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# Hastings Highlands

Beautiful By Nature

Received June 11, 2021  
C-191-2021

**The Municipality of Hastings Highlands**  
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June 11, 2021

VIA EMAIL

The Honourable Patty Hajdu  
Federal Minister of Health  
House of Commons  
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6  
[Patty.Hajdu@parl.gc.ca](mailto:Patty.Hajdu@parl.gc.ca)

**Re:** Support for 988 a 3 digit suicide and crisis prevention hotline

Please be advised that on June 2, 2021, The Council of the Municipality of Hastings Highlands passed the following motion endorsing the 988 crisis line initiative to ensure critical barriers are removed to those in a crisis and seeking help.

## **Resolution 219-2021**

Whereas the Federal government has passed a motion to adopt 988, a National three-digit suicide and crisis hotline; and

Whereas the motion calls for the federal government to consolidate all existing suicide crisis numbers into one three-digit hotline; and

Whereas the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has increased the demand for suicide prevention services by 200%; and

Whereas existing suicide prevention hotlines require the user to remember a 10-digit number and go through directories or be placed on hold; and

Whereas in 2022 the United States will have in place a national 988 crisis hotline; and

Whereas the Municipality of Hastings Highlands recognized that it is a significant and important initiative to ensure critical barriers are removed to those in a crisis and seeking help;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved as follows:

1. That the Municipality of Hastings Highlands endorses this 988 crisis line initiative.
2. That a letter demonstrating Hastings Highland's support be sent to Daryl Kramp MPP, Derek Sloan MP, the Honourable Patty Hajdu, Federal Minister of Health, the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications (CRTC) and all municipalities in Ontario.

cc:

-MP for Hastings–Lennox and Addington Derek Sloan [Derek.Sloan@parl.gc.ca](mailto:Derek.Sloan@parl.gc.ca)

-MPP for Hastings–Lennox and Addington Daryl Kramp [daryl.kramp@pc.ola.org](mailto:daryl.kramp@pc.ola.org)

-Chairperson and Chief Executive Officer, Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications Commission – Ian Scott

-All Ontario Municipalities

Regards,

Suzanne Huschilt



Municipal Clerk



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June 11, 2021

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

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

**Re: Lyme Disease Awareness Month**  
**Our Files: 35.31.99/35.23.12**

Dear Premier Ford,

At its meeting held on May 31, 2021, St. Catharines City Council approved the following motion:

"WHEREAS May is Lyme Disease National Awareness Month; and

WHEREAS the City of St. Catharines Strategic Plan includes improving livability for all; and

WHEREAS Niagara Region is a high-risk area for ticks and Lyme Disease, and cases continue to increase; and

WHEREAS Ontario health does not cover treatment and testing for all strains of Lyme Disease; and

WHEREAS Lyme Disease is a crippling disease if not diagnosed and treated appropriately;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the City of St. Catharines call on the Ontario government to expand testing to all strains of Lyme Disease and improve the level of treatment and care for those diagnosed with this crippling disease; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Premier of Ontario, Ontario Minister of Health, local MPPs, Niagara Health, Niagara Region Public Health, all Ontario municipalities, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario be sent correspondence of Council's decision; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Mayor bring this matter to the attention of the Niagara Region and request that the Region build an awareness campaign with on-line resources for families with Lyme Disease."



If you have any questions, please contact the Office of the City Clerk at extension 1524.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bonnie Nistico-Dunk".

Bonnie Nistico-Dunk, City Clerk  
Legal and Clerks Services, Office of the City Clerk  
:mb

cc: Ontario Minister of Health  
Niagara Area MPPs  
Niagara Health  
Niagara Region Public Health  
Niagara Region  
Ontario Municipalities  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario, [amo@amo.on.ca](mailto:amo@amo.on.ca)  
Melissa Wenzler, Government Relations Advisor

**Subject:** Request For Proclamation - World Hepatitis Day - 2021

**From:** Usick,Karen [<mailto:Karen.Usick@niagarahealth.on.ca>]

**Sent:** June 15, 2021 2:58 PM

**To:**

**Subject:** Request For Proclamation - World Hepatitis Day - 2021

Greetings

I am contacting you today on behalf of the Niagara Health System-Hepatitis C Care Clinic to make a request for you to proclaim July 28, 2021 World Hepatitis in your municipality. However, I would like to begin by thanking each of you for all that you are doing to support and carry our municipalities through the ongoing global pandemic. Your hard work and dedication for the residents of Niagara is so truly admirable and appreciated! These are unprecedented times and so much of our lives that we knew as normal has changed so much. The Covid-19 virus is in the forefront of all we are doing at this time; but our Team is working hard to raise awareness of World Hepatitis Day-2021, hepatitis and liver health. Unfortunately, our annual World Hepatitis Day community awareness event will not occur again this year. The Hepatitis C Care Clinic's annual community awareness was first held in 2014 and had been growing over the 6 years which we hosted the events throughout Niagara. We were last able to host our community awareness day in 2019, when we had over 600 residents of Niagara that joined us at our World Hepatitis Day event in Montebello Park. With these changing times, we are looking at other ways to bring support to the residents of Niagara that will follow the re-opening guidelines outlined by the Provincial Government. We are planning smaller events around the Niagara Region for an opportunity for individuals to be tested for hepatitis and HIV, to allow our Team to provide information to individuals about the hepatitis C, the treatment journey, the care and services of our program.

The Niagara Health System-Hepatitis C Care Clinic is a specially funded program through the Ministry of Health-Hepatitis C Secretariat and we work with individuals that may/could fall between the cracks of our health and social services network. Our Outreach Team meets with our clients where they are the most comfortable. We know how much Covid-19 has affected our lives and it has greatly impacted the lives of the most vulnerable in Niagara. Those who struggle with addiction, mental health, homelessness and a multitude of other concerns that affect their social determinants of health. Our program's multidisciplinary Team is providing modified clinic appointments based on individual needs and outreach services to provide care for the residents of Niagara to meet with them where they feel the most comfortable. The care we are providing are supportive services, individual and virtual education sessions,

hepatitis and HIV testing and supporting clients to prepare them for hepatitis C treatment and support when on treatment.

We will not be able to meet with you at our World Hepatitis Day community event again this year, but we would like to share with you more about our program. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or require additional information.

Hope you have a lovely day!

Take care and stay safe!

*Karen*

**Karen Usick – Reg. N**

Hepatitis C Care Clinic | Community Coordinator

Niagara Health System | Addiction and Mental Health Services

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HCCC Website Address - [www.niagarahealth.on.ca/site/hepatitis-c-care](http://www.niagarahealth.on.ca/site/hepatitis-c-care)

NHS Addiction Services - [www.niagarahealth.on.ca/services/addiction-recovery](http://www.niagarahealth.on.ca/services/addiction-recovery)



**Don't wait.  
Get tested.**



**#HepCantWait | #WorldHepatitisDay | #NoHep**

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## **WORLD HEPATITIS DAY**

**July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**WHEREAS**, over 194,000 Canadians living with hepatitis C and approximately 380,710 living with hepatitis B can potentially develop cirrhosis, liver failure, liver cancer and related illnesses;

**WHEREAS**, Ontario has over 110,000 people living with hepatitis B or C, both of which are slow and progressive diseases; and

**WHEREAS**, there are vaccines available for Hepatitis A and B; emerging Hepatitis C treatment therapies can cure over 95% of cases; and

**WHEREAS**, World Hepatitis Day provides an opportunity to reach out to millions of Canadians and encourage hepatitis testing, provide treatment and care for those affected while paving the way towards elimination of hepatitis as a public health concern in Canada by 2030;

**THEREFORE**, I, Kevin Gibson, Mayor of Wainfleet, do hereby proclaim **July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021** **World Hepatitis Day** in Wainfleet.

## **JOURNÉE MONDIALE CONTRE L'HÉPATITE**

**Le 28 juillet 2021**

**ATTENDU QUE**, au Canada, quelque 194 000 personnes vivant avec l'hépatite C et environ 380 710 personnes vivant avec l'hépatite B risquent de développer une cirrhose, une insuffisance hépatique, un cancer du foie et des maladies connexes;

**ATTENDU QUE** l'Ontario compte plus de 110 000 personnes vivant avec l'hépatite B ou C, deux maladies lentes et progressives; et

**ATTENDU QU'** il existe des vaccins pour protéger contre l'hépatite A et B et que de nouvelles thérapies de traitement de l'hépatite C peuvent guérir plus de 95 % des cas; et

**ATTENDU QUE** la Journée mondiale contre l'hépatite est une occasion de joindre des millions de Canadiens et de Canadiennes, d'encourager le dépistage de l'hépatite et de fournir traitements et soins aux personnes touchées tout en ouvrant la voie vers l'élimination de l'hépatite en tant que problème de santé publique au Canada d'ici 2030;

**PAR CONSÉQUENT**, je, Kevin Gibson, maire de Wainfleet, proclame par la présente le **28 juillet 2021** **Journée mondiale contre l'hépatite** à Wainfleet.

**Kevin Gibson  
Mayor / Maire**

**Subject:** Rail Safety Week 2021 | Proclamation request

**From:** Stephen Covey [<mailto:marie-pier.triganne@cn.ca>]

**Sent:** June 15, 2021 3:31 PM

**To:** Kevin Gibson <[KGibson@wainfleet.ca](mailto:KGibson@wainfleet.ca)>

**Cc:** William Kolasa <[WKolasa@wainfleet.ca](mailto:WKolasa@wainfleet.ca)>

**Subject:** Rail Safety Week 2021 | Proclamation request



[cn.ca](http://cn.ca)

Dear Mayor Gibson:

Every year, more than 2,100 North Americans are killed or seriously injured because of unsafe behaviour around tracks and trains. Most of these incidents and deaths are preventable. By looking out for each other and working together, we can help keep our communities safe and prevent fatalities and injuries on or near railway property.

As a responsible railroad that links communities to markets around the world, CN continues to play its essential role in the economy. We also continue to take all necessary steps to protect our employees, communities, customers, vendors and partners, in response to the continued and unprecedented challenges associated with the pandemic. As we safely serve our customers and keep the economy moving, we remain committed in our efforts to educate the public on rail safety.

Rail Safety Week will be held in Canada, the United States, and Mexico from September 20 - 26, 2021. Once again this year, our in-person activities may be restricted, yet efforts to get the rail safety message out will be stronger than ever. Rail safety never takes a break and, as proud neighbours, we continue to work with *Operation Lifesaver*, our communities and local authorities, CN Police Service officers and all CN employees to help prevent accidents and injuries at rail crossings, and ensure everyone's safety on and around railroad infrastructure year-round.

### Rail Safety is a shared responsibility

No one wants such tragedies to occur in their community. Your council can be a powerful ally in this effort to prevent these incidents and save lives by adopting the attached draft proclamation. Please send a copy of your proclamation by mail or by e-mail to [Marie-Pier.Triganne@cn.ca](mailto:Marie-Pier.Triganne@cn.ca) and let us know about your plans to promote rail safety in your community.

If you have any questions or concerns about rail safety in your community, please contact our Public Inquiry Line at 1-888-888-5909. For additional information about Rail Safety Week 2021, please consult [cn.ca/railsafety](http://cn.ca/railsafety) or [operationlifesaver.ca](http://operationlifesaver.ca).

Sincerely,

Stephen Covey  
Chief of Police and Chief Security Officer



**(Draft Resolution)**

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF RAIL SAFETY WEEK**

**Whereas** *Rail Safety Week* is to be held across Canada from September 20 to 26, 2021;

**Whereas** it is in the public's interest to raise citizens' awareness of the dangers of ignoring safety warnings at level crossings and trespassing on rail property to reduce avoidable deaths, injuries and damage caused by incidents involving trains and citizens;

**Whereas** Operation Lifesaver is a public/private partnership whose aim is to work with the public, rail industry, governments, police services, media and others to raise rail safety awareness;

**Whereas** CN has requested City Council adopt this resolution in support of its ongoing efforts to raise awareness, save lives and prevent injuries in communities, including our municipality;

It is proposed by Councillor \_\_\_\_\_

seconded by Councillor \_\_\_\_\_

It is hereby **RESOLVED** to support national *Rail Safety Week* to be held from September 20 to 26, 2021.



**Canadian Federation of University Women  
Welland and District**

June 16, 2021

**Mayor, Wainfleet On, Kevin Gibson  
31940 ON-3 Wainfleet On, L0S 1V0**

**Dear Mr. Gibson:**

**The very recent discovery of the remains of children from TK'emlups te Secwepemc First Nations and those who attended Kamloops Residential School has caused us to voice our concern with o government officials in all levels of government.**

**Sadly, the impacts of colonialism are not just part of Canada's past but are still present today. Indigenous peoples face systemic racism, are denied basic rights and freedoms, lack clean drinking water and deal with intergenerational trauma.**

**Our governments and all all those involved with this genocide must own up to their actions. The first step in doing this would be to *fully implement the 94 calls to Action in the Truth and Reconciliation Report, specifically # 71-76, Missing Children and Buried Information*, which clearly outlines what should be done to honour and protect the cemeteries and unmarked graves of the innocent victims of Residential Schools.**

**The government of Canada must implement international human rights standards in Canada by passing *Bill C-15, the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples- Immediately*. The**

**government of Canada must stop fighting our children in court and Implement the Orders From the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal.**

**Provincial and territorial governments must stop apprehending children and work with First Nations to fully implement the Act respecting First Nations, Metis and Inuit children, youth and families.**

**To quote National Chief Perry Bellegarde of the Assembly of First Nations, “Everyone has a role. Every single government and person in Canada can help drive change to honour our shared history and commit to doing better as a country.”**

**We encourage your level of government to press for implementation of all the Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada in order for us to all move toward reconciliation.**

**We want to be proud to be Canadian again.**

**Sincerely,**

**Kathy Shaw  
President, CFUW Welland and District  
[krshaw@bell.net](mailto:krshaw@bell.net)**

June 15, 2021

Received June 16, 2021  
C-196-2021

William Kolasa  
Chief Administrative Officer  
Township of Wainfleet  
31940 Highway #3, P.O. Box 40  
Wainfleet, ON  
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Dear Mr. Kolasa,

Please find attached the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority (NPCA) response to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) Phase 1 Regulations Guide under the *Conservation Authorities Act*. The NPCA Board report on this matter will be circulated to municipal Clerks after the upcoming June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021 NPCA Board of Directors meeting.

Comments on this 45-day posting are due on June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021. In the interest of time, we wanted to share our response with municipal staff should you wish to submit comments to MECP directly.

Please note that:

- a) Conservation Authorities (CA) governance related changes were proclaimed in February, 2021 and a report on relevant municipal actions was circulated to NPCA Member municipalities on March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021;
- b) Proposed Phase 1 Regulations (current) deal with program and services, CA land management, public advisory committees and Municipal memorandums of understanding (MOU's);
- c) Section 28 Regulations related to CA planning and permitting roles to be released in a few weeks by the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry;
- d) Municipal Levy Regulations are scheduled to be released by December, 2021.

The Province is proposing transition to be completed by January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 with MOU's in place by December, 2022. Some flexibility is allowed should the CA and municipality make a request. We will be meeting with you this fall to consult you on the transition plan.

Please feel free to submit your comments to the Province directly. Your ongoing support to the work of NPCA is greatly appreciated. We are committed to supporting your work through upcoming MOU's.

Sincerely,



Chandra Sharma, MCIP, RPP  
Chief Administrative Officer/Secretary-Treasurer  
Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority  
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June 15, 2021

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

**RE: Response to Environmental Registry of Ontario Posting 019-2986 – Conservation Authorities Act Phase 1 Regulations Guide**

Dear Minister Yurek,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) Regulatory Proposal Consultation Guide on Phase 1 Regulations. The Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority (NPCA) would like to thank the Ministry for involving Conservation Ontario and conservation authority (CA) representatives on the Provincial Working Group of stakeholders to provide guidance in developing the proposed regulations.

The NPCA appreciates the recognition of the critical role of CA's in addressing integrated watershed management and climate change through the provision of 'Core Watershed-based Resource Management Strategy (CWRMS)' This reconfirms the role CA's play in protecting Ontario's watersheds, provides a longer-term perspective, and offers a consistent eco-system based framework for categorizing the mandatory and non-mandatory programs and services for consultation with municipalities. The NPCA will continue to work with the Province through Conservation Ontario and the Provincial Working Group to ensure that the regulations being developed can be effectively implemented and contribute to our mandate to protect Ontario's watersheds.

The NPCA has reviewed the ERO posting and offers the following specific comments:

**PART ONE: PROGRAMS AND SERVICES DELIVERED BY CONSERVATION AUTHORITIES**

Transition Timelines: The NPCA appreciates the provision of the proposed overall transition period to January 1, 2023 by which all agreements for the use of municipal levy must be in place. The proposed deadline would bring the new proposed financial structure for CA's into practice for the authority and municipal fiscal year of 2023. It is also required that CA's must develop a transition plan by December 31<sup>st</sup> including an overall work plan and timeline to develop and enter into agreements with municipalities; an inventory of the authority's programs and services; and any other matters as prescribed in regulation.

The proposed timeframes for the transition period should enable time for the transition plans to be developed in consultation with municipalities and coordinated with the new municipal levy regulation proposed for Phase 2. The challenging timelines can only be met if the actual regulations (both Phase 1 and Phase 2) are enacted expeditiously.

Funding for Mandatory Programs: The mandatory programs that a conservation authority is to provide includes natural hazards, source water protection, managing conservation authority owned properties, and other services specific to certain conservation authorities. The government is also proposing additional services prescribed by regulation, including a core watershed resource management strategy (CWRMS) and Provincial Water Quality and Quantity Monitoring. The NPCA is encouraged to see the inclusion of these additional services, particularly the CWRMS. We will work with Conservation Ontario on a consistent approach to the CWRMS across Ontario watersheds.

Natural Hazard Programs: Given the limited resources and other critical priorities of our municipal partners, we request the province to consider their continued funding support of critical mandated programs. Additionally, supporting private landowners with restoration and stewardship services is crucial for the overall watershed health and natural hazard management. A majority of land within the Niagara watershed is under private ownership and stewardship must be supported to address future challenges such as climate change. The recent 50% cut to MNRF funding for the natural hazards program makes ongoing effective implementation challenging.

Provincial Water Quality and Water Quantity Program: Both the Provincial Water Quality (PWQMN) and Water Quantity (PGMN) Monitoring Programs are examples of successful cost sharing programs between MECP and conservation authorities. These longstanding programs provide important trend data in support of effective water management. However, the existing Provincial Water Quality and Quantity Monitoring Programs coverage is incomplete and conservation authorities have expanded these networks to provide better coverage (more monitoring outside of the Provincial Networks) for their respective monitoring networks. We ask that the province consider these expanded water quality monitoring programs eligible for inclusion into the mandatory program.

Drinking Water Source Protection Program: The NPCA requests that funding support for mandatory programs and services for conservation authorities related to Source Protection Authority responsibilities under the *Clean Water Act* remain intact. It is our understanding that MECP will continue to provide funding if conservation authorities are required to exercise and perform the powers and duties of a drinking water source protection authority; and implement programs and services related to those responsibilities.

Inclusion of Passive Recreation and Nature Awareness/Education: Included in the mandatory services is the management and maintenance of conservation authority owned lands. However, this does not include the significant aspect of passive recreation, awareness and education critical to community well-being, an important service conservation authority lands offer to the residents of Niagara. Most NPCA properties have some component of passive recreation and nature education components. In many cases, trails are integrated into the property such that it would be problematic to separate the mandatory/non-mandatory components for budgeting purposes. This has the potential to create additional operational costs in tracking the separate funding streams and performing maintenance.

Asset Management and State of Good Repair: NPCA lands and their associated infrastructure (walking trails, safety features, washrooms, signage, etc.) provide important amenities for residents of our watersheds and beyond. Excluding the repair and maintenance of these assets may result in losing facilities or infrastructure due to an inability to maintain them and would be a significant loss for users as well as a health and safety risk. As such, we ask that the proposed provision of the management plan and resource inventory in the Consultation Guide also involve the preparation of an asset management plan to assess asset conditions, current and proposed

levels of service, asset management strategy, and a financing strategy to support the lifecycle management of assets.

The NPCA is pleased to share that our conservation authority is quite advanced in this area. An asset management program has already been deployed with appropriate technology. We will be working with Conservation Ontario to facilitate transfer of this approach to our sister conservation authorities.

Memorandums of Understanding: Non-mandatory programs and services will require conservation authorities to enter into a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with funding partners. At present, CA's also have MOU's and Service Level Agreements (SLA's) with lower tier municipalities on *Planning Act* matters and other fee-for-service programs offered to lower tier municipal partners. Clarity on these MOU timing/transition requirements needs to be understood to complete the required transition plans.

## **PART TWO: GOVERNANCE AND OVERSIGHT OF CONSERVATION AUTHORITIES**

Public Advisory Committee: The NPCA continues to consult and engage community stakeholders in all aspects of our work. The NPCA and several others CA's already have well-established watershed committees or public advisory committees with Board approved Terms of Reference included formally within the Administrative By-Laws of the respective authorities. In this regard, the NPCA would like to request that the Province address the resource needs related to governance and administration of public advisory committees. To be able to effectively deliver on a sound public engagement strategy through the public advisory committee, CA's need a minimum of two experienced full-time equivalents along with other technical experts and program costs. For transparent and adequate administration, CA's need to establish a secretariat for administration, record keeping, and management of projects. We request that these costs be identified as eligible under minimum levy.

## **PART THREE: OTHER REGULATORY MATTERS - Section 29 Minister's Regulation**

The NPCA supports the consolidation of the various individual CA regulations under Section 29 of the Act regarding public use of an authority's property. However, we believe that our Section 29 regulation can benefit from a comprehensive update. It is proposed that the Section 29 regulation be redesigned to better align with by-laws made under the *Municipal Act* related to the use of municipal property including parks, and the *Provincial Parks and Conservation Reserves Act, 2006* and its associated regulations, including O. Reg. 347/07: *Provincial Parks: General Provisions*.

We appreciate the opportunity to comment on this proposal and hope these comments are helpful. Any questions regarding this matter may be directed to the NPCA's Senior Manager of Planning and Regulations, David Deluce at 905-788-3135, ext. 224 or [ddeluce@npca.ca](mailto:ddeluce@npca.ca).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chandra". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the name written in a single continuous stroke.

Chandra Sharma, MCIP, RPP  
Chief Administrative Officer/Secretary-Treasurer  
Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority

cc: Local Area CAO's  
Conservation Ontario



# Township of Perry

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June 17, 2021

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau  
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The Honourable Doug Ford  
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Honourable and Dear Sirs:

## **RE: Capital Gains Tax on Primary Residence**

Please be advised that at their last regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, June 16, 2021, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Perry carried the following resolution:

### **"Resolution No. 2021-255**

Moved By: Paul Sowrey

Seconded By: Jim Cushman

***Be it resolved that*** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Perry hereby supports the resolution received from the Town of Fort Erie regarding the proposed Capital Gains Tax on Primary Residences; and

***Further that*** a copy of this support be circulated to The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada, The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, Honourable Scott Aitchison, MP Parry-Sound Muskoka, Honourable Norm Miller, MPP Parry Sound-Muskoka, The Town of Fort Erie, and All Ontario Municipalities.

***Carried.***

Enclosed please find a copy of the resolution supported by the Municipal Council for the Town of Fort Erie on May 31, 2021.

Thank you for your attention on this matter.

Sincerely,



Beth Morton  
Clerk-Administrator

Encl.

c.c. Honourable Scott Aitchison, MP Parry Sound-Muskoka  
Honourable Norm Miller, MPP Parry Sound-Muskoka  
Carol Schofield, Clerk, Town of Fort Erie ([cschofield@forterie.ca](mailto:cschofield@forterie.ca))  
All Ontario Municipalities

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## Community Services

### Legislative Services

June 1, 2021  
File #120203

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau  
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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

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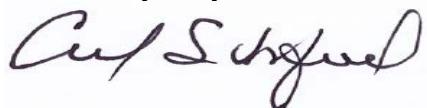
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**That:** A copy of this resolution be circulated to The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, All Members of Parliament, All Members of Provincial Parliament, The Regional Municipality of Niagara, and all Municipalities,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

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours very truly,



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June 18<sup>th</sup> 2021

Attention: Premier Ford:

**Re: Support for Fire Departments**

Please be advised that on June 16<sup>th</sup> 2021 the Town of Plympton-Wyoming Council passed the following motion to support the Council of the Township of Hudson's motion (attached) requesting that the Province of Ontario work with the Federal Government to include apparatuses, training, equipment and structures for fire departments as eligible categories to any further infrastructure programs.

**Motion 23**

*Moved by Muriel Wright, Seconded by Gary Atkinson that Council support item 'v' of correspondence from the Township of Hudson regarding Support for Fire Departments.*

**Motion Carried.**

If you have any questions regarding the above motion, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email at [ekwarciaik@plympton-wyoming.ca](mailto:ekwarciaik@plympton-wyoming.ca).

Sincerely,

Clerk

Town of Plympton-Wyoming

Cc: (via e-mail)

All Members of Parliament  
Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
Honourable Laurie Scott, Minister of Infrastructure  
Jon Pegg, the Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs  
Bob Bailey, MPP Sarnia-Lambton  
Marilyn Gladu, MP Sarnia-Lambton  
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March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021

The Honourable Doug Ford  
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**Attention: Premier Ford**

**RE: Support for Fire Departments**

At the Township of Hudson's Regular Meeting of Council held on Wednesday March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021, the following resolution 2021-049 was put forward and passed:

**WHEREAS** the role of Ontario's 441 fire departments and their approximate 30,000 full, part-time, and volunteer firefighters is to protect Ontarians and their property; and

**WHEREAS** according to the Ontario Fire Marshal and Emergency Management's latest data, in Ontario there was over 11,000 number of loss fires, 9,500 no loss fires, 784 injuries, 91 fatalities, and over \$820 million dollars of estimated loss in 2018; and

**WHEREAS** fire emergencies only make up a portion of the total calls for help received by fire and emergency service departments as they respond to nearly every public emergency, disaster, or 9-1-1 call; and

**WHEREAS** Ontario's fire department infrastructure deficit continues to grow annually and is almost entirely borne by the municipality and local taxpayers with the majority having populations under 25,000; and

**WHEREAS** due to antiquated structures and equipment that do not meet current industry standards the safety of the Ontario public and Ontario firefighters is being jeopardized;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Hudson resolves as follows:

1. **THAT** the Federal and Provincial Government includes apparatuses, training, equipment and structures for fire departments as eligible categories to any further infrastructure programs which will not only provide immediate stimulus to the local, provincial and federal economies given current economic uncertainty but also ensure the safety of Canadians and dedicated firefighters; and

2. **THAT** this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Honourable Laurie Scott, Minister of Infrastructure, local MPP, local MP, the Ontario Fire Marshal, Jon Pegg, the Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs, and all Ontario Municipalities.

Please accept this for your consideration and any necessary action.

Sincerely,



Jordan Kemp  
Clerk-Treasurer  
Township of Hudson



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June 18<sup>th</sup> 2021

Honourable and Dear Sirs:

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

Please be advised that on June 16<sup>th</sup> 2021 the Town of Plympton-Wyoming Council passed the following motion to support the Council of the Town of Fort Erie motion (attached) requesting that the Province of Ontario work with the Federal Government to address concerns regarding Capital Gains Tax on primary residences.

**Motion 23**

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**Motion Carried.**

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Sincerely,

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## Community Services

### Legislative Services

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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

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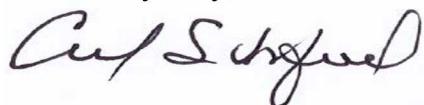
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**Subject:** Reminder: Heritage Matters ... more! June edition

**From:** Ontario Heritage Trust | Fiducie du patrimoine ontarien [<mailto:marketing@heritagetrust.on.ca>]

**Sent:** June 18, 2021 10:37 AM

**To:** William Kolasa <[WKolasa@wainfleet.ca](mailto:WKolasa@wainfleet.ca)>

**Subject:** Reminder: Heritage Matters ... more! June edition | Questions de patrimoine... toujours plus! Numéro de juin

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## Heritage Matters ... *more!*



Plaque unveiling in October 2017 to commemorate the Anishinaabeg at Lake of Bays

### Up front | Beth Hanna, CEO of the Ontario Heritage Trust

#### National Indigenous History Month

June is National Indigenous History Month, a time for all Canadians – Indigenous and non-Indigenous – to reflect on and expand on our knowledge and understanding of the history, languages, traditions, spirituality, cultures and contributions of First Nations, Inuit and Métis people. This year, as Indigenous communities again mourn the loss of their children at residential schools, as we are reminded once more of the systemic attempts to rob children of their culture, their ties to their communities and to their families, it is a time to show honour and respect to Canada's Indigenous peoples.

This is an opportunity for each of us to educate ourselves on the history and heritage of Canada's Indigenous peoples, recognizing the diversity among the Nations. With the spotlight on images of children's shoes placed lovingly in front of our modern institutions, let's take the time to learn about the advanced civilizations, the structures of law and democracy, the complex economic and social systems, the ways of knowing and ways of life that existed for millennia before Europeans ever saw the shores of North America.

As we pause and reconsider whose contributions we commemorate in our communities and classrooms, let's look at who we've missed along the way. We will need to uncover the gaps in the historical record, to listen to the Elders and Knowledge Keepers to understand the contributions of Indigenous leaders and Indigenous communities across what is now Ontario to the fields of science and medicine, land use and the environment, art and architecture, music and literature, and law and civics.

Today, we strive to find ways to support Indigenous communities in continuing to preserve the very things that the residential school system sought to diminish – such as language and traditional ways of life. We question our understanding, as a country and people, of history and identity. We seek to protect those places that are sacred to Indigenous communities.

As we look towards Canada Day, we can also consider how best to realize the potential of Canada – one that respects the diversity of cultures and traditions, that is honest in our telling of history, and is a safe place in which each voice is heard.

## Opportunities to learn more



Watch this video from the CBC on residential schools.

- Review the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada's [final report](#), as well as the 94 [Calls to Action](#).
- The Shingwauk Residential Schools Centre, based out of Algoma University, was recently awarded the 2020 Cornerstone Award by the National Trust for Canada. The project, [Reclaiming Shingwauk Hall](#), transformed the main halls into a space that showcases the history of the residential school system, and the stories of survivors and the children who never made it home.
- Learn about the former Mohawk Institute Residential School with a [virtual guided tour](#) of the property and its history, produced by the Woodland Cultural Centre. You can also virtually tour the school as part of the Centre's [Save the Evidence](#) campaign.
- From Historica Canada, watch a [video](#) on the timeline of residential schools.
- Also from Historica Canada, watch this [Heritage Minute](#) on Chanie Wenjack.
- In 2020, the legacy of the [Residential School System](#) was designated as nationally significant. In addition, two former school sites were designated as national historic sites: [Shubenacadie Residential School](#) in Nova Scotia and [Portage La Prairie Residential School](#) in Manitoba.

### General

- Anishinabek Nation has lots of resources to help you expand your [treaty knowledge](#).
- You can also hear Indigenous leaders speak about treaties and treaty relationships [here](#).
- Learn more about [treaty lands and traditional territories](#).
- Check out the Secret Life of Canada's episode on the [Indian Film Crew](#) who helped make some of the National Film Board's most groundbreaking documentaries, including [You Are on Indian Land](#) and Canada's first music video, the [Ballad of Crowfoot](#).
- The National Film Board has an extensive [library of Indigenous films](#) that you can watch for free. CBC Gem is also sharing a selection of [films and documentaries](#) for Indigenous History Month.

- Get outside and explore Indigenous culture and history along the [TransCanada Trail](#).
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## Videos with the Honourable Murray Sinclair



- [What is reconciliation?](#)
  - Interview with Steve Paikin on TVOntario's [The Agenda](#) (April 13, 2011)
  - Interview with Peter Mansbridge on CBC's [The National](#) (June 1, 2015), shown above
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## There is still more to learn

- [Residential Schools: With Words and Images of Survivors](#) (2014) by Larry Loyie, Wayne K. Spear and Constance Brissenden
- [They Came for the Children: Canada, Aboriginal Peoples, and Residential Schools](#) (2012), published by The Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada
- [They Called Me Number One: Secrets and Survival at an Indian Residential School](#) (2012) by Bev Sellars
- [The Education of Augie Merasty: A residential school memoir](#) (2015) by Joseph Auguste Merasty
- [Up Ghost River: A chief's journey through the turbulent waters of native history](#) (2014) by Edmund Metatawabin and Alexandra Shimo
- [A Knock on the Door: The Essential History of Residential Schools from the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada](#) (2015) by Phil Fontaine, Aimee Craft and The Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada



## Did you know?



Chief Francis Pegahmagabow is Canada's most decorated Indigenous soldier. Did you know that he also played a significant role in Indigenous leadership after the war, being elected Chief and serving from 1921 to 1925 and from 1942 to 1945, and as a councillor from 1933 to 1936, demonstrating peacefully in Ottawa for Aboriginal rights and self-government and helping to found the Brotherhood of Canadian Indians, the first national Aboriginal organization. In 1949 and 1950, he was elected the supreme Chief of the National Indian Government. [Learn more ...](#)

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**COVID-19 update:** The Trust's sites will be reopening in line with Ontario's Roadmap to Reopen, the three-step plan to lift public health measures safely and gradually across the province. For more information, visit [www.ontario.ca/reopening](http://www.ontario.ca/reopening). Some of our natural areas and trails are already [open](#). [Doors Open Ontario](#) has gone digital, and we look forward to seeing you back in communities once it is safe to do so. The Trust continues to protect and conserve Ontario's heritage and share our stories. Please check our websites