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OCTOBER 23, 2020

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September 29, 2020

Dear Mayor Gibson,

COVID – 19 is turning out to be one of the largest healthcare challenge of our time.

In the face of the pandemic, Niagara Health remains on the frontlines to care for the most vulnerable in our community. We will continue to get through this by working together – counting on each other, our families and our teams here at Niagara Health.

**We thank you for your continued support!**

Your continued commitment ensures Niagara Health will be prepared for anything that comes our way. Donors like you help us purchase state-of-the-art equipment and resources, ensuring the well-being of our community. **Will you help us ensure our patients and frontline workers have the supplies and support they need by making a gift today?**

In the enclosed *Connections* newsletter, you will read about generations of giving by the Redmond Family and the impact your support has made on patients, like Dawson, who receives extraordinary care at Niagara Health and in the comfort of his home. You will also learn about the incredible determination from our community partners and how they rallied to support our local hospital and frontline workers.

**During this uncertain time, Niagara Health is better prepared with you by our side.**

With my deepest gratitude,



Vita Gauley  
Chair, Board of Directors

PS: As you enjoy your copy of our *Connections* newsletter, please remember how much your support means to our local hospitals and healthcare teams as they continue to care for every person that walks through our doors. Thank you!

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# Connections

A newsletter for donors and friends of **niagarahealth**  
foundation



FALL 2020



Erin Redmond and her son, Lucas

## Giving today, for tomorrow

After reading an article in the St. Catharines Standard in March 2020 about Niagara Health needing N95 masks and other equipment for COVID-19, Erin Redmond was inspired to give.

Thanks to Erin's generous donation of \$150,000, Niagara Health was able to purchase the tools they need to respond to COVID-19.

**"People turn to their local hospitals when they need it most," said Erin. "So, when Niagara Health needs help, given they are there when we are at our worst, it is important for our community to support them."**

Erin knows the important role our local hospitals have in our community. On December 23, 2019, her son, Lucas, was admitted to the Pediatric Care Unit at the Niagara Health's St. Catharines Site with Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV).

"I was in the hospital with a 6 month-old-baby on Christmas Eve," said Erin. "They were so good to us – from the emergency waiting room to getting a room in Pediatrics to being discharged. No way did I feel alone."

The Emergency Department at Niagara Health's St. Catharines Site is named after Erin's father – Robert E.

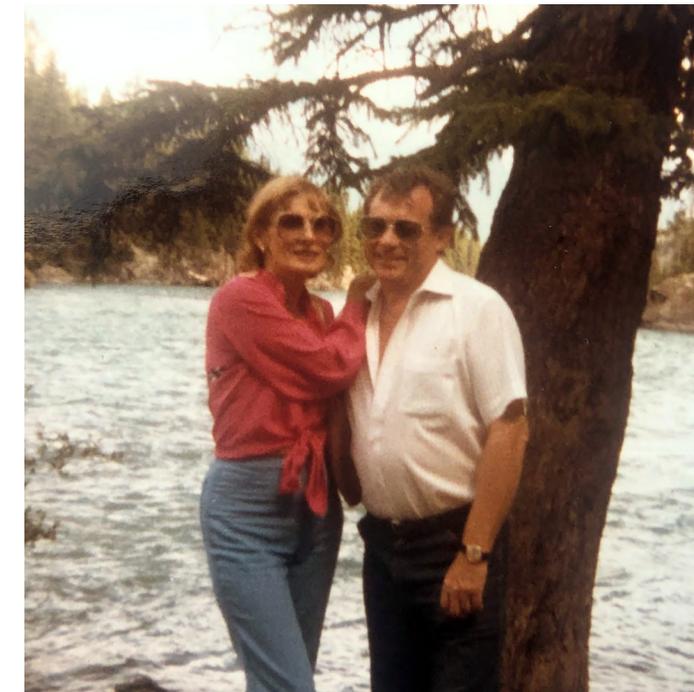
Redmond. Supporting Niagara Health was their way of giving back to their community.

"Niagara has a great sense of community," Erin adds. "We have a community of people that want to help others."

**Giving to Niagara Health has been a tradition in the Redmond family. A tradition which Erin hopes her son, Lucas, will continue.**

"My parents were strong supporters of Niagara Health and most certainly would have made a donation during COVID-19 if they were still here," said Erin. "I believe anything you can give will help. Giving is one of the most important things you can do."

Erin's gift to Niagara Health purchased life-saving ventilators and hospital beds for critically ill patients with COVID-19.



Erin's parents, Phylis and Robert E. Redmond



## A Message from Niagara Health President, Lynn Guerriero

When I arrived in Niagara this past February, I knew I was joining a unique community with many wonderful people. The COVID-19 pandemic has tested all of us like never before and I am so proud of how our community has responded. The strength, resilience and generosity of this region has never been more evident.

At Niagara Health, our teams are working with a singular purpose: to provide the best and safest care to our patients. Through the Niagara Health Foundation, you help provide our dedicated staff and physicians with the necessary equipment and supplies to support extraordinary care.

Our teams have cared for more than 130 patients impacted by COVID-19. The ventilators and critical care beds purchased through your donations have been instrumental in supporting patients' treatment and care.

The community has also responded to these unique circumstances by donating more than 230,000 pieces of personal protective equipment to help keep our staff and physicians safe.

Our teams have worked incredibly hard during the pandemic to provide care and keep the hospital safe for everyone. The generous donations of lunches, dinners and coffee breaks are so appreciated and remind us that we're all in this together.

Please accept my sincere thanks for everything that you do to support quality healthcare in Niagara.



# Dawson's Double Life

Dawson Trickett lives a double life. During the day, he is busy working, living an active lifestyle and spending valuable time with family and friends. During the night, he is connected to a dialysis machine for 10 hours while he sleeps. This is Dawson's 'new normal'.

It all started in March 2019 when the 56-year-old went to Niagara Health's Port Colborne Site for a swollen knee. Dawson has a prosthetic leg, so having a swollen knee was nothing out of the ordinary.

"I didn't think much of it," said Dawson. "I asked the doctor if he could prescribe me an anti-inflammatory so I could return to work. He informed me my swollen knee was much more serious than I imagined."

**Dawson was diagnosed with kidney disease and was told his kidneys were failing. He was quickly referred to the Kidney Care Program at Niagara Health's St. Catharines Site.**

"There is no cure for kidney disease," said Dawson. "Once your kidneys fail, you're put on dialysis while you wait for a transplant."

Dawson receives his life-sustaining dialysis treatment from the comfort of his home. After a full day of work and activities, Dawson hooks up to his dialysis machine for 10 hours every night. The dialysis machine acts as his kidney and cleans his blood while he sleeps.

**"The dialysis treatment provided by Niagara Health gives me the freedom to spend more time at home, work, and with my family and friends," he says. "I get to continue living my life while receiving the best possible treatment**

Approximately 20% of dialysis patients at Niagara Health receive treatment at home, reducing the need to travel to a dialysis centre and providing them more independence.

from my home."

Dawson's system connects him remotely to his health care team and his data is transmitted every single night to Niagara Health. "If there is a concern, a nurse will call me right away," he adds. A team of nurses review his results to make sure he is on the right track.

## Support through his journey

Dawson continues to visit Niagara Health every month and is currently undergoing tests so he can be waitlisted for a kidney transplant. He speaks highly of his experience at Niagara Health and his nursing team.

"I have a team of three to four nurses I see every time I visit Niagara Health," he says. "They take the time to get to know me personally and not just my medical history. They are friendly, professional and always do a great job of walking me through the steps of my treatments."

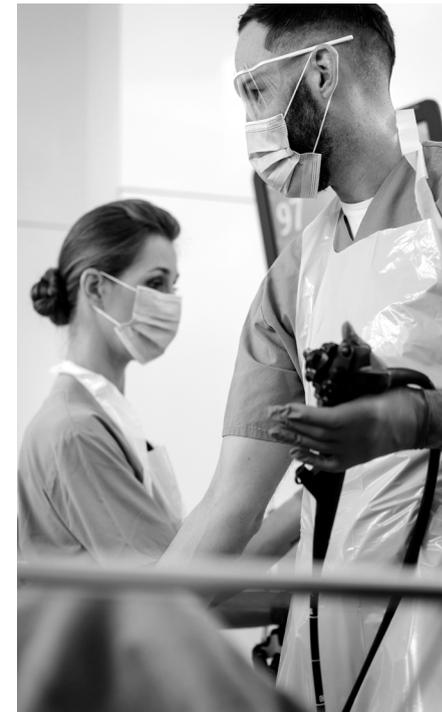
Today, Dawson lives his life to the fullest, working a job he loves, playing golf and spending time with his family.



Dawson and his family, Hallie, Eryk and Joann

**"Having a positive attitude and great support system is the key to my recovery," he added. "I am grateful for my friends, family and health care team who continue to support me through my journey."**

Dawson wanted to give a special 'shout out' to his friends, Mark Matthews and Pete Tucker. "I wouldn't be where I am today without these two men," he added. "They have shared their wisdom, strength and gratitude, and the reason why I have such a positive outlook."



## Enhanced Endoscopy

Endoscopy is a nonsurgical procedure used to examine our digestive or respiratory tract using a flexible tube with a light and camera attached to it. Endoscopic equipment is used every day at Niagara Health with over 16,000 procedures performed every year. The health of so many patients depends on up-to-date scoping equipment.

Support the purchase of enhanced endoscopy equipment by making a donation today.

Endoscopy is used:

- To diagnose a problem
- For routine cancer screening
- To take samples of abnormal tissues and treat certain diseases
- To remove tumors and stop bleeding

# Through the determination of one, came the support of many

“Niagara Health will have a new ventilator”. That was the daily mantra of Silvana DiFruscia, Manager of the Dieppe Road Beer Store in St. Catharines.

At the height of COVID-19, ventilators were in huge demand. Ventilators deliver much-needed oxygen to the lungs to help those most seriously affected by COVID-19.

Encouraged by the support of her staff and head of office, in early April Silvana spearheaded a bottle drive to help the frontline heroes of Niagara Health respond to COVID-19 with the goal of purchasing a ventilator at the staggering cost of \$66,000. Three weeks into it, the campaign hit \$18,000.

**Word soon spread. Supporters far and wide gathered up their empty beer, wine and liquor bottles and drove, often a considerable distance, to Dieppe Road to donate their returns to the cause.**

“I couldn’t believe the response. People just kept coming”, said Silvana. Other community members who undertook their own Niagara Health fundraising efforts



also donated their proceeds to The Beer Store campaign.

**On Monday, July 20th, Silvana called Niagara Health Foundation to share the good news that, “Niagara Health will soon have a new ventilator. We’ve reached our \$66,000 fundraising goal!”**

It didn’t stop there. The Dieppe Road Beer store, along with beer stores in Welland, Fonthill and Dunville, continued the #RaiseABeer fundraising campaign to Labour Day weekend.



# Community Fundraisers

Our community is the heart and soul behind Niagara Health Foundation. If you are interested in learning more about hosting a fundraising event please call 905-323-3863 or email [foundation@niagarahealth.on.ca](mailto:foundation@niagarahealth.on.ca).



**Our Heroes T-Shirt Campaign** sold over 2,000 t-shirts and fundraised \$30,000 for Niagara’s Frontline Heroes. “We’re just two local boys who put their heads together and wanted to say thank you to our heroes.”



**Niagara Hindu Samaj** hosted a virtual concert and raised \$7,000 for the COVID-19 Urgent Needs Fund. The virtual concert had attendees requesting their favourite songs over the course of three and a half hours and pledging donations.



**Niagara Health Foundation** is pleased to announce the winner of Niagara Health Lottery. The lucky ticket number NH-2423288 belongs to St.Catharines resident, Jackie Billard. Jackie took home \$110,160! Proceeds from the 50/50 raffle will support the Mental Health & Addictions Program at Niagara Health.

## SHOP & SUPPORT with ihiveLIVE

ihiveLIVE is an online shopping platform that is easy and free to use. Join our Hive and “Bee the Difference” for Niagara Health Foundation!

When you use ihiveLIVE to shop at one of their 1,100+ merchants you are able to earn cashback and support Niagara Health at the same time!

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Sign-up at [ihivelive.com](http://ihivelive.com) today!

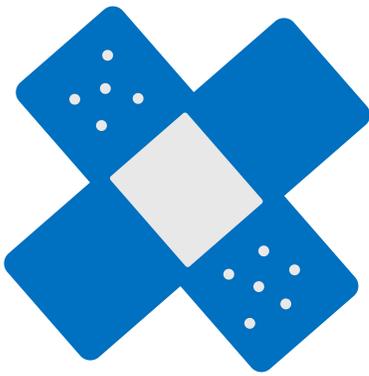
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# COMMUNITY FLU SHOT CLINICS 2020

**HOSTED BY BRIDGES COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE  
AND NIAGARA SOUTH FAMILY MEDICINE**

Supporting the communities of Fort Erie, Port Colborne and Wainfleet

**APPOINTMENTS ARE REQUIRED**

**PORT COLBORNE**

**NOVEMBER 6TH**

**NOVEMBER 7TH**

**FORT ERIE**

**NOVEMBER 13TH**

**NOVEMBER 14TH**

**Call 905-871-7621 ext. 2227 to book your appointment.**

Please note: Appointments are limited. COVID-19 screening, physical distancing and masks are required.

***Bridges***

Community Health Centre  
Fort Erie and Port Colborne/Wainfleet





# Northumberland County

## Resolution

Moved By \_\_\_\_\_

Agenda  
Item 8a

Resolution No.  
2020-10-21-321

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Seconded By \_\_\_\_\_

Council Date: October 21, 2020

Last Name Printed Henderson.

**"Now Therefore Be It Resolved That Northumberland County Council provide support for the resolution adopted by the Township of Asphodel Norwood regarding their request that:**

- a governing body be created to regulate cannabis production; and
- the governing body take a unified approach be taken to land use planning restrictions; and
- the governing body enforce the regulations under the Cannabis Act on behalf of the licencing agency and ensures local authorities are in fact provided with notification of any licence issuance, amendment, suspension, reinstatement, or revocation within their region; and
- the governing body communicates more readily with local governments; and
- the governing body provides local government with more support; and

**Further Be It Resolved That Northumberland Council forward this resolution to all municipalities in Ontario, MP Philip Lawrence and MPP David Piccini (Northumberland-Peterborough South), the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, requesting that legislation be enacted to support local governments with cannabis land use management and enforcement issues."**

Recorded Vote  
Requested by \_\_\_\_\_

Carried

Councillor's Name

  
Warden's Signature

Deferred \_\_\_\_\_

Defeated

Warden's Signature

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Warden's Signature



# Northumberland County

## Resolution

Moved By \_\_\_\_\_

Agenda  
Item 8b

Resolution No.  
2020-10-21-322

Last Name Printed Martin

Seconded By \_\_\_\_\_

Council Date: October 21, 2020

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**"Now Therefore Be It Resolved That** Northumberland County Council provide support for the resolution adopted by Wellington County regarding Aggregate Resource Property Valuation including that;

- Northumberland County does not consider the revised criteria for assessment of aggregate resource properties as a fair method of valuation for these properties; and
- Northumberland County believes there is a need to review the current assessment process for aggregate resource properties to address the inequity of property values; and
- Northumberland County calls upon the Province to work with the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) to address the assessment issue so that aggregate resource properties are assessed for their industrial value; and

**Further Be It Resolved That** Council provides a copy of this resolution to the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry; MPP David Piccini (Northumberland Peterborough South), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA), all Ontario municipalities."

Recorded Vote  
Requested by \_\_\_\_\_

Carried

Councillor's Name

  
Warden's Signature

Deferred \_\_\_\_\_

Defeated

Warden's Signature

Warden's Signature



# Northumberland County

## Resolution

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Moved By \_\_\_\_\_

Agenda  
Item 8c

Resolution No.  
2020-10-21-323

Last Name Printed Martin

Seconded By \_\_\_\_\_

Council Date: October 21, 2020

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**"Now Therefore Be It Resolved That** Northumberland County Council provide support for a letter that the Mayor of the Town of Wasaga Beach sent to the Honourable Premier Doug Ford, regarding her concerns about an unauthorized car rally that was recently held in Wasaga Beach; and

**Further Be It Resolved That** a copy of this resolution be sent to Premier Ford, the Ministry of the Solicitor General, the Ministry of the Attorney General, MPP David Piccini (Northumberland Peterborough-South), the local OPP Detachment Commander, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all Ontario municipalities."

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

Carried   
Warden's Signature

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

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



# Northumberland County

## Resolution

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Moved By \_\_\_\_\_

Agenda  
Item 8d

Resolution No.  
2020-10-21-324

Last Name Printed Martin

Seconded By \_\_\_\_\_

Council Date: October 21, 2020

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**"Now Therefore Be It Resolved That** Northumberland County Council provide support for the resolution adopted by Wollaston Township regarding requesting a review of the Municipal Election Act to with a view to making amendments that allows for reporting of election fraud and ensuring that legislation can be enforced; and

**Further Be It Resolved That** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Premier Doug Ford, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, MPP David Piccini (Northumberland Peterborough-South), all Ontario municipalities and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)."

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

Carried  
  
Warden's Signature

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

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Warden's Signature



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October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2020

The Right Honourable Rod Phillips  
Minister of Finance  
Frost Bldg S 7<sup>th</sup> Floor  
7 Queen's Park Cres, Toronto M7A 1Y7

Dear Mr. Phillips:

**Re: Assessing Aggregate Resource Properties**

This letter will confirm support of the Council of the Township of South-West Oxford of County of Wellington Resolution dated September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020 from the Administration, Finance and Human Resources Committee including that:

That South-West Oxford Council does not consider the revised criteria for assessment of aggregate resource properties as a fair method of valuation for these properties; and

That South-West Oxford Council believes there is a need to review the current assessment scheme for aggregate resource properties to address the inequity of property values; and

That South-West Oxford Council hereby calls upon the Province to work with the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation to address the assessment issue so that aggregate resource properties are assessed for their industrial value; and

That South-West Oxford Council direct the Clerk to provide a copy of this motion to the Ministers of Finance; Municipal Affairs and Housing; and Natural Resources and Forestry; and to AMO, ROMA, and all Ontario municipalities and local MPP(s).

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Julie Forth', is written over a faint blue line.

Julie Forth, Clerk  
Township of South-West Oxford

cc. Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing;  
Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry;  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario;  
Rural Ontario Municipal Association;  
all Ontario municipalities;  
MPP Ernie Hardeman



October 22, 2020

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Room 281, Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

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

Dear Premier:

**Re: Request Province of Ontario to Investigate the Level of On-Site Licensed Nursing Care - Private Sector Retirement Homes**

Please be advised Thorold City Council, at its October 20, 2020 meeting, adopted the following resolution:

That the resolution passed by the Council of the Town of Fort Erie at its meeting of October 5, 2020 requesting the Province of Ontario:

1. Investigate the level of on-site licensed Nursing care being provided at the private sector Retirement Homes; and
2. Ensure patients are being discharged from hospitals to facilities that provide the level of care they require and deserve; and
3. Direct Ontario Health to ensure the appropriate level of care required by patients discharged from hospitals to Retirement Homes when Long-Term Care accommodations are not available and provide the necessary level of funding for Ontario Health to do so; and
4. Establish clear, consistent and effective rules to regulate Retirement Homes as a vital component of the range of care as our residents age and require various care needs, be received and supported.

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Yours truly,



Donna Delvecchio

City Clerk

DD:cd

cc: M. Dilwaria, Chief Administrative Officer

The Honourable Merrilee Fullerton, Minister of Long-Term Care [merrilee.fullerton@pc.ola.org](mailto:merrilee.fullerton@pc.ola.org)

The Honourable Christine Elliott, Minister of Health [Christine.elliott@pc.ola.org](mailto:Christine.elliott@pc.ola.org)

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Ann-Marie Norio, Regional Clerk, Regional Municipality of Niagara

Niagara Area Local Municipalities



October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Mayor Gibson,  
Wainfleet Township, Office of the Mayor,  
31940 Highway #3 P.O. Box 40  
Wainfleet, Ontario, L0S 1V0

Dear Mayor Gibson,

I am writing on behalf of the board of Crime Stoppers of Niagara to request the Wainfleet Township prepare a proclamation or letter of acknowledgement to recognize January 2021 as Crime Stoppers Month. This is in addition to our traditional flag raising event and will be used to promote Crime Stoppers Month throughout the community.

January has been endorsed around the world as Crime Stoppers Month since 1986 and provides the opportunity for all Crime Stoppers programs to highlight their success.

Crime Stoppers of Niagara has been extremely effective since 1985 in helping the Niagara Regional Police Service solve crimes and working with various organizations to make communities safer for residents of the Niagara Region.

Apart from taking tips on unsolved crimes, Crime Stoppers of Niagara has worked to increase the awareness of concerns in the region, including illegal dumping, elder abuse, improving the safety and security of students, guarding against human trafficking and combating illegal drugs.

The concept of Crime Stoppers was originated by a detective in Albuquerque, New Mexico in 1976 and today there are more than 1,000 programs operating in countries worldwide.

Of significance this year, Crime Stoppers of Niagara is working toward being a key organization for reporting elder abuse and delivering awareness and capacity building by establishing strong partnerships with agencies that work with older adults in the Niagara Region. We have also implemented an elder abuse program under provincial and federal grants to move forward in creating safer communities for our older adults.

We would greatly appreciate if this recognition could be presented in your office or another convenient location sometime in December or January to give local media the opportunity to promote Crime Stoppers Month. Should you have any questions or require further information, please contact Crime Stoppers of Niagara at 905 938 5463.

Sincerely,

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Barry Diamond  
Chair, Crime Stoppers of Niagara

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**From:** AGCO Municipal [mailto:Municipal@agco.ca]

**Sent:** October 21, 2020 10:28 AM

**To:** AGCO Municipal <Municipal@agco.ca>

**Subject:** Information regarding iAGCO online services for AGCO-issued charitable lottery licences



## **iAGCO online services for AGCO-issued charitable lottery licences**

Starting **October 26, 2020**, charitable gaming licensees whose licences are issued by the AGCO will conduct all of their AGCO-related transactions online through the iAGCO web-based portal.

The AGCO's move towards online service delivery is part of its ongoing efforts to modernize service delivery and provide a quality service experience.

The purpose of this outreach is to share the information below with First Nations and municipal lottery licensing staff so that you are aware of the AGCO's new online application process. Note that while our application process is changing, there has been no change to the criteria that determine whether a charitable gaming licence is issued by the AGCO or by a municipality. A list of the affected AGCO-issued licenses is included at the end of this e-mail.

### **Changes to AGCO Charitable Gaming Licensing with the launch of iAGCO:**

#### *Charitable Gaming Eligibility (CGE) Number*

AGCO will now assess charitable gaming eligibility (CGE) through a distinct application that the organization must initiate prior to applying for its first charitable lottery licence. Once the AGCO determines that an organization is eligible for AGCO-issued charitable gaming licences, it will not have to go through the CGE process again unless there is a significant change to the organization. Note that CGE is a determination made by the AGCO and for AGCO charitable gaming licences only.

In an effort to reduce burden on AGCO licensees, the AGCO has reduced the number of documents that organizations must provide with their AGCO CGE application. The AGCO will assess eligibility using the following documents:

1. Constituting Documents, Bylaws
2. Letters Patent (if available)
3. Budget, Financial Statements
4. Board of Directors
5. Bona Fide Members List

### *AGCO No Longer Using the Group Identification Number (GIN)*

Previously, AGCO issued all licensees a Group Identification Number (GIN) upon their first application to the AGCO. With iAGCO, the GIN has been replaced by the CGE number described above for organizations that require it. The CGE number will only be used by organizations applying to the AGCO.

### *Bingo Hall Charity Association and Member Organization Licence Application Process*

Municipalities will continue to issue bingo authorizations to member charities of Bingo Hall Charity Associations but will no longer be required to forward the application package to the AGCO. Instead, the Bingo Hall Charity Association will now be responsible for applying to the AGCO through the iAGCO public portal and providing the AGCO with all required documents for the application. *The AGCO is communicating these changes directly to Bingo Hall Charity Associations.*

### *Lottery Trust Accounts*

Charitable lottery licence holders will continue to be required to have a Lottery Trust Account. Licence holders will continue to provide the AGCO with balances in their Lottery Trust Account through their post-event report.

### **AGCO-issued Charitable Gaming Licences Affected:**

The AGCO is the licensing authority for the following licences that will now be administered using iAGCO. Paper applications will no longer be accepted.

- bingo events (e.g., Special Bingo, Monster Bingo) with a prize board over \$5,500
- super jackpot bingo events
- progressive bingo game events and loonie progressive games
- raffle lotteries with prizes over \$50,000
- electronic and online raffles
- break open tickets sold by organizations with a provincial mandate
- lotteries held in conjunction with another gaming event, including break open tickets at bingo events
- lottery events to be held in unorganized territories or federal lands for which there is no municipal government
- lottery schemes at designated fairs or exhibitions.
- Special Occasion Gaming Licence (formerly known as Social Gaming Licence)
  - Note: The limit on the number of wheels of fortune and blackjack tables has increased. Licensees are now permitted a maximum of 20 wheels of fortune and 20 blackjack tables per event.
- First Nations that do not have an Order-in-Council
- Organizations fundraising for United Way or Federated Health.

### **Helpful Information and Resources:**

- On October 26, the following sections of the [Lottery Licensing Policy Manual \(LLPM\)](#) will be updated to reflect the changes above.
  - Introduction
  - Section 2.7.4(f) United Way and Federated Health
  - Section 3.6.5. Lottery Trust Accounts for American Currency
  - Section 5.5.1. Municipal Licensing Policies
  - Chapter 6: Social Gaming Events
  - Section 7.6.2(C) Provincial break open ticket (PBOT) licensing procedures
  - Section 9.4.1(D) Super Jackpot Bingo

- Section 10.3.1. Overview: Licensing Process Framework
- Section 10.6.1. Revenue Splits
- Section 10.7.1. Reporting Requirements
- Section 10.10.1(C) Registrar's licence fees
- Section 10.11.1. Application of Harmonized Sales Tax (HST)
- Section 10.12.1. American Currency
- Glossary of Terms (Letter S)
- On October 26, an information bulletin will be published on our website providing more details on all of the changes.
- AGCO is communicating details of these changes directly to affected stakeholders including; charities, and organizations fundraising for United Way and Federated Health, and Bingo Hall Charities Associations.
- You can visit the [iAGCO Information page](#) for more information on the public portal.
- The AGCO is committed to working with Ontario municipalities and First Nations. Should you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to get in touch with us at [municipal@agco.ca](mailto:municipal@agco.ca)

**Live Information Session:**

If you or a colleague at your municipality would be interested in attending an AGCO hosted virtual information session on the topics listed above, please [indicate your interest here](#) or e-mail us at [municipal@agco.ca](mailto:municipal@agco.ca).

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**CORPORATION**  
de la Cité de / of the City of  
**Clarence-Rockland**



October 22, 2020

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Subject : Cannabis retail stores

Dear Ministers,

On behalf of the City of Clarence-Rockland, I am hereby requesting that the regulations governing the establishment of cannabis retail stores be amended in order to instruct the Alcohol and Gaming Commission to consider over-concentration as an evaluation criterion, and provide added weight to the comments of a municipality concerning matters in the public interest when considering the application of new stores.

Please find attached a certified true copy of Resolution #2020-191 adopted by the Council of the City of Clarence-Rockland on October 19, 2020, requesting a modification to the regulations governing the establishment of cannabis retail stores.

We trust that this request will be given serious consideration.

Sincerely,

**Guy Desjardins**  
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Guy Desjardins, Mayor

CC: All Ontario Municipalities

Encl.



CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF  
CLARENCE-ROCKLAND  
REGULAR MEETING

RESOLUTION

**Resolution:** 2020-191  
**Title:** Member's resolution presented by Councillor Mario Zanth and seconded by Councillor Samuel Cardarelli regarding cannabis stores  
**Date:** October 19, 2020

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**Moved by** Mario Zanth  
**Seconded by** Samuel Cardarelli

**WHEREAS** as the regulator for private cannabis retail in Ontario, the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) has the authority to license, regulate and enforce the sale of recreational cannabis in privately run stores in Ontario; and

**WHEREAS** on December 17, 2018, Council agreed to 'opt-in' to the Provincial direction to allow Cannabis Retail to occur in the City of Clarence-Rockland; and

**WHEREAS** Council considers a matter of public interest to include a 150 metre distance separation from other Licensed Cannabis Stores, as the Board of Health has noted concerns that excessive clustering and geographic concentration of cannabis retail outlets may encourage undesirable health outcomes, and Economic Development and Planning are concerned that over-concentration may cause undesirable impacts on the economic diversity of a retail streetscape including the distortion of lease rates, economic speculation, and the removal of opportunity for other commercial businesses; and

**WHEREAS** cannabis retail is a new and unproven market, and no studies or precedent exists to determine the number or distribution of stores that can reasonably be supported by the local economy, and it is therefore prudent to establish the means by which the AGCO, with input from a municipality, can regulate over-concentration as the cannabis retail market evolves; therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council directs the Mayor, on behalf of City Council, to write the Honourable Rod Phillips, Minister of Finance of Ontario, and the Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General of Ontario, requesting the Ministry to modify the regulations governing the establishment of cannabis retail stores to instruct the Alcohol and Gaming Commission to consider over-concentration as an evaluation criteria, and provide added weight to the comments of a municipality concerning matters in the public

interest when considering the application of new stores; and

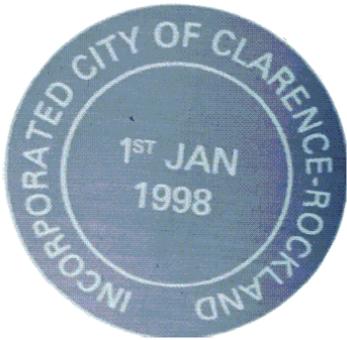
**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the other municipalities in Ontario.

**CARRIED**



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Maryse St-Pierre  
Deputy Clerk



Certified true copy



**Résolution:** 2020-191  
**Titre:** Résolution de membre présentée par le conseiller Mario Zanth et appuyée par le conseiller Samuel Cardarelli concernant les commerces de vente de cannabis  
**Date:** le 19 octobre 2020

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**Proposée par** Mario Zanth  
**Appuyée par** Samuel Cardarelli

**ATTENDU QU'**en tant qu'organisme de réglementation de vente privée de cannabis en Ontario, la Commission des alcools et des jeux de l'Ontario (CAJO) a le pouvoir d'octroyer des licences, de réglementer et de faire respecter la vente de cannabis à des fins récréatives dans les magasins privés de l'Ontario

**ATTENDU QUE** le 17 décembre 2018, le Conseil a accepté de se conformer à la directive provinciale afin de permettre la vente au détail de cannabis dans la Cité de Clarence-Rockland ; et

**ATTENDU QUE** le Conseil considère qu'il est d'intérêt public d'inclure une distance de 150 mètres de séparation par rapport aux autres magasins de cannabis agréés, étant donné que le Conseil de la santé a pris note des préoccupations selon lesquelles le regroupement et la concentration géographique excessifs des points de vente de cannabis au détail peuvent encourager des résultats indésirables pour la santé, et que le ministère du développement économique et de la planification craint qu'une concentration excessive ne provoque des effets indésirables sur la diversité économique d'un paysage de rue de vente au détail, notamment la distorsion des taux de location, la spéculation économique et la suppression de possibilités pour d'autres entreprises commerciales

**ATTENDU QUE** la vente au détail de cannabis est un marché nouveau et non éprouvé, et qu'il n'existe aucune étude ni aucun précédent pour déterminer le nombre ou la répartition des magasins qui peuvent raisonnablement être soutenus par l'économie locale, et qu'il est donc prudent d'établir les moyens par lesquels l'AGCO, avec l'aide d'une municipalité, peut réguler la surconcentration au fur et à mesure de l'évolution du marché de la vente au détail de cannabis; par conséquent

**QU'IL SOIT RÉSOLU QUE** le conseil municipal demande au maire, au nom du conseil municipal,

d'écrire à l'honorable Rod Phillips, ministre des Finances de l'Ontario, et à l'honorable Doug Downey, procureur général de l'Ontario, pour demander au ministère de modifier les règlements régissant l'établissement de magasins de vente au détail de cannabis afin de donner instruction à la Commission des alcools et des jeux de considérer la surconcentration comme un critère d'évaluation, et de donner plus de poids aux commentaires d'une municipalité concernant les questions d'intérêt public lorsqu'elle examine la demande de nouveaux magasins; et

**QU'IL SOIT RÉSOLU QU'**une copie de cette résolution soit acheminée aux autres municipalités de l'Ontario.

**ADOPTÉE**

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Maryse St-Pierre  
Greffière adjointe