

- This investment is part of the 2021 Budget, ***Ontario's Action Plan: Protecting People's Health & Our Economy***. Support from the Ontario government for the tourism, culture, sports, recreation and heritage industries since the start of the pandemic now totals \$625 million.
- Tourism plays a critical role in the Ontario economy. Prior to the pandemic, tourism generated more than \$36 billion in economic activity and supported hundreds of thousands of jobs in Ontario.
- According to Statistics Canada's Labour Force Survey, tourism-related industries experienced a loss of 94,000 jobs between August 2019 and August 2021.

## Additional Resources

For more information on eligibility and how to apply visit

[www.mtc.gov.on.ca/en/awards\\_funding/OTRP.shtml](http://www.mtc.gov.on.ca/en/awards_funding/OTRP.shtml).

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October 1, 2021

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
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Dear Premier:

**RE: KINGSVILLE COUNCIL SUPPORT OF SAVE EYE CARE IN ONTARIO**

At its Regular Meeting held Monday, September 27, 2021 Council of the Town of Kingsville passed a Resolution in support of Save Eye Care in Ontario as follows:

**"580-2021**

**Moved By** Councillor Laura Lucier  
**Seconded By** Councillor Thomas Neufeld

**Whereas** routine eye care is critical in early detection of eye diseases like glaucoma, cataracts, and macular degeneration, and the health of eyes is critical to overall health and quality of life; and

**Whereas** conditions that may be detected with an annual eye exam include Diabetes mellitus, Glaucoma, Cataract, Retinal disease, Amblyopia (lazy eye), Visual field defects (loss of part of the usual field of vision), Corneal disease, Strabismus (crosses eyes), Recurrent uveitis (an inflammation of the uvea, the middle layer of the eye that consists of the iris, ciliary body and choroid), Optic pathway disease; and

**Whereas** payments from OHIP have only increased 9% over the last 30 years, which has not come close to matching inflation of costs (which include rent, staff, utilities, equipment, taxes and supplies); and

**Whereas** the lack of funding makes it difficult to invest in modern technology, and newer technology means earlier detection of eye disease; and

**Whereas** the Provincial government's refusal to formally negotiate with Optometrists for more than 30 years has forced the Optometrists to absorb approximately 173 Million dollars annually in the cost to deliver eye care to Ontarians; and

**Whereas** the 2021 Ontario Budget did not address OHIP-insured eye care, Ontario Optometrists took action and voted to withdraw OHIP services starting September 1, 2021, unless the government agrees to legally-binding negotiations to fund these services at least to the cost of delivery; and

**Whereas** this job action will jeopardize good eyecare for those who need the care of an optometrist the most and will have the greatest impact on the most vulnerable groups. Children, who's lifetime ability to learn and develop depends on good vision and to the elderly, who are at the greatest risk for vision-threatening ocular diseases.

**Now Therefore Be It Resolved** that The Corporation of the Town of Kingsville requests that the Provincial government recognize the value that access to quality eye care brings to all Ontarians and act now to protect it; and further

**That** the Provincial government address the OHIP-insured eye care immediately and enter into legally-binding negotiations with Ontario Optometrists to fund these services at least to the cost of delivery, prior to any job action taking place; and further

**That** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Ford, Ontario Minister of Health Christine Elliot, MPP Taras Natyshak, to the Ontario Association of Optometrists, and to all municipalities in Ontario.

**CARRIED"**

Yours very truly,



Sandra Kitchen, Acting Clerk  
Legislative Services Department  
skitchen@kingsville.ca

Enclosure

cc: Honourable Christine Elliott, Ontario Minister of Health  
Taras Natyshak, MPP, Essex  
Chris Lewis, MP, Essex  
Ontario Association of Optometrists  
All Ontario Municipalities

**Municipality of Chatham-Kent**

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September 28, 2021

To:

Premier Doug Ford – [doug.fordco@pc.ola.org](mailto:doug.fordco@pc.ola.org)Ontario Minister of Health Christine Elliott – [christine.elliott@pc.ola.org](mailto:christine.elliott@pc.ola.org)Ontario Association of Optometrists – [oaoinfo@optom.on.ca](mailto:oaoinfo@optom.on.ca)**Support Resolution from the Council of Trent Lakes passed September 7<sup>th</sup> re  
OHIP Eye Care**

Please be advised the Council of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent at its regular meeting held on September 27, 2021 considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

“That Chatham-Kent Council support the resolution from Trent Lakes:

Whereas routine eye care is critical in early detection of eye diseases like glaucoma, cataracts, and macular degeneration, and the health of eyes is critical to overall health and quality of life; and

Whereas conditions that may be detected with an annual eye exam include Diabetes mellitus, Glaucoma, Cataract, Retinal disease, Amblyopia (lazy eye), Visual field defects (loss of part of the usual field of vision), Corneal disease, Strabismus (crosses eyes), Recurrent uveitis (an inflammation of the uvea, the middle layer of the eye that consists of the iris, ciliary body and choroid), Optic pathway disease; and

Whereas payments from OHIP have only increased 9% over the last 30 years, which has not come close to matching inflation of costs (which include rent, staff, utilities, equipment, taxes and supplies); and

Whereas the lack of funding makes it difficult to invest in modern technology, and newer technology means earlier detection of eye disease; and

Whereas the Provincial government’s refusal to formally negotiate with Optometrists for more than 30 years has forced the Optometrists to absorb approximately 173 Million dollars annually in the cost to deliver eye care to Ontarians; and

Whereas the 2021 Ontario Budget did not address OHIP-insured eye care, Ontario Optometrists took action and voted to withdraw OHIP services starting September 1, 2021, unless the government agrees to legally-binding negotiations to fund these services at least to the cost of delivery; and

Whereas this job action will jeopardize good eyecare for those who need the care of an optometrist the most and will have the greatest impact on the most vulnerable groups. Children, who's lifetime ability to learn and develop depends on good vision and to the elderly, who are at the greatest risk for vision-threatening ocular diseases;

Now Therefore, be it resolved that the Municipality of Chatham-Kent requests that the Provincial government recognize the value that access to quality eye care brings to all Ontarians and act now to protect it; and further

That the Provincial government address the OHIP-insured eye care immediately and enter into legally-binding negotiations with Ontario Optometrists to fund these services at least to the cost of delivery, prior to any job action taking place; and further

That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Ford, Ontario Minister of Health Christine Elliot, to the Ontario Association of Optometrists, and to all municipalities in Ontario.”

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Judy Smith at [judys@chatham-kent.ca](mailto:judys@chatham-kent.ca)

Sincerely,



Judy Smith, CMO  
Director Municipal Governance  
Clerk /Freedom of Information Coordinator

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October 4, 2021

**SENT ELECTRONICALLY**

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Ontario Minister of Health Christine Elliott - [christine.elliott@pc.ola.org](mailto:christine.elliott@pc.ola.org)

Dave Smith, MPP Peterborough-Kawartha - [dave.smith@pc.ola.org](mailto:dave.smith@pc.ola.org)

David Piccini, MPP Northumberland-Peterborough South - [david.piccini@pc.ola.org](mailto:david.piccini@pc.ola.org)

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Ontario Association of Optometrists - [oaoinfo@optom.on.ca](mailto:oaoinfo@optom.on.ca)

**RE: OHIP Eye Care Resolution**

Please be advised the Council of The Corporation of The Town of Niagara-on-the Lake, at its regular meeting held on September 30, 2021, approved the following resolution:

*WHEREAS routine eye care is critical in early detection of eye diseases like glaucoma, cataracts, and macular degeneration, and the health of eyes is critical to overall health and quality of life; and Whereas conditions that may be detected with an annual eye exam include Diabetes mellitus, Glaucoma, Cataract, Retinal disease, Amblyopia (lazy eye), Visual field defects (loss of part of the usual field of vision), Corneal disease, Strabismus (crosses eyes), Recurrent uveitis (an inflammation of the uvea, the middle layer of the eye that consists of the iris, ciliary body and choroid), Optic pathway disease; and*

*WHEREAS payments from OHIP have only increased 9% over the last 30 years, which has not come close to matching inflation of costs (which include rent, staff, utilities, equipment, taxes and supplies); and*

*WHEREAS the lack of funding makes it difficult to invest in modern technology, and newer technology means earlier detection of eye disease; and Whereas the Provincial government's refusal to formally negotiate with Optometrists for more than 30 years has forced the Optometrists to absorb approximately 173 Million dollars annually in the cost to deliver eye care to Ontarians; and*

*WHEREAS the 2021 Ontario Budget did not address OHIP-insured eye care, Ontario Optometrists took action and voted to withdraw OHIP services starting 2 September 1, 2021, unless the government agrees to legally-binding negotiations to fund these services at least to the cost of delivery; and*

*WHEREAS this job action will jeopardize good eyecare for those who need the care of an optometrist the most and will have the greatest impact on the most vulnerable groups. Children, who's lifetime ability to learn and develop depends on good vision and to the elderly, who are at the greatest risk for vision threatening ocular diseases;*



*NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Municipality of Niagara-on-the-Lake requests that the Provincial government recognize the value that access to quality eye care brings to all Ontarians and act now to protect it;*

*AND FURTHER that the Provincial government address the OHIP-insured eye care immediately and enter into legally-binding negotiations with Ontario Optometrists to fund these services at least to the cost of delivery, prior to any job action taking place;*

*AND FURTHER that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Ford, Ontario Minister of Health Christine Elliot, MPP Dave Smith, MPP David Piccini, MPP Laurie Scott, to the Ontario Association of Optometrists, and to all municipalities in Ontario.*

If you have any questions or require further information, please contact our office at 905-468-3266.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen Hutt', written in a cursive style.

Colleen Hutt  
Acting Town Clerk

c.c. Ontario Municipalities



**The Town of Blue Mountains, Council Meeting**

**Date:** Monday, September 20, 2021

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**Moved by:** Councillor Sampson

**Seconded by:** Deputy Mayor Potter

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the September 3, 2021 correspondence from the Municipality of Grey Highlands requesting support for the September 1, 2021 Grey Highlands Council resolution supporting the redevelopment of Grey Gables to a 128-bed facility;

AND THAT Council supports the September 1, 2021 Grey Highlands Council resolution and directs the Town Clerk to forward this resolution in support to Grey County, and all Grey County lower tier municipalities for consideration.

**The motion is Carried**

September 28, 2021

Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General

**Support Resolution from the Council of Sarnia passed September 13<sup>th</sup> re  
Renovictions**

Please be advised the Council of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent at its regular meeting held on September 27, 2021 considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

“That Chatham-Kent Council support the resolution from the City of Sarnia requesting that the Government of Ontario take additional and meaningful steps to address the ever increasing problem of “Renovictions” in The Province of Ontario. Citizens and communities are hurt by these unscrupulous practices which can and does directly impact the affordable housing crisis, as well as inflict damage (both financially and mentally) particularly on our most vulnerable citizens; and

That this correspondence be sent to other Municipalities in Ontario for their consideration and possible endorsement.”

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Judy Smith at [judys@chatham-kent.ca](mailto:judys@chatham-kent.ca)

Sincerely,



Judy Smith, CMO  
Director Municipal Governance  
Clerk /Freedom of Information Coordinator

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**MUNICIPALITY OF SHUNIAH**

420 Leslie Avenue, Thunder Bay, Ontario P7A 1X8  
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September 21, 2021

Right Honourable Justin Trudeau  
Prime Minister of Canada  
Office of the Prime Minister  
80 Wellington Street  
Ottawa ON K1A 0A2  
Via Email

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau,

**RE: Support Resolution – Support Affordable Internet**

Please be advised that, at its meeting on September 14, 2021, the Council of the Municipality of Shuniah resolved as follows:

That Council hereby supports the resolution from the Municipality of Chatham-Kent regarding the motion to support affordable Internet, dated August 11, 2021.

A copy of the above noted resolution is enclosed for your reference and consideration. We kindly request your support and endorsement for the motion to support affordable Internet.

Yours truly,

Kerry Bellamy  
Clerk  
KB/as

Cc: Hon. Minister Steve Clark – Minister of Municipal Affairs  
Hon. Minister Francois- Philippe Champagne – Minister of Innovation, Science, and Industry  
Patty Hajdu (Thunder Bay- Superior North) MP  
Marcus Powlowski (Thunder Bay-Rainy River) MP  
Michael Gravelle (Thunder Bay- Superior North) MPP  
Judith Monteith-Farrell (Thunder Bay-Atikokan) MPP  
Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
All Ontario Municipalities



MUNICIPALITY OF SHUNIAH

# COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 298-21

Date: Sep 14, 2021

Moved By: *Patricia*

Seconded By: *Cherit*

THAT Council hereby supports the attached resolution from the Municipality of Chatham-Kent regarding a motion to support affordable internet, dated August 11, 2021; and

BE IT RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario Honourable Justin Trudeau, Minister of Innovation, Science and Industry Francois—Philippe Champagne, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs Steve Clark, local MP's and MPP's, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, the Association of Municipalities Ontario, and all other Ontario municipalities.

Carried

Defeated

Amended

Deferred

*Wendy Landry*  
Signature

Municipality of Shuniah, 420 Leslie Avenue, Thunder Bay, Ontario, P7A 1X8



September 21, 2021

Right Honourable Justin Trudeau  
Prime Minister of Canada  
Office of the Prime Minister  
80 Wellington Street  
Ottawa ON K1A OA2  
Via Email

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau,


**RE: Support Resolution – 988 Suicide and Crisis Hotline**

Please be advised that, at its meeting on September 14, 2021, the Council of the Municipality of Shuniah resolved as follows:

That Council hereby supports the resolution from the Town of Petrolia regarding the motion to support the 988 suicide and crisis hotline, dated August 11, 2021.

A copy of the above noted resolution is enclosed for your reference and consideration. We kindly request your support and endorsement for the motion to 988 Suicide and Crisis Hotline.

Yours truly,

  
Kerry Bellamy  
Clerk  
KB/as

Cc: Patty Hajdu – Federal Minister of Health (Thunder Bay- Superior North) MP  
Marcus Powlowski (Thunder Bay-Rainy River) MP  
Michael Gravelle (Thunder Bay- Superior North) MPP  
Judith Monteith-Farrell (Thunder Bay-Atikokan) MPP  
CRTC  
Municipalities of Ontario



MUNICIPALITY OF SHUNIAH

# COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 299-21

Date: Sep 14, 2021

Moved By: [Signature]

Seconded By: [Signature]

THAT Council hereby supports the attached resolution from the Town of Petrolia regarding a motion to support the 988 suicide and crisis hotline, dated August 11, 2021; and

BE IT RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario Honourable Justin Trudeau, local MP's and MPP's, Federal Minister of Health, CRTC, and local area municipalities.

Carried

Defeated

Amended

Deferred

[Signature]  
Signature

Municipality of Shuniah, 420 Leslie Avenue, Thunder Bay, Ontario, P7A 1X8

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October 4, 2021

Right Honourable Justin Trudeau  
Prime Minister of Canada  
Office of the Prime Minister  
80 Wellington Street  
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Via Email

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau,

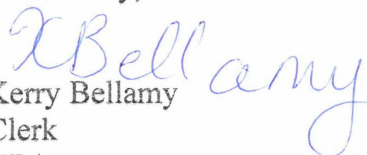
**RE: Support Resolution – motion M-84 Anti-hate Crimes and Incidents and Private Member’s Bill - C 313 Banning Symbols of Hate Act.**

Please be advised that, at its meeting on September 14, 2021, the Council of the Municipality of Shuniah resolved as follows:

That Council hereby supports the resolution from the City of Kitchener regarding the motion M-84 Anti-hate Crimes and Incidents and Private Member’s Bill - C 313 Banning Symbols of Hate Act, dated July 12, 2021.

A copy of the above noted resolution is enclosed for your reference and consideration. We kindly request your support and endorsement for the motion M-84 Anti-hate Crimes and Incidents and Private Member’s Bill - C 313 Banning Symbols of Hate Act.

Yours truly,

  
Kerry Bellamy  
Clerk  
KB/as

Cc: Hon. Minister Steve Clark – Minister of Municipal Affairs  
Hon. Minister Parm Gill - Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism  
Patty Hajdu (Thunder Bay- Superior North) MP  
Marcus Powlowski (Thunder Bay-Rainy River) MP  
Michael Gravelle (Thunder Bay- Superior North) MPP  
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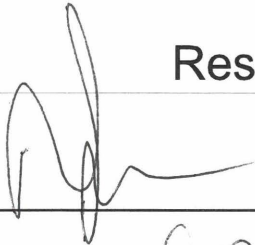


MUNICIPALITY OF SHUNIAH

# COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 297-21

Date: Sep 14, 2021

Moved By: 

Seconded By: 

THAT Council hereby supports the attached resolution from the City of Kitchener resolution regarding a motion M-84 Anti-hate Crimes and Incidents and Private Member's Bill C 313 Banning Symbols of Hate Act, dated July 12, 2021; and

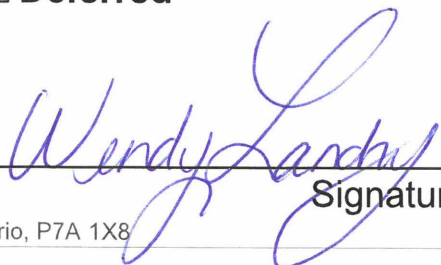
BE IT RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario Honourable Justin Trudeau, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs Steve Clark, Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism Parm Gill, local MP's and MPP's, to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, to the Association of Municipalities Ontario, and all other Ontario municipalities.

Carried

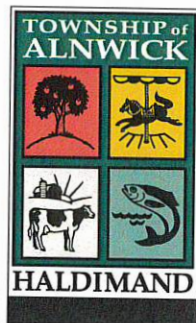
Defeated

Amended

Deferred

  
Signature

Municipality of Shuniah, 420 Leslie Avenue, Thunder Bay, Ontario, P7A 1X8



October 5, 2021

Honourable Doug Downey  
Attorney General  
McMurtry-Scott Building  
720 Bay Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Toronto ON M7A 2S9  
[doug.downey@pc.ola.org](mailto:doug.downey@pc.ola.org)

Dear Honourable Downey:

**Re: Resolution of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand – Lottery Licensing to Assist Small Organizations**

At the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand's Regular Council Meeting held on September 16, 2021, Council received the resolution sent by the Town of South Bruce Peninsula dated April 23, 2021 as well as the response received from your office on August 26, 2021 in regards to the consideration of instituting an additional level of lottery licensing which would enable small organizations to obtain a lottery license. Council of the Township of Alnwick/ Haldimand adopted the following resolution of support:

Moved by Mayor Gail Latchford, seconded by Deputy Mayor Sherry Gibson;

*"Be it resolved that the correspondence received from the Town of South Bruce Peninsula to the Attorney General, dated April 23, 2021; and Correspondence from the Attorney General to the Town of South Bruce Peninsula, dated August 26, 2021, RE: Lottery Licensing to Assist Small Organizations, be received and filed; and further that Council direct staff to send a letter of support to the Attorney General and all municipalities in Ontario.*

**CARRIED.**

A copy of the above noted resolution from the Town of South Bruce Peninsula is attached for your reference.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.



Yolanda Melburn, Deputy Clerk  
Township of Alnwick/Haldimand  
905-349-2822 ext. 32  
[ymelburn@ahwp.ca](mailto:ymelburn@ahwp.ca)

Encls.

Cc: Angie Cathrae ([angie.cathrae@southbrucepeninsula.com](mailto:angie.cathrae@southbrucepeninsula.com)) , All Ontario  
Municipalities



Town of  
**SOUTH BRUCE PENINSULA**

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1-877-534-1400

April 23, 2021

Doug Downey  
Attorney General  
McMurtry-Scott Building  
720 Bay Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Toronto ON M7A 2S9

Dear Honorable Mr. Downey:

**Re: Lottery Licensing to Assist Small Organizations**

Small organizations are the foundation of rural Ontario. Thousands of hours of selfless volunteerism are logged each year by organizations who may not necessarily be considered not-for profit or charitable. That doesn't mean that they don't contribute to our communities; small organizations cook for the homeless, clean up parks and flower beds, read to young people, teach life skills to young adults, organize parades, put on concerts...the list goes on.

Many of these small organizations are not eligible to receive a lottery license. This makes it impossible for them to continue to be successful as their fundraising capabilities are extremely limited.

Through this correspondence, we request that you give serious consideration to instituting an additional level of lottery licensing which would enable small organizations to obtain a lottery license. Those who are not able to sustain a non-profit or charitable status could still receive a lottery license if their proceeds benefit the community. Thresholds could be placed on the prize values and perhaps even the number of events which could be held in a calendar year.

We hear over and over again about the hardships in our community and we know that there are organizations who have the ability to help and are not permitted to. Understanding this, Council adopted a resolution seeking your consideration.

**R-226-2021**

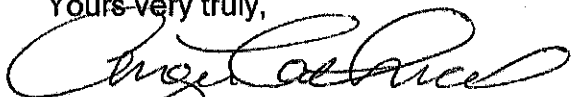
*It was **Moved** by J. Kirkland, **Seconded** by K. Durst and **Carried***

***That staff are directed to contact the Ministry responsible for Alcohol and Gaming of Ontario to seek their assistance in implementing an additional level of licensing which would permit small organizations to hold fundraisers as a method of sustaining our community and organizations;***

***And further that all municipalities in Ontario are sent this resolution to seek their assistance in lobbying the Ministry.***

We look forward to your consideration of our request.

Yours-very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Angie Cathrae", written in a cursive style.

Angie Cathrae  
Director of Legislative Services/Clerk  
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Tol Free 1-877-534-1400  
[angie.cathrae@southbrucepeninsula.com](mailto:angie.cathrae@southbrucepeninsula.com)

cc: MPP Bill Walker, All Ontario Municipalities

**From:** Dennis Kalichuk <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** October 6, 2021 10:14 AM  
**To:** Sharon Edwards <[sedwards@owensound.ca](mailto:sedwards@owensound.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: Letter of Support from the City of Owen Sound

Many thanks to you Sharon, and Mayor Boddy and the Owen Sound team for this endorsement – it's greatly appreciated. The petition is being read and presented in the Legislature this Thursday Oct 7<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon.

I am hoping that this will be an important first step to enacting positive change to our methods of dealing with these important issues.

Regards,

*Dennis Kalichuk*  
*Ontario Petition for Change*

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