



COUNCIL INFORMATION PACKAGE

SUMMARY

DECEMBER 23, 2022

1. **C-2022-239**
Correspondence received December 20, 2022 from the Wainfleet Township Public Library, respecting the January 2023 newsletter.
2. **C-2022-240**
Correspondence dated December 19, 2022 from the Township of Lake of Bays to the Municipality of Wawa, respecting a resolution of support regarding their resolution on Bill 3.
3. **C-2022-241**
Correspondence dated December 21, 2022 from the City of Cambridge to all Ontario municipalities, respecting opposition to Bill 23, More Homes Built Faster Act.
4. **C-2022-242**
Correspondence dated December 6, 2022 from Municipality of North Perth to, Hon. Doug Ford, Premier, Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and Hon. Michael Parsa, Associate Minister of Housing respecting Bill 23 More Homes Built Faster Act.
5. **C-2022-243**
Correspondence dated December 14, 2022 from Northumberland County respecting Bill 23 More Homes Built Faster Act.
6. **C-2022-244**
Correspondence dated December 21, 2022 from the Town of Plympton-Wyoming to CN Rail respecting support for the Township of Warwick resolution regarding contribution requirements under the Drainage Act.
7. **C-2022-245**
Correspondence dated December 22, 2022 from the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing respecting \ Bill 109, the More Homes for Everyone Act.

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JANUARY 2023 NEWSLETTER



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Hours:

Monday & Thursday:
10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday:
10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Saturday:
10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Sunday:
Closed



Our Library patrons are so talented!



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New and exciting things are happening at the Wainfleet Township Public Library!



** Wearing of CSA-approved helmets is strongly recommended.
* No hockey pucks allowed on ice during these skating times.*

Free Skate for Tots and Seniors

Wednesdays and Fridays from 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

Public Skating \$3.60/person (under 6 free)

Saturdays from 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.
(No public skating on January 21 and February 11)

Free P. A. Day Skates

January 3, 5 & 20, February 17, March 14 & 16 from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.



One-on-One Computer Training



**First hour FREE!
\$10.00 per hour thereafter.**

1 hour training sessions can be tailored to a program or topic of your choice.

Contact library staff for more information!

VISITING LIBRARY SERVICE

Are you or someone you know unable to visit the Library due to health reasons and/or physical limitations? The Library offers a visiting Library service designed specifically for those who cannot come to the Library. For further information or to schedule deliveries to your home, please call the Library at 905-899-1277.



What are you reading this winter?

Read on Libby.

Download the Libby app on your device. Log in with your Library card number and use the last 4 or 7 digits of your phone number for the password.



Wainfleet Township Public Library is part of Libraries in Niagara Cooperative (LiNC)

LiNC is a partnership of many Niagara public library systems and Niagara College to share resources and a catalogue system called Evergreen.

LiNC Public Libraries include: Lincoln Pelham, Fort Erie, Niagara-on-the-Lake, Thorold, Grimsby, Welland, Port Colborne, West Lincoln and Wainfleet.

If you have a Wainfleet Township Public Library Card you are automatically a LiNC cardholder. You can visit any LiNC library and borrow in person, or you can place holds and have items sent to Wainfleet for pick up. Items can be returned to any of the LiNC Libraries. Books and audiobooks can be borrowed for 3 weeks; magazines and DVDs can be borrowed for 1 week.

The Library catalogue allows you to search our Library or the entire LiNC catalogue. You can place holds, renew items, create reading lists and track your reading history.

To access the catalogue, go to www.wainfleetlibrary.ca and click on Catalogue in the upper right corner. To sign in, enter your library card number and your password is either the last 4 digits or last 7 digits of your phone number.

Sign In

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Library Card Number

PASSWORD
Last 4 or 7 digits of phone #

Stay signed in

Sign in

PROGRAMS

To sign up for programs that require registration, please visit <https://wainfleetlibrary.ca/programs/current-programs>. In the event of high registration, preference will be given to Wainfleet residents first. If you have registered and are no longer able to attend, please contact the library so we can offer the space to someone else.

Free Skate - Tuesday, January 3 & Thursday, January 5 from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Join our friends at the Wainfleet Arena for some free skating fun. Wearing of CSA-approved helmets is strongly recommended and no hockey pucks are allowed on ice during these skating times.



Paint by Sticker - Wednesday, January 4 at 10:30 a.m.

Join us for a new kind of art, paint by sticker! This program is suitable for school aged children. Spaces are limited, please register by Friday, December 30.



Do you want to paint a snowman? - Wednesday, January 4 at 2:00 p.m.

Join us as we guide you step by step in creating a beautiful snowman painting. This program is suitable for all ages.

Children under 10 must attend with a parent / guardian. Spaces are limited, please register by Friday, December 30.



Hot Chocolate Story Time and Craft - Thursday, January 5 from 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Join us for a cup of hot cocoa, a story and craft. This program is suitable for school aged children. Spaces are limited, please register by Tuesday, January 3.



Build Your Own Perpetual Calendar - Thursday, January 5 at 6:00 p.m.

Join us as we create a calendar that can be used for important dates year after year. This program is designed for anyone **ages 10 and up**. Spaces are limited, please register by Tuesday, January 3.

Drop-in Lego - Friday, January 6 from 10:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Come to the library with your friends and family and discover our amazing collection of Lego. This program will run all day on a drop in basis (**children must be supervised by their parents / caregivers**).



Homeschool Craft - Monday, January 9, 16, 23 & 30 at 10:30 a.m. and Friday, January 27 at 3:00 p.m.

Join us for one or all of these crafting programs just for our home school families. Registration required. Project details can be found in the registration form.



Winter Wonderland - Time for Tots & Craft - Thursday, January 12, 19 & 26 from 10:00 - 10:45 a.m.

Join us for stories, songs, activities and crafts for tots ages 4 months to 4 years and their caregivers. Spaces are limited, please register by Friday, January 6.



4-H Info Night - Thursday, January 12 at 6:00 p.m.

Join us as Ann Marie Chechalk provides current information about 4-H programming in our area. Spaces are limited, please register by Monday, January 9.

Paint It - Name Plaque! P. A. Day Program - Friday, January 20 from 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

We will be using a combination of paint and painters tape to create our own name plaques. This program is suitable for school aged children. Spaces are limited, please register by Friday, January 13.



Board Games P. A. Day Program - Friday, January 20 from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Join us for an afternoon of fun exploring our board game collection. This program is suitable for school aged children. Spaces are limited, please register by Friday, January 13.

Thursday Afternoon Book Club - Thursday, January 26 at 2:00 p.m.

This month's book is *Animal Farm* by George Orwell. Each participant will be loaned a copy of the current book. Registration is required.



Monday Evening Book Club - Monday, January 30 at 6:30 p.m.

This month's book is *The Whisper on the Night Wind* by Adam Shoalts. Each participant will be loaned a copy of the current book. Registration is required.





The Library has many board games and jigsaw puzzles available to borrow.

We are always adding more games to the collection so come check them out or place holds through the [catalogue](#).



E-RESOURCES

Find the e-resources on the front page of www.wainfleetlibrary.ca



PRINTING, COPYING, LAMINATING AND FAXING

Did you know you can come to the Library for your printing, copying, laminating and faxing?

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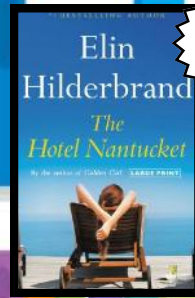
We offer black and white or colour printing and copying. Black and white starts at \$0.25 and colour starts at \$0.55. Quantities of 25+ and 100+ are discounted. We can copy and print up to 11 x 17" size.

LAMINATING

We laminate from card-size up to 11 x 17". The cost ranges from \$0.60 to \$2.60 per sheet depending on the size.

FAXING

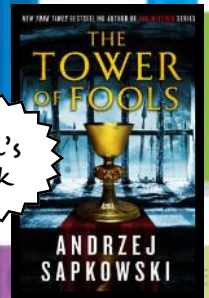
The cost to send or receive faxes is \$2.00 plus long distance charges if applicable. There is no limit on the amount of pages per fax.



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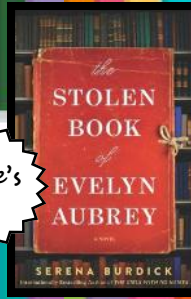
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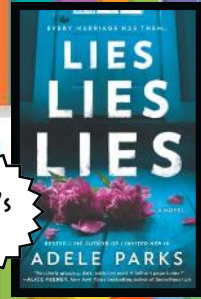
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Rosalie's Pick



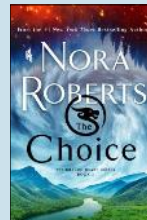
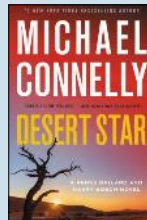
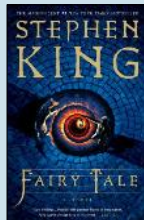
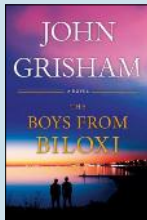
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Cheryl's Pick

NEW LIBRARY MATERIALS

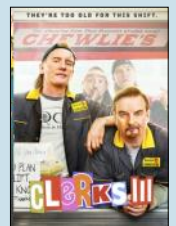
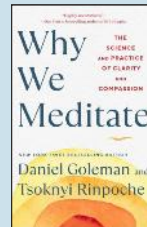
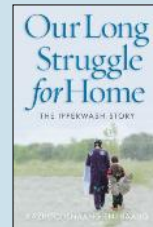
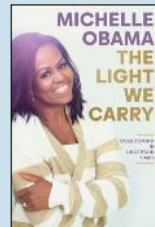
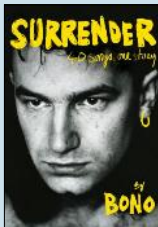
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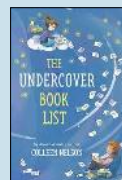
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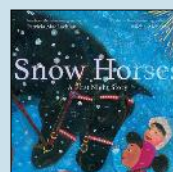
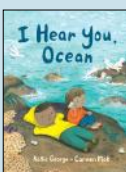
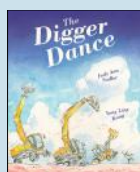
Adult Non-Fiction Books



Juvenile & YP Fiction Books



Juvenile Picture Books





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The Wainfleet Township Public Library Board guarantees equitable access to all with diverse opportunities for personal enrichment and lifelong learning.

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A new Library Board will be appointed before February's meeting. Library Board meetings are held the second Wednesday of February, April, May, June, September, October, November and December and are open to the public.

January 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 NEW YEAR'S DAY	2 CLOSED	3 2 p.m. Free Skate	4 10:30 a.m. Paint by Sticker 2 p.m. Snowman Painting	5 10:30 a.m. Story Time & Craft 2 p.m. Free Skate 6 p.m. Build Your Own Perpetual Calendar	6 10:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Drop-in Lego	7
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TOWNSHIP OF LAKE OF BAYS
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Received December 20, 2022
C-2022-240

December 19, 2022

Via email: slord@wawa.cc

Municipality of Wawa
Attn: Maury O'Neill, CAO/Clerk
40 Broadway Ave
Wawa, ON P0S 1K0

Dear: Mayor and Council

RE: Resolution of Support for Municipality of Wawa – re: Resolution regarding Bill 3, Strong Mayors, Building Homes Act, dated September 20, 2022

On behalf of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays, please be advised that the above-noted communication was presented at the last regularly scheduled Council meeting on December 13, 2022 and the following resolution was passed.

“Resolution TC/42/2022

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays hereby receives and supports the attached resolution from the Municipality of Wawa – re: Resolution regarding Bill 3, Strong Mayors, Building Homes Act, dated September 20, 2022.

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Municipality of Wawa, Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Hon. Graydon Smith, MPP for Simcoe-Muskoka, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and other Municipalities in Ontario.

Carried.”

In accordance with Council's direction, I am forwarding you a copy of the resolution for your reference. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or require clarification.

Sincerely,

Carrie Sykes, *Dipl. M.A., CMO, AOMC*,
Director of Corporate Services/Clerk

CS/v

Copy to: Premier of Ontario
Local member of Provincial Parliament
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Association of Municipalities
Municipalities in Ontario

Enclosure: Municipality of Wawa Resolution



The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

Tuesday, September 20, 2022

Resolution # RC22159	Meeting Order: 5
Moved by: <i>Cathy Cannon</i>	Seconded by: <i>M. Hatfield</i>

WHEREAS the Government of Ontario, through the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, has introduced Bill 3 which is described as "An Act to amend various statutes with respect to special powers and duties of heads of council";

AND WHEREAS this Bill, if enacted, will initially apply to the City of Toronto and City of Ottawa, but will later be expanded to include other municipalities according to a statement made by the Premier at the 2022 AMO annual conference;

AND WHEREAS this Bill, if enacted, will give Mayors additional authority and powers, and correspondingly take away authority and powers from Councils and professional staff, and will include giving the Mayor the authority to propose and adopt the Municipal budget and to veto some decisions of Council;

AND WHEREAS this Bill, if enacted, will give authority over professional staff to the Mayor, including that of the Chief Administrative Officer;

AND WHEREAS these changes will result in a reduction of independence for professional staff including the CAO, who currently provide objective information to the Council and public and will now take direction from the Mayor alone when the Mayor so directs;

AND WHEREAS these are surprising and unnecessary changes to the historical balance of power between a Mayor and Council, and which historically gave the final say in all matters to the will of the majority of the elected Council; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa does hereby pass this resolution to petition the Government of Ontario that:

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The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

1. These changes to the Municipal Act, 2001, are unnecessary and will negatively affect the Municipality of Wawa;
2. That if the Ontario Government deems these changes necessary in large single-tier municipalities such as Toronto and Ottawa, that such changes should not be implemented in smaller municipalities;
3. That the Ontario Government should enact legislation clarifying the role of Mayor, Council and Chief Administrative Officer, similar to those recommended by the Ontario Municipal Administrator's Association and those recommended by Justice Marrocco in the Collingwood judicial inquiry of 2020; and
4. That if the stated goal of this legislation is to construct more housing in Ontario that this can be accomplished through other means including amendment of the Planning Act and funding of more affordable housing.

FURTHER, Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa directs the Clerk to ensure that a copy of this resolution be provided to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the "Standing Committee on Heritage, Infrastructure and Cultural Policy", MPP for Algoma-Manitoulin – Kapuskasing, Michael Mantha, MPP, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and other Municipalities in Ontario."

RESOLUTION RESULT		RECORDED VOTE		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CARRIED	MAYOR AND COUNCIL	YES	NO
<input type="checkbox"/>	DEFEATED	Pat Tait		
<input type="checkbox"/>	TABLED	Cathy Cannon		
<input type="checkbox"/>	RECORDED VOTE (SEE RIGHT)	Bill Chiasson		
<input type="checkbox"/>	PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARED	Mitch Hatfield		
<input type="checkbox"/>	WITHDRAWN	Melanie Pilon		

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof.

Disclosed the pecuniary interest and general name thereof and abstained from the discussion, vote and influence.

Clerk: _____

MAYOR - PAT TAIT	CLERK - CATHY CYR

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Tel: (519) 740-4680 ext. 4585
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December 21, 2022

Re: City of Cambridge - Opposition to Bill 23, More Homes Built Faster Act

Municipalities of Ontario,

At the Special Council Meeting of December 15, 2022, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cambridge passed the following Motion:

Moved By: Councillor Roberts

Seconded By: Councillor Hamilton

Whereas the More Homes Built Faster Act received Royal Assent on November 28, 2022; and

Whereas these changes that will have significant impacts on several provincial Acts and in turn, significant and longstanding impacts on Ontario municipalities; and

Whereas the Act defines affordable housing as 80% of the market rate; and

Whereas a definition of affordability which is tied to a percentage of market rates remains largely unaffordable for many; and

Whereas the province has restricted the use of inclusionary zoning by limiting it to 5% of dwellings within a development, thereby limiting affordable housing opportunities; and

Whereas the province has restricted the use of inclusionary zoning by capping the time to remain affordable at 25 years, thereby limiting the longevity of housing affordability; and

Therefore, be it resolved that the Cambridge City Council requests that the provincial definition of affordable be based on income and not market rates, and

Be it further resolved that the Cambridge City Council requests that the provincial limitation of 5% of the use of inclusionary zoning within a development be increased; and

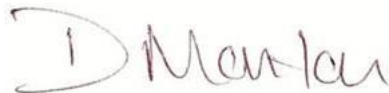
Be it further resolved that the Cambridge City Council requests that the provincial timelines regarding the use of inclusionary zoning affordable housing be increased beyond 25 years;

Be it further resolved that the Cambridge City Council requests that the Province reconsider how the More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022, will negatively impact environmental protection, heritage preservation, public participation, and loss of farmland; and

Be it further resolved that Cambridge City Council also supports the resolution passed on December 8, 2022 by the Ontario Big City Mayors regarding the More Homes Built Faster Act.

Should you have any questions related to the approved resolution, please contact me.

Yours Truly,



Danielle Manton
City Clerk

Cc: (via email)
Hon. Premier Ford
Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Ontario MP's and MPP's
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
All Ontario Municipalities
City of Cambridge Council



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To: Hon. Doug Ford, Premier
Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Hon. Michael Parsa, Associate Minister of Housing

December 6, 2022

RE: Bill 23 More Homes Built Faster Act

The Municipality of North Perth appreciates that housing is a top priority for the Province and shares the desire for more homes, especially affordable homes. However, following a high-level review of the proposed legislation, the Municipality of North Perth believes that Bill 23 will do little to accomplish this goal.

Firstly, we appreciate the opportunity to provide comments on this matter, but find it important to acknowledge that staff and Council of the Municipality require more than 30 days to digest and respond to a complex piece of legislation affecting nine existing Acts.

North Perth was disappointed to learn that Bill 23 received Royal Assent on November 28, 2022, despite the Province extending the comment period to December 9th. The Municipality feels that this further proves that although municipalities are the most informed on local housing issues, the Province does not view them as a strategic partner in solution finding and action. As outlined below, the Municipality of North Perth has several concerns to date with the legislation.

The bill, as it is currently written, would eliminate the charges that developers currently pay toward housing. This will eliminate hundreds of millions of dollars that municipalities rely on for housing programs and dramatically reduce municipal affordable housing efforts.

Development Charges (DC) are designed to help municipalities pay for a portion of the capital infrastructure required to support new growth, to ensure that existing taxpayers are not required to subsidize costs of the infrastructure or services needed to support new residents and businesses. Without a new revenue stream to offset DC payments, the legislation hampers the ability of



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municipalities to fund and deliver growth-related infrastructure. The changes to the Development Charges Act fundamentally impacts municipalities' ability to ensure growth pays for growth.

The changes to the various Acts have significant financial impacts on Ontario's municipalities along with their respective taxpayers. It is anticipated that these changes will put additional pressure on property taxes and water and wastewater rates. Property taxes and user fees are crafted to fund projects and programs that communities need, however adding more costs to existing property owners will increase their costs and could negatively impact their ability to keep their current housing affordable. Provincial legislation should not unduly burden homeowners and renters to guarantee the long-term success of solving the housing crisis.

Municipalities are extremely limited in the ways that they can collect revenue, relying on transfers from other levels of government to mitigate property tax rate increases, fund critical infrastructure and balance annual budgets. Municipalities already face an infrastructure funding gap that requires additional financial investments, resources and supports. Planning for increasing additional dwelling units will place more strain on water and wastewater systems which will require upgrading to increase capacity. This will require additional financial resources to manage, at a time when municipalities are already facing increased budgetary pressures due to inflationary costs, increased citizen expectations and the transfer of responsibilities from the Province. Without additional funding or resources from the Province to offset these costs, municipalities will have little option but to put these costs back on the taxpayer.

The amendment that all DC by-laws passed after January 1, 2022 (previously June 1, 2022) must be phased-in for the first five years that the by-law is in force will have an overall negative consequence to the goal of building more housing. The phase-in will delay necessary infrastructure projects to unlock growth while also providing incentives for development projects to be delayed until a new by-law is enacted.

Growth-related infrastructure often centres on the infrastructure itself, but a critical piece towards infrastructure is the land required to build. Land represents a significant cost for some municipalities in the purchase of property to provide



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services to new residents. This is a cost required due to growth and should be funded by new development. Studies, such as Official Plans, are required to establish when, where and how a municipality will grow. These growth-related studies should remain funded by growth. Master Plans and environmental assessments are essential to understand the servicing needs that development will place on hard infrastructure; again, these are necessary studies to inform the servicing required to establish the supply of lands for development. This would restrict the supply of serviced land and would contradict the province's intent to create additional housing units.

Parkland dedication levies exist to ensure that municipal park systems grow alongside other community developments. Increasing the supply and mix of housing is an important goal that we all share; however, sufficient access to parks and greenspace cannot be overlooked as we try to create meaningful alternatives to single-family dwellings. Municipalities already face challenges with the supply of adequate parkland due to the rising costs of land and current limitations under the Planning Act relative to municipal parkland standards. Upper-tier and single-tier municipalities across the province utilize DCs to help fund the construction of new affordable housing units with the goal of providing affordable housing to those in need. The removal of housing services and limiting the tools available to municipalities to support homeless and underhoused people and families will reduce municipality participation in creating affordable housing units, putting further burden on municipal taxpayers.

In order for the Province to successfully achieve the goal of building 1.5 million homes within the next ten years, municipalities must be viewed as strategic partners. As the frontline level of government, municipalities are also eager to resolve the housing crisis and are the most informed on what is needed to create complete communities that the people of Ontario want and expect.

Please consider revisions to the regulations in Bill 23 for more meaningful review and consultation with stakeholders and input from municipalities, and conduct thorough analyses of both short and long-term impacts. To ensure informed implementation of this proposal, alternatives to improve the legislation to effectively create more attainable housing for Ontario need to be considered.



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Sincerely,

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CC:
MPP Matthew Rae
Environmental Registry of Ontario
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Council Resolution

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Seconded By Logel

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Whereas Northumberland County supports action to increase the supply of housing for Ontarians and specifically to address the affordable housing crisis in Ontario; and

Whereas The Government of Ontario introduced Bill 23, *More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022* on October 25, 2022 and the Bill received Royal Assent on November 28, 2022, providing insufficient time for newly elected municipal councils to provide fulsome feedback; and

Whereas Municipalities across the province have identified significant financial, environmental, public consultation, and heritage impacts related to the measures identified in Bill 23; and

Whereas The proposed change to subsection 2(4) of the *Development Charges Act, 1997* to remove "Housing Services" from the list of services that can be funded through development charges would result in the immediate removal of the housing services portion of the Northumberland County Development Charge and result in an estimated funding gap of approximately \$17 million over the next 7 years for financing an estimated 250 new affordable units; and

Whereas At current building levels, an estimated 27% increase to the County portion of property taxes would be required to maintain planned investments and services, with additional tax implications anticipated for local lower-tier municipalities;

Be It Resolved That the Council of the Corporation of the County of Northumberland calls upon the Government of Ontario to pause implementation of Bill 23, and engage in meaningful engagement with municipalities and other key stakeholders to address identified concerns in order to achieve the shared goal of increasing housing supply and improving affordability and sustainability; and

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Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this resolution be sent to The Honourable Doug Ford (Premier of Ontario), The Honourable Steve Clark (Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing), The Honourable Michael Parsa, (Associate Minister of Housing), the Honourable David Piccini (Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks and MPP for Northumberland - Peterborough South), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and to all Ontario municipalities; and

Be It Further Resolved That County Council direct staff to provide information on the County website regarding the estimated impacts of Bill 23 on the County levy."

Recorded Vote
Requested by _____
Councillor's Name

Deferred _____
Warden's Signature

Carried *Wanda Piccini*
Warden's Signature

Defeated _____
Warden's Signature



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BY EMAIL ONLY

Tracy Robinson, CN Rail President and CEO
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December 21st 2022

Re: CN Railway Contribution Requirements under the *Drainage Act* and Impacts on Municipal Drain Infrastructure in Ontario

Dear Tracy Robinson,

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting on December 14th 2022, the Council of the Town of Plympton-Wyoming passed the following motion, supporting the Township of Warwick:

Motion 20

Moved by Councillor Mike Vasey

Seconded by Councillor Alex Boughen

That Council support item 'Q' from Warwick Township regarding CN Railway Contribution Requirements under the Drainage Act. **Motion Carried.**

If you have any questions regarding the above motion, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email at ekwarciak@plympton-wyoming.ca.

Sincerely,

Erin Kwarciak

Clerk

Town of Plympton-Wyoming

Cc: Elizabeth Cummings, Drainage & Engineering Coordinator, Town of Plympton-Wyoming
Lisa Thompson, Minister of Agriculture Food and Rural Affairs,
Monte McNaughton, MPP Lambton-Kent-Middlesex
Marie-Claude Bibeau, Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food
Daniel Salvatore, CN Manager Public Affairs, Ontario & Atlantic Canada
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BY E-MAIL ONLY

November 16, 2022

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Dear Tracy Robinson:

Re: CN Railway Contribution Requirements under the *Drainage Act* and Impacts on Municipal Drain Infrastructure in Ontario

At the October 17, 2022, regular Council meeting Warwick Township Council discussed the continuing impacts of CN's decision not to participate in funding municipal drains in Ontario, as per the *Drainage Act*, and the negative consequences on our community and others in the Province and approved the following resolution to be circulated to CN and related partners:

WHEREAS municipal drains are considered critical rural infrastructure that support food production, food security, the environment and economic sustainability in rural Ontario;

AND WHEREAS the creation, maintenance and contribution requirements towards municipal drain infrastructure are governed by the *Drainage Act*;

AND WHEREAS an official from CN Rail has formally communicated to the Township of Warwick that “CN's decision is that it is a federally regulated entity under CTA guidelines, as such, are not governed by provincial regulations”;

AND WHEREAS the implication that any public utility could become exempt from the financial requirements invalidates the underlying principle that all benefitting from municipal drain projects are required to contribute financially, including all public utilities;

AND WHEREAS there are currently at least fifty-five municipal drainage projects in Ontario being impacted by CN's actions and refusal to contribute as per the Drainage Act;

AND WHEREAS the Township of Warwick and many rural municipalities have expressed concerns over this CN Rail position to the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs consistently over at least the past four years;

AND WHEREAS the Township of Warwick and other rural municipalities met with Minister Thompson at the Association of Municipalities in Ontario (AMO) on this issue and Minister Thompson has confirmed it remains the Provincial government's position that the Drainage Act does apply to all federally regulated railways;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Township of Warwick hereby declares as follows:

THAT Ontario's Drainage Act is an important piece of legislation used to meet the drainage needs of a variety of stakeholders, including agricultural businesses and ultimately food production, thereby supporting families, neighbours, and thriving communities;

AND THAT CN Rail be called upon to act as a partner to municipalities and agriculture in Ontario and reconsider its position that the Drainage Act does not apply to it as a public entity;

AND THAT CN Rail contribute to all municipal drains in Ontario, as per section 26 of the Drainage Act, and work to expedite its response timelines to the fifty-five projects currently on hold in Ontario so that the projects impacting the agriculture sector can proceed and be dealt with in a timely manner after years of delay caused directly by CN Rail;

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be circulated to Minister of Agriculture Food and Rural Affairs Lisa Thompson, local MPP Monte McNaughton, Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food Marie-Claude Bibeau, CN Manager Public Affairs, Ontario & Atlantic Canada Daniel Salvatore, the President and CEO of CN Rail Tracy Robinson, Director of Government Relations Railway Association of Canada Gregory Kolz and to all municipalities in Ontario for their support.

- Carried.

Warwick Township Council looks forward to a timely response from CN in the hopes that this issue impacting rural Ontario can be resolved.

Sincerely,



Amanda Gubbels
CAO/Clerk
Township of Warwick

Cc:

Lisa Thompson, Minister of Agriculture Food and Rural Affairs,
Monte McNaughton, MPP Lambton-Kent-Middlesex
Marie-Claude Bibeau, Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food
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Ontario

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December 22, 2022

Dear Head of Council:

Ontario's housing supply crisis is a problem which has been decades in the making. It will take both short-term strategies and long-term commitment from all levels of government, the private sector, and not-for-profits to drive change. Each entity will have to do their part to be part of the solution.

To help support this important priority, I am pleased to provide you with an update on recent legislative and regulatory changes our government has made to help get 1.5 million homes built over the next 10 years.

Bill 109, the *More Homes for Everyone Act, 2022*

Bill 109, the More Homes for Everyone Act, 2022, was introduced on March 30, 2022 and received Royal Assent on April 14, 2022.

As part of the government's More Homes for Everyone Plan, Schedule 5 of Bill 109 made changes to the Planning Act. Consequential changes were also made to the City of Toronto Act, 2006.

Most of the Planning Act changes are now in effect except for the zoning and site plan control fee refund provisions, which are due to come into force on January 1, 2023. However, I am committed to bringing forward legislation to delay the effective date of the fee refund changes from January 1, 2023 to July 1, 2023. These legislative changes would be introduced in the new year.

In the event that any fee refunds become due to applicants before these legislative changes are made, municipalities might consider not issuing refunds in the interim given my express commitment to introduce legislation that, if passed, would retroactively cancel the requirement.

You can find more information about Bill 109 on the Environmental Registry of Ontario ([019-5284](#)), and the Ontario Legislative Assembly [website](#).

Bill 23, More Homes Built Faster, 2022

Bill 23, the More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022, was introduced on October 25, 2022, and received Royal Assent on November 28, 2022.

To support More Homes Built Faster: Ontario's Housing Supply Action Plan: 2022–2023, Schedule 9 of Bill 23 made changes to the Planning Act. Schedule 1 of Bill 23 also made similar changes to the City of Toronto Act, 2006 related to site plan provisions. Schedule 3 of Bill 23 made changes to the Development Charges Act.

The planning-related and municipal development-related charges changes came into force on November 28, 2022, except for provisions related to removal of planning responsibilities from certain upper-tier municipalities, certain provisions related to parkland dedication, and exemptions from municipal development-related charges for affordable and attainable housing, which will come into force on a day in the future to be named by proclamation. Provisions related to Conservation Authorities will take effect January 1, 2023.

Bill 23 also made changes to legislation led by other ministries. Please see Appendix A for an overview of the effective dates of the Bill 23 changes by schedule.

You can find more information about Bill 23 on the Environmental Registry of Ontario ([019-6163](tel:019-6163)), and the Ontario Legislative Assembly [website](#).

Bill 3, the Strong Mayors, Building Homes Act, 2022 and Bill 39, the Better Municipal Governance Act, 2022

Bill 3, the Strong Mayors, Building Homes Act, 2022, was introduced on August 10, 2022, and received Royal Assent on September 8, 2022. Bill 3 and associated regulations ([O. Reg. 529/22](#) and [O. Reg. 530/22](#)) came into force on November 23, 2022.

Bill 39, the Better Municipal Governance Act, 2022, was introduced on November 16, 2022, and received Royal Assent on December 8, 2022. Bill 39, amendments to associated regulations ([O. Reg. 581/22](#) and [O. Reg. 583/22](#)), and additional regulations to prescribe provincial priorities ([O. Reg. 580/22](#) and [O. Reg. 582/22](#)) came into force on December 20, 2022. Additional details can be found in Appendix B and on the Ontario Legislative Assembly's website ([Bill 3](#) and [Bill 39](#)).

Sincerely,



Steve Clark
Minister

c: Chief Administrative Officer

Appendix A

Effective Dates for Bill 23, the More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022

Schedule	Effective Date
Schedule 1: City of Toronto Act, 2006	<p>All of the changes in Schedule 1 (City of Toronto Act) came into force on the day the bill received Royal Assent.</p> <p>Note: The legislative changes to the City of Toronto Act include amendments that give the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing authority to make regulations imposing limits and conditions on how municipalities can regulate the demolition and conversion of residential rental properties of six units or more. No regulations have been made at this time.</p>
Schedule 2: Conservation Authorities Act	<p>Changes in Schedule 2 (Conservation Authorities Act) came into force the day the bill received Royal Assent, except for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On January 1, sections related to streamlining disposition of lands for CAs comes into force which would allow CAs to sell or lease land without Minister’s approval provided they follow rules around public consultation and notifications. • Also on January 1, sections that enable the Minister’s ability to issue direction to freeze fees and ability to scope CA commenting on development applications and land use planning policies through regulation, would come into force but only have effect when the Minister issues direction on fees or if a regulation prescribing Act under which CA commenting roles is restricted is made. • Changes related to CA permitting (including removal of “conservation of land” and “pollution”, adding “unstable soil and bedrock”, regulation making powers to exempt development from a CA permit where it has been authorized under the Planning Act, etc.) take effect on a later date (upon proclamation) once a new regulation under Section 28 of the CA Act is in effect. MNRF continues to consult on that regulation through the Environmental Registry (#019-2927).
Schedule 3: Development Charges Act, 1997	<p>All of the changes in Schedule 3 (Development Charges Act) came into force on the day the bill received Royal Assent, with the exception of provisions relating to development charge exemptions for affordable and attainable housing units, which would take effect upon proclamation.</p>
Schedule 4: Municipal Act, 2001	<p>All of the changes in Schedule 4 (Municipal Act) came into force on the day the bill received Royal Assent.</p> <p>Note: The legislative changes to the Municipal Act give the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing authority to make regulations imposing limits and conditions on how municipalities can regulate the demolition and conversion of residential rental properties of six units or more. No regulations have been made at this time.</p>
Schedule 5: New Home Construction Licensing Act, 2017	<p>Many of the amendments in Schedule 5 (New Home Construction Licensing Act) came into force on the day the bill received Royal Assent.</p> <p>The amendments regarding the maximum fine that a court may impose for a subsequent conviction, as well as most of the amendments related</p>

Schedule	Effective Date
<p>Schedule 6: Ontario Heritage Act</p>	<p>to administrative penalties, will come into force on February 1, 2023.</p> <p>Most of the amendments to the Ontario Heritage Act (OHA) made through the bill will be proclaimed into force on January 1, 2023. These include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The new authorities under Part III.1 of the Act that relate to the Standards and Guidelines for Conservation of Provincial Heritage Properties. • Most of the changes to procedures related to municipal registers, including the process and requirements around inclusion of non-designated properties on the municipal registers. However, the requirement for municipalities to make their municipal registers available on a publicly accessible website will not come into force until July 1, 2023 to provide municipalities with time to ensure compliance. • Limiting the ability to issue a Notice of Intention to Designate a property subject to a prescribed event to only those properties included on a municipal register. • The authority to prescribe criteria for determining cultural heritage value or interest for the purposes of including non-designated properties on the municipal register and designating a Heritage Conservation District (HCD). • The authority to set out processes to amend and repeal HCD bylaw in regulation. Note, the Ministry of Citizenship and Multiculturalism will consult on the development of these processes to be set out in regulation in 2023. <p>Regulatory amendments to O.Reg. 9/06: Criteria for Determining Cultural Heritage Value or Interest will also come into force on January 1, 2023. These changes establish that non-designated properties included on a register must meet one or more of the criteria outlined in the regulation, and that individual properties and HCDs must meet two or more of the criteria included in the regulation in order to be designated. The regulation also includes transitional provisions to address matters underway at the time of the changes coming into force.</p> <p>The outstanding amendments to the OHA made through Bill 108, the More Homes, More Choice Act, 2019, will also be proclaimed into force on January 1, 2023. The amendments speak specifically to the demolition or removal of an attribute that is not a building or structure within an HCD.</p> <p>Regulatory amendments to O.Reg. 358/21: General will come into force on January 1, 2023. These amendments include consequential housekeeping amendments and transition provisions related to the above legislative amendments coming into force.</p> <p>Bill 23 included some minor housekeeping amendments to the OHA that came into force upon Royal Assent. These included repealing the alternative definition of “alter”.</p>
<p>Schedule 7: Ontario Land Tribunal Act, 2001</p>	<p>The changes in Schedule 7 (More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022) will come into force on proclamation.</p>

Schedule	Effective Date
Schedule 8: Ontario Underground Infrastructure Notification System Act, 2012	The changes in Schedule 8 (Ontario Underground Infrastructure Notification System Act, 2012) came into force on the day the bill received Royal Assent.
Schedule 9: Planning Act	<p>The changes in Schedule 9 (Planning Act) all came into force on the day the bill received Royal Assent, with the following exceptions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • provisions related to removal of planning responsibilities from certain upper-tier municipalities, which would come into force on a day to be named by proclamation. • provisions related to the exemption of community benefits charge and parkland dedication requirements for affordable and attainable housing units • provisions related encumbered land to be conveyed to municipalities by developers for park or other recreational purposes • provisions related to Conservation Authorities (linked to the changes in Schedule 2) will take effect January 1, 2023
Schedule 10: Supporting Growth and Housing in York and Durham Regions Act, 2022	<p>Except as otherwise provided, the Act set out in Schedule 10 came into force on the day bill received Royal Assent.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sections 7 to 10, subsection 11 (5) and section 14 come into force on a day to be named by proclamation of the Lieutenant Governor. Once in force, these sections will require a prescribed municipality to develop, construct, and operate the Lake Simcoe phosphorus reduction project and allow the Ontario Clean Water Agency to undertake some or all of that project if ordered to do so by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. The project will also be exempt from the Environmental Assessment Act. • Subsection 85 (1) comes into force on the later of the day subsection 44 (1) of this Act comes into force and the day section 2 of Schedule 5 to the Accelerating Access to Justice Act, 2021 comes into force. Subsection 85 (1) makes consequential changes to the Act arising out of changes to the Expropriations Act in respect of alternative hearings processes. • Subsection 85 (2) comes into force on the later of the day section 61 of this Act comes into force and the day section 42 of Schedule 4 to the Comprehensive Ontario Police Services Act, 2019 comes into force. Subsection 85 (2) makes consequential changes to the Act arising out of the Comprehensive Ontario Police Services Act, 2019 consistent with other Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks legislation. The change would allow a person undertaking an inspection to obtain the assistance of the local police force rather than the Ontario Provincial Police Force.

Appendix B

Bill 3, the Strong Mayors, Building Homes Act, 2022 and Bill 39, the Better Municipal Governance Act, 2022

As a result of Bills 3 and 39, changes were made to the Municipal Act, 2001, City of Toronto Act, 2006 and the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, and regulations were established to give the mayors in Toronto and Ottawa strong mayor powers to help advance shared provincial-municipal priorities, including building new homes. These powers include:

- Choosing to appoint the municipality's chief administrative officer,
- Hiring certain municipal department heads, and establish and re-organize departments,
- Creating committees of council, assigning their functions and appointing the Chairs and Vice-Chairs of committees of council, and
- Proposing the municipal budget, subject to council amendments and a head of council veto and council override process.

The mayors of Toronto and Ottawa can also use strong mayor powers related to provincial priorities. These include:

- Vetoing certain by-laws if the mayor is of the opinion that all or part of the by-law could potentially interfere with a provincial priority,
- Bringing forward matters for council consideration if the mayor is of the opinion that considering the matter could potentially advance a provincial priority, and
- Proposing certain municipal by-laws if the mayor is of the opinion that the proposed by-law could potentially advance a provincial priority. Council can pass these by-laws if more than one-third of council members vote in favour.

The provincial priorities for the purposes of strong mayor powers are prescribed in O. Reg. 580/22 and O. Reg. 582/22 and they are:

1. Building 1.5 million new residential units by December 31, 2031.
2. Constructing and maintaining infrastructure to support housing, including, transit, roads, utilities, and servicing.