



## **Correspondence Items Presented for Information November 20, 2023**

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- 1) Correspondence from the Mayor, City of Owen Sound re:
  - a) Regional climate change mitigation.
  - b) "Catch and Release" justice in Ontario.
- 2) Correspondence from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing re: Municipal elections reminder.
- 3) Correspondence from the Administrative Assistant, Municipality of Wawa re:
  - a) Expansion of water treatment training opportunities.
  - b) *Highway Traffic Act* amendments.
  - c) Increasing the amount of tax credits for volunteer firefighting and search and rescue volunteer services.
  - d) Amendment to the *Legislation Act*, 2006.
- 4) Correspondence from the City of Owen Sound re:
  - a) Amendment to the *Legislation Act*, 2006.
  - b) Invitation to the Grey Bruce Community Safety and Well-Being Planning Steering Committee to present at a Council meeting.
- 5) Correspondence from the following municipalities re: Declaring intimate partner violence an epidemic.
  - a) County of Dufferin
  - b) Town of Orangeville
- 6) Correspondence from the Clerk, Municipality of Temagami re: Bill 21 *Fixing Long-Term Care Amendment Act (Till Death Do Us Part Act)*.
- 7) Correspondence from the Municipality of Shuniah re: Unnecessary noise – engine brakes.

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November 6, 2023

To: Grey County Clerks  
Bruce County Clerks  
Bruce & Grey Federations of Agriculture

**Re: Regional Climate Change Mitigation**

To reach carbon emission targets that have been set, we will all need to work together to find solutions.

I attach a copy of a report presented recently by our City Staff on an emerging technology that will safely inject hydrogen into diesel engines to reduce our carbon footprint and potentially reduce costs, without having to replace our municipal fleets and farm equipment before the end of its life cycle.

On September 22, 2023, more than twenty-five stakeholders gathered here in Owen Sound at Hydrogen Optimized to advance the creation of a Grey-Bruce Hydrogen Hub. Hydrogen Optimized is developing and manufacturing high-power water electrolyzers and will have the ability to produce green hydrogen for use in the region.

We look forward to working together towards our shared potential with our community stakeholders to make Grey and Bruce national leaders in clean energy use. We will continue to keep you informed with additional information as it becomes available.

For more information, please contact Paul McGrath, Manager of Community and Business Development at [pmcgrath@owensound.ca](mailto:pmcgrath@owensound.ca) or 519-376-4440 ext. 1254.

Thank you.  
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'IBoddy'.

Ian C. Boddy  
Mayor

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November 16, 2023

Via Email

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Dear Premier Ford:

**Re: Support for the Town of Midland's Resolution respecting "Catch and Release" Justice in Ontario**

City Council, at its meeting held on November 6, 2023, considered the above-noted matter, and passed Resolution No. R-231106-005 as follows:

**"THAT in consideration of correspondence received on the November 6, 2023 Consent Agenda respecting "Catch and Release" Justice in Ontario, City Council requests that:**

- 1. The Mayor send a letter in support of the resolution from the Town of Midland; and**
- 2. The letter be sent to the Federal and Provincial Governments, the Solicitor General, the M.P. and M.P.P. for Bruce-Grey Owen Sound, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), the Association of the Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and the Owen Sound Police Services Board."**

I previously sent correspondence to the Solicitor General in March 2022 requesting that this ill-conceived practice be put to an end. I would like to reiterate that police services across Ontario are exhausting precious time and resources having to manage the repeated arrests of the same offenders, which, in turn, impacts morale and ultimately law-abiding citizens who are paying the often significant financial and emotional toll of this broken system. This practice adds

significantly to the concerns and anxiety levels experienced by business owners and citizens in the City of Owen Sound.

Over the past year, many Ontario municipalities have passed motions concerning "catch and release" justice in Ontario and we urge you to make meaningful improvements to the Ontario legal system.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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Ian C. Boddy  
Mayor

Encl. Town of Midland – "Catch and Release" Justice in Ontario

cc: Hon. Michael Kerzner, Solicitor General  
Alex Ruff, MP Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound  
Rick Byers, MPP Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound  
Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
Owen Sound Police Services Board

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September 8, 2023

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

Dear Premier Ford:

**Re: "Catch and Release" Justice is Ontario**

At its September 6, 2023, Regular Council Meeting with Closed Session the Council for the Town of Midland passed the following Resolution:

*That the Town of Midland send a letter to the Federal and Provincial Governments requesting meaningful improvements to the current state of "catch and release" justice in the Ontario legal system. Police Services across Ontario are exhausting precious time and resources having to manage the repeated arrests of the same offenders, which in turn, is impacting their morale, and ultimately law-abiding citizens who are paying the often significant financial and emotional toll of this broken system; and*

*That this resolution be sent to other Municipalities throughout Ontario for their endorsement consideration.*

Thank you.

Yours very  
truly,

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MIDLAND**

*Sherri Edgar*

Sherri Edgar, AMCT  
Municipal Clerk  
Ext. 2210



Issue November 2023

To Municipal Clerks:

On October 1, 2020, the Helping Tenants and Small Business Act, 2020 (Bill 204), received Royal Assent. Bill 204 has ushered in two important changes that will impact the administration of municipal elections commencing in January 2024.

### **Single Register**

The Chief Electoral Officer (CEO) is responsible for establishing and maintaining a permanent register of persons eligible to vote in a Provincial election in Ontario. Bill 204 amended the *Election Act* to require the CEO to include persons entitled to vote in a municipal election as part of the permanent register. This has led to the creation of the single register of electors for both provincial and municipal elections in Ontario.

### **Preliminary List of Electors (PLE/Voters List)**

Bill 204 also amended the *Municipal Elections Act* to transfer the responsibility for preparing the preliminary voters' list (PLE) from the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) to the CEO. Commencing on January 1, 2024, the CEO will begin supporting municipal elections by preparing the preliminary list of electors to municipal clerks for municipal by-elections. Municipal clerks who are in the process of conducting a by-election that commences before January 1, 2024 would continue working with MPAC to obtain the PLE.

The [Municipal Voters Guide](#) will be updated to reflect these changes, prior to them coming into effect.

Questions about the transition?

Reach out to Elections Ontario for support: [voterlist@elections.on.ca](mailto:voterlist@elections.on.ca)

### **School Support**

MPAC remains responsible for collecting school support information for municipal elections. To update or manage school support go to: <https://school-support.mpac.ca/>





# The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

### RESOLUTION

Tuesday, November 7, 2023

<b>Resolution # RC23262</b>	<b>Meeting Order: 7</b>
<b>Moved by:</b> 	<b>Seconded by:</b> 

**WHEREAS** the Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa is a small community in Northern Ontario with limited financial resources; and

**WHEREAS** the Municipality owns and operates the water treatment facility, water distribution facility, wastewater treatment facility and wastewater collection facility which service the residents of the Municipality of Wawa; and

**WHEREAS** the Municipality of Wawa requires Class II Water Treatment Operators for its facilities; and

**WHEREAS** the Municipality of Wawa attempts to provide training as prescribed by the Province of Ontario to obtain the necessary classification(s); and

**WHEREAS** it has struggled in obtaining a full staff compliment who is eager to take on the responsibilities of water treatment, distribution, wastewater collection and treatment operations; and

**WHEREAS** any new employees of the Municipality of Wawa require certification and training is becoming increasingly difficult to procure; and

**WHEREAS** the Province of Ontario has implemented stringent review of water treatment plants to ensure compliance; and

**WHEREAS** the Province of Ontario is promoting and providing an increased number of training opportunities for a variety of trades;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa petitions the Province of Ontario to expand water treatment training opportunities for communities within Ontario; and

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**The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa**

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**RESOLUTION**

**FURTHERMORE**, that the training be delivered in a method that is flexible and affordable; and

**FURTHERMORE**, utilize existing networks, such as Contact North, for on-line exam preparation and exam supervision; and



**FURTHERMORE**, the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa forward a copy of this resolution to Premier Doug Ford, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, Andrea Khanjin, Algoma Manitoulin MPP Michael Mantha and Walkerton Clean Water Centre, and all Ontario Municipalities.

RESOLUTION RESULT		RECORDED VOTE		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CARRIED	MAYOR AND COUNCIL	YES	NO
<input type="checkbox"/>	DEFEATED	Mitch Hatfield		
<input type="checkbox"/>	TABLED	Cathy Cannon		
<input type="checkbox"/>	RECORDED VOTE (SEE RIGHT)	Melanie Pilon		
<input type="checkbox"/>	PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARED	Jim Hoffmann		
<input type="checkbox"/>	WITHDRAWN	Joseph Opato		

**Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof.**

- ☐ Disclosed the pecuniary interest and general name thereof and abstained from the discussion, vote and influence.

Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_

MAYOR – MELANIE PILON	CLERK – MAURY O'NEILL
	





# The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

### RESOLUTION

Tuesday, November 7, 2023

Resolution # RC23261	Meeting Order: 6
Moved by: <i>Cathy Cannon</i>	Seconded by: <i>M Hatfield</i>

**WHEREAS** speeding on Municipality of Wawa roads is a concern, and can occur in all areas of the community; and

**WHEREAS** barriers and delays to enforcement pose a danger to the community; and

**WHEREAS** the Municipality of Wawa like many other small communities in Northern Ontario has limited resources to implement speed mitigation, road design and re-design; and

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

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

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa does hereby support the request of the City of Cambridge in that the Ontario Government amend s.205. 1 of the HTA to permit municipalities to locate an ASE system permanently or temporarily on any roadway under the jurisdiction of municipalities and as determined by municipalities and not be restricted to only community safety zones and school safety zones;

**AND FURTHERMORE THAT** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Ontario Minister of Transportation, the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Paul Calandra, Algoma Manitoulin MPP Michael Mantha, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario Municipalities.

RESOLUTION RESULT		RECORDED VOTE		
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#### Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof.

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Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_

MAYOR – MELANIE PILON	CLERK – MAURY O'NEILL
<i>M. Pilon</i>	<i>Maury O'Neill</i>



# The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

### RESOLUTION

Tuesday, November 7, 2023

Resolution # RC23265	Meeting Order: 10
Moved by: <i>Cathy Fannon</i>	Seconded by: <i>J. M. Al</i>

**WHEREAS** Canada has 90,000 volunteer firefighters who provide fire and all hazard emergency services to their communities; in addition, approximately 8,000 essential search and rescue volunteers respond to thousands of incidents every year; and

**WHEREAS** many of these individuals receive some form of pay on call, an honorarium, or are given some funding to cover expenses, but they do not draw a living wage from firefighting; and;

**WHEREAS** without volunteer firefighters and search and rescue volunteers, thousands of communities in Canada would have no fire and emergency response coverage; and;

**WHEREAS** in 2013, the federal government initiated a tax credit recognizing these individuals, and calling on the federal government to increase this tax credit from \$3,000 to \$10,000; and;

**WHEREAS** volunteer firefighters account for 71% of Canada's total firefighting essential first responders;

- The tax code of Canada currently allows volunteer firefighters and search and rescue volunteers to claim a \$3,000 tax credit if 200 hours of volunteer services were completed in a calendar year;
- This works out to a mere \$450 per year, which we allow these essential volunteers to keep of their own income from their regular jobs, \$2.25 an hour;
- If they volunteer more than 200 hours, which many do, this tax credit becomes even less;
- These essential volunteers not only put their lives on the line and give their time, training and efforts to Canadians, but they also allow cities and municipalities to keep property taxes lower than if paid services were required;

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# The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

### RESOLUTION

- It would also help retain these volunteers in a time when volunteerism is decreasing.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa call upon the Government of Canada to support Bill C-310 and enact amendments to subsections 118.06 (2) and 118.07 (2) of the Income Tax Act in order to increase the amount of the tax credits for volunteer firefighting and search and rescue volunteer services from \$3,000 to \$10,000; and;

**FURTHERMORE THAT** a copy of the resolution be shared with the Association of Fire Chiefs of Ontario, Algoma Mutual Aid Association, Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all Ontario municipalities.

RESOLUTION RESULT		RECORDED VOTE		
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MAYOR – MELANIE PILON	CLERK – MAURY O'NEILL


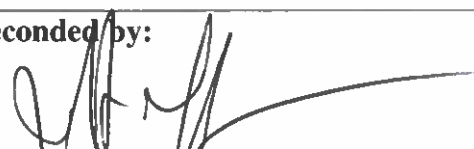


The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

Tuesday, November 7, 2023

Resolution # RC23263	Meeting Order: 8
Moved by: 	Seconded by: 

**WHEREAS** the local newspaper company Algoma News Review has ceased the print publication of its weekly newspaper and printed its final edition on July 6, 2022; and

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

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

**WHEREAS** communities such as the Municipality of Wawa cannot comply with publication requirements in Provincial Acts and Regulations as the Algoma News Review publication is no longer being printed in sheet form and there are no other local news publications fitting the definition of "newspaper"; and

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

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

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The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

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

**FURTHERMORE THAT** this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Paul Calandra, Algoma Manitoulin MPP Michael Mantha, and the Association of Ontario Municipalities (AMO).

RESOLUTION RESULT		RECORDED VOTE		
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**Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof.**

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Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_

MAYOR – MELANIE PILON	CLERK – MAURY O'NEILL

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November 10, 2023

Via Email

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Dear Minister Downey:

**Re: Support for Township of McKellar's Resolution respecting a Call for an Amendment to the *Legislation Act, 2006***

City Council, at its meeting held on November 6, 2023, considered the above-noted matter, and passed Resolution No. R-231106-006 as follows:

**"THAT in consideration of correspondence received on the November 6, 2023 Consent Agenda respecting a Call for an Amendment to the *Legislation Act, 2006*, City Council requests that:**

- 1. Staff send a letter to the Attorney General, in support of the resolution from the Township of McKellar; and**
- 2. The letter be sent to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, M.P. and M.P.P. for Bruce-Grey Owen Sound, and all Ontario municipalities."**

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Staci Landry".

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Staci Landry  
Deputy Clerk

Encl. Township of McKellar – Call for an Amendment to the *Legislation Act, 2006*

cc: Hon. Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
Alex Ruff, MP Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound  
Rick Byers, MPP Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound  
All Ontario Municipalities



# **Township of McKellar**

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October 19, 2023

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

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

Dear Mr. Downey,

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

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

Moved by: Councillor Kekkonen

Seconded by: Councillor Zulak

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

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

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

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



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

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

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

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

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

**Carried**

Regards,



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Deputy Clerk  
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cc:

Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
Graydon Smith, MPP Parry Sound-Muskoka  
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November 10, 2023

Via Email

Grey Bruce Community Safety and Well-Being Planning Steering Committee  
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Dear Alexis:

**Re: Invitation to Present at Council Meeting**

Thank you for your correspondence dated November 2, 2023. City Council has received your correspondence and would like to extend an invitation to yourself and the Steering Committee members to present at a future Council meeting on the various Action Tables and Situation Table for Acutely Elevated Risk (STAR).

The Council meeting schedule can be found on the City's website at [www.owensound.ca/meetings](http://www.owensound.ca/meetings). All regular meetings of Council begin at 5:30 p.m. Please provide me with a few different meeting dates that you are available to attend, and we will schedule your deputation.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Staci Landry".

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Staci Landry  
Deputy Clerk

cc: Pam Coulter, Director of Community Services  
Craig Ambrose, Police Chief



November 10, 2023

Honourable Premier Doug Ford  
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At its regular meeting on November 9, 2023, Dufferin County Council passed the following resolution:

WHEREAS the safety of our community and its members is of extreme importance to every Dufferin County resident, as well as to Dufferin County Council;

WHEREAS gender-based violence and intimate partner violence (IPV), often referred to as domestic violence, means any use of physical or sexual force, actual or threatened in an intimate relationship, including emotional and/or psychological abuse or harassing behaviour;

WHEREAS on August 16th, 2023, Justice Minister Arif Virani described gender-based violence as "an epidemic" in the federal government's formal response to a coroner's inquest, also stating that his government is committed to ending the gender-based violence epidemic "in all its forms, and is working to address any gaps in the Criminal Code to ensure a robust justice system response";

WHEREAS by declaring gender-based violence and intimate partner violence an epidemic, the County of Dufferin can join the growing number of municipalities and regions in demanding action from all levels of government to address this growing epidemic;

WHEREAS the incidences of gender-based violence and intimate partner violence have increased exponentially throughout the COVID-19 pandemic and has not decreased, while funding to provide the growing demand of services and support for victims and survivors has not kept pace;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the County of Dufferin officially declare intimate-partner violence an epidemic, as per recommendation #1 from the Culleton, Kuzyk, and Warmerdam (CKW) Inquest;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the County of Dufferin recommends that gender-based violence and intimate partner violence be declared an epidemic in the Province of Ontario;

AND THAT the County of Dufferin requests that the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all municipalities and regions in Ontario declare gender-based violence and intimate partner violence an epidemic;

AND THAT the County of Dufferin requests that the provincial and federal governments enact the additional 85 recommendations from the CKW Inquest, which provides a roadmap to preventing intimate partner violence from escalating to femicide;

AND THAT the County of Dufferin requests that the federal government starts this enactment by adding the word "femicide" as a term to the Criminal Code of Canada;

AND THAT the County of Dufferin requests that the provincial and federal governments provide the necessary support to municipalities, regions, and their emergency and social services to meaningfully address the gender-based violence and intimate partner violence epidemic;

AND THAT the Clerk be directed to send a copy of this motion to the Honourable Premier of Ontario, Doug Ford, The Right Honourable Prime Minister of Canada, Justin Trudeau, Members of Parliament, Members of Provincial Parliament, the United Nations, and all Ontario Municipalities.

Thank you,

*Michelle Dunne*

Michelle Dunne  
Clerk

Cc Prime Minister Trudeau  
Kyle Seeback, MPP  
Sylvia Jones, MP  
United Nations of Canada  
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**Corporate Services**

November 13, 2023

**Re: Gender Based Violence and Intimate Partner Violence an Epidemic**

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Orangeville, at its Regular Council Meeting held on October 30, 2023, approved the following resolution:

**WHEREAS the safety of our community and its members is of extreme importance to every Orangeville resident, as well as to Orangeville Council; and**

**WHEREAS gender-based violence and intimate partner violence (IPV), often referred to as domestic violence, means any use of physical or sexual force, actual or threatened in an intimate relationship, including emotional and/or psychological abuse or harassing behaviour; and**

**WHEREAS on August 16th, 2023, Justice Minister Arif Virani described gender-based violence as “an epidemic” in the federal government’s formal response to a coroner’s inquest, also stating that his government is committed to ending the gender-based violence epidemic “in all its forms, and is working to address any gaps in the Criminal Code to ensure a robust justice system response”; and**

**WHEREAS by declaring gender-based violence and intimate partner violence an epidemic, the Town of Orangeville can join the growing number of municipalities and regions in demanding action from all levels of government to address this growing epidemic; and**

**WHEREAS the incidences of gender-based violence and intimate partner violence have increased exponentially throughout the COVID-19 pandemic and has not decreased, while funding to provide the growing demand of services and support for victims and survivors has not kept pace;**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

- 1. The Town of Orangeville officially declare intimate-partner violence an epidemic, as per recommendation #1 from the Culleton, Kuzyk, and Warmerdam (CKW) Inquest; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:**
- 2. The Town of Orangeville recommends that gender-based violence and intimate partner violence be declared an epidemic in the Province of Ontario; and**
- 3. That the Town of Orangeville requests that the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all municipalities and regions in Ontario declare gender-based violence and intimate partner violence an epidemic; and**
- 4. That the Town of Orangeville requests that the provincial and federal governments enact the additional 85 recommendations from the CKW Inquest, which provides a roadmap to preventing intimate partner violence from escalating to femicide; and**
- 5. That the Town of Orangeville requests that the federal government starts this enactment by adding the word “femicide” as a term to the Criminal Code of Canada; and**
- 6. That the Town of Orangeville requests that the provincial and federal governments provide the necessary support to municipalities, regions, and their emergency and social services to meaningfully address the gender-based violence and intimate partner violence epidemic; and**
- 7. That the Acting Clerk be directed to send a copy of this motion to the County of Dufferin, the Honourable Premier of Ontario, Doug Ford, The Right Honourable Prime Minister of Canada, Justin Trudeau, Members of Parliament, Members of Provincial Parliament, the United Nations, and all Ontario Municipalities.**

**Carried Unanimously.**

Yours truly,

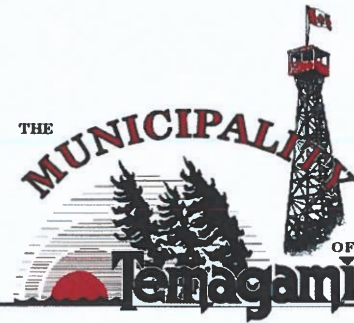
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Hon. Catherine Fife, MPP  
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November 13, 2023

Dear Hon. Catherine Fife,

I am writing to you today to inform you that the Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Temagami does hereby support your Bill amendment to the 'Residents' Bill of Rights set out in Section 3 of Fixing Long-Term Care Act'. Temagami whole heartedly supports the right for residents to not be separated upon admission.

We commend the efforts of Cambridge resident Jim McLeod to ensure that future residents do not go through the pain and agony of separation in an already difficult position. The 'Till Death Do Us Part Act' is an important piece of Legislation that needs to be called to the Standing Committee on Social Policy.

Please find attached Resolution 23-455 affirming the support from the Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Temagami.

Sincerely,

Rhonda Smith  
Municipal Clerk  
The Municipality of Temagami

cc. Hon. Doug Ford,  
Anthony Rota, MP,  
Victor Fedelico, MPP,



**THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF TEMAGAMI**  
**Regular Council Meeting**

**Resolution Number:** 23-455  
**Title:** MPP Catherine Fife  
**Date:** Thursday, November 9, 2023

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**MOVED BY:** M. Youngs  
**SECONDED BY:** J. Platts

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Temagami does hereby receive the report from the MPP Catherine Fife;  
AND FURTHER THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Temagami does hereby direct the Municipal Clerk to provide a letter of support to Ms. Fife.

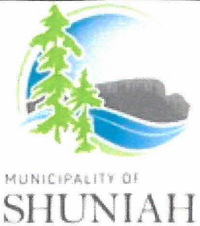
**CARRIED**

 Declaration of Conflict of Interest:

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A true copy of the resolution by the Council of the Municipality of Temagami



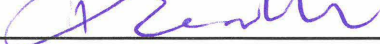


## COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 399-23

Date: Nov 14, 2023

Moved By: 

Seconded By: 

WHEREAS excessive noise resulting from the operation of moving vehicles falls under the jurisdiction of the Highway Traffic Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. H.8. ("Highway Traffic Act") which is enforced by provincially appointed officers;

AND WHEREAS municipalities, including the Municipality of Shuniah, have received complaints from residents regarding noises associated with the use of engine retarder brakes on heavy vehicles;

AND WHEREAS the Ministry of Transportation recommends the use of engine braking in certain circumstances, such as the downgrade located on Spruce River Road to avoid overheating brakes, and as a form of backup brake if brakes fail;

AND WHEREAS a higher engine noise is typically emitted for a short period of time (e.g., ten (10) to thirty (30) seconds), depending on the vehicle's speed and vehicles may make a loud "chattering" or "jackhammer" exhaust noise when this braking system is engaged;

AND WHEREAS this noise can be amplified if the vehicle has no muffler or an improper muffling system;

AND WHEREAS noise emissions from commercial vehicles form part of the Ministry of Transportation's inspection process;

AND WHEREAS installation of "courtesy" signs that request the drivers to limit the use of loud compression style brakes are difficult to enforce and there is evidence of these types of signs not being beneficial;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Province of Ontario be requested to enhance enforcement for deficient muffler systems to address concerns around excessive and unnecessary noise from engine brakes.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT a copy of this motion be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Minister of Transportation Prabmeet Sarkaria, MPP Kevin Holland, MP Marcus Powlowski, MPP Lise Vaugeois, and MP Patty Hajdu.

☒ **Carried**

☐ **Defeated**

☐ **Amended**

☐ **Deferred**



Signature