



# COUNCIL INFORMATION PACKAGE

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JULY 7, 2023

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Correspondence dated June 9, 2023 from the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury to The Hon. François-Philippe Champagne PC MP, Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development and Hon. Marie-Claude Bibeau PC MP, Minister of Agriculture respecting a resolution endorsing the “right-to-repair” movement.

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*Office of the Mayor*

9 June 2023

VIA EMAIL

Hon. François-Philippe Champagne PC MP  
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Hon. Marie-Claude Bibeau PC MP  
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Dear Ministers:

On behalf of the Council of the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury, we are writing to you pursuant to the enclosed motion to endorse the right-to-repair movement and to call on your government to expedite the promised consultations to enshrine this principle in consumer-protection law, with specific consultations and measures related to supporting the agricultural sector undertaken.

Right to Repair is a simple environmental and consumer protection measure: it ensures consumers are able to reasonably access repairs to electronic and other devices at a fair price, rather than creating a monopoly through technology companies only being able to repair their own products. This measure will also help reduce waste by combatting planned obsolescence, where companies make products that are only intended to last for a period of some years, and are not really repairable.

Further, farmers and growers are intimately familiar with the particular nuances of this issue when it comes to increasingly high-tech agricultural equipment. As the “soup and salad bowl of Canada”, Bradford West Gwillimbury is home to many farmers and growers, so we know firsthand how important an issue these consultations will be.

Our Council has shown in recent years that we are at the forefront of advocating for important environmental protections, including the Freshwater Action Fund, and we are grateful to our new Green Initiatives Committee for recommending this current piece of advocacy to protect the environment and consumers.

A copy of the motion is enclosed. We would be happy to meet with you or your representatives to discuss this further.

Sincerely yours,



James Leduc  
Mayor

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Alistair MacGregor, MP Cowichan—Malahat—Langford  
Rachel Blaney, MP North Island—Powell River  
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Federation of Canadian Municipalities  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
Ontario's Municipal Councils  
Ontario's Conservation Authorities

At its Regular meeting of Council held on Tuesday, June 6, 2023, the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury Council approved the following resolution:

**Resolution: 2023-199**

**Moved: Councillor Verkaik**

**Seconded: Councillor Harper**

Whereas the “right-to-repair” movement seeks to ensure consumers of electronic products, including mobile phones and computers, as well as agricultural equipment, are able to make routine fixes to damaged products without having to rely on the manufacturer and to affordably make such repairs; and

Whereas this movement and efforts against “planned obsolescence” seeks to ensure affordability for consumers and to protect our environment by reducing electronic waste; and

Whereas the agricultural sector has unique needs related to specialized electronic farm equipment and the ability to make repairs in a timely and affordable manner, especially during the growing season; and

Further to a commitment in the 2023 federal budget that “the government will work to implement a right to repair, with the aim of introducing a targeted framework for home appliances and electronics in 2024. The government will launch consultations this summer, including on the right to repair and the interoperability of farming equipment, and work closely with provinces and territories to advance the implementation of a right to repair” (p. 38); and

Be it therefore resolved that the committee recommend Council endorse the right-to-repair movement through a letter from the Mayor and Green Initiatives Committee Chair to call on the federal government to expedite the promised consultations to enshrine this principle in consumer-protection law, with specific consultations and measures related to supporting the agricultural sector undertaken; and

That a copy of this resolution and letter be shared with the Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development; the Minister of Agriculture and their critics; and the Member of Parliament for York—Simcoe; and to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and Ontario's Municipal Councils, with a request for their endorsement of same.

Result: CARRIED.



Dear Respectable Council Members;

My name is Dianne Tokar and I reside at 11213 Golf Course Rd. I would like to respectfully request the use of a facility available such as the Library, Moore Room, Firehall or pavilion, for the purpose of instructing BLS, AED and/or First Aid classes. I have volunteered within the Township over the years and have been a Wainfleet resident my entire life. I believe everyone in the community should have the opportunity to participate in training for church, home, school, sports complex (hockey, soccer) work or within the general public, to be able to possibly save a life one day, if the unfortunate circumstance arises.

I am an Accredited Trainer with the Heart and Stroke Foundation and my Instructors number is 1891936. I am also certified to teach the Babysitting course if required. I understand presently there is another Certified Trainer with the Red Cross, Chuck Farkas, who is a dedicated volunteer firefighter and presently serving the Firefighters and Township employees, as well as the community. My hope is to collaborate with Chuck to enhance the Townships program by planning ahead courses at one of the available buildings, for the public and will reserve places within the class, for members of the Township and Firefighters as well.

Please accept this letter as an application for the use of a Township space, free of charge, to serve our community. The Red Cross and Heart and Stroke are different names, but to serve and protect is the same, for the greater good.

Respectfully,

Dianne Tokar

June 29, 2023

Hon. Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
Room 4620  
99 Wellesley St. W.,  
Toronto, Ontario M7A 1A1

Via Email: premier@ontario.ca

Please be advised that at its meeting held on the 27th day of June 2023, the Council of the Township of Selwyn passed the following resolution:

**Resolution No. 2023 – 143 – Notice of Motion – Short-Term Rentals**

Councillor Brian Henry – Councillor John Boyko –

Whereas the demand for alternative accommodations has resulted in an increased prominence of residential properties being advertised for short term accommodations through third party companies such as Airbnb and VRBO; a shift from the ‘traditional’ cottage rental historically managed by a property owner; and

Whereas over the past decade a flood of properties have been removed from the ownership and long-term rental market (*Canada Research Chair in Urban Governance at McGill University*) contributing to housing shortages, increased housing demands and increased housing costs resulting in housing affordability issues, including affordable rentals; and

Whereas short term rentals (STR) can be beneficial, when operated appropriately, by providing solutions for the accommodation industry that supports local tourism and small businesses as well as providing an opportunity for property owners to generate income from their residence (permanent or seasonal) using a convenient third-party system; and

Whereas STR’s can create nuisances including noise, parking, high volumes of visitors attending a property, septic capacity and fire safety, for adjacent residential property owners who wish to experience quiet enjoyment of their property; and

Whereas research indicates that demand for STR’s is increasing, in part due to vacationers choosing domestic travel options as well as the financial benefits to property owners, demonstrating that STR’s are here to stay; and

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Whereas there are no Provincial regulations in place governing third party STR companies resulting in a variety of regulations/guidelines being implemented at the local municipal level which creates inconsistencies, confusion and frustrations for both consumers and residents across the Province;

That the Township of Selwyn request that the Province move forward as soon as possible to legislate that all third party Short Term Rental brokerage companies, for example Airbnb and VRBO, appropriately manage and be responsible for their listings and to compel compliance that the Province establish the requirement for STR companies to require each rental listing to be registered and to pay an appropriate annual fee and that STR company provide this registry along with the collected fees to the municipality in which the STR properties are located which allows the municipality to be aware of all registered STR properties and to have access to funds for municipal expenses to enforce/respond to issues at a STR property; and further

That the Province require the STR company to de-list/remove the property from the company's listings so that the property cannot be rented where a municipality has identified and verified life, health and/or nuisance infractions including noise, fire safety, septic, etc...

That a copy of this resolution be sent to all Ontario municipalities for support as well as to Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Steve Clark, local M.P.P. Dave Smith and M.P. Michelle Ferreri.

Carried.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

*Megin Hunter*

Megin Hunter  
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      All Ontario Municipalities



June 29, 2023

Hon. Stephen Lecce  
Minister of Education  
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Received June 29, 2023  
C-2023-263

***Via email***

RE: recommendation for amendment to the current regulations for licensed home-based childcare operators to increase allowable spaces.

Dear Minister Lecce,

During the June 26, 2023 regular meeting of council, council in response to recent publicly raised concern heard a report from staff in relation to the above, with the following resolution passed:

Moved: Liz Welsh

Seconded: Chad Hyatt

WHEREAS in response the Petrolia Childcare Advocacy Group's recent delegation to Council where they identified a shortage of child care spaces in the Town of Petrolia; and

WHEREAS through additional research undertaken by the Town Staff, and in consultation with the County of Lambton Social Services, it has been further identified that there is an extreme shortage of child care spaces not only across the County but the Province as a whole; and

WHEREAS in response to the identified need the County hosted a community information night to educate members of the public who may be able to offer a licensed home-based child care service;

NOW THEREFORE **the Council of the Town of Petrolia recommends to the Hon. Stephen Lecce, Minister of Education, that in time for the 2023 school year amendment to the current regulations be made to allow licensed home-based child care operators the ability to provide two (2) before and after school care spaces to school aged children, in addition the permitted six (6) full time child care spaces; and**

**THAT in an effort to attract and retain qualified early childhood educators, the Minister of Education, review the current wage bracket for early childhood educators with implementation of an increase to wages to align with the services provided; and**

**THAT the province provides more capital based funding sources for the construction of new centre-based facilities; and**

**THAT the province considers increasing the current goal of thirty-three percent (33%) access ratio, to align better with the current provincial situation and anticipated population growth over the next ten (10) years; and**

THAT these items be considered sooner rather than later, to assist in remedying the critical child care shortage experienced in Petrolia, Lambton, and across the province; and

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THAT this recommendation be forwarded to Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario | Hon. Michael Parsa, Minister of Children, Community & Social Services | Mr. Bob Bailey, MPP of Sarnia-Lambton | Hon. Monte McNaughton, MPP of Lambton-Kent-Middlesex | Mr. Kevin Marriott, Warden of Lambton County | Municipalities of Ontario;

Carried

Kind regards,

*Original Signed*

Mandi Pearson  
Clerk/Operations Clerk

cc:

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## Legislative Services

June 29, 2023

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

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

Honourable and Dear Sir:

**Re: Impact on Woodbine's Race and Stay Program on the Fort Erie Race Track**

Please be advised the Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie passed the following resolution at its meeting of June 26, 2023:

**Whereas** the Fort Erie Race Track is one of only two thoroughbred horse racing facilities in the Province of Ontario, having been established in 1897 and operating continuously since then; and

**Whereas** in recent years, the Fort Erie Race Track has been the primary host facility for the "B" circuit of thoroughbred racing, while the Woodbine track in Toronto has been the primary facility for "A" circuit thoroughbred racing; and

**Whereas** both race tracks host "jewel" races in Ontario Triple Crown of Horse Racing; and

**Whereas** the Ontario Racing Commission, an agency created by the Government of Ontario, regulates horse racing; and

**Whereas** the provincial government has strategies and policies in place to develop and encourage the horse racing industry in Ontario, including funding and incentive programs to grow and expand the industry in the province; and

**Whereas** the Fort Erie and Woodbine Race Tracks are both beneficiaries of these programs; and

**Whereas** Woodbine Entertainment, the owners of the Woodbine track, adopted a stall policy in May 2017, referred to as "Race and Stay," that prevents horses from stabling at Woodbine if they leave to race at another track more than once, except for races with a purse of more than \$20,000; and

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**Whereas** The Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie passed a resolution on May 15, 2017, requesting that the Ontario Racing Commission immediately prohibit Woodbine Entertainment from implementing the Race and Stay program and limitations on the movement of horses between Woodbine and the Fort Erie Race Track; and

**Whereas** the Mayor and members of Fort Erie Council met with the Minister of Economic Development and Growth at the 2017 Association of Municipalities of Ontario conference to discuss the negative impacts of the Woodbine Race and Stay stall program on the Fort Erie Race Track; and

**Whereas** the Mayor and members of Fort Erie Council met virtually with officials with the Minister of Finance during the 2020 Association of Municipalities of Ontario conference to again discuss the Woodbine Race and Stay stall policy and the negative impacts it has on the Fort Erie Race track; and

**Whereas** the Mayor and members of Fort Erie Council met with the Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Finance at the 2022 Association of Municipalities of Ontario conference to again discuss Woodbine's Race and Stay program and the negative impacts it continues to have on the Fort Erie Race Track; and

**Whereas** representatives of the Fort Erie Live Racing Consortium have launched a challenge with the Competition Bureau to determine whether Woodbine Entertainment's actions constitute an attempt to create an illegal monopoly; and

**Whereas** Woodbine's Race and Stay policy continues to remain in effect through the 2023 racing season; and

**Whereas** Woodbine's Race and Stay policy continues to have a devastating impact on the ability of the Fort Erie Race Track to operate successfully and grow Ontario horse racing under provincial objectives; and

**Whereas** the Fort Erie Race Track is a job creator in Fort Erie and the surrounding region, both directly and indirectly, and has contributed to the local economy as well as the history and culture of the area since 1897;

**Now therefore be it resolved,**

**That:** The Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie again requests that the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario immediately prohibit Woodbine Entertainment from continuing the Race and Stay stall policy; and further

**That:** The Provincial Government put in place a long-term policy to encourage competition and diversification of horse racing in Ontario that would prevent any single race track from using their market position to create an unfair monopoly on horse racing in Ontario, including but not necessarily limited to implementing policies that would prohibit monopolistic policies like Woodbine's Race and Stay; and further

**That:** The Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario, Ontario Racing Commission and the Provincial Government recognize the contributions of the Fort Erie Race Track to the growth, history and culture of horse racing in the province of Ontario; and further

**That:** Staff circulate this resolution to the race tracks that host standard bred races and the municipalities that those race tracks reside in, including: Clinton Raceway and the Municipality of Central Huron, Dresden Raceway and the Municipality of Chatham-Kent, Flamboro Downs and the Municipality of Hamilton, Georgian Downs and the Municipality of Barrie, Grand River Raceway and the Municipality of Centre Wellington, Hanover Raceway and the Municipality of Hanover, Hiawatha Horse Park and the Municipality of Sarnia, Kawartha Downs and the Municipality of Cavan Monaghan, Leamington Raceway and the Municipality of Leamington, The Raceway at Western Fair and the Municipality of London, and Rideau Carleton Raceway and the Municipality of Ottawa, and;

**That:** Staff circulate this resolution to the Regional Council of Niagara and all local area municipalities within the Regional Municipality of Niagara for their endorsement and support.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Kind regards,



Ashlea Carter, AMP  
Deputy Clerk

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cc: The Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Ontario Minister of Finance, [Peter.Bethlenfalvy@pc.ola.org](mailto:Peter.Bethlenfalvy@pc.ola.org)  
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Niagara Region and Local Area Municipalities



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July 4, 2023

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Hon. Marie-Claude Bibeau PC MP  
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Dear Ministers:

**Re: Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury – The Right-to-Repair Movement**

Please be advised that, at its meeting of June 27, 2023 the Council of The Corporation of the City of Port Colborne resolved as follows:

That correspondence from the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury regarding The Right-to-Repair Movement Condition be supported.

A copy of the above noted resolution is enclosed for your reference.

Sincerely,

Charlotte Madden  
City Clerk

cc. Federation of Canadian Municipalities  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
Ontario's Municipal Councils





**Ministry of Natural Resources and  
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July 4, 2023

Good Afternoon,

Today, the government released a draft technical bulletin on the Environmental Registry of Ontario to support municipalities and conservation authorities with flood hazard mapping activities. The "[ERO Posting #019-4706: Technical bulletin - Flooding hazards: data survey and mapping specifications](#)", would replace Chapter J of the existing "*River and Stream Systems: Flooding Hazard Limit*" technical guideline.

The technical bulletin is to be applied when delineating the flooding hazard through mapping new, or updating existing, maps. It is intended to assist technical personnel experienced in mapping and geomatics in undertaking flood hazard surveying and mapping in Ontario, and if accepted, will become the definitive source of flood hazard data, survey and mapping guidance for use in Ontario.

A critical step in protecting people and property from flooding starts with identifying where flooding is expected to occur. This is most often achieved through flood mapping Actions in [Protecting People and Property: Ontario's Flooding Strategy](#) commit the province to updating existing technical guidance used to support implementation of the natural hazard policies outlined within the proposed Provincial Planning Statement 2023. The MNRF is taking a multi-staged approach to updating its guidance.

Feedback on the draft technical bulletin will be accepted until September 5, 2023 through the Environmental Registry.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Keyes  
Director, Resources Planning and Development Policy Branch  
Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry

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July 4, 2023

Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
Via Email

**Re: Reducing Municipal Insurance Costs**

Please be advised that Council of the Town of Halton Hills at its meeting of Monday, June 19, 2023, adopted the following Resolution:

WHEREAS escalating insurance costs are one of the Town of Halton Hills' priorities;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Halton Hills' annual insurance premiums have increased from \$594,404 (1.32% of taxes) to \$2,073,319 (3.28% of taxes) from 2017 to 2023, representing an accumulated increase of 248.8% over this period;

AND WHEREAS the annual increase to the Town of Halton Hills' insurance premiums have been one of the most significant constraints in limiting yearly tax levy increases over the past seven years;

AND WHEREAS Ontario Municipalities are experiencing higher insurance rates at each renewal with limited access to insurance companies willing to quote on municipal insurance needs;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Halton Hills Council calls on the Province to take action to reduce municipal insurance costs;

AND FURTHER that this Resolution be forwarded to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, MPP Ted Arnott and all Ontario Municipalities for support.

Attached for your information is a copy of Resolution No. 2023-0125.

If you have any questions, please contact Valerie Petryniak, Town Clerk for the Town of Halton Hills at [valeriep@haltonhills.ca](mailto:valeriep@haltonhills.ca).

Sincerely,



Melissa Lawr  
Deputy Clerk – Legislation

cc.

The Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance  
The Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
The Honourable Ted Arnott, MPP Wellington-Halton Hills  
All Ontario Municipalities



THE CORPORATION  
OF  
THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS

**Resolution No.:** 2023-0125

**Title:** Reducing Municipal Insurance Costs

**Date:** June 19, 2023

**Moved by:** Councillor B. Inglis

**Seconded by:** Councillor A. Hilson

**Item No. 12.1**

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WHEREAS escalating insurance costs are one of the Town of Halton Hills' priorities;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Halton Hills' annual insurance premiums have increased from \$594,404 (1.32% of taxes) to \$2,073,319 (3.28% of taxes) from 2017 to 2023, representing an accumulated increase of 248.8% over this period;

WHEREAS the annual increase to the Town of Halton Hills' insurance premiums have been one of the most significant constraints in limiting yearly tax levy increases over the past seven years and

WHEREAS Ontario Municipalities are experiencing higher insurance rates at each renewal with limited access to insurance companies willing to quote on municipal insurance needs

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Halton Hills Council calls on the Province to take action to reduce municipal insurance costs

AND FURTHER that this Resolution be forwarded to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, MPP Ted Arnott and all Ontario Municipalities for support.

  
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Mayor Ann Lawlor

Legislative Services  
99 Advance Ave Napanee, ON K7R 3L4 TEL 613-354-3351 [www.greaternapanee.com](http://www.greaternapanee.com)

July 6, 2023

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

**Re: Women of Ontario Say No - Legislative Amendments to Improve Municipal Codes of Conduct and Enforcement**

Dear Premier Ford,

Please be advised that the Council of the Town of Greater Napanee passed the following resolution at its regular session meeting of June 27, 2023:

***RESOLUTION #347/23: Pinnell Jr., Hicks***

That Council receive for information the request from Women of Ontario Say No;

And further, that the Council of the Town of Greater Napanee supports and endorses the call from Women of Ontario Say No for legislative change to improve municipal codes of conduct and their enforcement.

CARRIED

Please do not hesitate to contact me at [jwalters@greaternapanee.com](mailto:jwalters@greaternapanee.com) if you require any further information with respect to this resolution.

Sincerely,



Jessica Walters  
Clerk

cc. Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
Hon. Ric Breese, MPP, Hastings-Lennox & Addington  
Hon. Charmaine Williams, Associate Minister of Women's Social and Economic Opportunity  
Colin Best, President of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
All Ontario Municipalities



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June 27, 2023

File No. 13-50

SENT VIA EMAIL

Niagara Central Dorothy Rungeling Airport  
435T River Road  
Fenwick, Ontario  
L0S 1C0

Attention: Nicole Rubli, Clerk

Dear Nicole:

**Re: June 27, 2023 – WELLAND CITY COUNCIL**

At its meeting of June 27, 2023, Welland City Council passed the following motion:

**“THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the correspondence from Niagara Central Airport Commission dated June 5, 2023 regarding Regional Road #529 (River Road) - Road Condition.”**

Yours truly,

per

Tara Stephens  
City Clerk

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- c.c.: - M. Kirkham, Deputy Clerk, Township of Wainfleet, sent via email  
- W. Tigert, Acting Town Clerk, Town of Pelham, sent via email  
- C. Madden, Acting Town Clerk, City of Port Colborne, sent via email  
- A. Norio, Regional Clerk, sent via email



## Council Members

**Mayor Neil Nicholson**

**Deputy Mayor Cathy  
Regier**

**Councillors:**

Mark Bell  
Michael Moore  
Chris Olmstead  
Connie Tabbert  
Joey Trimm

## Certified True Copy

Wednesday, July 5, 2023

**Re: Resolution - Victims Services of Renfrew County - Lisa  
Oegema and Faye Cassista**

To Whom it may concern:

At its meeting of July 5, 2023, the Council of the Township of  
Whitewater Region adopted the following resolution:

**That Council of the Township of Whitewater Region  
support the recommendation #1 from the CKW Inquest in  
formally declaring intimate partner violence as an  
epidemic.**

Carried - Resolution #2023-2019

To read recommendations please visit:

[http://evarenfrewcounty.com/ckw-inquest-jury-  
recommendations/](http://evarenfrewcounty.com/ckw-inquest-jury-recommendations/)

(613) 646-2282



Sincerely,

P.O. Box 40,  
44 Main Street  
Cobden, ON  
K0J 1K0



Carmen Miller  
Clerk/CEMC



whitewaterregion.ca





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June 29, 2023

Received July 7, 2023

C-2023-271

File No. 23-92

SENT VIA EMAIL

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

Attention: Ashley Carter, Deputy Clerk

Dear Ashley:

**Re: June 27, 2023 – WELLAND CITY COUNCIL**

At its meeting of June 27, 2023, Welland City Council passed the following motion:

**“THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information and supports the correspondence from the Town of Fort Erie dated June 6, 2023 regarding the maintenance of Fort Erie Urgent Care Centre Hours of Operation.”**

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Cindy Vujo'.

*per*

Tara Stephens  
City Clerk

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c.c.: Local Area Municipalities, sent via email



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June 29, 2023

Received July 7, 2023  
C-2023-272

**File No. 23-93**

SENT VIA EMAIL

City of Port Colborne  
66 Charlotte Street  
Port Colborne, Ontario  
L3K 3C8

Attention: Charlotte Madden, Acting Town Clerk

Dear Charlotte:

**Re: June 27, 2023 – WELLAND CITY COUNCIL**

At its meeting of June 27, 2023, Welland City Council passed the following motion:

**“THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information and supports the correspondence from the City of Port Colborne dated June 14, 2023 regarding the maintenance of Port Colborne Urgent Care Centre hours of operation.”**

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Cindy Vuiger'.

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Tara Stephens  
City Clerk

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