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NOTICE OF OPEN HOUSE AND PUBLIC MEETING

Proposed Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendment Cannabis Production Facility

PROPOSED CHANGE

The City of Port Colborne is proposing to regulate the commercial production of cannabis within the municipality by amending the Official Plan and Zoning By-law 6575/30/18.

The Official Plan is proposed to be amended by adding the definition of a "Cannabis Production Facility", the use of a Cannabis Production Facility to the Industrial/Employment Lands, Gateway Zone, Agricultural and Rural and designations and by deleting the definition of a "Medical Marihuana Production Facility" and use within the Industrial/Employment designation.

The Official Plan for cannabis production will also be amended to ensure compatibility with neighbouring land uses through installation and operation of odour and light mitigation systems; odour and light control, maintenance and monitoring plans, servicing and maintaining appropriate setbacks from sensitive receptors as detailed in Zoning By-law 6575/30/18 and through Site Plan Control.

The Zoning By-law Amendment proposes to add the following definitions:

"Cannabis": means a cannabis plant, including the phytocannabinoids produce by or found in such a plant regardless of whether that part has been processed or not and any substance or mixture of substances that contains or has on it and part of such a plant and any substance that is identical to a phytocannabinoid produced by or found in such a plant regardless of how the substance was obtained. Marihuana shall have the same definition.

"Cannabis Production Facility": means a facility structure for the cultivation, processing, packaging and shipping where cannabis is produced by a federally licensed producer and can be for the production of medical or recreational cannabis.

The Zoning By-law Amendment also proposes that a cannabis production facility be permitted in the Light and Heavy Industrial and the Gateway Zone provided they meet the following conditions:

1. all operations related to the production, storage and processing of cannabis occur within a completely enclosed building but not a greenhouse.
2. the site is located is at least 70 metres from any property used for a school or any residential use.

The Zoning By-law Amendment also proposes to delete reference throughout of Medical Marihuana Production Facility and replace it with Cannabis Production Facility and further that cannabis cultivation is not permitted outdoors in any zone.

MORE INFORMATION

For more information on the proposed changes please contact Dan Aquilina, Director of Planning and Development at danaquilina@portcolborne.ca or 905-835-2900 ext 203. Members of the public are also invited to attend an open house to learn more about the proposed by-law amendment, ask questions of staff and leave written feedback.

OPEN HOUSE

Date: November 13, 2019
Time: 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm
Place: City Hall Council Chambers, 3rd Floor
66 Charlotte Street, Port Colborne, Ontario

PUBLIC MEETING

Date: November 25, 2019

WRITTEN SUBMISSION

To provide input in writing, or to request personal notice of the decision of the Council of the proposed Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments please send a letter to Amber LaPointe, City Clerk, 66 Charlotte Street, Port Colborne, Ontario, L3K 3C8.

A copy of the Department's Public Meeting Report will be available for inspection on November 21, 2019 in the Clerk's Division, located on the First Floor, 66 Charlotte Street, Port Colborne, Ontario, or on the City's website at www.portcolborne.ca under "Council Agendas".

LEGAL NOTICE

Sections 22 and 34 of the Planning Act

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the City of Port Colborne before a decision on the proposed Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments are passed by Council, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the City of Port Colborne Council to Local Planning Appeal Tribunal. If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or make written submission to the City of Port Colborne before a decision on the proposed Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments are passed by Council, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there is reasonable grounds to do so. If you wish to be notified of the decision of City Council in respect to the proposed by-law you must make a written request to the City Clerk.

Dated at the City of Port Colborne this 24th day of October, 2019.

Local Planning Appeal Tribunal
Tribunal d'appel de l'aménagement
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ISSUE DATE: November 06, 2019

CASE NO(S): PL180873

The Ontario Municipal Board (the "OMB") is continued under the name Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (the "Tribunal"), and any reference to the Ontario Municipal Board or Board in any publication of the Tribunal is deemed to be a reference to the Tribunal.

PROCEEDING COMMENCED UNDER subsection 45(12) of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, as amended

Appellant:	Larry Fisher
Applicant:	Brian Grant
Subject:	Minor Variance
Variance from By-law No.:	034-2014
Property Address/Description:	12180 Lakeshore Road
Municipality:	Township of Wainfleet
Municipal File No.:	A12/2018W
LPAT Case No.:	PL180873
LPAT File No.:	PL180873
LPAT Case Name:	Fisher v. Wainfleet (Township)

Heard: March 25, 2019 in Wainfleet, Ontario

APPEARANCES:

Parties

Representative

Larry Fisher

Self-represented

Brian Grant

Joel Rypstra

**MEMORANDUM OF ORAL DECISION DELIVERED BY JOHN DOUGLAS ON
MARCH 25, 2019 AND ORDER OF THE TRIBUNAL**

BACKGROUND

[1] This was a hearing in the matter of an appeal under s. 45(12) of the *Planning Act* (the "Act") by Larry Fisher (the "Appellant"), of a decision of the Township of Wainfleet (the "Township") Committee of Adjustment (the "Committee") to approve an application for minor variance made by Brian Grant (the "Applicant").

[2] Neither the Applicant nor the Appellant were represented by Council, nor did either arrive at the hearing with an expert witness to provide land use planning evidence. It became apparent that both the Applicant and the Appellant had a limited layperson's understanding of the planning system particularly with respect to minor variances. It was also apparent that there had been little to no discussion between the parties prior to the hearing.

[3] The Township was not represented at the hearing. However, Sarah Ivins, the Township's planner attended the hearing as an observer.

[4] The Tribunal adjourned briefly and suggested that the parties may wish to take that time to have a discussion. The Tribunal asked Ms. Ivins if she could act as a resource to the parties to provide objective information if they needed it. The parties indicated that they would use the time to have a discussion and welcomed the assistance of Ms. Ivins.

[5] By the time the Tribunal reconvened, the parties, with the assistance of Ms. Ivins, had reached an agreement, which is set out in the following:

That the applicant agrees to provide contact information to the appellant in the event that issues arise regarding noise and behaviour on the subject property;

And that the applicant agrees to permit the Township of Wainfleet to review the site plan drawing and site plan agreement with the appellant prior to the issuance of approval of the site plan;

And that the appellant be given the opportunity to comment on the site plan to address any concerns that the appellant may have;

And that the applicant agrees to install glass panelling on the railing on the front porch of the building;

And that the entrance to the subject property be located to lessen the impact from vehicle lighting on the subject property to the appellant's property across the street;

And that the applicant agrees to provide a changeroom for the public to use.

[6] The Tribunal asked Ms. Ivins to take the stand and provide background and expert planning opinion evidence in this matter. Ms. Ivins was affirmed and qualified by the Tribunal to provide expert land use opinion evidence in this matter.

The Subject Property and Proposal

[7] The subject property is located on the north side of Lakeshore Road and is known municipally as 12180 Lakeshore Road. The property is "L" shaped with the top of the "L" fronting on Lakeshore Road. The existing building, Long Beach Convenience, is a snack bar. The building is setback approximately 32 metres ("m") from Lakeshore Road. Much of the subject property between the existing building and Lakeshore Road is surface parking. The subject property is located within walking distance of a popular beach on the shore of Lake Erie. During the summer months, visitors use the surface parking at the subject sight as a staging point to visit the beach.

[8] The Applicant is proposing a second storey addition over the footprint of the existing commercial building with covered porches at the front and rear of the building. The proposed addition exceeds the maximum gross floor area for a dwelling unit. The existing building also does not comply with the exterior side yard and rear yard setbacks.

[9] Relief is sought from the following provisions of the Township of Wainfleet Zoning By-law ("ZBL") No. 034-2014:

Section of the ZBL	ZBL Requirement	Requested by Applicant	Difference
8.1 Permitted Uses Commercial Zones – Table 13. Q1 (a) Dwelling unit as a secondary unit	Dwelling units are permitted as a secondary use on a lot provided: a) The gross floor area of the dwelling unit is less than or equal to 50% of the gross floor area of the primary commercial use.	Gross floor area of the dwelling unit equal to 100% of the gross floor area of the primary commercial use (entire second storey)	50%
8.2 – Table 14: Minimum Exterior Side Yard	12 m	3.2 m	8.8 m
8.2 – Table 14: Minimum Rear Yard Abutting a Residential Zone	14 m	10 m	4 m

[10] The application was amended slightly through the agreement by adding a changeroom on the main floor of the building to provide a place for visitors to change before walking to the beach.

ISSUES

[11] When considering a minor variance, the Tribunal must consider the four-part test set out in s. 45(1) of the Act:

1. Does the variance maintain the general intent and purpose of the official plan?

2. Does the variance maintain the general intent and purpose of the zoning by-law?
3. Is the variance desirable for the appropriate development or use of the land?
4. Is the variance minor?

[12] The Tribunal must also determine whether the minor variances are consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement, 2014 (the "PPS") and conforms to the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe (the "Growth Plan").

[13] Since this matter was heard, the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe 2017 (the "Growth Plan") has been replaced by the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe 2019. Ontario Regulation ("O. Reg.") 311/06 addresses Transitional Matters with respect to the Growth Plan. Section 2.1(2) of the O. Reg. 311/06 states:

2.1(2) Where section 3 requires a matter to be continued and disposed of in accordance with the Plan and the matter was commenced before May 16, 2019, the requirement shall be read as a requirement that the matter be continued and disposed of in accordance with the 2017 Growth Plan as it read before its revocation if, on May 16, 2019, the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal or a joint board has completed its hearing of the matter but reserved its final decision.

[14] Having been heard on March 25, 2019, the Growth Plan 2017 applies in this matter.

[15] Ms. Ivins testified that, in her opinion, the development of the subject land with the proposed variances is consistent with the PPS and conforms with the Growth Plan 2017.

[16] The Tribunal accepts Ms. Ivins uncontested evidence that the application is consistent with the PPS and that it conforms to the Growth Plan.

ANALYSIS AND FINDINGS

General Intent and Purpose of the Official Plan (“OP”)

[17] The subject property is designated as Rural Area in the Region of Niagara (the “Region”) OP. The Rural Area designation permits a variety of non-agricultural development of low intensity uses such as non-farm residential uses, recreational uses and small scale commercial and institutional uses.

[18] The subject property is designated Tourist Commercial in the Township OP. Permitted Uses in the Tourist Commercial designation include restaurants, personal services, food markets, convenience stores, tourist accommodation and other small-scale retail stores oriented to the tourist trade.

[19] Ms. Ivins testified that the development and use of the subject lands with the three proposed variances maintain the general intent and purpose of the Region and Township OPs.

General Intent and Purpose of the Zoning By-law

[20] Under the Township Zoning By-law No. 034-2014, the subject property is zoned Tourist Commercial (C2). Permitted uses in the C2 zone include antique shop, motel or hotel, personal service shop, restaurants, food markets, convenience retail stores, tourist shop, existing dwellings and enlargement thereof, and permitted secondary uses include a dwelling unit as a secondary use.

[21] Ms. Ivins testified that while the proposed dwelling unit is larger than permitted under the ZBL, it is her opinion that the predominant use of the building remains commercial. She also noted that the existing building currently does not comply with the required exterior side yard and rear yard setbacks. The variances for the exterior side yard and rear yard setbacks will recognize these existing reduced setbacks.

[22] Ms. Ivins testified that, in her opinion, the development of the subject lands with the three proposed variances maintains the general intent and purpose of the ZBL.

Minor and Desirable

[23] The Appellant's concerns with the proposed development included impacts on his property related to the use of the subject property. During the summer months many visitors park on the subject property and walk to the beach on Lake Erie. He said because there is no change room on the subject property, visitors will often change in the parking lot, and this has happened in front of members of his family when they are visiting. Concerns also included headlights shining into his windows when vehicles leave the subject property at night. The Appellant also noted that at other times of the year cars will park on the subject property play, music and party. He thought that this was with the knowledge and permission of the owners but found out at the hearing that this has been a problem for them as well. The Appellant's concerns were largely addressed through the agreement reached with the Applicant.

[24] Ms. Ivins testified that the proposed variances with respect to the side yard and rear yard setbacks recognize an existing condition for the building. There is no impact associated with these variances. Ms. Ivins noted that there is an existing residential component within the existing building. By moving the residential space to a second floor, the application provides for more commercial space on the main floor of the building in addition to adding a change room on the main floor to provide an appropriate place for visitors to change before heading to the beach.

[25] Ms. Ivins opined that the development of the subject lands with the proposed variances would have no impacts, was minor in nature and was desirable for the appropriate development and use of the subject property.

[26] Ms. Ivins testified that the three variances individually and collectively met the four tests under s. 45(1) of the Act.

CONCLUSION

[27] Upon the findings made, Ms. Ivins unchallenged planning evidence, and the whole of the evidence inclusive of the documentary record, the Tribunal finds that the proposed variances have had regard to any matters of provincial interest identified in the Act, are consistent with the PPS 2014, conform with the Growth Plan 2017, meet the four tests set out in s. 45(1) of the *Planning Act*, and represent good planning in the public interest. For these reasons, the Tribunal dismisses the appeal and authorizes the variances.

ORDER

[28] The Tribunal orders that the appeal is dismissed and the variances to Zoning By-law No. 034-2014 are authorized.

“John Douglas”

JOHN DOUGLAS
MEMBER

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Local Planning Appeal Tribunal

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November 6, 2019

Kevin Gibson
Mayor
Township of Wainfleet
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Wainfleet, ON L0S 1V0

Re: Sarah Ivins - Graduate of AMCTO's Diploma in Municipal Administration

Dear Mayor Gibson:

On behalf of the Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO), I am extremely pleased to announce that **Sarah Ivins** has successfully graduated from the Association's Diploma in Municipal Administration. We believe that this is a tremendous accomplishment and should be regarded with pride by your municipality.

Founded in 1938, with a membership of more than 2,200 municipal professionals across the province, AMCTO is proud to be the largest municipal professional association in Ontario, with the mandate to provide high quality education and professional development programs in order to foster municipal excellence in the province.

The Diploma in Municipal Administration is one of our career development programs that are designed to provide an academic foundation specifically for Ontario's municipal professionals. Graduates of this Diploma Program are informed professionals with a comprehensive understanding of the complex and rapidly evolving municipal environment, who can immediately implement their knowledge and thus, have an integrated and positive impact on any municipal corporation.

To graduate from this diploma **Sarah Ivins** has successfully completed the four elements:

- Municipal Administration Program
- Municipal Accounting and Finance Program
- Municipal Law Program, and
- Employment Law and Human Resources Program for Municipalities

We hope that you, and your colleagues on Council, will join us in congratulating **Sarah Ivins** on this significant achievement.

Sincerely,

Andy Koopmans, CPA, CMA, CMO
Executive Director

cc: Sarah Ivins

AMCTO (ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPAL MANAGERS, CLERKS AND TREASURERS OF ONTARIO)

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November 1st, 2019

Re: Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority 2018 Annual Report & 2019 Q1 Report

Dear Kevin Gibson,

On behalf of the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority (NPCA), I am pleased to share with you copies of our 2018 Annual and 2019 Q1 Reports.

In 2018, NPCA received a report from the Auditor General of Ontario focusing on governance, programs and services.

In January 2019 a new Board of Directors, and subsequently a new Interim Chief Administrative Officer were ready to address the many excellent recommendations of the Auditor General. Some of the changes were minor, while others were of a much larger undertaking, but they have all culminated into a streamlined organization poised to celebrate another 60 years of conservation. With the help of the board of directors and staff, we have improved the budgetary process with our municipal partners, opened communication lines with media, community and partners, and implemented an organizational structure that meets the needs of the growing demand for our services. These changes in direction also allowed for a rebirth of restoration services within the NPCA jurisdiction, a program that was celebrated for its past-successes, which is now ready to provide much-needed expertise to the people we serve.

With the current and upcoming transition on all levels of government, we believe now more than ever, conservation authorities will be a unified and effective voice as provincial leaders in watershed management. This environmental leadership and stewardship continue to be essential, not only for the current ongoing management of our mandate and natural resources, but also for the unforeseen future this responsibility holds in store for us.

We would like to thank you our many partners personally for your unwavering support and partnership over the past 60 years, and it will be our pleasure to work with you moving forward as we celebrate the future of the Niagara Peninsula watershed.

Yours in conservation,

Dave Bylsma



Chair

D. Gayle Wood



Interim CAO & Secretary Treasurer

cc: Planning
By-law

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C-262-2019

Meredith Ciuffetelli

From: Roxy F [roxygft@gmail.com]
Sent: November-07-19 1:07 PM
To: Council
Subject: As a hamlet resident please amend the chicken bylaw

Hello,

My name is Roxanne Troscinski, I have already emailed and asked for the chicken bylaw to be amended or discontinued.

I have been a resident of Wainfleet almost all of the 37 years since I was born. We had a hobby farm when I grew up on side Rd 22 and we moved into the hamlet on hwy 3 across from the meridian credit union in the 1990s where we remain.

Our lot was classified as residential/farm taxable when we bought it. The house with a small barn which we were going to use for a horse.

The classification changed to residential full somewhere in 2002?

As far as the neighbour dispute on Mill Race, I believe the issues with the birds have now been accommodated by the bird owners, have they not? Why would their neighbour keep filing complaints to this day?

If I moved into a mostly rural township I would expect there to be farms and the possibility of animals being out. I grew up next to a chicken factory, now that's stinky when the blew our way, but u get used to it. It was there before we moved in.

I do hope the bylaw can be changed to allow chickens in the hamlets but no roosters. I don't even know why the bylaw came into effect in the first place. It seems silly for a farming town to outlaw farming.

In the hamlet are we allowed any farm animals?

Why would property have a barn if not to be used for farming?

What exotic animals live in Wainfleet?

A Bengal cat would be more dangerous to the public then a chicken.

It is a basic human right enforced by The United Nations that every person has access to nutritional food.

But the cost of highly nutritional food is too high and alot of families in Canada cannot afford to buy it at grocery stores.

Walmart sells a carton of free range cage free eggs for over \$6, and a chicken will lay an egg once a day everyday for less money spent.

If Niagara Falls can allow residents to own chickens then there are no reasons why Wainfleet cant. Niagara falls allowed up to 20 chickens in 2002, and up to 10 chickens in 2005 and they are smaller lots there then we here in Wainfleet.

Again I stress that a township should not outlaw chickens in the hamlets and only allow them outside the hamlets. I understand wanting to develop the land but what will happen when all the farms disappear in the region? We need farms. We will always need to eat. Farming is good for the environment, good to prevent climate change.

Please take in my opinions about the chicken by law seriously. I live here. I love living in "the country" and if I wanted to live in a city, I would move to a city.

Maybe the hamlet owners could vote to keep or discontinue or amend the chicken bylaw since it directly affects us. Or since Niagara falls has rules for chicken ownership that are enforced, I would like to see similar bylaws in Wainfleet.

Thank you for your time,
Roxanne Troscinski
A resident who was raised in Wainfleet

On Fri, Nov 1, 2019, 5:46 AM Roxy F, <roxygft@gmail.com> wrote:

Dear Council,

I ask for a motion to reconsider report PSR-011/2019.

It is a human right for access to nutritional food. Chicken eggs are full of vitamins and protein, and cost very little to produce.

cc: Building
By-law
SLT

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Township of Perry

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November 8, 2019

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

Dear Premier Ford:

RE: Transforming and Modernizing the Delivery of Ontario's Building Code

Please be advised that the Council of the Township of Perry, at its meeting held on November 6, 2019, passed the following resolution:

Resolution No. 2019-420

Moved by: Joe Lumley

Seconded by: Jim Cushman

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has legislated in the Building Code Act that "the council of each municipality is responsible for the enforcement of this Act in the municipality" and "the council of each municipality shall appoint a chief building official and such inspectors as are necessary for the enforcement of this Act in the areas in which the municipality has jurisdiction",

AND WHEREAS "the council of a municipality may pass by-laws applicable to the matters for which and in the area in which the municipality has jurisdiction for the enforcement of this Act",

AND WHEREAS the Province has asked local municipal governments to find efficient and cost effective ways to deliver municipal services is now asking these same municipalities to collect a tax on their behalf to create a new "Delegated Administrative Authority" to deliver services that have historically been the responsibility of the Ontario Government,

AND WHEREAS Premier Ford stated in his keynote address at the Association of Ontario Municipalities 2019 Conference that "we can't continue throwing money at the problem (broken systems) as our predecessors did, into top-down, big government schemes. That is neither compassionate nor sustainable",

AND WHEREAS alternative methods of building administration and enforcement have been proposed in this consultation that remove municipal authority but not the associated liability,

NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of Perry requests that the Province of Ontario research their own efficient and cost effective means to deliver their own services, work with current building sector groups that, for the past fifteen years, have been filling the voids as the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing has severely reduced its service delivery role and provide documented evidence based justification to all Ontario municipalities that the creation of a new "Delegated Administrative Authority" is necessary prior to any legislative changes to the Building Code Act, with regard to building service delivery, are introduced in the Legislature; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT a copy of this motion be sent to The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, The Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, The Honourable Jim McDonnell, Parliamentary Assistant for Municipal Affairs and Housing and The Honourable Norm Miller MPP for Parry Sound Muskoka; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT a copy of this motion be sent to the Associations of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario Municipalities for their consideration.

Carried.

Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

Yours truly,



Beth Morton
Clerk-Administrator

BM/ec

cc: The Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
The Honourable Jim McDonnell, Parliamentary Assistant for Municipal Affairs and Housing
The Honourable Norm Miller, MPP, Parry Sound-Muskoka
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
All Ontario Municipalities

Meredith Ciuffetelli

From: Maria Kievit [mariakievit@sympatico.ca]
Sent: November-12-19 12:43 PM
To: Meredith Ciuffetelli
Subject: Wainfleet Firehall Rental

Hi, Meredith,

I was wondering if you could bring this in front of council.

The Wainfleet Agricultural Society would like to know if the fees can be waived for the rental of the Firehall, which they used for their Volunteer dinner Nov 2nd. We have for a number of years now been able to get for free thru the firefighters, but since some rules changed or got tightened, the firefighters can only use it for their personal use. This would leave us with a fairly hefty bill to pay for a volunteer dinner, and thus we are asking the township to waive the fees for the event.

Thanks,

Maria Kievit
Wainfleet Agricultural Society director

C-245-2019

Meredith Ciuffetelli

From: Stephanie Troscinski [s_swifty77@hotmail.com]
Sent: November-12-19 12:22 PM
To: Council
Subject: Council meeting

Dear Council,

Looked over your agenda for your meeting and the chicken by-law is NOT on it! We were told you were planning to re-adress this issue at this meeting! Thank you for feeding us a lie and NOT doing what you said you would and having us loose our chickens and our source of food!!!



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October 30, 2019

Hon Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
Premier's Office
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Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

BY EMAIL ONLY

Dear Premier:

Re: Resolution from the Township of Springwater – Conservation Authority Levies

Please be advised that the Council of the Town of Wasaga Beach, during their October 29, 2019 Council meeting and at the request of the Township of Springwater, adopted the following resolution:

"Whereas the Township of Springwater supports the objects of balance on conservation, environmental stewardship, and sustainability to anchor its operations, planning, services, and strategic vision;

And Whereas the Township of Springwater understands the need for both the Province and its municipalities to deliver clear, costed, and sustainable programs and services for taxpayers;

And Whereas both tiers of government must assess all programs and services to eliminate duplication and balance costs on tests of affordability, health, safety, and environmental stewardship;

And Whereas the Minister of Environment, Conservation, and Parks signaled on August 16, 2019 of a need for conservation authorities to re-focus their operations related to core mandates as currently defined in the Conservation Authorities Act, 1990, R.S.O. 1990, c. C.27 and its prescribed regulations;

And Whereas the Minister of Environment, Conservation, and Parks signaled on August 16, 2019 that Conservation Authorities should not proceed with any increases to fees or levies;

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Planning: 429-3847

Building: 429-1120
By-Law: 429-2511
Parks & Rec: 429-3321

Arena: 429-0412
Public Works: 429-2540
Fire Department: 429-5281

Therefore Be It Resolved That the Township of Springwater supports any Provincial effort to require its municipal levy only apply to core mandated programs and services;

And That this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, the Minister of the Environment, Conservation, and Parks, the Honourable Jeff Yurek, the County of Simcoe, all Ontario municipalities, the NVCA and Ontario's other 35 Conservation Authorities, and Conservation Ontario, signaling the Township of Springwater's support of the Province's review, consultations and development of an updated Conservation Authorities Act and the willingness to participate in all consultations and submissions to the same."

Your favourable consideration of this matter is appreciated.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at cao@wasagabeach.com or (705) 429-3844 Ext. 2222.

Sincerely



George Vadeboncoeur
Chief Administrative Officer

Enclosure.

- c. Hon. Jeff Yurek, Minister of the Environment, Conservations, and Parks
County of Simcoe
Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority
Ontario Conservation Authorities
All Ontario Municipalities

October 21, 2019

Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority
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RE: Conservation Authority Levies

Please be advised that at its meeting of October 16, 2019, Council of the Township of Springwater passed the following resolution:

C456-2019

Moved by: Coughlin
Seconded by: Cabral

Whereas the Township of Springwater supports the objects of balance on conservation, environmental stewardship, and sustainability to anchor its operations, planning, services, and strategic vision;

And Whereas the Township of Springwater understands the need for both the Province and its municipalities to deliver clear, costed, and sustainable programs and services for taxpayers;

And Whereas both tiers of government must assess all programs and services to eliminate duplication and balance costs on tests of affordability, health, safety, and environmental stewardship;

And Whereas the Minister of Environment, Conservation, and Parks signaled on August 16, 2019 of a need for conservation authorities to re-focus their operations related to core mandates as currently defined in the Conservation Authorities Act, 1990, R.S.O. 1990, c. C.27 and its prescribed regulations;

And Whereas the Minister of Environment, Conservation, and Parks signaled on August 16, 2019 that Conservation Authorities should not proceed with any increases to fees or levies;

Therefore Be It Resolved That the Township of Springwater supports any Provincial effort to require its municipal levy only apply to core mandated programs and services;

And That this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, the Minister of the Environment, Conservation, and Parks, the Honourable Jeff Yurek, the County of Simcoe, all Ontario municipalities, the NVCA and Ontario's other 35 Conservation Authorities, and Conservation Ontario, signaling the Township of Springwater's

support of the Province's review, consultations and development of an updated Conservation Authorities Act and the willingness to participate in all consultations and submissions to the same.

Carried

Sincerely,



Renée Chaperon
Clerk
/cp

cc. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Jeff Yurek, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks
The County of Simcoe
Conservation Ontario
Ontario municipalities
Ontario Conservation Authorities



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November 12, 2019

Mayor Kevin Gibson and Wainfleet Council,
31940 ON-3, Wainfleet, L0S 1V0

Dear Mayor Gibson and Council,

The Wainfleet Historical Society asks the Wainfleet Council to consider purchasing a Vimy Oak for the cenotaph site.

Before the Great War of 1914-1918, Vimy Ridge in France was wooded with oak trees. These were destroyed by the fierce battles that took place there. A Canadian soldier, Lieutenant Leslie Miller, sent home some acorns from Vimy Ridge. They were planted on his farm in the Scarborough area where they grew to be mighty oaks. Now more than a hundred years later the Vimy Oak Legacy Corporation is repatriating saplings from Lt. Miller's oaks to a memorial park at Vimy. That organization is also making commemorative Vimy Ridge saplings available to municipalities and organizations to plant at cenotaphs and other heritage sites in Canada.

Purchase of a Vimy Oak sapling must include a donation in addition to the cost of the tree.

Further information and application forms are available at:
<https://vimyoakslegacy.ca/en/>

If, after studying the Vimy Oak Legacy website, you require more input, the Wainfleet Historical Society would be willing to make a deputation to Council.

Thank you for your consideration on the Vimy Oak Legacy project.

Respectfully yours,

Janet Hodgkins
Janet Hodgkins

President, Wainfleet Historical Society

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November 13, 2019

Re: Job Site Challenge

The Province of Ontario is pleased to announce the launch of the Job Site Challenge — an exciting new program open to property owners and land developers across the province.

The Job Site Challenge is a *mega site program* modelled on successful large-scale investment attraction opportunities created in a number of US states over the last decade. It is designed to create and showcase shovel-ready sites capable of attracting large-scale manufacturing investment. The government of Ontario will provide value-add services to increase the attractiveness of properties and market the sites to domestic and international investors.

This is an opportunity for municipalities, economic development agencies, real estate developers, industrial property owners and other interested parties to submit proposals to the Province identifying mega site candidates for consideration. With the assistance of an internationally recognized site selector, sites will be evaluated and selected, based on how well they meet a set of site eligibility criteria.

We are searching for sites ranging from 500 to 1,500 acres in size capable of supporting large-scale manufacturing operations. Specifically, sites that are or could be zoned for heavy industrial use and that are serviced or serviceable by utilities, transportation and other infrastructure.

Program participants of selected sites will benefit from:

- Validation and endorsement of their site by an internationally recognized site selector
- Promotion and marketing by both the Province and the site selector to international and domestic investors
- Streamlined approvals review process for applicable provincial licences, permits and environmental approvals required to develop and service a site.

As the first of its kind in Canada, the Job Site Challenge is intended to raise Ontario's profile and improve our attractiveness internationally — so that we can compete with other North American jurisdictions for coveted large-scale investments in automotive and other advanced manufacturing and create good, high-paying jobs for the people of Ontario.

To participate, applicants are asked to submit a detailed proposal for consideration by March 31, 2020. We are asking participants to put forward their “best case” with sites that meet the specified criteria.

All necessary information about the Job Site Challenge, including site eligibility criteria, is available in the program application guide which can be requested by email at burdenreductionteam@ontario.ca.

Should you have any questions about the program or how to apply, please contact the Ministry of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade — Small Business and Red Tape Reduction at the email noted above. You can also visit the [Job Site Challenge website](#) for additional information.

Thank you for your interest in the Job Site Challenge. We look forward to working with interested program participants.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Giles Gherson", written over a horizontal line.

Giles Gherson
Deputy Minister

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November 12, 2019

Dear Municipal Administrator,

Further to the November 1, 2019 letter from the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, I am writing to provide additional information about Ontario's new Municipal Modernization Program and advise that Intake 1 under the program is now open.

Under the Municipal Modernization Program, the province is making up to \$125 million available through 2022-23 to help 405 small and rural municipalities conduct new service delivery reviews, implement recommendations from previous reviews and undertake a range of projects, such as IT solutions or process improvements, to achieve cost savings and efficiencies.

Program guidelines and an Expression of Interest form for Intake 1 of the program are attached. Eligible projects under Intake 1 are reviews of municipal service delivery expenditures by independent third-party reviewers that will be completed by June 30, 2020. I encourage you to consider how your municipality might benefit from participation in Intake 1 of the Municipal Modernization Program and submit an Expression of Interest by December 6, 2019. Please see the attached guidelines for details about the program and how to apply.

Under future intakes of the program, municipalities will have the opportunity to apply for projects aimed at implementing service delivery efficiencies to achieve cost savings, in addition to service delivery reviews. Intake 2 under the program is planned for Spring/Summer 2020, with additional intakes expected through 2022-23. Participation in Intake 1 is not a requirement for participation in future intakes.

I look forward to continuing to work together to support your municipality in delivering efficient, effective and modern services for your residents. If you have questions about the program, I encourage you to reach out to your Municipal Services Office contact or email the ministry at Municipal.Programs@ontario.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Wallace", written over a horizontal line.

Marcia Wallace
Assistant Deputy Minister

c. Municipal Treasurer



Municipal Modernization Program

Intake 1 Program Guidelines

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Ontario is helping municipalities become more efficient and modernize service delivery while protecting front line jobs.

The 405 small and rural municipalities that received a *Municipal Modernization Payment* in March 2019 can now apply to the *Municipal Modernization Program* for funding to undertake expenditure reviews with the goal of finding service delivery efficiencies and lowering costs in the longer term.

Eligible municipalities can apply individually, or collectively with other eligible municipalities, to undertake independent third-party reviews similar to the *Managing Transformation: A Modernization Action Plan for Ontario* review of Ontario government expenditures.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible under Intake 1, a project must:

1. Be a review of municipal service delivery expenditures by an independent third-party reviewer for the purpose of finding savings and efficiencies. The review project could take a number of forms including:
 - a line-by-line review of the municipality's entire budget; or
 - a review of service delivery and modernization opportunities; or
 - a review of administrative processes to reduce costs.
2. Result in a report by the independent third-party reviewer that provides specific and actionable recommendations for cost savings and improved efficiencies.
3. Begin field work no earlier than November 1, 2019, with a draft report completed by June 15, 2020 and the final report posted publicly by June 30, 2020.

It is anticipated that most review projects will be between \$20,000 and \$200,000. Proposals will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis and funding amounts may depend on the available appropriation. Only third-party service provider fees will be eligible. Municipal administrative costs, such as staff time, are not eligible.

The program will not cover review projects where:

- the goal is to identify opportunities for revenue generation or reductions in front line services; or
- the review does not result in a formal report prepared by a third party; or
- the object of the review extends beyond municipal accountability.

HOW TO APPLY

1. Advise your Municipal Services Office contact of your intention to apply by **November 22, 2019**.
2. Submit your completed Municipal Modernization Program: Expression of Interest form and applicable supporting documentation to Municipal.Programs@ontario.ca by **December 6, 2019**.

HOW IT WORKS

The ministry will advise municipalities of the outcomes of their applications by mid-January. If your application is approved, a proposed transfer payment agreement with the ministry will be sent to confirm the funding amount and set out the terms, including reporting requirements and a payment schedule. Municipalities will receive an initial payment following full execution of a transfer payment agreement and a final payment after submission of a final report.

PROGRAM TIMELINE

November 22, 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Advise your Municipal Services Office of your municipality's intention to apply.
December 6, 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Submit your Expression of Interest and any supporting documentation to Municipal.Programs@ontario.ca.
January-February, 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Learn whether your application is approved. If it is approved, enter into a transfer payment agreement for project funding, and receive an initial payment once the agreement is executed.
June 15, 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Submit your third-party reviewer's draft report to the ministry.
June 30, 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Post the third-party reviewer's final report online and submit your final report to the ministry. The final report will include: a hyperlink to the publicly posted third-party reviewer's report; the amount paid to the third-party reviewer and a copy of the invoice; a statement of the total amount of expenditures reviewed and the total amount identified as potential savings; and a 250-word abstract of the project and its findings.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Municipalities can direct program questions to Municipal.Programs@ontario.ca or contact their regional Municipal Services Office for further information.

Central Region – Toronto

Tel: 416-585-6226 or
1-800-668-0230

Western Region – London

Tel: 519-873-4020 or
1-800-265-4736

Eastern Region – Kingston

Tel: 613-545-2100 or
1-800-267-9438

Northern Region - Sudbury

Tel: 705-564-0120 or
1-800-461-1193

Northern Region – Thunder Bay

Tel: 807-475-1651 or
1-800-465-5027



Municipal Modernization Program Intake 1: Expression of Interest

- 1) Please complete all the required fields of this Expression of Interest.
- 2) Ensure that the completed Expression of Interest has been declared to by the appropriate municipal staff.
- 3) Please save this Expression of Interest form and e-mail it to Municipal.Programs@ontario.ca by **December 6, 2019**. Attach any applicable supporting documentation as separate documents.

Key Information

Title of Proposed Service Delivery Review Project	
Legal Name of Municipality	
Mailing Address	
Name of Primary Contact	Position Title
Email Address	Telephone Number

Declaration

I declare that all the information that is being submitted in this Expression of Interest is to the best of my knowledge true and correct.

I declare that I have the authority to submit this Expression of Interest.

I acknowledge that it is a program requirement that the proposed third-party review project result report be publicly posted by June 30, 2020.

I acknowledge that it is a program requirement that field work covered by this Expression of Interest must not have begun before November 1, 2019.

I confirm that identifying opportunities for revenue generation or reductions in front line services is not the goal of the proposed review project.

Name of Signatory (TYPE)	Position Title (TYPE)	Date (DD/MM/YYYY)
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Proposed Service Delivery Review Project

Provide a brief description of your proposed third-party review project, including the objectives and expected outcomes related to service delivery efficiencies and cost savings. If applicable, attach supporting documentation such as a request for proposals or a project charter.

Proposed Service Delivery Review Project

What is the anticipated cost of your proposed third-party review project? **Note:** only the cost of a third-party service provider may be included. Briefly describe the basis for your cost estimate. If applicable, attach supporting documentation such as a contract or vendor of record agreement.

What are the anticipated start date and end date for the third-party review?

Has your council passed a resolution demonstrating support for the proposed third-party review project?

Yes (If yes, please attach a copy.)

No

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POLICY UPDATE

November 14, 2019

Monday Launch for Public Health and Emergency Health Services Consultation

The Ministry of Health is launching consultations on Public Health and Emergency Health Services modernization with a webinar on Monday, November 18 from 10 to 11 a.m. The details and coordinates to join the webinar are found below.

This is the beginning of the Ministry's broader consultation with municipal governments, Boards of Health, local Public Health agencies, EMS services, and other stakeholders. AMO will work with our members, the Ministry of Health and the Municipal Advisor, Jim Pine, throughout the process to bring forward practical solutions for public health and emergency health services that work best for residents, communities, and municipal governments.

To participate in the Ministry of Health webinar:

Date: Monday November 18, 2019

Time: 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Webinar Registration Link: <https://livewebcast.ca/ModernizationwebinarNov18>

AMO Contacts:

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WAINFLEET		Monthly Statistics 2019											
Welland & District SPCA													
"We speak for those who cannot speak for themselves"													
Calls Received	Totals	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Stray Dogs	11	2	2	1	1	0	1	3	1	0			
Stray Cats	3	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0			
Wild life	41	2	11	8	7	6	3	2	1	1			
Bylaw Infractions	124	16	9	10	12	14	15	20	16	12			
Cruelty Complaints	8	2	2	1	0	1	2						
Provision Of Needs	2							1	1	0			
Dog Bites	3	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0			
*Other	104	8	12	8	12	13	18	10	9	14			
Monthly Totals		30	38	28	32	34	42	37	28	27	0	0	0
Annual Total	296												
Mileage	6438	632	570	571	602	610	826	821	884	922			
Patrols	206	21	19	19	21	19	21	26	29	31			
* Property inspections, Checkbacks emergencies NRP/FIRE etc.O/F													

Shelter Services													
Admissions													
	Total	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Stray Dogs	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1			
Stray Cats	61	3	0	6	1	10	25	4	6	6			
Owner surrendered	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0			
wildlife	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0			
Monthly Totals		3	0	6	2	10	26	5	7	7	0	0	0
Annual Total	66												
Adoptions													
	Total	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Dogs	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3			
Cats	38	3	2	4	1	0	13	10	3	2			
Monthly Totals		3	2	4	1	0	13	10	4	5	0	0	0
Annual Total	42												
Claimed													
	Total	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Dogs	12	2	0	1	3	0	1	4	0	1			
Cats	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Monthly Totals		2	0	1	3	0	1	4	0	1	0	0	0
Annual Total	12												
Wildlife													
	Total	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Transferred	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Released	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0			
Monthly Totals		0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Annual Total	1												
Euthanised													
	Total	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Dogs	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Cats	11	0	2	0	1	1	1	5	0	1			
Wildlife	25	1	9	2	6	4	1	1	0	1			
Monthly Totals		2	11	2	7	5	2	6	0	2	0	0	0
Annual Total	37												
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December