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The Corporation of The Nation Municipality

Agenda

Meeting Information

Meeting Number: 2022-29

Type: Regular

Date: December 5, 2022

Time: 4:30 p.m.

Location: Town Hall, 958 Route 500 West, Casselman

Chair: Francis Brière, Mayor

Prepared by: Aimée Roy, Deputy Clerk

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Scheduled Agenda Items:

4:30 p.m.: Closed session

6:00 p.m.: Integrity Commissioner – public presentation

Agenda Items

1. Call to order

2. Changes and Additions to Agenda

3. Adoption of Agenda

4. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest

5. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meetings

5.1 Minutes of special Council meeting held on November 28, 2022.

6. Adoption of Recommendations of the Municipal Council Committees

7. Receiving of Monthly Reports from the Appointed Municipal Officials

7.1 Jean Jacques Lacombe, Integrity commissioner

7.1.1 Public presentation on the Integrity Commissioner

7.2 Declaration of the Mayor

7.2.1 National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women White ribbon campaign

7.3 Todd Bayly, Chief Building Official

7.3.1 Building Permit Statistics Reports for August, September, and October 2022

7.4 Nadia Knebel, Treasurer

7.4.1 Tax Write Off Register (Section 354)

7.5 Aimée Roy, Deputy Clerk

7.5.1 Report CL-12-2022 Nomination to Committees

7.6 Eric Leroux, Drainage Superintendent

7.6.1 Drainage report, November 2022

8. Notice of Proposed Motions

8.1 Township of Puslinch, Resolution regarding Bill 23

9. Unfinished Business from Previous Meetings

10. Delegations

11. Applications for Prescott-Russell Land Division Committee

12. Municipal By-laws

13. Approval of the Variance Report and Accounts Payable

14. Other Business

15. Various Monthly Reports

15.1 EOHU, Current outbreaks

16. Correspondence

16.1 The Municipality of Lambton Shores – Resolution regarding Bill 23

16.2 Letter to Prime Minister regarding funding and support for Via Rail Services

16.3 Town of Aurora – Resolution regarding Bill 23

16.4 AMO – Newsletter

17. Coming Events

17.1 December 6, 2022 – Special Council Meeting (training of council members)

17.2 December 8, 2022 – Christmas Bingo at St-Albert community Centre

17.3 December 9, 2022 – St-Albert Christmas Parade and supper at St-Albert Community Centre

17.4 December 10, 2022 – Christmas Market at St-Albert Community Centre

17.5 December 10, 2022 – St Isidore Christmas Parade

17.6 December 11, 2022 – Brunch with Santa at St-Albert Community Centre

17.7 December 12, 2022 – Regular Council Meeting

18. Closed Session

18.1 Jean Jacques Lacombe, Integrity Commission
Training of new council

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1. The meeting is held for the purpose of educating or training the members.
2. At the meeting, no member discusses or otherwise deals with any matter in a way that materially advances the business or decision-making of the council, local board or committee. 2006, c. 32, Sched. A, s. 103 (1).

19. Confirming By-law

20. Adjournment



The Corporation of The Nation Municipality Minutes

Meeting Information

Meeting Number: 2022-28

Type: Special

Date: November 28, 2022

Time: 3:30 p.m.

Location: Town Hall, 958 Route 500 West, Casselman

Chair: Francis Brière, Mayor

Prepared by: Aimée Roy, Deputy Clerk

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Scheduled Agenda Items:

3:30 p.m.: Closed session

5:30 p.m.: Zoning meeting open to the public

Presence of Council Members

Mayor Francis Brière, yes

Councillor ward 1 Tim Stewart, yes

Councillor ward 2 Alain Mainville, yes

Councillor ward 3 Danik Forgues, motivated absence

Councillor ward 4 Raymond Lalande, yes

Councillor ward 5 Daniel Boisvenue, yes

Councillor ward 6 Marjorie Drolet, yes

Presence of Municipal Staff

Josée Brizard, CAO-Clerk

Aimée Roy, Deputy Clerk

Julie Langlois-Caisse, Administrative Assistant
 Marc Legault, Director of Public Works
 Hugo Pouliot, Parks and Roads Safety
 Guylain Laflèche, Director of Planning, Construction and By-law

Agenda Items

1. Call to order

Resolution: 504-2022

Moved by: Alain Mainville

Seconded by: Raymond Lalande

Be it resolved that the present meeting be opened.

Carried

2. Changes and Additions to Agenda

Modification:

Item 18.5: addition of section 239 (2) (f) advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose

Additions:

Items 12.3 to 12.10 added and are respectively the zoning By-laws 119-2022 to 126-2022.

3. Adoption of Agenda

Resolution: 505-2022

Moved by: Marjorie Drolet

Seconded by: Daniel Boisvenue

Be it resolved that the agenda be accepted, including the modifications made forthwith, as applicable.

Carried

Adjournment for zoning meeting

Resolution: 508-2022

Moved by: Marjorie Drolet

Seconded by: Tim Stewart

Be it resolved that the Council meeting be adjourned at **5:28 p.m.** for a public meeting for zoning.

Carried

Re-opening of the meeting

Resolution: 511-2022

Moved by: Alain Mainville

Seconded by: Daniel Boisvenue

Be it resolved that the present meeting be re-opened at **5:43 p.m.**

Carried

4. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest

None

5. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meetings

5.1 Minutes of regular Council Meeting held on November 21, 2022.

Resolution: 512-2022

Moved by: Tim Stewart

Seconded by: Marjorie Drolet

Be it resolved that the minutes of the following meeting be adopted as presented:

- Minutes of the regular Council meeting held November 21st, 2022

Carried

6. Adoption of Recommendations of the Municipal Council Committees

6.1 Minutes of the regular Nation Public Library Board meeting held on October 13, 2022.

Resolution: 513-2022

Moved by: Daniel Boisvenue

Seconded by: Alain Mainville

Be it resolved that the minutes of the following meeting be adopted as presented:

- Minutes of the Regular Nation Public Library Board meeting held on October 13, 2022.

Carried

7. Receiving of Monthly Reports from the Appointed Municipal Officials

7.1 Marc Legault, Public Works Director and Hugo Pouliot, Parks and Roads Safety

7.1.1 Report TP-22-2022

Proposition with the City of Ottawa

Resolution: 514-2022

Moved by: Daniel Boisvenue

Seconded by: Raymond Lalande

Be it resolved that a letter be sent to the City of Ottawa regarding our intention for the construction and paving of Indian Creek Road in 2023 and our intention to commit funds of the Municipality of \$ 145,937.00 for this project.

Be it also resolved that a proposal for consideration be sent to the City of Ottawa offering The Nation Municipality's services for the rehabilitation of County Road 8 (from Russland to Saumure Rd) in 2023 at a cost of \$ 282,488.00, 100% to be paid by the City of Ottawa.

Carried

7.2 Eric Leroux, Superintendent of Drainage

7.2.1 Role of the Superintendent of Drainage

7.2.2 Report Drainage 03-2022

Maintenance request – Drain on Sixth Concession

Resolution: 515-2022

Moved by: Tim Stewart

Seconded by: Alain Mainville

Be it resolved that Council approves under Section 74 of the Drainage Act chapter D.17 the requests for maintenances on the Sixth Concession, Levac-8th Concession and MacLeod Municipal Drains located in the former Township of Caledonia.

Carried

8. Notice of Proposed Motions

9. Unfinished Business from Previous Meetings

10. Delegations

11. Applications for Prescott-Russell Land Division Committee

12. Municipal By-laws

12.1 By-law 133-2022

To confirm and authorize the acquisition of land into the road system and dedicate as a public highway

12.2 By-Law 136-2022

To dedicate as public highway, parcels of land within the nation municipality

12.3 Zoning By-Law 119-2022

Property located on Part of Lot 22, Concession 15, South Plantagenet

12.4 Zoning By-Law 120-2022

Property located on Part of Lot 18, Concession 20, South Plantagenet

12.5 Zoning By-Law 121-2022

Property located on Part of Lot 2, Concession 3, Caledonia

12.6 Zoning By-Law 122-2022

Property located on Part of Lot 8, Concession 1, Caledonia

12.7 Zoning By-Law 123-2022

Property located on Part of Lot 15, Concession 4, Cambridge

12.8 Zoning By-Law 124-2022

Property located on Part of Lots 21 & 22, Concession 9

12.9 Zoning By-Law 125-2022

Property located at 1075 route 500 West

12.10 Zoning By-Law -126-2022

Located on Part of Lot 26, Concession 2, Cambridge

Resolution: 516-2022

Moved by: Marjorie Drolet

Seconded by: Raymond Lalande

Be it resolved that by-laws number 133-2022 and 136-2022, as well as the zoning by-laws 119-2022 to 126-2022, as amended on the November 28th 2022 agenda, be read and adopted in first, second and third reading

- By-law 133-2022, to confirm and authorize the acquisition of land into the road system and dedicate as a public highway.
- By-law 136-2022, to dedicate as public highway, parcels of land within the nation municipality.
- Zoning By-Law 119-2022
Property located on Part of Lot 22, Concession 15, South Plantagenet
- Zoning By-Law 120-2022
Property located on Part of Lot 18, Concession 20, South Plantagenet
- Zoning By-Law 121-2022
Property located on Part of Lot 2, Concession 3, Caledonia
- Zoning By-Law 122-2022
Property located on Part of Lot 8, Concession 1, Caledonia
- Zoning By-Law 123-2022
Property located on Part of Lot 15, Concession 4, Cambridge
- Zoning By-Law 124-2022
Property located on Part of Lots 21 & 22, Concession 9

- Zoning By-Law 125-2022
Property located at 1075 route 500 West
- Zoning By-Law -126-2022
Located on Part of Lot 26, Concession 2, Cambridge

Carried

13. Approval of the Variance Report and Accounts Payable

13.1 Accounts Payable

Resolution: 517-2022

Moved by: Tim Stewart

Seconded by: Daniel Boisvenue

Be it resolved that Council approves the accounts payable up November 30, 2022.

Voucher 22: **\$3,284,846.48**

Carried

14. Other Business

14.1 Participation Request, St-Isidore Optimist Club St-Isidore Christmas Parade

Resolution: 518-2022

Moved by: Alain Mainville

Seconded by: Marjorie Drolet

Be it resolved that the Council approves the request of the St-Isidore Optimist Club so that the St-Isidore Christmas parade takes place on Saturday December 10, 2022 at 6:00 p.m., as well as the firefighters' participation in said parade

Be it resolved that any parade requiring the closure of a county road be approved by The Nation Municipality on the condition that the United Counties of Prescott Russell approves the required road closures.

Be it also resolve that The Nation Municipality presents a float to each of the following Christmas parades:

- Parade of Limoges, on December 3, 2022;
- Parade of St-Albert, on December 9, 2022;
- Parade of St-Isidore, on December 10, 2022.

Carried

15. Various Monthly Reports

15.1 EOHU, Outbreak advisory

16. Correspondence

16.1 AMO, Watchfile November 17 and November 24, 2022

16.2 Corporation of the Township of Joly, Council resolution

16.3 Municipal Finance Officers' Association of Ontario – Bill 23

16.4.1 Corporation of the County of Prince Edward – resolution regarding *Strong Mayors, Building act*

16.4.2 Corporation of the County of Prince Edward – resolution regarding *More Homes Built Faster Act*

16.5 Ontario Urban Forest Council – Resolution regarding *Bill 23*

16.6 Township of Puslinch – Resolution regarding *Bill 23*

16.7 Interlude House – White ribbon campaign

Resolution: 519-2022

Moved by: Daniel Boisvenue

Seconded by: Tim Stewart

Be it resolved that the correspondence as listed on the November 28, 2022 agenda be received.

Carried

17. Coming Events

17.1 December 3, 2022 – Christmas Bazaar, Limoges community centre

17.2 December 3, 2022 – Limoges Christmas Parade

17.3 December 5, 2022 – Regular Council Meeting

17.4 December 8, 2022 – Christmas Bingo at St-Albert community Centre

17.5 December 9, 2022 – St-Albert Christmas Parade and supper at St-Albert community centre

17.6 December 10, 2022 – Christmas Market at St-Albert community centre

17.7 December 11, 2022 – Brunch with Santa at St-Albert community centre

17.8 December 12, 2022 – Regular Council Meeting

18. Closed Sessions

Adjournment

Resolution: 506-2022

Moved by: Alain Mainville

Seconded by: Tim Stewart

Be it resolved that the present meeting be adjourned at **3:35 p.m.** for a closed session under the following section(s) of the Municipal Act, 2001:

Section 239(2) A meeting or part of a meeting may be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered is,

- **(b)** personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;
- **(c)** a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board;
- **(f)** advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;
- **(k)** a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board. 2001, c. 25, s. 239 (2); 2017, c. 10, Sched. 1, s. 26.à

Section 239 (3.1) A meeting of a council or local board or of a committee of either of them may be closed to the public if the following conditions are both satisfied:

1. The meeting is held for the purpose of educating or training the members.
2. At the meeting, no member discusses or otherwise deals with any matter in a way that materially advances the business or decision-making of the council, local board or committee. 2006, c. 32, Sched. A, s. 103 (1).

Carried

Re-opening

Resolution: 507-2022

Moved by: Daniel Boisvenue

Seconded by: Alain Mainville

Be it resolved that the present meeting be re-opened at **5:28 p.m.**

Carried.

18.1 Minutes of closed sessions of held on October 3rd, 2022 and October 17, 2022.

18.2 Orientation for new Council, Guylain Lafèche, Planning, Construction and By-law

Section 239 (3.1) A meeting of a council or local board or of a committee of either of them may be closed to the public if the following conditions are both satisfied:

1. The meeting is held for the purpose of educating or training the members.
2. At the meeting, no member discusses or otherwise deals with any matter in a way that materially advances the business or decision-making of the council, local board or committee. 2006, c. 32, Sched. A, s. 103 (1).

18.3 Guylain Laflèche, Report PLA-15-2022

Land acquisition

Section 239 (2) A meeting or part of a meeting may be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered is,

(c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board;

Resolution: 520-2022

Moved by: Raymond Lalande

Seconded by: Marjorie Drolet

Be it resolved that Council approves the recommendation, as presented in report PLA-15-2022 submitted in closed session November 28 2022, regarding an acquisition of land.

Carried

18.4 Carol Ann Scott, Report RE-15-2022

Negotiation with a corporation

Section 239 (2) A meeting or part of a meeting may be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered is,

(k) a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board. 2001, c. 25, s. 239 (2); 2017, c. 10, Sched. 1, s. 26.

Resolution: 521-2022

Moved by: Alain Mainville

Seconded by: Marjorie Drolet

Be it resolved that Council approves the recommendation, as presented in report RE-15-2022 submitted in closed session November 28 2022, regarding a negotiation with a corporation.

Carried

18.5 Doug Renaud, Report WS-10-2022
Negotiation with a corporation

Section 239 (2) A meeting or part of a meeting may be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered is,

(k) a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board. 2001, c. 25, s. 239 (2); 2017, c. 10, Sched. 1, s. 26.; and

(f) advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose

Resolution: 522-2022

Moved by: Daniel Boisvenue

Seconded by: Tim Stewart

Be it resolved that Council approves the recommendation, as presented in report WS-10-2022 submitted in closed session November 28 2022, regarding a negotiation with a corporation.

Carried

18.6 Éric Leroux, Superintendent of Drainage
Culvert dispute for a municipal drain

Section 239 (2) A meeting or part of a meeting may be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered is,

(b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees;

(e) litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board;

19. Confirming By-law

Resolution: 523-2022

Moved by: Raymond Lalande

Seconded by: Alain Mainville

Be it resolved that By-law no. 135-2022 to confirm the proceedings of Council at its special meeting of November 28, 2022 be read and adopted in 1st, 2nd and 3rd reading.

Carried

20. Adjournment

Resolution: 524-2022

Moved by: Daniel Boisvenue

Seconded by: Marjorie Drolet

Be it resolved that the present meeting be adjourned at **6:08 p.m.**

Carried

Francis Brière, Mayor

Josée Brizard, CAO-Clerk

Le 16 novembre 2022

Direction générale et bureau de la Greffe
Canton de Hawkesbury Est
5151, route rurale 14 C.P. 340
St-Eugène, ON K0B 1P0

Objet : Campagne du Ruban Blanc

Bonjour

Leadership féminin Prescott-Russell est fière de s'associer à Maison Interlude House (MIH) en soutenant et faisant la promotion de la *Campagne du Ruban Blanc* dans le cadre des [16 jours d'activisme](#) contre la violence basée sur le sexe. Nous invitons toutes les municipalités ainsi que le gouvernement régional à participer à cette campagne en incitant les élus (masculins) et les chefs de département (masculins) **à porter un ruban blanc lors d'une réunion de conseil** (entre le 25 novembre et le 10 décembre). Lors de cette réunion, le maire ou la mairesse sera appelé.e à **lire la proclamation ci-jointe**.

La *Campagne du Ruban Blanc* est le plus grand mouvement mondial d'hommes et de garçons qui vise à mettre fin à la violence contre les femmes et les filles ainsi qu'à promouvoir l'égalité des genres, des relations saines et une nouvelle vision de la masculinité. Le port du ruban blanc est un geste qui témoigne du soutien des hommes envers la lutte contre le sexisme et la violence faite aux femmes et aux filles. **C'est tout simple et ça n'engendre aucun coût financier de votre part.**

Nous vous offrons donc des rubans blancs pour les hommes de votre milieu afin qu'ils puissent le porter fièrement et ainsi témoigner de leur appui envers cette campagne de sensibilisation, et ce, du 25 novembre au 10 décembre, période dédiée aux 16 jours d'activisme.

Finalement, nous en profitons pour vous inviter à visionner une [courte vidéo des Maple Leafs](#) de Toronto (intitulée *Men of Quality*, facilement accessible sur YouTube), des alliés de longue date, qui visent à mettre fin à toutes les formes de violence sexiste, tant au hockey que dans la communauté.


Vous trouverez également ci-joint une lettre explicative de MIH quant aux actions à prendre durant cette campagne de sensibilisation. Un courriel de rappel de même qu'une affiche à imprimer vous seront envoyés quelques jours avant le début de la campagne.

Pour toutes questions concernant cette campagne, veuillez communiquer avec Marie-Pierre D'Anjou, responsable des communications et du développement communautaire pour MIH au 613-677-6043 ou à madanjou@minterludeh.ca.

Sincèrement,



Marie-Noëlle Lanthier
Présidente de LFPR



Muriel Lalonde
Directrice générale de Maison Interlude House

Déclaration

Les journées du 25 novembre au 10 décembre portent le nom des **16 jours d'activisme contre la violence basée sur le sexe**. Ces journées sont soulignées partout à travers le Canada et incluent la **Journée nationale de commémoration et d'action contre la violence faite aux femmes** du 6 décembre, date tristement célèbre en raison de la tuerie de l'École Polytechnique de Montréal lors de laquelle 14 jeunes femmes ont perdu la vie.

Cette année, Maison Interlude House, en collaboration avec le comité Politique au féminin de Leadership féminin Prescott-Russell, ont contacté les différents Conseils municipaux de Prescott et Russell dans le but de les inviter à prendre part à la **Campagne de sensibilisation du Ruban Blanc** pour participer aux 16 jours d'activisme.

La *Campagne du Ruban Blanc* est le plus grand mouvement mondial d'hommes et de garçons qui vise à mettre fin à la violence contre les femmes et les filles ainsi qu'à promouvoir l'égalité des genres, des relations saines et une nouvelle vision de la masculinité. Le port du ruban blanc est un geste qui témoigne du soutien des hommes envers la lutte contre le sexisme et la violence faite aux femmes et aux filles.

Ainsi, c'est avec beaucoup de fierté que nos élus masculins portent aujourd'hui le Ruban Blanc. Plusieurs autres municipalités ont aussi emboîté le pas, de même que de multiples partenaires communautaires. Il est donc possible que, du 25 novembre au 10 décembre, vous croisie des hommes portant fièrement le ruban.

La violence faite aux femmes est un problème de société qui n'épargne pas nos comtés. À preuve, Maison Interlude vient en aide à plus de 500 femmes de l'Est ontarien chaque année. Les hommes doivent faire partie de la solution, et en portant ce ruban, les élus de (*insérer le nom de votre municipalité*) démontrent leur soutien et leur solidarité à la lutte contre la violence basée sur le genre.

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Statement

November 25 to December 10 are known as the **16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence**. These days of activism are celebrated across Canada and include the **National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women** on December 6th, as a sad reminder of the École Polytechnique de Montréal massacre in which 14 young women lost their lives.

This year, Maison Interlude House, in collaboration with Leadership féminin Prescott-Russell, invite all municipal councils within the United Counties of Prescott and Russell to take part in **the White Ribbon Awareness Campaign** as a way to participate in the 16 Days of activism.

The White Ribbon Campaign is the world's largest movement of men and boys to end violence against women and girls and to promote gender equality, healthy relationships and a new vision of masculinity. Wearing the white ribbon is a way for men to express their support in the fight against sexism and violence against women and girls.

Thus, it is with great pride that our male elected officials are wearing the White Ribbon today. Several other municipalities have also followed suit, along with many community partners in support of this campaign. From November 25th to December 10th, you may see men proudly wearing the ribbon.

Violence against women is a social problem that does not spare our counties. Interlude House helps over 500 women in Eastern Ontario each year. Men must be part of the solution, and by wearing this ribbon, the elected officials of (your municipality) are showing their support and solidarity in the fight against gender-based violence.

La municipalité de La/The Nation Municipality

Building Permit Statistics For the month of August

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Agricultural - Accessory	\$700,000.00	\$127,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100,000.00
Agricultural - Addition / Alterations	\$1,450,000.00	\$80,000.00	\$0.00	\$160,000.00	\$50,000.00
Agricultural - New	\$0.00	\$800,000.00	\$1,250,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Commerical - Addition / Alterations	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$20,000.00	\$10,000.00
Commerical - New	\$1,200,000.00	\$77,000.00	\$0.00	\$275,000.00	\$0.00
Industrial - Addition / Alterations	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Institutional - New	\$0.00	\$60,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,200,000.00
Miscellaneous	\$500.00	\$44,000.00	\$18,700.00	\$59,000.00	\$5,000.00
Residential - Accessory	\$391,000.00	\$618,599.00	\$258,763.00	\$133,720.00	\$62,880.00
Residential - Addition / Alterations	\$490,000.00	\$0.00	\$301,700.00	\$111,800.00	\$150,000.00
Residential - Dwelling Units	\$2,850,000.00	\$1,175,000.00	\$1,400,000.00	\$1,550,000.00	\$1,625,000.00
Total Construction Value	\$7,081,500.00	\$2,981,599.00	\$4,029,163.00	\$2,309,520.00	\$5,202,880.00
Total Number of Permits Issued	25	32	24	29	19
Total Dwelling Units Created	14	4	4	5	7
Total Permit Fees Collected	\$30,816.94	\$25,922.85	\$26,958.12	\$12,905.02	\$28,310.31

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Building Permit Statistics Year to Date Report for

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Agricultural - Accessory	\$3,725,300.00	\$1,492,000.00	\$708,000.00	\$726,000.00	\$917,000.00
Agricultural - Addition / Alterations	\$1,750,000.00	\$875,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$445,000.00	\$125,000.00
Agricultural - New	\$0.00	\$7,800,000.00	\$1,950,000.00	\$4,320,000.00	\$2,438,000.00
Commerical - Addition / Alterations	\$152,000.00	\$398,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$60,000.00	\$455,000.00
Commerical - New	\$2,000,000.00	\$3,702,000.00	\$1,550,000.00	\$700,000.00	\$20,000.00
Industrial - Addition / Alterations	\$100,000.00	\$0.00	\$800,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$200,000.00
Industrial - New	\$14,031,250.00	\$5,942,500.00	\$5,000.00	\$11,999,999.00	\$0.00
Institutional - Addition / Alterations	\$8,650,000.00	\$0.00	\$100,000.00	\$465,000.00	\$1,138,000.00
Institutional - New	\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$3,260,000.00
Miscellaneous	\$252,000.00	\$565,000.00	\$69,700.00	\$95,000.00	\$105,000.00
Residential - Accessory	\$2,001,500.00	\$3,210,599.00	\$1,477,313.00	\$1,425,970.00	\$1,206,630.00
Residential - Addition / Alterations	\$1,227,000.00	\$1,078,000.00	\$1,027,200.00	\$1,090,300.00	\$878,500.00
Residential - Dwelling Units	\$29,618,000.00	\$21,999,000.00	\$13,927,000.00	\$10,550,900.00	\$10,460,900.00
Total Construction Value	\$63,567,050.00	\$47,122,099.00	\$21,694,213.00	\$31,998,169.00	\$21,204,030.00
Total Number of Permits Issued	206	230	195	175	157
Total Dwelling Units Created	125	80	50	35	39
Total Permit Fees Collected	\$265,140.15	\$271,825.46	\$119,796.47	\$141,967.17	\$137,762.67

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Building Permit Statistics For the month of September

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Agricultural - Accessory	\$880,000.00	\$0.00	\$138,000.00	\$250,000.00	\$0.00
Agricultural - Addition / Alterations	\$280,000.00	\$0.00	\$15,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Agricultural - New	\$750,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000,000.00	\$1,600,000.00	\$0.00
Commerical - Addition / Alterations	\$240,000.00	\$0.00	\$500,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Commerical - New	\$2,025,000.00	\$150,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$186,000.00	\$0.00
Industrial - Addition / Alterations	\$0.00	\$100,000.00	\$748,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Industrial - New	\$4,185,000.00	\$1,500,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Institutional - Addition / Alterations	\$80,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00
Miscellaneous	\$11,000.00	\$26,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$20,000.00
Residential - Accessory	\$255,000.00	\$94,600.00	\$256,500.00	\$178,500.00	\$454,500.00
Residential - Addition / Alterations	\$26,500.00	\$10,000.00	\$26,600.00	\$378,000.00	\$120,000.00
Residential - Dwelling Units	\$2,250,000.00	\$700,000.00	\$2,090,000.00	\$946,000.00	\$300,000.00
Total Construction Value	\$10,982,500.00	\$2,580,600.00	\$4,780,100.00	\$3,543,500.00	\$944,500.00
Total Number of Permits Issued	34	16	30	23	20
Total Dwelling Units Created	4	2	5	5	1
Total Permit Fees Collected	\$38,344.05	\$8,936.88	\$29,122.23	\$25,870.00	\$10,484.61

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Building Permit Statistics Year to Date Report for

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Agricultural - Accessory	\$4,605,300.00	\$1,492,000.00	\$846,000.00	\$976,000.00	\$917,000.00
Agricultural - Addition / Alterations	\$2,030,000.00	\$875,000.00	\$55,000.00	\$445,000.00	\$125,000.00
Agricultural - New	\$750,000.00	\$7,800,000.00	\$2,950,000.00	\$5,920,000.00	\$2,438,000.00
Commerical - Addition / Alterations	\$392,000.00	\$398,000.00	\$510,000.00	\$60,000.00	\$455,000.00
Commerical - New	\$4,025,000.00	\$3,852,000.00	\$1,555,000.00	\$886,000.00	\$20,000.00
Industrial - Addition / Alterations	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$1,548,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$200,000.00
Industrial - New	\$18,216,250.00	\$7,442,500.00	\$5,000.00	\$11,999,999.00	\$0.00
Institutional - Addition / Alterations	\$8,730,000.00	\$0.00	\$100,000.00	\$465,000.00	\$1,188,000.00
Institutional - New	\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$3,260,000.00
Miscellaneous	\$263,000.00	\$591,000.00	\$70,700.00	\$100,000.00	\$125,000.00
Residential - Accessory	\$2,256,500.00	\$3,305,199.00	\$1,733,813.00	\$1,604,470.00	\$1,661,130.00
Residential - Addition / Alterations	\$1,253,500.00	\$1,088,000.00	\$1,053,800.00	\$1,468,300.00	\$998,500.00
Residential - Dwelling Units	\$31,868,000.00	\$22,699,000.00	\$16,017,000.00	\$11,496,900.00	\$10,760,900.00

Total Construction Value	\$74,549,550.00	\$49,702,699.00	\$26,474,313.00	\$35,541,669.00	\$22,148,530.00
Total Number of Permits Issued	240	246	225	198	183
Total Dwelling Units Created	129	82	55	40	40
Total Permit Fees Collected	\$303,484.20	\$280,762.34	\$148,918.70	\$167,837.17	\$148,247.28

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Building Permit Statistics For the month of October

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Agricultural - Accessory	\$93,000.00	\$75,000.00	\$180,000.00	\$575,000.00	\$0.00
Agricultural - New	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,500,000.00	\$5,300,000.00
Commerical - New	\$0.00	\$100,000.00	\$57,600.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Institutional - Addition / Alterations	\$0.00	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$500,000.00	\$0.00
Institutional - New	\$0.00	\$9,999,999.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$20,000.00
Miscellaneous	\$10,000.00	\$16,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$11,200.00
Residential - Accessory	\$49,000.00	\$208,700.00	\$174,700.00	\$95,500.00	\$65,000.00
Residential - Addition / Alterations	\$0.00	\$255,000.00	\$104,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$6,000.00
Residential - Dwelling Units	\$700,000.00	\$1,710,000.00	\$1,340,000.00	\$980,000.00	\$3,835,000.00
Total Construction Value	\$852,000.00	\$12,414,699.00	\$1,861,300.00	\$3,690,500.00	\$9,237,200.00
Total Number of Permits Issued	7	30	18	24	26
Total Dwelling Units Created	2	6	5	5	10
Total Permit Fees Collected	\$4,900.68	\$73,588.24	\$13,607.04	\$25,514.25	\$57,387.84

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Building Permit Statistics Year to Date Report for

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Agricultural - Accessory	\$4,698,300.00	\$1,567,000.00	\$1,026,000.00	\$1,551,000.00	\$917,000.00
Agricultural - Addition / Alterations	\$2,030,000.00	\$875,000.00	\$55,000.00	\$445,000.00	\$125,000.00
Agricultural - New	\$750,000.00	\$7,800,000.00	\$2,950,000.00	\$7,420,000.00	\$7,738,000.00
Commerical - Addition / Alterations	\$392,000.00	\$398,000.00	\$510,000.00	\$60,000.00	\$455,000.00
Commerical - New	\$4,025,000.00	\$3,952,000.00	\$1,612,600.00	\$886,000.00	\$20,000.00
Industrial - Addition / Alterations	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$1,548,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$200,000.00
Industrial - New	\$18,216,250.00	\$7,442,500.00	\$5,000.00	\$11,999,999.00	\$0.00
Institutional - Addition / Alterations	\$8,730,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$965,000.00	\$1,188,000.00
Institutional - New	\$60,000.00	\$10,059,999.00	\$30,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$3,280,000.00
Miscellaneous	\$273,000.00	\$607,000.00	\$75,700.00	\$135,000.00	\$136,200.00
Residential - Accessory	\$2,305,500.00	\$3,513,899.00	\$1,908,513.00	\$1,699,970.00	\$1,726,130.00
Residential - Addition / Alterations	\$1,253,500.00	\$1,343,000.00	\$1,157,800.00	\$1,473,300.00	\$1,004,500.00
Residential - Dwelling Units	\$32,568,000.00	\$24,409,000.00	\$17,357,000.00	\$12,476,900.00	\$14,595,900.00

Total Construction Value	\$75,401,550.00	\$62,117,398.00	\$28,335,613.00	\$39,232,169.00	\$31,385,730.00
Total Number of Permits Issued	247	276	243	222	209
Total Dwelling Units Created	131	88	60	45	56
Total Permit Fees Collected	\$308,384.88	\$354,350.58	\$162,525.74	\$193,351.42	\$205,635.12



Report to Council

Report Number: CL-12-2022

Subject: Nomination to Committees

Prepared by: Aimée Roy, Deputy Clerk

Revised by: Josée Brizard, CAO-Clerk

Date of the meeting: December 5, 2022

Context

The Nation Municipality has several committees to which members of Council and members of the public are nominated for the duration of Council term.

Our Procedure By-law, number 68-2021, defines “Committee” as any advisory or other committee, subcommittee, or similar entity of which at least 50% of the members are also members of Council or local boards. The members of the committees below do not consist of at least 50% of council members, and as such are not subject to the by-law.

Report

The members of Council can nominate themselves to the following committees for the 2022-2026 term.

Committee	Meeting Frequency / Notes	Councillor	Members of the community
The Nation Public Library Board	The Library Board must meet seven times per calendar year. No meetings scheduled for January, July, and August.	1 position: Danik Forgues (current)	France Lamoureux Suzanne Leblanc Pierrette Lavergne Yvon Quesnel Joanne Côté Pilon Chantal Normand
Police Services Board	Minimum of three meetings per year.	1 position: Position Vacant	Zita Parry
Emergency Management Committee	Minimum of three meetings per year. Minimum of one exercise per year. Minimum of one training per year.	Up to 2 positions: Alain Mainville (current)	Zita Parry * Note, the position of the Provincial Government is currently vacant; we are waiting for the province's nomination.
Minor Variance Committee	As required, usually once every three months	1 position: Position Vacant	2 positions vacant, recruitment ongoing
Accessibility Advisory Committee	Minimum of three meetings per year.	1 position: Danik Forgues (current)	Lynne Piette Cadieux Alain Laflèche Jacinthe Major

Economic Development Committee	3-month intervals	1 position: Position Vacant	Laurent Souigny Mark Kelly Murielle Huneault-Pilon Fern Beauchamp Pascal Denis Josée Brizard Guylain Lafleche Olivier Berthiaume Francis Brière 1 vacant position for member of the public; 1 vacant position for member of Council
Culture and Heritage Committee	Committee never met yet.	1 position: Position Vacant	Michel-André Lavergne Evelyn Levac Denis Gagnon
Environment Committee (Forestry)	Committee never met yet.	1 position: Position Vacant	Vacant positions.
Jean Paul Charlebois Revitalisation Committee	Every two months at the Caledonia Community Centre	1 position: Position Vacant	Yves A. Joannette Mariève Theriault Shawna McIlwain Dupont Etienne Bourgon

The Mayor has a seat at each committee ex officio.

The members of Council can nominate themselves to the following external committees for the 2022-2026 term.

Committee	Councillor
Lajoie Residence	1 position: Danik Forgues (current)
L'Escale Residence	1 position: Alain Mainville (current)

Prescott and Russell Recreational Trail <i>See Annex B</i>	1 position: Position Vacant
NEW! EcoEast <i>See Annex A</i> https://fcm.ca/en/programs/partners-climate-protection	1 contact person, member of Council 1 contact person, staff member Positions Vacant

Relevance to priorities

Committees, composed of the members of Council and of the public, are conducive to healthy and transparent relationships between council and the community. The organized framework of these community-based committees provides a continuous liaison between Council and community groups to ensure that both are kept abreast of issues, and to find solutions and community initiatives.

Recommendation

That the members of council deliberate the nominations of the members of council to the various committees.

Attachments

- Annex A: EcoEast
- Annex B: Prescott-Russel Recreational Trail

Annexe A

From: Lynn Ovenden

Sent: Wednesday, November 30, 2022, 1:06 PM

To: Francis Brière <Francis.Briere@nationmun.ca>

Cc: raymond.lalande@nationmun.ca <raymond.lalande@nationmun.ca>

Subject: Partners for Climate Protection program

Good afternoon,

Congratulations on your recent election.

I am a member of [EcoEast https://www.facebook.com/ecoeastecoest](https://www.facebook.com/ecoeastecoest), a volunteer-based sustainability organization in Ontario east of Ottawa. Last year, we advocated for the United Counties of Prescott-Russell (UCPR) to commit to climate action planning with the [Partners For Climate Protection \(PCP\)](#) program of FCM-ICLEI. Nation Municipality supported this request with resolution 525-2021 on September 27, 2021.

On Nov.25, 2021, the UCPR decided to join the PCP program and encouraged the lower-tier municipalities to also join (UCPR resolution 2021-225). Two UCPR officials and a staff person were appointed (UCPR resolution 2022-14 of Jan.26, 2022) to serve as contacts with the PCP program.

I'm very pleased that Nation Municipality also joined the PCP on May 31, 2022. Who will be the staff and council contact points for Nation with the PCP program?

The PCP process for a climate action plan has five milestones, beginning with the development of a baseline inventory of greenhouse gas emissions to identify priority areas for both emissions reduction and cost-savings. Nation Municipality probably has all the data necessary to create an inventory of corporate emissions (from municipal fleet, buildings, water and wastewater, solid waste, streetlights).

Moving forward, EcoEast - EcoEst will support Nation Municipality in developing a climate action plan with community input. I'd be happy to discuss this further, any time. Thank-you for your public service.

Lynn Ovenden

1186 Route 500 West, Casselman, K0A1M0. 613-764-1867

Volunteer with EcoEast - EcoEst

<https://fcm.ca/en/programs/partners-climate-protection>

From: Sentier VIA Trail <info@sentierviatrail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 3, 2022 2:52 PM
To: Josée Brizard <JBrizard@nationmun.ca>
Subject: Sentier récréatif Prescott-Russell / Prescott-Russell Recreational Trail

Chère greffière,

Suite à la récente élection municipale, nous invitons la municipalité de la Nation à nommer un conseiller municipal (ou le directeur de loisirs) à siéger sur le conseil d'administration du Sentier récréatif Prescott-Russell.

Suite à la révision des règlements corporatifs du Sentier récréatif de Prescott-Russell, revus en 2022, le conseil d'administration de la Corporation compte maintenant un siège mandaté pour chacune des municipalités que le Sentier traverse.

La Corporation du Sentier récréatif se rencontre normalement une fois par mois, en soirée, dernièrement de façon virtuelle mais potentiellement en présentiel dans les mois à venir.

Je vous invite à communiquer avec moi pour toute question ou commentaires, il me fera plaisir de répondre à vous.

Bien à vous,
Eric

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Dear Clerk,

Following the recent municipal election, we invite the Nation Municipality to appoint a municipal councillor (or the recreation director) to sit on the Prescott-Russell Recreational Trail Board of Directors.

Following the revision of the Prescott-Russell Recreational Trail's corporate by-laws, revised in 2022, the Corporation's Board of Directors now has a mandated seat for each of the municipalities through which the Trail passes.

The Recreational Trail Corporation normally meets once a month in the evening, lately virtually but potentially face to face in the coming months.

I invite you to contact me with any questions or comments you may have and I will be happy to respond.

Sincerely yours,
Eric

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Eric Collard
Executive Director / Directeur général
Sentier récréatif Prescott-Russell Recreational Trail
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Leroux Consultant

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November 30th, 2022

File Reference 2022-1104

The Nation Municipality

3248 county Road 9

Fournier, Ontario

K0A 1G0

Attention : Ms. Joanne Bougie-Normand

RE : Drainage Superintendent Duties

Dear Ms. Bougie-Normand

Please find enclosed a brief description of work performed for the period between from November 1st to November 30th, 2022.

General Drainage concerns

- 1) I received a call from a landowner along the O'Brian municipal drain to let me know that there was a big and wide beaver dam near the corner where the Reynald Leduc drain fines its outlet. I went to inspect the drain from the largest dam downstream and found four more beaver dams. I called a trapper to rid the drain of nuisance beaver to then be able to lower the water levels as we remove the dams from the lowest to breaching the highest one slowly not to cause any erosion or wash outs downstream. I had to call a long stick excavator as this drain is very deep and wide. The extra reach was necessary to be able to this work.
- 2) Many landowners having benefit along the Wilson drain requested a ditch bottom clean out along the drain from Riverbank road upstream. As the excavator was doing maintenance, we could see that the flow was restrictive at first, but plugged up even more as soon as we removed sediment from the inlet of the culvert. The road culvert barely had any flow going through so I called Public Works to let them know that the road culvert should be replaced as soon as possible as there was a risk for a washout next spring. Public Work made plans to replace the road culvert as it is not within the jurisdiction of the municipal drain but the road authority. The Culvert was replaced soon thereafter. We also had to stabilise a section of the slopes being partially eroded. We brought in large stones set over geotextile on a length of 20 meters where water drains back to the drain when it recedes.
- 3) The same landowners had requested the ditch bottom clean out of the Muir municipal drain that outlet through a Riverbank road crossing to the South Nation River. This clean out was done without any issues. The water flow was back to the original drain status.

- 4) I had to order an elliptic culvert a few months ago for the McLeod Creek after getting quotes. This culvert is a large size not usually in stock. We received the culvert and got it delivered close to the drain ready to be replaced as soon as the contractor would be available. It should be installed in early December. I also had stone delivered onsite as it was dry to travel with trucks in field without getting stuck or causing damages in the field.
- 5) We followed up with a request for the Hartley municipal drain that crosses the Riverbank road to also outlet in the South Nation River. The ditch bottom clean out went well, but the road was also impeding flow towards the River. The concerns were passed on to the Public Works for replacement planning.
- 6) The same landowners have land all along the Riverbank road allowance, and asked to have the James Wilson and Chartrand municipal drain cleaned out to have all of the drains in the area offering better drainage. The drains have to be maintained often as they are affected by flood every year.
- 7) I was asked to inspect the Ernest Durivage municipal drain where the drain crosses Gagné road by a landowner along the upstream side of the road telling me that he thinks the culvert is collapsing as the water flow is not draining properly. I went to inspect the drain and saw that the collar that connects the last culvert section at the outlet is removed and ground is seeping causing a blockage with earth accumulation. I spoke with the area Road Superintendent to ask if he could look at the culvert as it would need to bring a backhoe to open a short section and reset the collar to stop leakage. I will also have to plan a ditch bottom clean out downstream.
- 8) We still have to replace three culverts on the South Plantagenet municipal drain, so I had a loader move the culverts from the farm where they were delivered to the back fields where they are to be replaced as soon as the contractor is available. We have delivered the gravel needed to replace the culverts when the access was dry.
- 9) I was asked to meet a landowner along the Besner municipal drain to look at cross culverts. I went to inspect and saw that the culverts had washouts and would be hazardous to cross over next spring. I ordered the two replacement culvert and they were delivered before the end of November. This work should be done in early December.
- 10) I had a few contact with the Director and President of the Recreational Trail to discuss the replacement of a collapsed culvert. We also had an onsite meeting to follow up with our discussions. We discuss procedures to resolve this issue, and talks are still ongoing.
- 11) The Adam drain new realignment and closed channel section has been entirely completed as per the engineer's report status. The Quirouette municipal drain is almost all been cleaned to have a better drainage outlet to the whole drain and it is also where the Adam drain gets its outlet. The owners were active to help each other to remove the extra trees and weeds where to let the contractor perform the ditch bottom clean out where needed. This planned work was completed as per requirements.

- 12) I received a call from a landowner telling me that a culvert along the Henri Cuerrier-Lalonde Branch had a hole in it and it was dangerous to cross over. I went to inspect it, and saw that it should be replaced or removed as soon as possible as it would possible cause restriction next spring as the culvert was collapsed and partly blocking water flow. Combined with ice and snow this could flood the upper section where residential sump pumps could not work properly being under water all the time. This culvert and another one on the same drain were identified for removal after a discussion with the two landowners telling me that they had other options to access their land. A landowner close to the drain maintenance had told us that he would clear all the wood that had to be removed from the ditch side to perform the maintenance needed. He did take very little had we had to remove the remaining branches and trees to send them to the municipal dump site.
- 13) I spoke with a contractor to see if he would be interested in performing a ditch bottom clean out of the Malbeuf municipal drain. This drain as already been set back from last year as the contractor retained at the time did not follow through with the work after confirming he would. I called him this summer, but he did not answer the phone, so I moved on to another contractor. This year has been very difficult to find contractors with excavators, and even worst to get some with labours to install culverts or other manual work. This maintenance is planned to begin in early December, weather permitting.
- 14) The contractor that was interested to do a ditch bottom clean out at the upper end of the Villeneuve municipal drain as called me to begin the last week of November. This work was completed on November 30th.
- 15) The Gaston Levac municipal drain and McLeod municipal drains were rid of nuisance beaver by the middle of November to have the water levels back to normal.
- 16) The municipality's excavator was made available, so I sent him to complete the work that he had to stop last January after a snow storm came and covered the drain. I had a discussion with the land owners at the time to discuss the higher cost it would be because we had to remove lots of snow before we could finish the ditch bottom clean out. They agreed to wait until this year to finalise this work. The HVAC truck was called in to clean two culvert as they had too much dirt causing retention making it more difficult to clean the drain. This work was completed.
- 17) I sent the same contractor that worked along the Riverbank road being close to the Harold Shane municipal drain to complete the work we had to stop this summer because of crops in the field. We completed the ditch bottom clean out.
- 18) The Townships excavator was moved to the Beaudry municipal drain to perform a ditch bottom clean out on the middle to upper section of the drain requested by a landowner along the drain.

- 19) I was asked to meet a landowner at the Levac- 8th concession municipal drain to look at his land telling me that his tile drain outlets were under water. We inspected the drain on his land down to the next side road where water flows downstream to that direction. We could see lots of water just sitting in the drain not flowing. I told him that I would contact the other owners downstream to discuss a complete ditch bottom clean out as soon as I would have completed an inspection on the whole drain. I did so and confirm the fact that the drain was not flowing very well and had a discussion with one of last owners along the drain where there were many trees.
- 20) He told me that he would do his best to clear the brush and to give us better access to clean the drain further to be able to offer drainage as his tile drains are under water. Every owner agreed that it would be good to clean the entire drain to have better drainage. The drain needed this work as many tile drain outlets are under water. This work is still ongoing as we only started in the last days of November.

Hoping the above is to your satisfaction, I remain.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Eric Leroux', with a stylized, flowing script.

Eric Leroux
Leroux Consultant



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November 17, 2022

RE: 9.3.3 Report ADM-2022-065 Bill 23 Proposed Changes

Please be advised that Township of Puslinch Council, at its meeting held on November 9, 2022 considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

Resolution No. 2022-366: **Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bailey**

That Report ADM-2022-065 entitled Bill 23 Proposed Changes and Consent items 6.6 and 6.15 and Correspondence Item 10.4 be received; and

Whereas the Township of Puslinch has received correspondence dated Oct. 25, 2022 from Minister Clark regarding the More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022 (Bill 23); and

Whereas the Township of Puslinch Council recognizes that there is a housing affordability concern in Ontario;

Be it resolved that the Township of Puslinch Council advise the Province that it has significant concerns about the actions contained therein to:

1. Essentially remove meaningful public participation from the land use planning process;
2. Reduce the protection of natural heritage features/natural hazards, and the resulting impact on public health, public safety, and climate change objectives;
3. Reduce the important role of Conservation Authorities in the review of development applications (a loss of technical expertise critical to rural municipalities);



4. Eliminate the long-established regional planning framework in the Province;
5. Streamlining aggregate applications by permitting Ministry staff to make decisions until such time that more information is provided;
6. Financial implications of all of the impacts of Bill 23, by eliminating the long accepted concept of growth paying for growth, and shifting that burden to the tax payer through property taxes;
7. Proposed Heritage Act changes related to timelines to designate properties listed on the Registry with undesignated status undermines the ability of the community to save these structures through community engagement and goodwill; and

Whereas the Township of Puslinch received the presentation from the Mill Creek Stewards;

Be it Resolved, that Puslinch Council request that the Ministry review the presentation by the Mill Creek Stewards; and

Whereas the Township of Puslinch received the Hamilton Conservation Authority Board Resolution and the Halton Conservation Authority correspondence addressed to the Province;

Be it Resolved, that Puslinch Council supports the comments contained therein; and

That the presentation and the Council Resolution be forwarded to Premier Ford, Minister Clark, Speaker Arnott, County of Wellington, AMO, ROMA, Grand River Conservation Authority, Conservation Halton, Hamilton Conservation Authority and all Ontario municipalities.

CARRIED



As per the above resolution, please accept a copy of this correspondence for your information and consideration.

Sincerely,
Courtenay Hoytfox
Municipal Clerk

CC:

The Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing steve.clark@pc.ola.org

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All Ontario Municipalities

Mill Creek Steward's Comments On

Bill 23

Building Homes Faster Action Plan



Mr Mayor, Councillors

May we begin with our deepest sympathies, no I'm kidding, congratulations to you all on your recent election/acclamation. The Mill Creek Stewards believe you're going to have an especially significant and challenging term in office as municipalities try to define their role in the provincial-municipal relationship.

That relationship brings us to the "More Homes Built Faster Action Plan" proposed by the Ontario government and presented to you as Item 6.6 on today's Agenda.

The provincial government is trying to sell this Plan as a means of building homes faster and cheaper by empowering municipalities.

It does neither. This bill is a wolf in a sheepskin.

If we start with those innocent looking sheepskins. This plan supports:

- 1) Eliminating/reducing regional planning to allow more local input.
- 2) Streamlining and reducing the costs of development applications.
- 3) "As of right" Additional Residential Units ARUs
- 4) Building more homes near transit corridors.
- 5) Housing targets and helping homebuyers
- 6) Improving the Ontario Land Tribunal.

At least some are creditable goals!

We can't argue with those goals but if we look underneath we see wolves.

- 1) Eliminating regional planning. Does allow more local input but at significantly more local costs. At the same time, by stripping input from Conservation Authorities, the result is no cross-jurisdictional planning, a critical aspect of water, land and environment planning recognized and instituted decades ago and applauded internationally. To add insult to injury this plan requires CAs to define CA land suitable for housing development and removes barriers to their sale.
- 2) Streamlining and reducing application costs. Does allow for faster application approvals but is that the problem? The provincial government's own Housing Task Force in the spring of 2022 identified land availability and development applications as non-issues. Their maps showed the lands adjacent to communities, and still available for development, serve the province's needs for the next 30 years with minimal new lands and no greenbelt land. As well, lands proposed for removal from the greenbelt are farther from infrastructure and would cost municipalities significantly more to develop. It should be noted that there is a shortage associated with housing but its not land. The average house and lot size has doubled in the last twenty years, doubling resource consumption and creating a resource not housing shortage, which explains why so much approved-land sits undeveloped. While reducing application and development costs compromises the generation of critical municipal revenue necessary for essential housing infrastructure development, especially extended development. The province offers no offsets to cover municipality's significant losses in revenue, while at the same time downsizing CAs and regional governments, further increasing the administration costs of local municipalities.
- 3) "As of right" ARUs. A true sheep with no wolf but unnecessary as municipalities like Puslinch have already implemented this aspect in everything but name.
- 4) Building near transit corridors. Again a true sheep but very small compared to the wolves.
- 5) Housing targets and assisting homebuyers. Does help homebuyers through attainable housing targets and development fee exemptions but leaves large loopholes in who can buy attainable housing and especially resell, while fee exemptions include no provincial offsets, once again leaving the tax base of local municipalities to bear the costs.
- 6) Improving the OLT. Does sound positive but it's limited to eliminating third party i.e. community groups like ours from appealing any Official Plan or Zoning bylaw amendments while permitting industry to appeal. This is at the same time as the province has removed regional planning and the right of appeal from regional governments and right of input from CAs.

And sadly the province already has specific targets for these wolves:

Pitting its wolves against two Greenland agreements covering the Golden Horseshoe. The province seeks to reverse both agreements. In the case of both agreements, the means for amendments already exist. Its just criteria that protect critical aspects of the broader community need to be met first. The province claims these criteria that protect the environment, natural features and farmland are too slow but slower is not slow and slower is the way that democracy, government by the people, works to balance risk for the broad community.

Pitting wolves against the Greenbelt itself, where the province is seeking to remove large swaths of protected land, while promising to offset it with land elsewhere. No belt can do its job if its chewed in pieces and the Greenbelt is no different, especially when the offset lands are distant, less than presented and being recycled as they were trumpeted months ago. As stated previously, these lands are not even needed and the province was very clear prior to the election that the no land would be removed from the Greenbelt. At the same time the substitute restricted development lands are being passed to distant municipalities like Puslinch at no gain.

Pitting its wolves against two specific higher tier municipalities, Hamilton and Kitchener-Waterloo, whose land planning guided by referendums met provincial targets but ran counter to provincial wishes. In this case the province promises low tier municipalities the power to ignore higher tier planning. One of the most significant problems resulting from this Bill is the elimination of cross-jurisdictional planning associated with regional governments (higher tier) and our unique conservation authorities (watersheds).

Pitting its wolves against wetlands, farmland and natural heritage features is of particular concern to our group. The province has supplied little wolf detail in its Action Plan except in the case of wetlands through its "Proposed Changes to OWES". These changes are a preview of what we can expect with respect to all other areas of planning. The core of this proposal is reducing bureaucracy and its costs by eliminating provincial oversight. I refer you to the paper appendix where original text is in black and removed or added text is blue. Removed text has a line through it, which is most of the text. In essence little has been added and much taken away in the name of streamlining. This reduction doesn't empower municipalities. It is a crass means of cutting provincial costs, downloading research on municipalities and minimizing the effectiveness of land planning oversight: all while appearing to substitute municipal oversight, i.e. empowerment. Municipalities will either face significant additional planning staff costs or face approving by default, all applications for development.

Specifically the province proposes to almost totally eradicate Ministry input into land planning when it comes to evaluating farmland, water courses, natural heritage features, wetlands and endangered species. Unfortunately as a replacement it only offers municipalities one option: subjective evaluations done without the benefit of objective report frameworks (page 1), significantly reduced detail including references (page 2,3), potentially done by unskilled workers supervised at a distance, done without the benefit of experienced Conservation Authority and Ministry personnel and considered complete when presented to the appropriate planner regardless of comprehensiveness (page 4).

This is not municipal empowerment, just a means to chaos, chaos that disempowers municipalities in every case where the municipalities and province disagree.

Finally in finishing our review, we must comment on the cynical use throughout both Bill 23 and the OWES Plan, of the "offsets" concept. This offset concept sounds innocent but in effect it eliminates any protection municipalities may have still hoped to extend to their water sources, farmlands, wetlands, natural heritage

features, species habitats and greenlands. Worst is the offset fund aspect, which allows developers to circumvent substitution and simply pay for destruction. When destruction engenders millions of dollars, a few thousand dollars is a small price for developers to pay.

Bill 23 is not municipal empowerment but nuclear disempowerment. It won't build homes faster or cheaper but will have catastrophic effects on our environment including our Mill Creek.

We have no doubt the Township's staff have prepared a comprehensive review of this Plan but we felt given this Action Plan's massive and immediate impact even as far as the Provincial Policy Statement, required we add our voice in person.

We are especially concerned by its plan to deny community groups like ours the right to participate in planning decisions and further the right to appeal planning decisions if we somehow manage to learn about them.

Please consider a strong response to the province's request for input on this proposed Plan. Thank you for your time and attention.

Note this legislation while eliminating the right of community groups like ours to appeal municipal decisions, doesn't eliminate the right of industry (aggregate, housing etc.)

Note this legislation tries to distract from municipalities that are already resolving housing shortages with densification at much lower cost and speedier resolution.

Note the extremely short timeline for comment on this Bill as well as the shortened timelines on all ERO comment periods, reflects a provincial agenda while significantly stressing our municipal staff.

Note greenbelt lands and wetlands have already been bought cheaply by speculators anticipating government proposed changes, meaning the whole concept of greenbelt, i.e. its permanency, is being destabilized.

Note this legislation not only eliminates the requirement for CA input for development applications but forbids it, i.e. a gag order. "Required to look at watershed protection only without reference to development".

Note this legislation put the existence of the Provincial Policy Statement, the foundation of lower tier government planning, in question, as it over-rides the PPS on farmland, wetlands, natural heritage sites, species protection etc.



A Healthy Watershed for Everyone

Via Email: gschwendinger@puslinch.ca

November 7, 2022

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Re: Hamilton Conservation Authority Board Resolution re. Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry proposals in support of Bill 23 More Homes Built Faster: Ontario's Housing Supply Action Plan 2022-23

Dear Mr. Schwendinger,

On November 3, 2022, the Hamilton Conservation Authority (HCA) Board of Directors passed the following unanimous resolution:

BD12, 3113

**MOVED BY: Jim Cimba
SECONDED BY: Brad Clark**

THAT the following key points regarding the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry proposals in support of Bill 23 More Homes Built Faster: Ontario's Housing Supply Action Plan 2022-23 be sent to HCA's member municipalities:

- **Proposed changes should take into account a watershed-based approach to balance growth with the environment and public health and safety.**
- **CAs should continue with the ability to review and comment on natural heritage in permitting and planning applications and retain responsibility for**

Natural Hazard approvals to ensure safe development.

- **We request continued collaboration with the Province in regard to the proposed changes and support Conservation Ontario's call to engage with the established multi-stakeholder Conservation Authorities Working Group (CAWG) that helped guide the Province in its implementation of the last round of changes to the CA Act.**
- **Municipalities should retain the option to enter into MOUs with CAs for municipally requested advisory services.**
- **Permit CAs to work towards cost recovery targets so that development pays for development.**
- **The Province should recognize the importance of CA lands and ensure clear policies to protect them.**

CARRIED

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lisa Burnside". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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October 31st, 2022

Dear Premier Ford, Minister Clark, Minister Smith and Minister Piccini,

We are writing to you in response to Bill 23, the *More Homes Built Faster Act*, which was announced on Tuesday, October 25th, 2022, specifically regarding Schedule 2.

We agree that there is a housing supply and affordability issue in Ontario that needs to be pragmatically addressed. We support the government's commitment to reducing unnecessary barriers to development and streamlining processes. We share this commitment and publicly report on the standards of service delivery to illustrate our goal of providing the best customer service to the municipalities, communities, residents and developers we serve.

We will do our part to help the Province meet its goal of building 1.5 million homes in Ontario over the next ten years. We think your stated outcomes are important but are concerned that your proposed legislative changes may have unintentional, negative consequences. Rather than creating the conditions for efficient housing development, these changes may jeopardize the Province's stated goals by increasing risks to life and property for Ontario residents.

1. Potential sweeping exemptions to transfer CA regulatory responsibilities to municipalities

Conservation Halton would like to understand the government's intentions with this proposed exemption. It is unclear whether it will be limited to certain types of low-risk development and hazards, or if the purpose is to transfer Conservation Authorities (CA) responsibilities to municipalities on a much broader scale. While the government wants to focus CAs on their core mandate, this proposed sweeping exemption signals the exact opposite. As proposed in the legislation, the CA exclusions will nullify the core functions of CAs and open up significant holes in the delivery of our natural hazard roles, rendering them ineffective. This will negatively

impact our ability to protect people and property from natural hazards, which seem to be more and more prevalent with extreme weather events.

Without limitations or further scoping, these proposed changes signal the likelihood of future delegation of CA permitting roles to municipalities that have neither capacity nor expertise in water resources engineering, environmental planning and regulatory compliance. This will result in longer response times and increased costs and impede the government's goal of making life more affordable.

Municipalities will also assume sole liability for the impact of development on natural hazards within municipal boundaries and on neighbouring upstream and downstream communities, which is a significant and new responsibility that they have never had to manage.

Key Recommendations:

- Address this risk expressly – keep all hazard-related responsibilities with CAs.
- Engage with the existing multi-stakeholder Conservation Authorities Working Group (CAWG) to ensure there is a streamlined, consistent and scoped process for CAs to help the Province achieve its housing goals while ensuring costs are low, the process is fast and Ontario taxpayers are protected.

2. Proposed change that would prohibit CAs from entering into MOUs with municipalities for other services (e.g., natural heritage reviews, select aspects of stormwater management reviews, etc.)

Conservation Halton has demonstrated that we can deliver these services efficiently without lengthening the approvals process. There is no evidence that municipalities can do this faster or cheaper. Bill 23 as currently written, precludes municipalities from entering into agreements with CAs to provide advice on environmental and natural heritage matters. They will have to coordinate with neighbouring municipalities and the Province on a watershed basis, rather than taking advantage of expertise already available within many CAs.

Key Recommendations:

- Municipalities should retain the option to enter into MOUs with CAs, with clearly defined terms, timelines and performance measures, as allowed under Section 21.1.1 (1) of the CA Act.
- Work with the CAWG to develop guidance for commenting and exploring the option of limiting CAs from commenting beyond natural hazards risks except where a CA has entered into an agreement or MOU.

3. Proposed change to freeze CA fees

This proposal has no guidelines on the timing or permanence of the fee freeze. Conservation Halton has already undertaken an extensive cost-based analysis that has been benchmarked against other development review fees to ensure our fees do not exceed the cost to deliver the service. We meet regularly with developer groups and municipalities to ensure our fees, processes and service standards are transparent, consistent and fair. We hope that you will be guided by your already approved fee policy that Conservation Halton supports, otherwise this change will impose additional costs on municipalities.

Key Recommendation:

- Require CAs to demonstrate to the Province that permit and planning fees do not exceed the cost to deliver the program or service and only consider freezing fees if CAs are exceeding 100% cost recovery.

4. Wetland Offsetting

Wetlands play a critical role in mitigating floods. Further wetland loss may result in serious flooding, putting the safety of communities at risk. Wetlands are a cost-effective strategy for protecting downstream properties. The

government must be prudent when considering changes like offsetting, which could negatively affect the ability of wetlands to reduce flooding and confuse roles in wetland management and protection between municipalities and CAs.

Conservation Halton is disciplined and focused on providing mandatory programs and services related to natural hazards. We have a transparent and proven track record of providing regulatory services that are streamlined, accountable and centred on rigorous service delivery standards. Our commitment focuses on stakeholder engagement, from meeting homeowners on-site to engaging with the development community to better understand perceived barriers. This approach helps us find innovative solutions for continued and safe growth in the municipalities we serve.

To ensure the most effective implementation of this Bill, we believe it is critical that the government presses pause on the proposed changes we have highlighted and meet with us to clarify and consider more effective alternatives. It is our hope that we can work with you again to safeguard the best possible outcomes for the people of Ontario.

You had such great success through the multi-stakeholder CA Working Group, which your Progressive Conservative government created and which Hassaan Basit, President and CEO of Conservation Halton, chaired. We strongly suggest continuing this engagement and we stand ready to help.

Sincerely,

Gerry Smallegange



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COUNTY OF WELLINGTON

COMMITTEE REPORT

To: Chair and Members of the Planning Committee
From: Sarah Wilhelm, Manager of Policy Planning
Jameson Pickard, Senior Policy Planner
Date: Thursday, November 10, 2022
Subject: **Bill 23 – More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022**

1.0 Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide an overview of proposed changes recently introduced by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing through the “More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022” (Bill 23) aimed at increasing housing supply in Ontario.

This report comments on parts of the amendments related to the land use planning and development approvals process and also highlights other changes under consideration that have impacts across County Departments, Member Municipalities and Conservation Authorities. The Treasury Department will report separately to the Administration, Finance and Human Resources Committee on the potential impacts related to development charges.

2.0 Background

The Provincial Government has proposed sweeping changes to multiple statutes, regulations, policies and other matters to help achieve the goal of building 1.5 million homes in Ontario over the next 10 years. Bill 23 impacts nine statutes, including major changes to the Planning Act, Development Charges Act and Conservation Authorities Act. The Government is moving fast and the changes are far reaching.

3.0 Major Themes

The proposed changes focus on the following major themes:

- building more homes;
- streamlining processes; and
- reducing costs and fees to build houses.

The Government has posted material for comment on the Environment Registry of Ontario and the Ontario Regulatory Registry about the proposed legislative and regulatory changes (see Appendix A for list). Planning staff have reviewed and summarized information to assist the County and Member Municipalities in their review of the material (Appendix B) but encourage those interested to review the proposed changes in their entirety.

Key changes are listed below.

3.1 Building More Homes

In an effort to build more homes, the Province has proposed the following changes:

Additional Residential Units (ARUs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• allow landowners to have up to 3 residential units per lot without the need for a zoning by-law amendment in municipally-serviced urban residential areas• would permit 3 units in the main dwelling (including 2 ARUs) or a combination of 2 units in the main dwelling (including 1 ARU) and another ARU in an ancillary building• zoning by-laws cannot set a minimum unit size or require more than one parking space per unit, but other zoning rules would apply
Housing targets to 2031	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• set housing targets to 2031 for 29 “large and fast-growing” municipalities in Southern Ontario (not applicable to Wellington County)
Major transit stations	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• build more homes near major transit stations (not applicable to Wellington County)
Conservation Authorities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• identification of Conservation Authority lands suitable for housing

3.2 Streamlining

The Provincial Government is looking to streamline a wide range of policies and procedures to reduce the time it takes for new housing to be built.

Public Involvement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• remove “third party” appeal rights for all planning applications (this would include appeals by the public)• remove the public meeting requirement for draft plan of subdivision approvals
Conservation Authorities (CAs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• remove Conservation Authority appeal rights for planning applications, except where the appeal would relate to natural hazards policies• limit Conservation Authority responsibilities to review and comment on planning applications (either on behalf of a municipality or on their own) to focus on natural hazards and flooding• change the Provincial wetland evaluation system, including shifting responsibility for wetland evaluation to local municipalities• establish one regulation for all 36 CAs in Ontario

New Provincial Planning Document	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> eliminate duplication between the Provincial Policy Statement (PPS) and A Place to Grow (Growth Plan), by combining them into one document and providing a more flexible approach to growth management
Planning Responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> shift planning responsibilities from some upper-tier municipalities to lower-tier municipalities (not applicable to Wellington County)
Site Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> exclude projects with 10 or fewer residential units from site plan control exclude exterior design of buildings from site plan control
Heritage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> add more stringent requirements related to municipal heritage registers and timing of designation
Rental Unit Demolition and Conversion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> impose limits and conditions on the powers of a local municipality to prohibit and regulate the demolition and conversion of residential rental properties

3.3 Reducing Costs and Fees

Reductions in costs and fees are mainly focused in the following areas:

Development Charges and Parkland Dedication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> exempt non-profit housing developments, inclusionary zoning residential units (not applicable to Wellington County), and affordable, additional and attainable housing units from development charges and parkland dedication discount development charges for purpose-built rentals remove costs of certain studies from development charges reduce alternative parkland dedication requirements
Conservation Authorities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a temporary freeze on CA fees for development permits and proposals
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> review of other fees charged by Provincial ministries, boards, agencies and commissions

3.4 Additional Matters

Beyond the proposed land use planning changes, other key changes include to:

- enable the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) to speed up processing of appeals
- provide the OLT with discretionary power to order the unsuccessful party at a hearing to pay the successful party's costs

- provide a potential rent-to-own financing model
- increase penalties under the New Homes Construction Licensing Act of up to \$50,000

4.0 Conclusion

Ontario is in the midst of a housing crisis. While there are no simple solutions to the problem, action is required. Several of the Government's initiatives support recommendations of the County's Attainable Housing Strategy such as:

- streamlining the land use planning approval process;
- reducing/exempting certain development charges and parkland dedication requirements;
- introducing an attainable housing category; and
- considering a potential rent-to-own financing model.

While the above proposals will likely increase the supply of housing, more information is needed to better understand how related cost reductions will be passed on to potential home buyers.

The County has previously commented to the Province about duplication between the Provincial Policy Statement and the Provincial Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe Area and welcome the creation of one streamlined Provincial Planning document and a simplified process for comprehensive growth reviews. Planning staff do, however, have concerns about how this might impact the municipal comprehensive review (MCR) work completed to date.

We have significant concerns about actions to:

- essentially remove meaningful public participation from the land use planning process;
- reduce the protection of natural heritage features/natural hazards, and the resulting impact on public health, public safety, and climate change objectives;
- reduce the important role of Conservation Authorities in the review of development applications (a loss of technical expertise critical to rural municipalities); and
- eliminate the long-established regional planning framework in the Province.

Staff note that there is a substantial amount of material posted for consultation and little time to respond (most comments are due late November or early December). Unfortunately, this timeframe does not allow for many newly elected Councils (including Wellington County) to meet and discuss their comments. We understand that more information is to follow as Bill 23 also introduces the potential for additional policies and regulations. Therefore, the full impact of the proposed amendments is unknown.

5.0 Next Steps

At the time of writing this report, the Bill has passed second reading and is at the Committee stage in the Legislature. Staff will continue to monitor the proposed legislation as it moves through the legislative process. Staff will engage with AMO and other organizations to provide input and will report at a later date when the legislation comes into effect and/or additional policies and regulations are made available.

Recommendations

That the report “Bill 23 – More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022” be received for information.

That this report be forwarded to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing on behalf of the County of Wellington and circulated to member municipalities for their consideration prior to Environmental and Regulatory Registry Provincial comment deadlines.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sarah Wilhelm, BES, MCIP, RPP
Manager of Policy Planning

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Jameson Pickard, B. URPL, RPP, MCIP
Senior Policy Planner

Current Outbreaks

Please be advised that the following facilities are or were experiencing outbreaks.

Date Format: Year-Month-Day

DATE: 2022-12-01

FACILITY	LOCATION	TYPE OF OUTBREAK	ORGANISM	DATE REPORTED	DATE DECLARED OVER	DATE LAST MODIFIED
Community Living Dundas- Victoria Street	Morrisburg	COVID	COVID	2022-11-30		2022-11-30
Valoris Bertha	Hawkesbury	COVID	COVID	2022-11-29		2022-11-29
Baldwin House	Cornwall	Enteric	Unknown	2022-11-28		2022-11-28
Community Living Glengarry - Bishop Street	Alexandria	COVID	COVID	2022-11-28		2022-11-28
McGill Manor 2	Hawkesbury	COVID	COVID	2022-11-28		2022-11-28
Residence St-François	Casselman	COVID	COVID	2022-11-28		2022-11-28
St Joseph's Continuing Care (Macdonell House)	Cornwall	COVID	COVID	2022-11-25		2022-11-25
Auberge Plein Soleil	Alfred	Respiratory	Influenza A	2022-11-22		2022-11-22
Residence Aquatria	Casselman	COVID	COVID	2022-11-14		2022-11-15
Place Mont Roc	Hawkesbury	Respiratory	Influenza A	2022-11-14	2022-11-21	2022-11-21
Sunset Cove Retirement Home	Long Sault	COVID	COVID	2022-11-09		2022-11-09
Heritage Lodge	Vankleek Hill	COVID	COVID	2022-11-08	2022-11-21	2022-11-21
Crysler Residence – Retirement Home	Crysler	COVID	COVID	2022-11-08	2022-11-28	2022-11-28
Lancaster Long Term Care	Lancaster	COVID	COVID	2022-11-07	2022-11-28	2022-11-28
Open Hands - Pitt Street	Cornwall	COVID	COVID	2022-11-07	2022-11-16	2022-11-16
Oasis Residence Simon	Rockland	COVID	COVID	2022-11-04	2022-11-21	2022-11-21
Maxville Manor	Maxville	COVID	COVID	2022-11-03	2022-11-28	2022-11-28
St-Joseph's Continuing Care Centre – Cobey House	Cornwall	COVID	COVID	2022-11-03	2022-11-21	2022-11-21
Sandfield Place LTC	Cornwall	COVID	COVID	2022-10-31	2022-11-16	2022-11-16
Residence Prescott-Russell	Hawkesbury	COVID	COVID	2022-10-28		2022-10-28

COVID-19 Institutional Outbreak Definition

As of February 3rd 2022, the definition of a COVID-19 outbreak in an institution is two or more residents and/or staff/other visitors in a home (e.g., floor/unit) each with a positive PCR test OR rapid molecular test OR rapid antigen test result AND with an epidemiological link, within a 10-day period.

Local Influenza Activity

Influenza A cases have been reported in our region.

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Standing Committee on Heritage, Infrastructure and Cultural Policy

To Whom It May Concern

Re: Proposed Legislation
Bill 23 – More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022

Thank-you for the opportunity to comment on the above-noted proposed legislation.

Please be advised that the Council of the Municipality of Lambton Shores passed Resolution 22-1108-11 at its November 8, 2022 regular Council meeting:

THAT staff draft a letter to the province outlining Lambton Shores' concerns with Bill 23 and circulate to AMO and all Ontario municipalities.

Lambton Shores is a thriving, growing community on the shores of Lake Huron. It includes several communities experiencing appreciable growth in residential and commercial developments. Lambton Shores' beaches, lakeshore communities, places like Grand Bend and Pinery Provincial Park, and its provincially and internationally significant natural heritage areas make Lambton Shores a well-known tourist destination and desirable place to live and work. Like much of rural Ontario and perhaps more so, it has experienced housing shortages, increased development activity, and a sharp rise in housing costs in the last several years.

In general, Bill 23 seems to be intended to address approval process problems that exist in larger centers more so than portions of rural Ontario like Lambton Shores. Lambton Shores, on the whole, works well with the development community and issues timely planning and other development approvals. In Lambton Shores' case, Bill 23 will "fix" many things that are not really broken and will have the unintended effect of substituting relatively efficient processes with additional processes, time, and costs to development.

The Province conducted a very narrow, developer and real estate-focused, consultation in developing its strategy to address the housing crisis. It is misleading to lay so much blame on the easy target of municipalities. Delays are often due to a development proponent's reluctance to provide information, meet requirements, and follow processes that are overseen by municipalities, but provincially-established. If the Province wishes to speed up Municipal approvals, it should look at its own approval processes, legislation, and responsiveness with respect to matters related to the *Endangered Species Act*, Records of Site Conditions, archaeological assessments, Environmental Compliance Approvals, and the like.

The limiting factor in addressing the housing crisis is labour and material shortages, caused by government policy and the demographics of aging baby-boomers. The Province would better address the housing crisis by finding ways to increase the capacity of the building industry and direct that capacity towards forms of housing that produce more units (e.g. medium and high rather than low density), rather than placing expectations on municipalities that increase staffing needs and put more pressure to draw labour away from construction and manufacturing.

Conservation Authorities

With respect to Conservation Authorities, the Municipality of Lambton Shores has an excellent working relationship with our two Conservation Authorities (Ausable Bayfield and St Clair Region). They are responsive given the level of resources they have and provide valuable expertise, resources, and services to the Municipality. These would not be practical for a Municipality of our size to provide internally. The Municipality wishes to retain the ability to obtain these services through memorandums of understanding.

- If the CAs are prohibited from commenting on natural heritage matters, the Municipality will need to instead refer development proposals to third party consultants, which will add time and cost to development proponents, contrary to the intent of Bill 23.
- Municipalities will be reluctant to grant planning approvals that would exempt development from Conservation Authority approvals. The Municipality lacks the expertise to assess natural hazards and does not wish to assume the liability. Just as planning approval processes were not designed to address Ontario Building Code matters, planning approval processes and Municipalities lack the unique tools and mechanisms of CAs and the *Conservation Authorities Act* to ensure development can proceed while appropriately addressing hazards.
- Repeal of the Regulations specific to each CA, in favour of a province-wide Regulation, will eliminate the local flavor of each CA and its ability to provide for the needs of its constituent municipalities, which are different in rural Ontario than in larger centers.

Additional Dwelling Units

With respect to allowing three units as-of-right on residentially zoned lands:

- This permission potentially creates additional dwelling units in areas where existing municipal services are at full capacity.
- For a second or third unit to be permitted in a particular form of dwelling, it should be clarified that the applicable zone must permit that form of housing in the first place. The current wording of the legislation would seem to permit, for example, a single detached dwelling with a basement apartment on lands zoned and intended for medium and high density, contrary to the intent of Bill 23 to create more units.
- How will the province ensure that these additional dwelling units are used as primary residences, as intended by Bill 23? In significant tourist areas like the Municipality of Lambton Shores, these provisions will promote additional

conversions of existing primary residences into two or three short term rental accommodations, contrary to the intent of Bill 23.

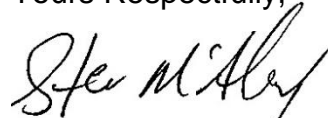
Waiving Fees

With respect to waiving development charges, parkland dedication and other requirements for additional dwelling units, not-for-profit housing, inclusionary housing, etc., the Municipality questions whether these savings to developers will be passed on in lower unit purchase prices. (Consumer demand and willingness to pay remains higher than the building industry's capacity to supply.) Development will however increase municipal service and infrastructure needs, the costs of which will be a burden passed on to the existing tax base, if not collected through development charges.

Site Plan Approval

Waiving site plan approval for residential developments of ten or fewer dwelling units will create adverse impacts to public and municipal interests and developments. The site plan approval process currently provides a single mechanism to address relevant items such as parking, site grading, stormwater management, site servicing, servicing capacity, entrances, work on municipal lands, and sidewalk and road closures. These are important considerations even for smaller developments. In the absence of site plan approval, municipalities will be forced to rely on (or create) a variety of other mechanisms and by-laws to address these interests, which will be less efficient than site plan approval and contrary to the intent of Bill 23 to reduce process.

Yours Respectfully,



Stephen McAuley,
Chief Administrative Officer

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November 28, 2022

Right Hon. Justin Trudeau
Prime Minister of Canada
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Dear Prime Minister:

Re: Resolution – Funding and Support for VIA Rail Services

At their November 14, 2022, Regular Council meeting, Stratford City Council adopted a resolution petitioning the federal government to adequately fund and fully support VIA Rail Canada in increasing the frequency, reliability and speed of VIA Rail service.

A copy of the resolution is attached for your consideration. We kindly request your support and endorsement.

Sincerely,

Tatiana Dafoe
Clerk

Encl.
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cc: Premier Doug Ford
MPP Matthew Rae
MP John Nater
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
Federation of Canadian Municipalities
All Ontario municipalities



THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF STRATFORD
Resolution: Funding and Support for VIA Rail Service

WHEREAS The Corporation of the City of Stratford supports the National Transportation Policy and Section 5 of the *Canada Transportation Act*, S.C. 1996, c. 10 (as amended), which states in part:

"a competitive, economic and efficient national transportation system that meets the highest practicable safety and security standards and contributes to a sustainable environment, makes best use of all modes of transportation at the lowest cost is essential to serve the needs of its users, advance the well-being of Canadians, enable competitiveness and economic growth in both urban and rural areas throughout Canada. Those objectives are achieved when:

(a) competition and market forces among modes of transportation, are prime agents in providing viable and effective transportation services;

(b) regulation and strategic public intervention are used to achieve economic, safety, security, environmental or social outcomes

(c) rates and conditions do not constitute an undue obstacle to the movement of traffic within Canada or to the export of goods from Canada;

(d) the transportation system is accessible without undue obstacle to the mobility of persons, including persons with disabilities; and

(e) governments and the private sector work together for an integrated transportation system."

WHEREAS the Government of Canada has stated: "*we are serious about climate change*" and "*smart investments in transit help connection communities We will continue to work with communities and invest in the infrastructure they need today and into the future*";

WHEREAS Abacus data has indicated that Canadians are focused on building transit to reduce congestion and connect communities;

WHEREAS the Canadian Transport Commission main finding at public hearings in 1977 was that there should be no further reductions to passenger rail services;

WHEREAS the frequency of VIA trains running in Canada has been reduced significantly since 1977, causing a subsequent significant drop in ridership;

WHEREAS there is a need for balanced transportation with more using transit and less using automobiles;

WHEREAS the changing demographic relating to house prices, housing affordability will require further expansions of transit;

WHEREAS there is a need to visit tourist sites located along rail lines;

WHEREAS the annual cost of congestion to the Greater Toronto Hamilton Area economy alone is between \$7.5 and \$11 billion;

WHEREAS there are 10 million more vehicles on the road today than there were in 2000; and

WHEREAS the City of Stratford requests the support of this resolution from all communities served by VIA;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of The City of Stratford recommends to the Government of Canada to adequately fund and fully support VIA Rail Canada in increasing the frequency, reliability and speed of VIA rail service in 2022 and successive years.

Adopted by City Council of The Corporation of the City of Stratford on November 14, 2022

The Corporation of the City of Stratford, P.O. Box 818, Stratford ON N5A 6W1
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November 23, 2022

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
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Delivered by email
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Dear Premier:

Re: Town of Aurora Council Resolution of November 22, 2022; Re: Motion 7.2 – Mayor Mrakas – Opposition to Bill 23, More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022

Please be advised that this matter was considered by Council at its meeting held on November 22, 2022, and in this regard, Council adopted the following resolution:

Whereas Bill 23, the More Homes Built Faster Act, omnibus legislation that received first reading in the provincial legislature on October 25, 2022, proposes changes to nine Acts. Many of these proposed changes are significant and will restrict how municipalities manage growth through implementation of the official plan and the ability to provide essential infrastructure and community services; and

Whereas the effect of Bill 23 is that the Conservation Authority will no longer be able to review and comment on development applications and supporting environmental studies on behalf of a municipality; and

Whereas Bill 23 proposes to freeze, remove, and reduce development charges, community benefits charges, and parkland dedication requirements; and

Whereas Bill 23 will remove all aspects of Site Plan Control of some residential development proposals up to 10 units. Changes would also remove the ability to regulate architectural details and aspects of landscape design;

- 1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That the Town of Aurora oppose Bill 23, More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022, which in its current state will severely impact environmental protection, heritage preservation, public participation, loss of farmland, and a municipality's ability to provide future services, amenities, and infrastructure, and negatively impact residential tax rates; and**

- 2. Be It Further Resolved That the Town of Aurora call upon the Government of Ontario to halt the legislative advancement of Bill 23, More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022 to enable fulsome consultation with Municipalities to ensure that its objectives for sound decision-making for housing growth that meets local needs will be reasonably achieved; and**
- 3. Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this Motion be sent to The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, The Honourable Michael Parsa, Associate Minister of Housing, The Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Peter Tabuns, Interim Leader of the New Democratic Party, local Members of Parliament Tony Van Bynen for Newmarket—Aurora and Leah Taylor Roy for Aurora—Oak Ridges—Richmond Hill, and all MPPs in the Province of Ontario; and**
- 4. Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this Motion be sent to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario municipalities for their consideration.**

The above is for your consideration and any attention deemed necessary.

Yours sincerely,



Michael de Rond
Town Clerk
The Corporation of the Town of Aurora

MdR/lb

Copy: Hon. Michael Parsa, Associate Minister of Housing
Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Peter Tabuns, Interim Leader, New Democratic Party
Tony Van Bynen, MP Newmarket—Aurora
Leah Taylor Roy, MP Aurora—Oak Ridges—Richmond Hill
All Ontario Members of Provincial Parliament
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
All Ontario Municipalities



December 1, 2022

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AMO Matters

AMO is soliciting applications to fill seven Caucus vacancies on the AMO Board of Directors; positions for elected officials and municipal employees are open. Application package can be found [here](#).

Please be advised that in accordance with the Rural Ontario Municipal Association's Policies and Procedures, ROMA is requesting nominations for Zone Representatives to the 2023-2027 ROMA Board of Directors. Nomination package [available here](#).

Provincial Matters

[\\$208 million in grant funding](#) is available to support with the transition to the new Next Generation 9-1-1 emergency services communications system. Deadline to apply is December 21, 2022.

The Ontario Ministry of Transportation is interested to know if you have opted into any of the available [emerging vehicle pilot programs](#). Your response to the [questionnaire](#) would be greatly appreciated before December 23, 2022.

The [regulations](#) under the LLCA taking effect January 1 provide municipalities with permanent and flexible authority to approve temporary creation or extension of an outdoor licensed area, among other changes.

The Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks is hosting webinars on the key [Excess Soil O.Reg 406/19](#) requirements coming into effect on January 1, 2023. [Project Area Requirements](#) will be held on November 30 at 9:30 am and [Reuse Site Requirements](#) on December 7 at 9:30 am. Click on the links to register.

Eye on Events

Early Bird [registration](#) deadline for *ROMA 2023: Breaking New Ground* is **Friday, December 2**. Register now to take advantage of savings.

AMO has modernized its training to reflect the realities, responsibilities, challenges and opportunities of municipally elected officials in today's context. Essential information on legislation, policy, roles, responsibilities and managing relationships are only some of the things attendees will gain insight and tools on. Register today for [New Head of Council](#) or [New Councillor](#) training.

Registration is now open for AMO's [foundational and strategic planning](#) courses. We have also released two new training dates for [AMO-OFIFC Indigenous Community Awareness Training](#). These sessions provide you with insight and skills to community building and decision making. Click [here](#) for more information.

Interested in streamlining your building permit approvals process? Or maybe enhancing your approach to planning and by-law enforcement? On December 7, join AMO's electronic permitting partner, [Cloudpermit](#), for an overview of the partnership, a demonstration of the cloud based system in action, as well as an interactive Q&A session with presenters. [Register today](#).

MEPCO

As municipal employers prepare for the January 1, 2023 change to allow non-full-time employees to enrol in the OMERS Plan, please review the [OMERS FAQ resource](#) on non-full-time enrolment.

LAS

Canoe continues to expand! We're pleased to welcome Bucher to the program, offering a wide range of sweepers to keep your municipality clean. Purchase through the [Canoe Procurement Group](#) to save time and access national discounts. [Contact Simon](#) to learn more.

About AMO

AMO is a non-profit organization representing almost all of Ontario's 444 municipal governments. AMO supports strong and effective municipal government in Ontario and promotes the value of municipal government as a vital and essential component of Ontario's and Canada's political system. Follow [@AMOPolicy](#) on Twitter!

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