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Municipal Affairs
and Housing**

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February 28, 2020

Dear Head of Council:

RE: Provincial Policy Statement, 2020

Earlier today, the government of Ontario released the Provincial Policy Statement (PPS), 2020. The PPS is an important part of Ontario's land use planning system, setting out the provincial land use policy direction that guides municipal decision-making.

Municipalities play a key role in implementing provincial land use policies through local official plans, zoning by-laws and other planning decisions. The Planning Act requires that decisions on land use planning matters be "consistent with" PPS policies.

The PPS, 2020 supports implementation of **More Homes, More Choice**: Ontario's Housing Supply Action Plan and includes key changes to:

- Encourage an increase in the mix and supply of housing
- Protect the environment and public safety
- Reduce barriers and costs for development and provide greater certainty
- Support rural, northern and Indigenous communities
- Support the economy and job creation

The PPS, 2020 works together with other recent changes to the land use planning system – including changes to the Planning Act through Bill 108, More Homes, More Choice Act, 2019 and **A Place to Grow**: Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe. Collectively, these changes support key government priorities of increasing housing supply, supporting job creation and reducing red tape – while continuing to protect Ontarians' health and safety and the environment, including the Greenbelt.

The PPS, 2020 policies will take effect on May 1, 2020. It will replace the Provincial Policy Statement, 2014. In accordance with section 3 of the Planning Act, all decisions affecting land use planning matters made after this date shall be consistent with the PPS, 2020. My ministry will be in touch to provide education and training for municipal staff to support implementation of the new policies.

For more information about the PPS, 2020, please visit ontario.ca/PPS where you will find:

- A digital version of the PPS, 2020
- A link to the decision notice on the Environment Registry of Ontario (ERO #019-0279)

If you have any questions about the Provincial Policy Statement, 2020, please contact the ministry at provincialplanning@ontario.ca or by calling 1-877-711-8208.

Sincerely,



Steve Clark
Minister

c: Planning Head, Planning Board Secretary-Treasurer, and/or Clerks



West Nipissing Ouest

March 3, 2020

SENT VIA E-MAIL

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

Honourable Premier Ford:

SUBJECT: PROVINCIALY SIGNIFICANT WETLANDS DESIGNATION

At its regular meeting held on February 25, 2020, Council for the Municipality of West Nipissing passed resolution **2020/080**, attached hereto. The resolution supports a request circulated by the Village of Merrickville-Wolford, asking the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry to respectfully review its practices and procedures to include a requirement to provide supporting evidence, to impacted municipalities, when designating Provincially Significant Wetlands within their boundaries.

We trust the enclosed is self-explanatory.

Respectfully,

Deputy Clerk / Assistant to the
Chief Administrative Officer

\Encl.

cc: Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA)
Ontario Municipalities



The Corporation of the Municipality of West Nipissing /
La Corporation de la Municipalité de Nipissing Ouest

Resolution No.

2020 / 0 8 0

FEBRUARY 25, 2020

Moved by / *Proposé par* :

Seconded by / *Appuyé par* :


WHEREAS the Municipality of West Nipissing received resolution no. R-029-20 from the Village of Merrickville-Wolford, attached hereto; pertaining to the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry’s practices and procedures when designating of Provincially Significant Wetlands;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of West Nipissing supports the Village of Merrickville-Wolford requesting that the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry to respectfully provide supporting evidence with respect to the expansion of wetlands designations within their boundaries;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of West Nipissing calls upon the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry to respectfully review its practices and procedures to include a requirement to provide supporting evidence, to impacted municipalities, when designating Provincially Significant Wetlands within their boundaries;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) and all Ontario municipalities.

	YEAS	NAYS
DUHAIME, Yvon		
FISHER, Christopher		
LARABIE, Roland		
MALETTE, Léo		
ROVEDA, Dan		
SÉGUIN, Jeremy		
SÉNÉCAL, Denis		
SÉNÉCAL, Lise		
SAVAGE, Joanne (MAYOR)		

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DEFEATED: _____

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VILLAGE OF MERRICKVILLE-WOLFORD

February 5, 2020

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

Dear Premier Ford:

Re: Provincially Significant Wetlands Designation

Please find attached the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford's Resolution No. R-029-20, with respect to the Village's concerns surrounding the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry's practices and procedures while implementing designations of Provincially Significant Wetlands.

While the attached resolution is tailored to a Village-specific issue, it is Council's position that the concerns expressed therein are being experienced by municipalities Province-wide.

Thank you in advance for the consideration that you give this matter.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Doug Robertson'.

Doug Robertson
CAO/Clerk/Director, Economic Development

c. Honourable John Yakabuski, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry
Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Andy Brown, CAO of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
Rural Ontario Municipal Association
All Ontario municipalities



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For Clerk's use only, if required:
Recorded Vote Requested By:

Cameron	Y	N
Foster	Y	N
Halpenny	Y	N
Molloy	Y	N
Struthers	Y	N

Resolution Number: R - 029 - 20

Date: January 27, 2020

Moved by: Cameron Foster Halpenny Molloy

Seconded by: Cameron Foster Halpenny Molloy

WHEREAS the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is endeavouring to adopt a new Official Plan as required per Section 17 of the *Planning Act* and the Village is required to incorporate the Provincial Policy Statements of the Act;

AND WHEREAS the Provincial Policy Statements require the Village to provide in its Official Plan the updated provisions of new and expanded Provincially Significant Wetlands designations;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is concerned that the expansion of these wetlands is detrimentally affecting certain landowners and the Village's assessment base;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is concerned that designations of Provincially Significant Wetlands have occurred throughout the Province of Ontario without the provision of supporting evidence;

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AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is concerned about the expansion of the Provincially Significant Wetlands in the Northeast quadrant of the Village;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is concerned that these wetlands designations have been expanded without the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry having provided to the Village supporting evidence to justify said expansion;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby respectfully request that the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry provide the Village with supporting evidence with respect to the expansion of these wetlands designations;

AND THAT the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry re-evaluate the subject properties without delay;

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Honourable Premier Doug Ford, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the Rural Ontario Municipal Association and all Ontario municipalities.

Carried / Defeated


J. Douglas Struthers, Mayor

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March 05, 2020

Your Worship Kevin Gibson
Township of Wainfleet
P.O. Box 40, 31940 Highway #3
Wainfleet, ON L0S1V0

Dear Mayor:

As the Chief of Emergency Management for Ontario, it is incumbent on me to monitor, coordinate and assist municipalities with their respective municipal emergency management programs in accordance with the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act (EMCPA). To confirm municipalities are in compliance with the EMCPA, every municipality in Ontario submits a compliance package to Emergency Management Ontario on a yearly basis.

The Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management (OFMEM) has reviewed the documentation submitted by your Community Emergency Management Coordinator (CEMC) and has determined that your municipality was compliant with the EMCPA in 2019.

The safety of your citizens is important, and one way to ensure that safety is to ensure that your municipality is prepared in case of an emergency. You are to be congratulated on your municipality's efforts in achieving compliance in 2019. I look forward to continuing to work with you to ensure your continued compliance in 2020.

If you have any questions or concerns about this letter, please contact your Emergency Management Field Officer; their contact information is below.

Name: Katrina Grantis
Email: Katrina.Grantis@ontario.ca
Phone: 647-828-3657

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. Browne", written over a horizontal line.

Douglas Browne
Chief of Emergency Management

cc: Morgan Alcock - CEMC
Katrina Grantis - Field Officer - Golden Horseshoe Sector

From: Usick, Karen [Karen.Usick@niagarahealth.on.ca]
Sent: February-13-20 1:13 PM
To: Meredith Ciuffetelli
Cc: Amber Dashwood
Subject: Mayors Invitation and Proclamation Request - World Hepatitis Day 2019
Attachments: WHD 2020 Proclamation - Wainfleet.pdf; WHD - 2020 (Street Blitz Flyer).jpg

Good afternoon Meredith and Amber

Happy New Year and I wish you all the best for an amazing 2020!

I am contacting you on behalf of our program with regards to our World Hepatitis Day event to be held on Friday July 24th, 2020. Our event will run from 1100-1500 and we would like to invite Mayor Gibson to join us and bring a message of support at our opening ceremony. I have attached our promotional flyer that will provide more details and information about the event. Last year there were over 60 programs represented at our health and social services fair with over 650 individuals from around the Niagara Region that attended. Many of the programs in attendance at the events health fair were regional programs such as ours.

As well.....I would like to invite you to join with the other municipalities from around Niagara and proclaim July 28th World Hepatitis Day in Wainfleet. I have attach our proposed proclamation for your review.

Thank you so very much for your ongoing support each year!

Hope you have a great day and wonderful Family Day weekend!

Warm regards,

Karen

Karen Usick – Reg. N

Hepatitis C Care Clinic | Community Coordinator

Niagara Health System | Addiction Services

Karen.Usick@NiagaraHealth.on.ca

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260 Sugarloaf Street, Port Colborne, ON L3K 2N7

HCCC Website Address - www.niagarahealth.on.ca/site/hepatitis-c-care

NHS Addiction Services - www.niagarahealth.on.ca/services/addiction-recovery

WORLD HEPATITIS DAY

July 28th, 2020

WHEREAS, an estimate of about 600,000 Canadians living with hepatitis B or C 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 28th, 2020 Hepatitis Awareness Day** in Wainfleet.

JOURNÉE DE SENSIBILISATION À L'HÉPATITE

Le 28 juillet 2020

ATTENDU QU'on estime à 600 000 le nombre de Canadiennes et de Canadiens vivant avec l'hépatite B ou C qui 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 de l'hépatite est une occasion de joindre des millions de Canadiennes et de Canadiens, 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 2020 Journée de sensibilisation à l'hépatite** à Wainfleet.

Kevin Gibson
Mayor / Maire

WORLD **HEPATITIS DAY**

Free Community Event With . . .

**Hepatitis C Testing
Prizes & Give Aways
Food & Refreshments
Community Health Fair
Live Music & Entertainment**

KNOW YOUR STA+US?

Get tested - Learn your options

Montebello Park - St Catharines

64 Ontario Street

Friday July 24, 2020

11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

For Clinic Information

Niagara Health System

Hepatitis C Care Clinic

905-378-4647 Ext 32554

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March 5, 2020

Re: **Supporting Conservation Authorities**

Please be advised that the following resolution was endorsed by Ajax Town Council at its Meeting held February 24, 2020:

WHEREAS, the Town of Ajax is committed to planning for a sustainable future, protecting human life and property from natural hazards, and promoting environmental education and stewardship;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Ajax is located within the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) and the Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority (CLOCA) jurisdiction and has representatives on both Board of Directors;

AND WHEREAS each respective Board of Directors determine the policies, priorities and budget of the TRCA and CLOCA;

AND WHEREAS the TRCA and CLOCA provide valuable non-mandatory programs and services including expert advice on the environmental impacts associated with land use planning and source water protection, environmental restoration services, educational and recreational opportunities, and community engagement programs, in an efficient manner delivered at a watershed scale;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Ajax supports the continuation of both mandatory and non-mandatory programs and services provided by the TRCA and CLOCA, and that no programs or services of the TRCA or CLOCA, or the other Conservation Authorities in Ontario be "wound down" at this time;

AND THAT the Province engage in early consultations with the TRCA, CLOCA, and other Conservation Authorities, and member municipalities including the Region of Durham, to fully understand the funding structure and local benefits of programs delivered by the Conservation Authorities;

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; Jeff Yurek, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks; Rod Philips, MPP Ajax; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario; the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority; Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority; Conservation Ontario; and all Ontario Municipalities.

If you require any additional information please do not hesitate to contact Sean McCullough, Senior Planner, at 905-619-2529 ext. 3234 or sean.mccullough@ajax.ca

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "S. Moore". The signature is written in black ink on a white background.

Sarah Moore
Acting Manager of Legislative Services/Deputy Clerk

Copy: Jeff Yurek, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks
Rod Philips, MPP Ajax
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