



## Township of Cramahe Council Information Package

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# Northumberland County Council Resolution

**SENT VIA EMAIL**

**April 25, 2025**

Northumberland County's 7 Member Municipalities

**Re: Report 2025-069 'Annual Development Activity 2024'**

At a meeting held on April 16, 2025 Northumberland County Council approved Council Resolution # 2025-04-16-305, adopting the below recommendation from the April 2, 2025 Economic Development, Tourism & Land Use Planning Committee meeting:

**Moved by:** Councillor Mandy Martin

**Seconded by:** Councill Alternate Todd Attridge

"**That** the Economic Development, Tourism and Land Use Planning Committee having considered Report 2025-069 'Annual Development Activity 2024', recommend that County Council receive this report for information and direct staff to send a copy of the report and attachments to Northumberland County's seven member municipalities for information."

**Council Resolution # 2025-04-16-305**

**Carried**

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at [matherm@northumberland.ca](mailto:matherm@northumberland.ca) or by telephone at 905-372-3329 ext. 2238.

Sincerely,  
Maddison Mather



Manager of Legislative Services / Clerk  
Northumberland County

## Council Resolution

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Moved By M. Murphy  
Seconded By I. Attridge

Agenda  
Item 11

Resolution Number  
2025-04-16- 305

Council Date: April 16, 2025

"**That** Council adopt all recommendations from the five Standing Committees, as contained within the Committee Minutes (meetings held March 31, April 1 and 2, 2025), with the exception of the following items (referenced from the Standing Committee Minutes), that will be held for discussion:

- Social Services Committee, Item 8.b, Report 2025-066 '310 Division Street, Cobourg Data Update - April 2025' – **Held by Councillor Martin**

**And Further That** the items listed above and held for separate discussion each require a separate resolution."

Recorded Vote  
Requested by \_\_\_\_\_  
Councillor's Name

Deferred \_\_\_\_\_  
Warden's Signature

Carried  \_\_\_\_\_  
Warden's Signature

Defeated \_\_\_\_\_  
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## Economic Development, Tourism, & Land Use Planning Committee Resolution

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Committee Meeting Date: April 2, 2025

Agenda Item: 8.a

Resolution Number: 2025-04-02- 297

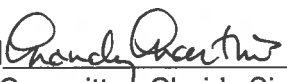
Moved by: R. Crate

Seconded by: B. Ostrander

Council Meeting Date: April 16, 2025

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Carried   
Committee Chair's Signature

Defeated \_\_\_\_\_  
Committee Chair's Signature

Deferred \_\_\_\_\_  
Committee Chair's Signature

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## Report 2025-069

**Report Title:** Annual Development Activity 2024

**Committee Name:** Economic Development, Tourism and Planning

**Committee Meeting Date:** April 2, 2025

**Prepared by:** Niki Kensit  
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**Reviewed by:** Ashley Yearwood  
Manager of Planning  
Economic Development, Tourism and Strategic Initiatives

Dwayne Campbell  
Director  
Economic Development, Tourism and Strategic Initiatives

**Approved by:** Jennifer Moore, CAO

**Council Meeting Date:** April 16, 2025

**Strategic Plan Priorities:** ☐ Innovate for Service Excellence  
☒ Ignite Economic Opportunity  
☐ Foster a Thriving Community  
☐ Propel Sustainable Growth  
☐ Champion a Vibrant Future

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### Information Report

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### Purpose

This report summarizes the development activity for Northumberland County in 2024 as reported in member municipal building permits.

## Background

County Land Use Planning conducts ongoing monitoring activities to assess the effectiveness of the County Official Plan and policies. Monitoring assists in identifying emerging issues and trends to analyze if residential and non-residential permits are on pace with the County's Official Plan housing and employment forecasts.

Development activity across the County is annually monitored as an indicator of housing and employment activity, the level of local investment and economic performance. This report provides an overview of residential and non-residential development activity across the County.

## Consultations

The information in this report is from local municipal building and planning departments. Building permit data is provided by the local municipalities to County Land Use Planning for information.

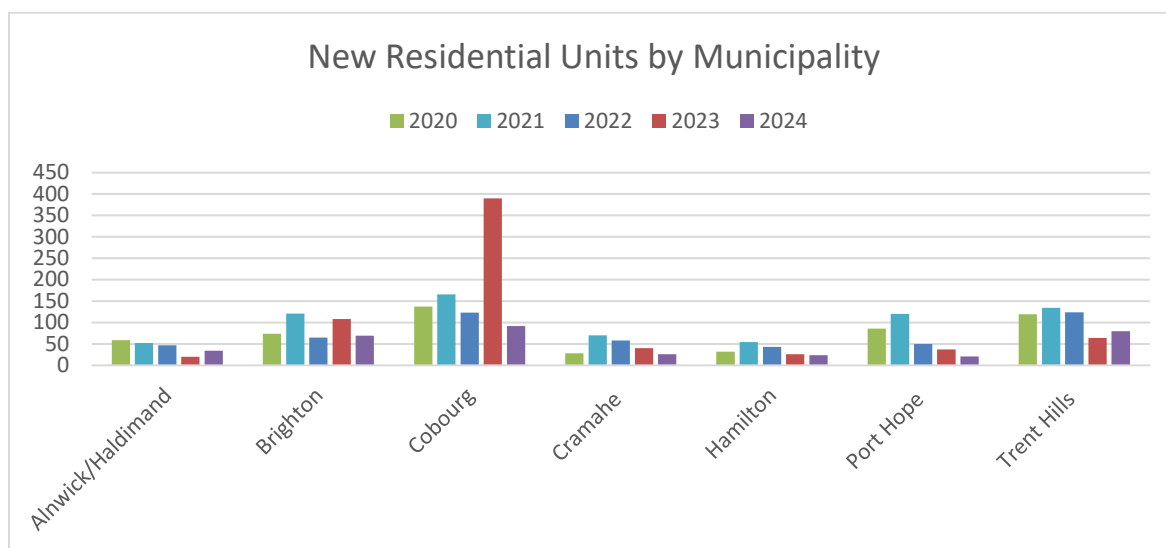
## Legislative Authority / Risk Considerations

In some cases, municipal building permit construction values are estimated by property owners. There is variation in estimated construction values from each local municipality.

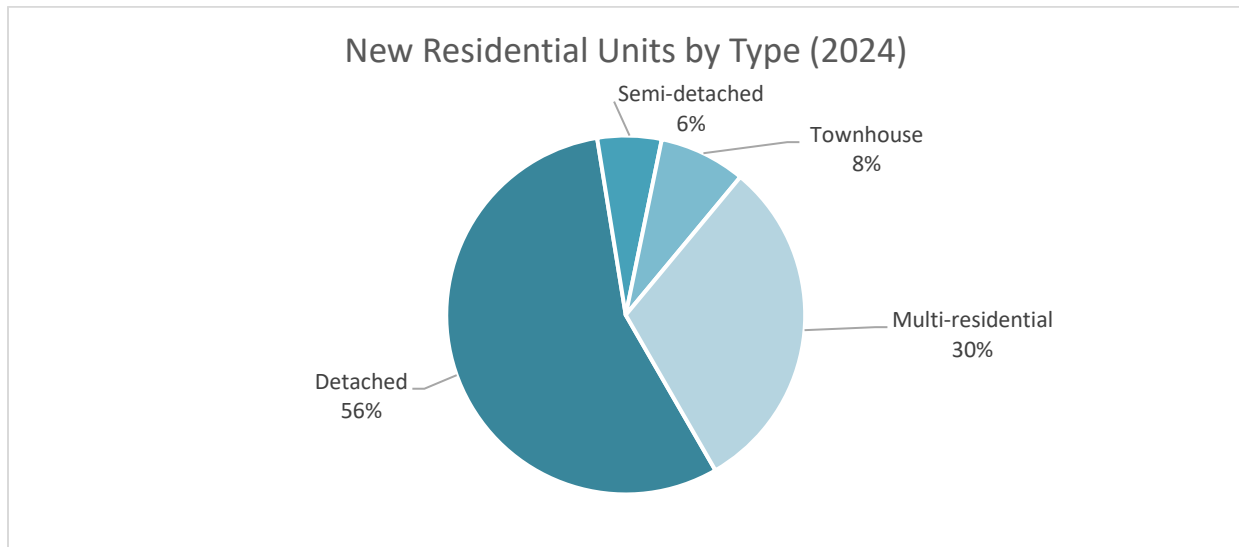
## Discussion / Options

### New Residential Units

In 2024, 346 building permits were issued for new residential units. Cobourg had the highest number of new residential units (92), followed by Trent Hills (80), Brighton (69), Alnwick/Haldimand (34), Cramahe (26), Hamilton Township (24), and Port Hope (21) (see Table 1).



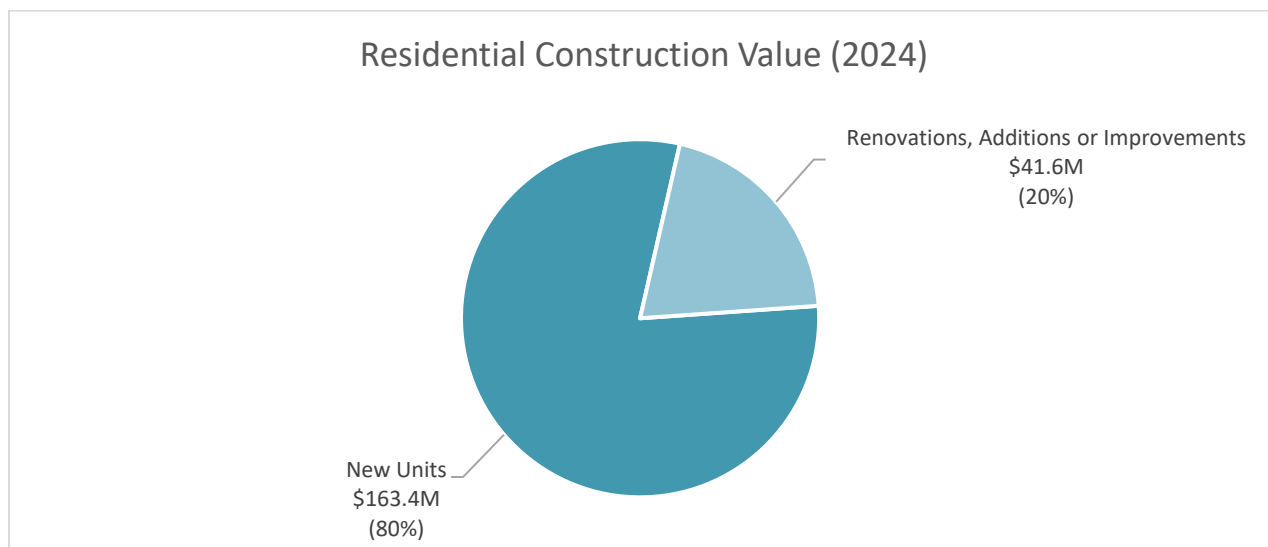
In 2024, detached units (193) accounted for 56% of all new residential units. Multi-residential units (106) accounted for 30%, followed by townhouse units (27) at 8%, and semi-detached units (20). All unit types, except for semi-detached units, decreased from the previous year (see Table 1).



### Residential Construction Value

In 2024, residential construction value, including the estimated construction cost for new units and the estimated construction cost for renovations and additions to existing residential units, was \$206.5 million; a 45.75% decrease from 2023 (\$380.5 million). The estimated construction value for new units decreased by 49.8% in 2024 and the estimated construction value for residential renovations, additions, and improvements decreased by 20.7% (see Table 2).

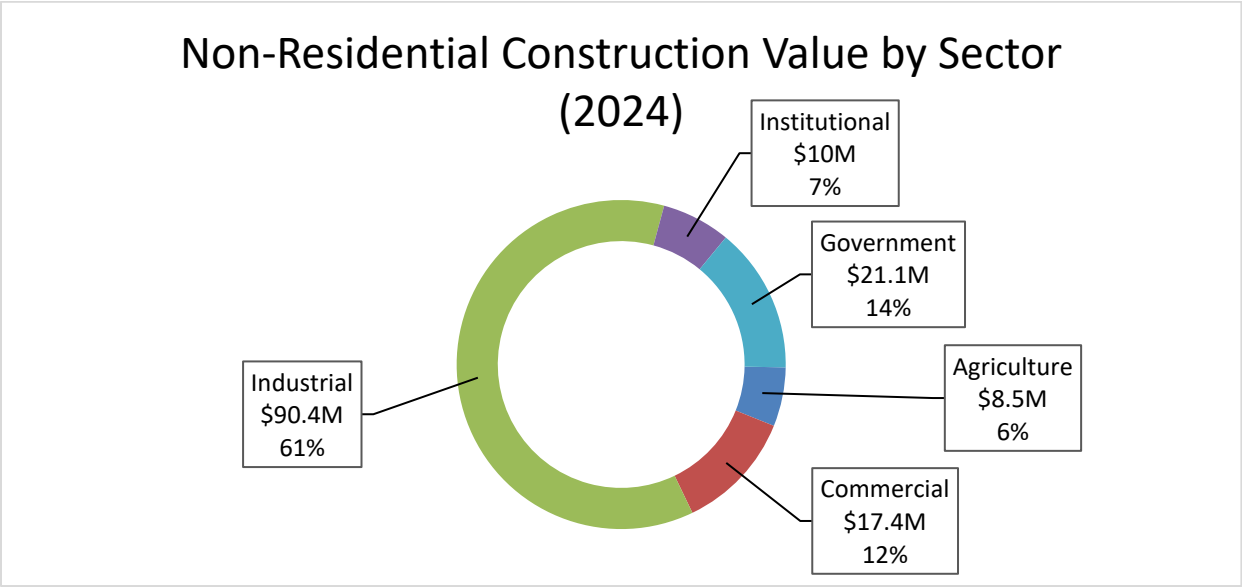
The decline in new residential construction in 2024 may have been a result of the following notable trends discussed across Ontario during this period on factors such as, but not limited to higher interest rates, economic uncertainty and affordability concerns. County Planning has undertaken a preliminary cross-jurisdictional scan and have noticed similar trends in other jurisdictions in 2024.



### Non-Residential Construction Value

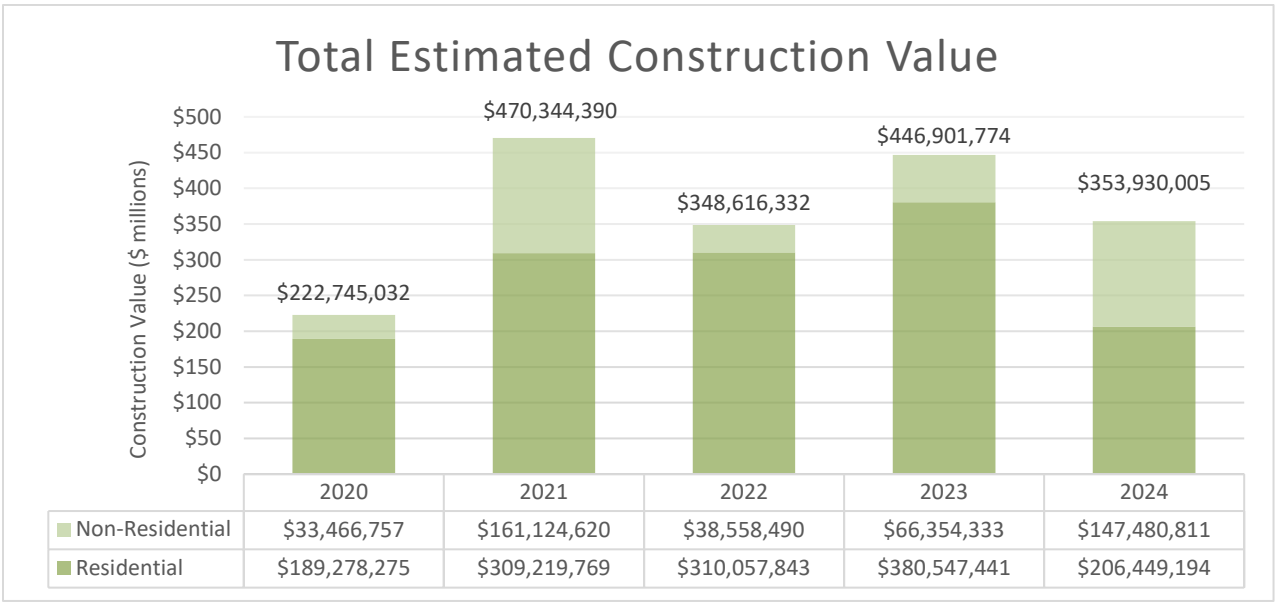
In 2024, local municipalities reported 210 non-residential permits with an estimated construction value of \$147.5 million across all sectors. Non-residential permits are separated into five sectors: agricultural, commercial, government, industrial, and institutional. In 2024, construction

related to the industrial sector (25 permits) accounted for \$90.4 million in construction value lead by the Cobourg permit for a new bottling plant. The government sector (13 permits) accounted for \$21.1 million, followed by commercial (99 permits) with \$17.4 million, institutional (26 permits) with \$10 million, and agricultural (47 permits) accounted for \$8.5 million in estimated construction value (see Table 3).



**Total Estimated Construction Value**

In 2024, the combined construction value of residential and non-residential development activity was \$353.9 million. This represents a 4.9% decrease from the overall average taken between 2020 to 2023 at \$372,151,882 (see Table 4).



**Financial Impact**

N/A

## **Member Municipality Impacts**

The information in this report will be available to member municipalities, which can then be used to make future planning decisions.

## **Conclusion / Outcomes**

This report summarizes development activity in Northumberland County for 2024. The County will continue to monitor development activity for future reporting.

## **Attachments**

- 1) Report 2025-069 ATTACH 1 'Table 1: Residential Units'
- 2) Report 2025-069 ATTACH 2 'Table 2: Residential Estimated Construction Values'
- 3) Report 2025-069 ATTACH 3 'Table 3: Non-Residential Estimated Construction Values and Permits'
- 4) Report 2025-069 ATTACH 5 'Table 4: Total Estimated Construction Values'



**Table 1: Residential Units**

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
<b>New Residential Units</b>	<b>535</b>	<b>717</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>685</b>	<b>346</b>
By Municipality:					
Alnwick/Haldimand	59	52	47	20	34
Brighton	74	121	65	108	69
Cobourg	137	166	123	390	92
Cramahe	28	70	58	40	26
Hamilton	32	54	43	26	24
Port Hope	86	120	50	37	21
Trent Hills	119	134	124	64	80
By Unit Type:					
Detached	361	469	326	359	193
Semi-detached	34	34	44	10	20
Townhouse	26	89	96	94	27
Multi-residential	114	125	44	222	106

**Table 2: Residential Estimated Construction Values**

	202	2021	2022	2023	2024
<b>Total Residential Construction Value</b>	<b>\$189,278,27</b>	<b>\$309,219,769</b>	<b>\$310,057,843</b>	<b>\$380,547,441</b>	<b>\$206,449,194</b>
<b>By Municipality:</b>					
Alnwick/Haldimand	\$24,709,601	\$30,872,084	\$43,220,028	\$17,962,488	\$31,907,752
Brighton	\$35,853,000	\$74,315,000	\$51,914,900	\$84,665,340	\$49,017,300
Cobourg	\$27,807,563	\$40,410,765	\$39,598,497	\$148,937,886	\$28,911,674
Cramahe	\$15,350,634	\$36,278,400	\$41,123,846	\$33,852,750	\$19,969,500
Hamilton	\$17,011,100	\$39,729,000	\$38,063,750	\$33,410,500	\$20,193,452
Port Hope	\$21,954,654	\$32,757,267	\$23,379,178	\$21,119,937	\$13,596,028
Trent Hills	\$46,591,723	\$54,857,253	\$72,757,644	\$40,598,540	\$42,853,488
<b>By Construction Type:</b>					
New Units	\$154,344,376	\$263,621,397	\$245,611,800	\$327,683,286	\$164,521,171
Renovations, Additions or Improvements	\$34,933,899	\$45,598,372	\$64,446,043	\$52,864,155	\$41,928,023

**Table 3: Non-Residential Estimated Construction Values and Permits**

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
<b>Non-Residential Construction Value</b>	<b>\$33,466,757</b>	<b>\$161,124,620</b>	<b>\$38,558,490</b>	<b>\$66,354,333</b>	<b>\$147,480,811</b>
By Municipality:					
Alnwick/Haldimand	\$430,000	\$1,128,285	\$1,964,995	\$231,000	\$11,135,000
Brighton	\$1,334,000	\$49,838,000	\$2,931,000	\$5,604,000	\$3,662,000
Cobourg	\$6,857,377	\$94,721,076	\$10,636,830	\$6,972,851	\$63,813,941
Cramahe	\$914,000	\$3,064,921	\$1,783,000	\$1,300,000	\$11,655,000
Hamilton	\$746,653	\$2,173,300	\$1,781,500	\$3,277,049	\$1,321,108
Port Hope	\$22,404,627	\$4,070,755	\$12,343,690	\$20,885,733	\$8,734,400
Trent Hills	\$780,100	\$6,128,283	\$7,117,475	\$28,083,700	\$47,159,362
By Sector:					
Agriculture	\$2,643,253	\$3,952,121	\$5,902,620	\$3,762,249	\$8,558,512
Commercial	\$11,467,643	\$23,651,474	\$14,339,670	\$9,722,424	\$17,392,599
Industrial	\$6,345,861	\$3,240,900	\$5,688,700	\$17,860,550	\$90,456,000
Institutional	\$12,710,000	\$49,813,525	\$6,886,500	\$11,275,410	\$9,964,800
Government	\$300,000	\$80,466,600	\$5,741,000	\$23,733,700	\$21,108,900
<b>Number of Non-Residential Permits</b>					
	<b>123</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>210</b>
By Municipality:					
Alnwick/Haldimand	3	15	11	3	18
Brighton	9	12	16	16	17
Cobourg	32	52	40	44	51
Cramahe	3	16	5	4	19
Hamilton	11	19	8	7	16
Port Hope	57	39	28	35	35
Trent Hills	8	36	44	17	54
By Sector:					
Agriculture	21	56	51	26	47
Commercial	73	101	64	60	99
Industrial	20	13	12	13	25
Institutional	8	15	17	19	26
Government	1	4	8	8	13

**Table 4: Total Estimated Construction Values**

	200	2021	2022	2023	2024
<b>Total Estimated Construction Value</b>	<b>\$222,745,02</b>	<b>\$470,344,390</b>	<b>\$348,616,332</b>	<b>\$446,901,774</b>	<b>\$353,930,005</b>
<b>By Municipality:</b>					
Alnwick/Haldimand	\$25,139,601	\$32,000,369	\$45,185,023	\$18,193,488	\$43,042,752
Brighton	\$37,187,000	\$124,153,000	\$54,845,900	\$90,269,340	\$52,679,300
Cobourg	\$34,664,940	\$135,131,842	\$50,235,326	\$155,910,737	\$92,725,615
Cramahe	\$16,264,634	\$39,343,321	\$42,906,846	\$35,152,750	\$31,624,500
Hamilton	\$17,757,753	\$41,902,300	\$39,845,250	\$36,687,549	\$21,514,560
Port Hope	\$44,359,281	\$36,828,022	\$35,722,868	\$42,005,670	\$22,330,428
Trent Hills	\$47,371,823	\$60,985,536	\$79,875,119	\$68,682,240	\$90,012,850
<b>By Permit Type:</b>					
Residential	\$189,278,275	\$309,219,769	\$310,057,843	\$380,547,441	\$206,449,194
Non-Residential	\$33,466,757	\$161,124,620	\$38,558,490	\$66,354,333	\$147,480,811



**LOWER TRENT**  
CONSERVATION

# ANNUAL REPORT 2024



Member of



**Conservation  
ONTARIO**  
*Natural Champions*

# Message from the CAO and Chair



**Rhonda Bateman, CAO**



**Bob Mullin, Chair**

Lower Trent Conservation (LTC) achieved significant milestones in 2024, making it a year of progress, innovation, and partnerships.

Under Ontario Regulation 686/21 Mandatory Programs and Services, the Province outlined specific initiatives that were to be delivered before the end of 2024. With valuable input from the public, partners and stakeholders, we developed and released the Watershed Based Resource Management Strategy and the Conservation Lands and Areas Strategy. We also completed the internal operations manual for our flood and erosion control structures and our lands inventory strengthening our mandate for public safety.

LTC received funding from the provincial government's Community Emergency Preparedness Grant program to upgrade and improve our flood forecasting and warning program. The money from the grant was used to upgrade existing older precipitation gauges and to establish new gauge stations for better coverage of the watershed.

LTC adopted the new flood hazard mapping generated through the federal Flood Hazard Identification and Mapping Project (FHIMP) studies on seven local creeks and rivers including the Trent River. Our participating municipalities were Stirling-Rawdon, Trent Hills, Quinte West, Brighton and Cramahe. The studies, using updated modelling capabilities, have resulted in modified flood lines which affect our regulations and planning evaluations. These advancements provide us with more accurate data, allowing us to better support municipalities and improve planning decisions.

This year, we introduced the Trail Stewards Program as part of our volunteer initiatives, and it has quickly become an overwhelming success. The trail stewards are members of the public who are trained to identify hazard situations or areas of concern within our conservation areas. Their reports provide valuable information that helps our staff prioritize operations to enhance public safety.

A pilot project was launched with funding from Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters through the Community Conservation Grant, Grassroots Conservation Fund, ECO Canada Science Horizons Youth Internship wage subsidy program, Bay of Quinte Remedial Action Program and individuals to assess Brook Trout populations across 110 sites in 11 subwatersheds using underwater video. The data collected will allow the establishment of a vital baseline for watershed health and place focus on future conservation efforts.

We would like to thank our municipal partners and volunteers for the continued support for programs and services that enhance the well-being of all residents of our watershed.

## Board of Directors 2024

Municipalities located within the Lower Trent Conservation watershed region appoint representatives to the Board of Directors.

The 11-member Board representing the seven municipalities and one appointed agricultural representative, located either entirely or partially within the watershed region, oversee the activities of the Conservation Authority and report back to their respective municipal councils.

### **Township of Alnwick/ Haldimand**

Mike Ainsworth

### **Municipality of Brighton**

Jeff Wheeldon

Bobbi Wright

### **Municipality of Centre Hastings**

Eric Sandford

### **Township of Cramahe**

Sherry Hamilton

### **City of Quinte West**

Jim Alyea

Lynda Reid

### **Township of Stirling- Rawdon**

Bob Mullin (Chair)

### **Municipality of Trent Hills**

Rick English

Gene Brahaney (Vice-Chair)

### **Agricultural Rep**

Vacant



# About Us

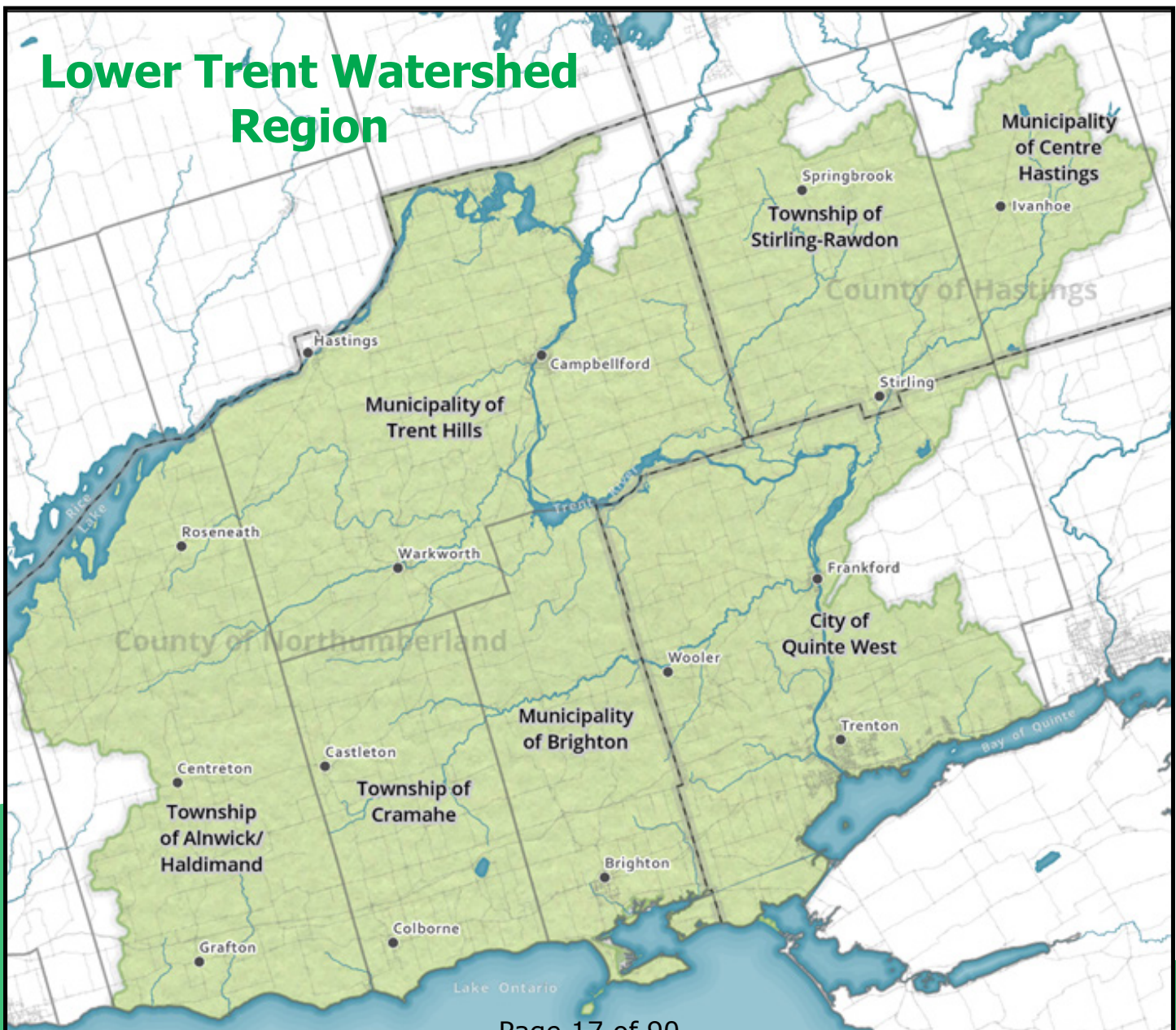
Lower Trent Conservation is a community-based, non-profit environmental protection organization dedicated to protecting, restoring, and managing natural resources across the Lower Trent watershed region.

Established by the provincial government and our municipal partners in 1968, under the *Conservation Authorities Act*, Lower Trent Conservation is one of 36 Conservation Authorities in Ontario, and a member of Conservation Ontario.

Lower Trent Conservation works in partnership with municipal, provincial and federal governments, businesses, community organizations and the general public to deliver locally-based environmental programs.



Lower Trent Conservation's watershed jurisdiction covers 2,070 square kilometres including the Trent River and the watersheds of eight main tributaries, as well as areas that flow directly into Lake Ontario and the Bay of Quinte between Grafton and Quinte West.





# Watershed Science & Services

## Environmental Planning and Regulations

*Development activities in environmentally sensitive areas such as wetlands, shorelines, streams, and rivers can damage the environment or pose a threat to public safety. Lower Trent Conservation offers advice to municipalities, developers, and landowners to help them meet provincial policy requirements and to ensure compliance with government legislation. These services also ensure environmental integrity and protect people and property from flooding and erosion hazards.*

*Regulation of construction activities in environmentally sensitive areas such as wetlands, shorelines, and waterways ensures that activities in these areas will not result in a risk to public safety or property damage. This preventative approach also ensures the protection of important natural features.*

### 2024 Highlights

- Provided comments to local municipalities on 204 *Planning Act* applications (severances, minor variances, official plans, zoning by-laws, etc.).
- Provided ongoing review and input to 28 subdivision proposals, 2 condominium proposals, and 10 site plan approval applications.
- Participated in 4 legal court cases regarding Section 28 regulations.
- Received applications for 284 permits for development activities under Section 28 of the *Conservation Authorities Act* (Ontario Regulation 41/24 Prohibited Activities, Exemptions and Permits) and approved 295 permits.
- Identified 39 new violations; Conducted enforcement investigations related to 85 violations (new and ongoing); Resolved 29 Violations Files.
- Investigated 96 complaints.
- Responded to 1,435 online property inquiries and provided comments regarding property specific development constraints and environmental conditions for 528 new general development inquiries and 49 legal requests.
- Conducted 246 site inspections to assist with the environmental review of municipal planning and permit applications.
- Assisted in the implementation of a salt responsibly campaign throughout the watershed.
- Delivered risk management services as part of the implementation of the Trent Source Protection Plan: completed 4 risk management plans addressing 4 significant drinking water threats, conducted 4 risk management plan compliance inspections, amended 4 risk management plans, and issued 40 restricted land use notices.





# Watershed Science & Services

## Flood Forecasting and Protection Works

*Lower Trent Conservation, in cooperation with local municipalities and the provincial government, plays a key role in reducing the risk of property damage and loss of life from natural hazards such as flooding.*

*Weather forecasts and conditions along the region's waterways are monitored daily, as part of a flood forecasting and warning system, in order to provide the earliest possible notification to municipalities and the public of the potential for flooding.*

*In addition, 10 flood control structures, including a dam, flood walls, berms, weirs, and overflow channels, have been constructed to help protect existing development in flood susceptible areas from potential damages resulting from a flood. The structures were constructed with the aid of the Province of Ontario and local municipalities on a cost-sharing basis.*

## 2024 Highlights

- Issued 9 bulletins regarding high water levels on local water systems: 5 water safety statements, 2 flood outlook statements, and 2 flood watches were issued.
- Issued a level 1 Low Water Condition on November 12, 2024.
- Conducted daily risk assessments for flood forecasting including monitoring weather forecasts, water levels/flows at 13 stations, and precipitation at 10 stations; carried out 11 snow surveys at 4 snow sampling sites.
- Through the Community Emergency Preparedness Grant, four new precipitation gauges were installed in Trenton, Roseneath, Colborne and Stirling-Rawdon areas, while all other existing gauges were upgraded in the network.



- Conducted annual inspections of 10 flood control structures.
- Seasonal operation of the Warkworth Dam: Logs In (May 10, 2024) and Logs Out (October 28, 2024).

## Environmental Monitoring and Reporting

*Watershed monitoring activities focus on collecting data to evaluate and report on existing conditions within the watershed. LTC works in partnership with our municipalities on water monitoring programs to support local initiatives as well as provincial monitoring networks.*

- Monthly provincial surface water quality monitoring was completed at 9 sites, as well as monthly LTC surface water quality sampling at the same 9 sites. A total of 144 surface water quality samples were collected from March to October.
- Annual groundwater quality monitoring was undertaken on a new rotating basis, with samples collected from 4 wells. Additionally, ongoing water level monitoring logged at 11 wells.
- A pilot project was launched to assess Brook Trout populations across 110 sites in 11 subwatersheds using underwater video. The data collected will establish a vital baseline for watershed health and future conservation efforts.



# Watershed Science & Services

## Education, Outreach and Stewardship

*Education and outreach are critically important for engaging residents in environmentally sustainable behaviours and drawing attention to conservation issues. Special events, workshops, and landowner stewardship activities provide opportunities for people to learn about and get involved in the protection of natural resources within the watershed region. Lower Trent Conservation also recognizes that the students of today are the environmental champions of tomorrow. Through a variety of educational activities, young people learn about the importance of our natural environment and are inspired to care for our precious environment. Lower Trent Conservation's youth environmental education initiatives are made possible through grants and donations from local industry, business, service clubs, and private individual supporters.*

### 2024 Highlights

- Hosted the 2024 Tri-County Children's Water Festival at Batawa Ski Hill bringing in 927 students from all four school boards within our watershed.
- Delivered in-class programming across the watershed, including a specialized session at Campbellford High School on benthic invertebrate / watershed monitoring and elementary students with hands-on learning experiences focused on natural hazard management, drinking water source protection, and conservation initiatives such as the Trenton Greenbelt restoration, reaching approximately 900 students.
- Presented at the Hastings and Campbellford Public Libraries highlighting source protection and watershed monitoring as well as the launch of a citizen science water testing initiative with a Water Rangers testing kit that can be borrowed at the Campbellford library, reaching approximately 32 people.
- Participated in several community events held in Campbellford, Quinte West, and Hastings, including the Hastings County Plowing Match. Educating the community on Drinking Water Source Protection Program and Lower Trent Conservation. These efforts reached approximately 900 people.
- Delivered March Break programming throughout the watershed, including spring water awareness sessions at Campbellford and Brighton Public Libraries and watershed education at the 8 Wing/ CFB Trenton. Additionally, provided summer programming for camps and youth groups in Batawa, Quinte West, Trent Hills, Brighton, and surrounding areas.
- Organized a volunteer planting event at the Trenton Greenbelt and a Rotary cleanup at Bleasdel Boulder, in addition to, two volunteer trail steward orientations, offering opportunities for community engagement and environmental stewardship.
- Provided support for cover cropping to 28 landowners covering 3,000 acres of agricultural land. 15 agricultural landowners participated in soil sampling over 900 acres of land.
- Native Plant Sale received 203 orders provided 8,730 tree and shrub seedlings, 295 potted tree saplings, 161 wildflower and 6 Little Forest kits.





# Conservation Lands

Lower Trent Conservation owns 1,540 hectares of natural open space. These forests, valleys, meadows, and wetlands form part of a regional system of protected landscapes that depict the natural diversity of the region. They are special places in the watershed that are protected from development, where the natural world comes first.

There are 17 properties that range in size from small parkettes to over 650 hectares. Ten properties are classified as Conservation Areas and provide venues for healthy, active lifestyles such as hiking, mountain biking, fishing, canoeing, and other outdoor recreational activities. These properties feature over 27 kilometres of trails, and other facilities such as parking lots, privies, boat launches, picnic shelters, and the Goodrich-Loomis Conservation Centre. In addition, seven Natural Habitat Areas, while open to the public, are left in a natural state with no maintained trails or recreational facilities.

## 2024 Highlights

- Implemented the Volunteers for Conservation Program to incorporate the expansion of volunteer trail stewards (spring to fall).
- 16 special events were hosted at conservation areas, encompassing weddings, spring and fall camps, as well as fundraising runs.
- LTC Involvement Days: Organized multiple hands-on conservation efforts, including a post-eclipse cleanup across all Conservation Areas, invasive species removal at Trenton Greenbelt and Sager Conservation Areas, and frost seeding of wildflowers at the Trenton Greenbelt restoration site.
- Installation of a bench at the Trenton Greenbelt, generously donated by the Trenton Lions Club was completed, as well as the creation and installation of a new bench along the Esker Trail at Goodrich-Loomis Conservation Area.
- Complete removal of the formerly decommissioned bridge on the Beaver Trail at Goodrich-Loomis Conservation Area.
- Felled 200 hazardous trees from various conservation areas, in addition to the removal of 118 red cedar trees encroaching on a sensitive ecosystem at Sager Conservation Area.
- The Proctor Park Conservation Area pavillion was demolished due to structural deterioration and safety concerns. This is the first step toward a future redevelopment project to create a new gathering space.
- Completed the installation of trailhead and educational signage throughout the Greenbelt restoration area, enhancing visitor experience and awareness of local conservation efforts.
- Upgraded infrastructure at Goodrich-Loomis Conservation Centre Nature Center, replacing old oil-burning appliances with a high-efficiency boiler system and installing eavestroughs and downspouts to improve energy efficiency and water management.



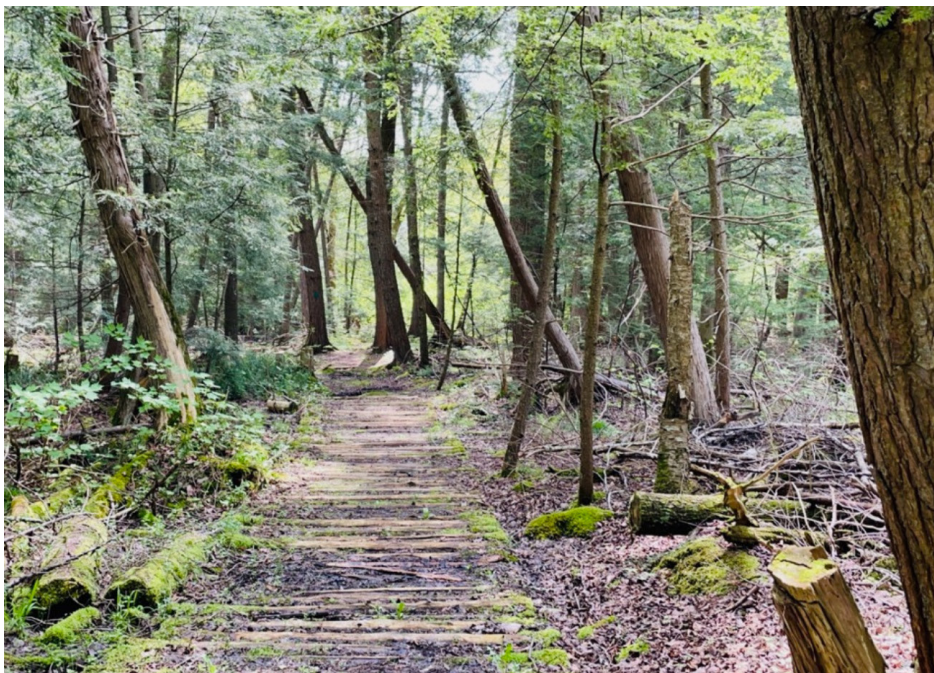


# Corporate Services

*Corporate Services is an important part of day-to-day operations, providing support to all Lower Trent Conservation programs. These include: financial and human resource management; administrative and IT support; program planning and development; customer relations; partnership building; information management; GIS (mapping); and marketing and communications.*

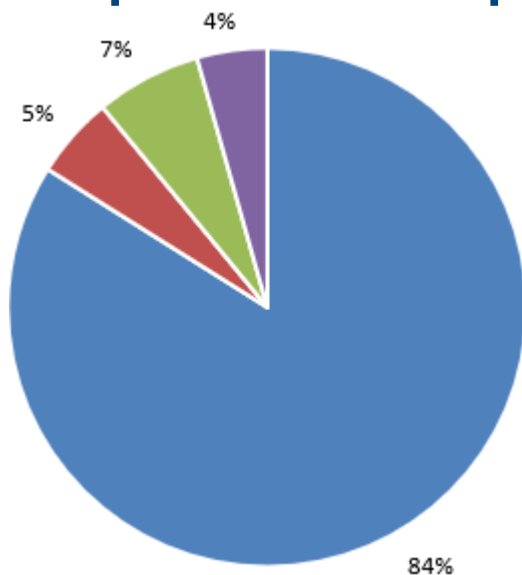
## 2024 Highlights

- Selected new managed Information Technology services provider. Implemented IT service level agreement and projects including discovery, modernizing software licensing for cloud services, and security enhancements for 24 end-user machines.
- Provided human resource support for the hiring of 10 staff members, which included drafting job descriptions, posting vacancies on relevant platforms, and managing the onboarding procedures with department managers.
- Completed the Watershed Based Resource Management Strategy and Conservation Lands and Areas Strategy as per regulation.
- Implemented a new budget process and structure starting from 2024 to meet regulatory requirements of the updated *Conservation Authorities Act*.
- Implemented new memoranda of understanding with member municipalities starting from 2024 to carry out Category 2 and 3 programs and services.
- Initiated staff working group for cross-team collaborations and efficiencies supporting applications for grant funding and other opportunities.
- Implemented the Conservation Lands Properties Inventory Asset Database, integrating it within a SharePoint platform.



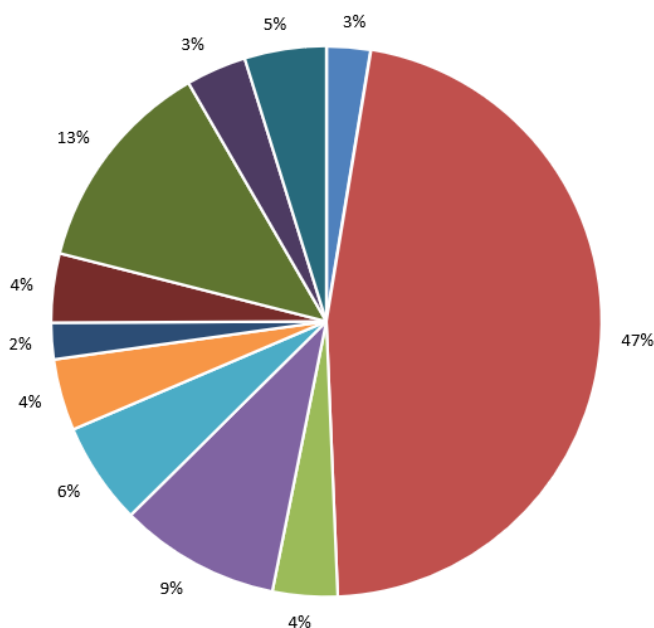
# Financial Summary

## 2024 Operations and Capital Expenditures = \$2,395,062



- Category 1 - Mandatory & Enabling Services \$2,010,420
- Category 2 - Non-Mandatory Services \$122,157
- Category 3 - Non-Mandatory Special Programs \$157,743
- Capital - Amortization, Major Repairs & Maintenance \$104,742

## 2024 Operations and Capital Revenue Sources = \$2,643,006



- Provincial Grant \$68,831
- Municipal - Operating \$1,235,239
- Capital - Municipals & Grants \$100,677
- Municipal - Agreements \$249,406
- Legal Enquiries and Permits \$158,620
- Plan Reviews \$111,115
- Property Rentals & Recoveries Property Taxes \$56,448
- Grants - Stewardship Projects \$107,039
- Partnership Programs \$334,983
- Community Stewardship & Dedicated Contributions \$93,880
- Unrestricted Donations, Interest, Sundry, & Summer Jobs Grant \$126,768



# Partnership Programs

## ***Bay of Quinte Remedial Action Plan***



**Bay of Quinte**  
Remedial Action Plan

Lower Trent Conservation coordinates the local administration of the Bay of Quinte Remedial Action Plan, co-chairs the Bay of Quinte Restoration Council, and provides communications and technical support aimed at rehabilitating the Bay. In 2024, significant progress was made in addressing environmental health issues identified for the Bay of Quinte. Of the eleven concerns identified, three remain to be addressed: restrictions on fish and wildlife consumption, eutrophication or undesirable algae, and degradation of phytoplankton and zooplankton populations.

A Phosphorus Management Plan is currently under development to sustainably maintain the Bay's health by reducing the risk of harmful algae blooms while ensuring a sustainable fishery. The plan addresses necessary reductions in phosphorus levels from sewage treatment plants, urban stormwater, and agriculture. Additionally, a long-term monitoring plan for the phosphorus management plan is in development.

Stewardship programs were also delivered to assist landowners in implementing recommendations outlined in the phosphorus management plan.



*Bay of Quinte*

## ***Drinking Water Source Protection***

Lower Trent Conservation serves as the lead Source Protection Authority for the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Region. Regional staff provides technical and administrative support to the Source Protection Committee and Crowe Valley, Ganaraska Region, Kawartha-Haliburton, Lower Trent, and Otonabee-Peterborough Source Protection Authorities. Source Protection Plan policies are in effect across this vast region to protect sources of drinking water for 52 municipal drinking water systems (34 groundwater wells and 18 surface water intakes). The Source Protection Plan and Assessment Report is going through an amendment process to address new Technical Rules and to improve the effectiveness of some policies. The proposed amendments were submitted to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks for final approval. In 2024, staff worked with the Ministry to fine tune the amendments. The amendments that represent the culmination of approximately 5 years of work by the staff and Committee, are expected to be approved by the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks in early 2025.





# Our 2024 Staff

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Chitra Gowda, Manager, Corporate Services (June)

Corinne Ross, Communications Specialist

Anna Morgan, Finance and Information Technician

Jeffrey Meyer, GIS and Information Technology Specialist

## Watershed Science & Services

Anne Anderson, Manager, Community Outreach and Special Projects

Gage Comeau, Manager, Watershed Management, Planning and Regulations

Kim Stephens, Planning Ecologist

Marcus Rice, Source Protection Risk Management Official/Inspector

Nicholas Reynolds, Environmental Education Technician

Scott Robertson, Development Officer

Alexander Moroni, Regulation and Enforcement Officer (Jan-Apr)

Amanda Dixon, Administrative and Client Services Technician (Apr)

Brooke Wright, Planning Technician

Toby Farrell, Regulation and Enforcement Officer (August)

Massimo Narini, Watershed Services Specialist

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Nolan Bates, Invasive Species Outreach Specialist+

Raven Chartrand, Assistant Watershed Monitoring Technician+

Emily Lemon, Assistant Watershed Monitoring Technician+

Simon Pollard, Aquatic Monitoring Technician\*

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Chris McLeod, Conservation Lands Supervisor

John Mahoney, Conservation Lands Technician

Nicholas Peat, Conservation Lands Maintenance Assistant\*

Jared Milligan, Conservation Lands Field Assistant+

Kevin Moran, Conservation Lands Field Assistant+

## Bay of Quinte Remedial Action Plan

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Shan Mugalingam, Technical Specialist

Jason Jobin, Environmental Stewardship Technician\* (Jan- Nov)

## Drinking Water Source Protection

Keith Taylor, Program Coordinator\*

Trent Bos, Program Assistant\*

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Township of Champlain

Resolution  
Regular Council Meeting

**Agenda Number:** 11.1.  
**Resolution Number** 2025-120  
**Title:** Councillor Gerry Miner - Surveillance and Monitoring of Heavy Vehicles in Ontario  
**Date:** April 24, 2025

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**Moved By:** Gérard Miner  
**Seconded By:** Paul Burroughs

**Whereas** the Council of the Township of Champlain is of the opinion that additional surveillance and monitoring of heavy vehicles in Ontario is required to ensure the safety of other motorists, property owners, and pedestrians.

**Be it resolved that** the Township of Champlain calls upon the Government of Ontario to: increase surveillance and spot checks of all heavy vehicles travelling on Ontario roads; as well as monitoring the testing standards maintained by privately-owned heavy licensing facilities.

**Be it further resolved that** this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Transportation of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the MPP Glengarry-Prescott-Russell, the Ontario Provincial Police, AMO and all municipalities in Ontario.

**Carried**

Certified True Copy of Resolution

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Alison Collard, Clerk      Date:

Canton de Champlain  
Résolution  
Réunion régulière du Conseil

No. du point à l'ordre du jour: 11.1.  
No. du point 2025-120  
Titre: Conseiller Gerry Miner - Surveillance et contrôle des véhicules lourds en Ontario  
Date: le 24 avril 2025

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Proposée par: Gérard Miner  
Appuyée par: Paul Burroughs

**Attendu que** le Conseil du Canton de Champlain est de l'avis qu'une surveillance et un contrôle accrus des véhicules lourds en Ontario sont nécessaires pour assurer la sécurité des autres automobilistes, des propriétaires fonciers et des piétons.

**Qu'il soit résolu que** le Canton de Champlain demande au gouvernement de l'Ontario d'accroître la surveillance et les vérifications de tous les véhicules lourds circulant sur les routes de l'Ontario, et de contrôler les normes de vérification maintenues par les installations privées d'immatriculation des véhicules lourds; et

**De plus, qu'il soit résolu que** cette résolution soit transmise au ministre des Transports de l'Ontario, au ministre des Affaires municipales et du Logement, au député provincial de Glengarry-Prescott-Russell, à la Police provinciale de l'Ontario, à l'AMO et à toutes les municipalités de l'Ontario.

**Adoptée**

Copie certifiée conforme

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Alison Collard, greffière      Date :



# Northumberland County

## Council Resolution

**SENT VIA EMAIL**

**April 25, 2025**

Member of Parliament for Northumberland-Clarke  
Honourable David Piccini (MPP for Northumberland-Peterborough South and Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development)  
Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus (EOWC)  
Northumberland County's 7 Member Municipalities

**Re: Correspondence, 'Buy Canadian'**

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At a meeting held on April 16, 2025 Northumberland County Council approved Council Resolution # 2025-04-16-305, adopting the below recommendation from the April 1, 2025 Finance & Audit Committee meeting:

**Moved by:** Councillor Mandy Martin

**Seconded by:** Councill Alternate Todd Attridge

**"That** the Finance and Audit Committee, having considered the correspondence from the below municipalities regarding 'Buy Canadian', recommend that County Council support the correspondence and direct staff to send a copy of this resolution to key stakeholders:

- City of Hamilton;
- City of Toronto;
- Town of Parry Sound;
- Township of Archipelago;
- Township of Central Frontenac;
- Township of Puslinch."

**Council Resolution # 2025-04-16-305**

**Carried**



**The Corporation of the  
County of Northumberland**  
555 Courthouse Road  
Cobourg, ON, K9A 5J6

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at [matherm@northumberland.ca](mailto:matherm@northumberland.ca) or by telephone at 905-372-3329 ext. 2238.

Sincerely,  
Maddison Mather

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "M Mather".

Manager of Legislative Services / Clerk  
Northumberland County

## Council Resolution

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Moved By M. Murphy  
Seconded By I. Attridge

Agenda  
Item 11

Resolution Number  
2025-04-16- 305

Council Date: April 16, 2025

"**That** Council adopt all recommendations from the five Standing Committees, as contained within the Committee Minutes (meetings held March 31, April 1 and 2, 2025), with the exception of the following items (referenced from the Standing Committee Minutes), that will be held for discussion:

- Social Services Committee, Item 8.b, Report 2025-066 '310 Division Street, Cobourg Data Update - April 2025' – **Held by Councillor Martin**

**And Further That** the items listed above and held for separate discussion each require a separate resolution."

Recorded Vote  
Requested by \_\_\_\_\_  
Councillor's Name

Deferred \_\_\_\_\_  
Warden's Signature

Carried  \_\_\_\_\_  
Warden's Signature

Defeated \_\_\_\_\_  
Warden's Signature

## Finance & Audit Committee Resolution

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Committee Meeting Date: April 1, 2025

Agenda Item: 7.a

Resolution Number: 2025-04-01- 258

Moved by: M. Martin

Seconded by: B. Osmond

Council Meeting Date: April 16, 2025

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"That the Finance and Audit Committee, having considered the correspondence from the below municipalities regarding 'Buy Canadian', recommend that County Council support the correspondence and direct staff to send a copy of this resolution to key stakeholders

- City of Hamilton;
- City of Toronto;
- Town of Parry Sound;
- Township of Archipelago;
- Township of Central Frontenac;
- Township of Puslinch."

Carried



\_\_\_\_\_  
Committee Chair's Signature

Defeated

\_\_\_\_\_  
Committee Chair's Signature

Deferred

\_\_\_\_\_  
Committee Chair's Signature

February 24, 2025

***SENT ELECTRONICALLY***

**Re: Protecting Hamilton's Economy and Jobs: Strengthening Local  
Procurement and Resilience Amid U.S. Tariff Threats – REVISED**

Hamilton City Council, at its meeting held on Wednesday, February 12, 2025, passed the following resolution:

Item 10.5 of the General Issues Committee Minutes GIC 25-002:

**10.5 Protecting Hamilton's Economy and Jobs: Strengthening Local  
Procurement and Resilience Amid U.S. Tariff Threats – REVISED**

WHEREAS, the United States government, under President Donald Trump, had announced the imposition of 25% tariffs on Canadian goods effective February 1, 2025;

WHEREAS, the potential threat of tariffs on Hamilton's key industries poses significant risk to local businesses, workers, and the overall economic stability of our community;

WHEREAS, these tariffs could potentially reduce the city's GDP by up to \$1.1 billion, impacting key sectors such as manufacturing, construction, and the automotive industry;

WHEREAS, Hamilton's manufacturing sector employs over 28,000 workers locally and over 48,000 within the broader Hamilton CMA, and plays a critical role in the city's economic stability;

WHEREAS, the potential decline in Hamilton's largest export sector—iron and steel—could result in a \$3.6 billion reduction in export value;

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton has significant purchasing power through its capital projects and infrastructure investments, which can be leveraged to support local and national businesses during this economic uncertainty;

WHEREAS, although a 30-day pause on the implementation of these proposed tariffs has been agreed upon by President Donald Trump and Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, the potential threat remains, necessitating the exploration of proactive measures to protect and support Hamilton's local businesses, workers, and families to ensure economic resilience, growth, and long-term prosperity for our city;

WHEREAS, on January 15, 2025, Council referred Councillor Matt Francis's "Buy Local and Canadian First Procurement Policy" motion to the Procurement Sub-Committee for consideration with the intention to lay the groundwork for prioritizing local procurement;

WHEREAS, the current economic climate and the urgent threat posed by new tariffs necessitate accelerated action to expand on the aforementioned motion and reinforce Hamilton's economic resilience;

WHEREAS, municipalities, while traditionally constrained by trade agreements, can play a pivotal role in supporting Canadian businesses through strategic procurement practices;

WHEREAS, the recent announcement of the imposition of tariffs on steel and aluminum products by the United States will have a significant impact on Hamilton's economy, key industries, and the livelihoods of workers in our city;

WHEREAS, Hamilton is a national leader in primary steel production and secondary processing, and local companies have been a vital part of the city's economy and identity for generations;

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton remains committed to supporting its local businesses, promoting local procurement, and protecting jobs for Hamiltonians;

WHEREAS, the government of Canada's response to the imposition of tariffs by the U.S. may impact the costs of municipal capital projects and other essential infrastructure investments; and,

WHEREAS, collaboration with all orders of government is critical to mitigate the impact of these tariffs and protect Hamilton's industries and workers.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) Staff expedite the review of current procurement policies and report back to GIC on February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025 with preliminary recommendations on the feasibility of integrating "Buy Local and Canadian" policies effectively and urgently given the current economic uncertainty;
- (b) The City of Hamilton stands in solidarity with federal and provincial governments to advocate against U.S. tariffs and support a coordinated "Team Canada" response.
- (c) The City of Hamilton calls on the federal and provincial governments to collaborate with municipalities in identifying and removing barriers that prevent local governments from preferring Canadian businesses in procurement processes.



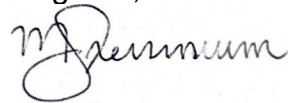
- (d) The City of Hamilton endorses the City of Burlington's "Buy Canada" resolution, dated January 31, 2025, and that the clerk forward this resolution to the following organizations for their information:
  - (i) Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
  - (ii) Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)
  - (iii) Ontario Big City Mayors Caucus
  - (iv) Hamilton Members of Parliament (MPs)
  - (v) Hamilton Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs)
  - (vi) Municipalities within the Greater Golden Horseshoe
- (e) That The Mayor with the support of staff identified by the City Manager's office further explore opportunities to support our steel industry partners, hardworking Hamiltonians and the backbone of the economy of our City through measures such as but not limited to:
  - (i) The re-orienting of our tendering and purchasing processes to build in the priority of sourcing steel and steel products from local companies first, and Canadian companies when necessary (in Sault Ste Marie for example). Also explore the sourcing of Canadian aluminum;
  - (ii) Calling on the senior orders of government to urgently facilitate the development of the supply chains necessary for municipalities around the country to source Hamilton steel and steel products for their capital works projects;
  - (iii) Calling on Ontario and Canada to begin to source their steel and steel products for their capital works projects from Hamilton companies ASAP;
  - (iv) Calling on the Federal and Provincial governments to encourage Canadian municipalities to begin to source Canadian steel and steel products for their municipal works projects and commit to developing programs to cover any cost inflation that may be incurred by municipalities, with or without retaliatory tariffs, to ensuring that any such costs are reimbursed to them by the Federal and Provincial governments;
  - (v) Demanding the Federal Government immediately establish a Canadian Border Service Agency customs office at the Hamilton's HOPA port, as has been requested by HOPA, to facilitate the movement of steel, steel products and other goods manufactured or grown/produced in Hamilton and surrounding areas to markets across Canada and abroad;

- (vi) Calling on the Federal government to accelerate its efforts to facilitate access to new markets for Hamilton steel and steel products abroad;
- (vii) Calling on the Federal government, and the Ontario government to expedite the construction of the Hamilton LRT as a stimulus initiative and commit to sourcing necessary steel and steel products from Hamilton, and passenger trains built in Canada with a requirement that those trains be manufactured with Hamilton steel and steel products; and,
- (viii) Calling on the Federal Government to eliminate the two-week waiting period for Employment Insurance (EI) applications for workers affected by U.S. tariffs, ensuring they have immediate access to financial support.

The City of Burlington's "Buy Canada" resolution, as endorsed by Hamilton City Council, is appended to this letter for your information.

Hamilton City Council requests your endorsement of this resolution, and circulate your endorsement to the Province of Ontario.

Regards,



Matthew Trennum  
City Clerk  
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cc.

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## **Regular Council**

### **Minutes**

Date: January 28, 2025  
Time: 9:30 am  
Location: Council Chambers, City Hall, second floor

Members Present: Mayor Marianne Meed Ward  
Councillor Kelvin Galbraith  
Councillor Lisa Kearns  
Councillor Rory Nisan  
Councillor Shawna Stolte  
Councillor Paul Sharman  
Councillor Angelo Bentivegna

Staff Present: Hassaan Basit, Chief Administrative Officer  
Blake Hurley, Commissioner, Legal and Legislative Services/City Solicitor  
Jacqueline Johnson, Commissioner, Community Services  
Curt Benson, Commissioner, Development and Growth Management  
Craig Millar, Chief Financial Officer  
Scott Hamilton, Commissioner Public Works  
Sue Evfremidis, Chief Human Resources Officer  
Samantha Yew, City Clerk/Director, Legislative Services  
Debbie Hordyk, Administrative Assistant to the City Clerk  
David Thompson, Specialist, Digital Communications  
Richard Bellemare, Specialist, Digital Communications

**18. Motions of Members**

Mayor Meed Ward passed the gavel to Deputy Mayor Stolte to chair this portion of the meeting.

**18.1 Buy Canadian Resolution (ADM-01-25)**

Note: changes in bold were moved as part of the main motion.

Moved by: Mayor Meed Ward

Seconded by: Councillor Galbraith

Whereas United States President Donald Trump has indicated he is planning to impose 25% tariffs on Canada February 1<sup>st</sup>; and

Whereas tariffs would lead to massive job losses and economic instability in both countries; and

Whereas municipalities will be on the frontlines of the economic fallout, and the **City of Burlington** wants to offer our support for a Team Canada response; and

Whereas municipalities have significant purchasing power through our capital and infrastructure programs; and

Whereas Burlington's capital program for 2025 is \$100 million; and

Whereas according to data from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, across Ontario municipalities are expected to spend \$250 - \$290 billion on infrastructure in the next 10 years; and

Whereas Federal and Provincial leaders are encouraging Canadians to Buy Canadian; and

Whereas municipalities have traditionally been prevented by trade agreements from giving preference to Buy Canadian; and

Whereas municipalities can assist in the Team Canada effort to combat tariffs and support businesses in our procurement for capital and infrastructure programs; and

**Whereas there are trade barriers between Canadian provinces.**

Now therefore be it resolved that Burlington Council:

Stand with Team Canada to persuade decision-makers that tariffs are not in the best interests of Canadian or American consumers and businesses; and

Endorse the federal and provincial call for Buy Canadian; and

Call on the federal and provincial governments to work with municipalities on measures to protect Canadian consumers and businesses; and

**Should Tariffs be imposed** ask the federal and provincial governments to remove any impediments to municipalities preferring Canadian companies for capital projects and supplies; and

**That the provincial and federal governments take action to remove trade barriers between provinces as a response to US tariffs and support Canadian businesses.**

Be it further resolved that the City Clerk forward this resolution to the following organizations along with the request to endorse the same or similar:

- Association of Municipalities of Ontario
- Federation of Canadian Municipalities
- Ontario Big City Mayors Caucus
- Big City Mayors of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities
- Halton MPs
- Halton MPPs
- Halton Local Municipalities

IN FAVOUR: (7): Mayor Meed Ward, Councillor Galbraith, Councillor Kearns, Councillor Nisan, Councillor Stolte, Councillor Sharman, and Councillor Bentivegna



City Clerk's Office

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Sylvia Przedziecki  
Council Secretariat Support  
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**In reply please quote:  
Ref.: 25-MM26.7**

(Sent by Email)

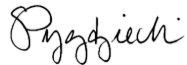
February 28, 2025

**ALL ONTARIO MUNICIPALITIES:**

**Subject: Member Motion Item 26.7  
Creation of a City of Toronto "Buy Local, Buy Canadian" Campaign - by  
Councillor Mike Colle, seconded by Councillor Jennifer McKelvie (Ward All)**

City Council on February 5, 2025, adopted [Item MM26.7](#) as amended and, in so doing, has forwarded the Item to all Ontario municipalities and encouraged them to join Toronto in a "Buy Local, Buy Canadian" campaign.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Przedziecki".

for City Clerk

S. Przedziecki/mp

Attachment

c. City Manager

## City Council

### Member Motions - Meeting 26

MM26.7	ACTION	Amended		Ward: All
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### **Creation of a City of Toronto “Buy Local, Buy Canadian” Campaign - by Councillor Mike Colle, seconded by Councillor Jennifer McKelvie**

#### **City Council Decision**

City Council on February 5, 2025, adopted the following:

1. City Council request the City Manager, and relevant Divisions to develop a comprehensive, multifaceted “Buy Local, Buy Canadian” campaign in response to the potential 25-percent tariffs announced by the Trump Administration, such campaign to encourage Toronto residents and businesses to join the City of Toronto's divisions and its agencies and corporations in purchasing locally made Canadian goods and services in order to protect local jobs in Toronto and Ontario where the proposed punitive tariffs would result in hundreds of thousands of job losses if imposed on Canada.
2. City Council direct the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer and the City Manager, in consultation with the Chief Procurement Officer and the General Manager, Economic Development and Culture, to accelerate the development of local procurement approaches as set out in Sidewalks to Skylines: A Ten-Year Action Plan for Toronto’s Economy to strengthen local businesses and protect local jobs.
3. City Council request the Federal Government to develop a standard recognizable label to be placed on all Canadian goods in clear, readable fonts that clearly shows percentages of Canadian content and any and all foreign content.
4. City Council forward the Item to all Ontario municipalities and encourage them to join Toronto in a “Buy Local, Buy Canadian” campaign.

#### **City Council Decision Advice and Other Information**

City Council considered the following Items together:

MM26.7 headed “Creation of a City of Toronto “Buy Local, Buy Canadian” Campaign - by Councillor Mike Colle, seconded by Councillor Jennifer McKelvie”; and

MM26.13 headed “Affirming Our Canadian Independence - by Councillor Stephen Holyday, seconded by Councillor Vincent Crisanti”.

#### **Summary**

With recent threats from President Donald Trump to impose a 25 percent tariff on Canadian products and services, it is important that municipalities, businesses, and residents across Canada stand up for our country, our economy, and our businesses.

The City of Toronto, Canada's largest municipality, has an opportunity to encourage residents, businesses, and cities across Canada to create and participate in a "Buy Local, Buy Canadian" campaign to ensure that we support local products, local businesses, and local growth.

This motion requests that the City Manager and relevant City Divisions develop a comprehensive "Buy Local, Buy Canadian" campaign that will encourage spending to further develop our own local economies through the purchasing of local goods and services when available.

### **Background Information (City Council)**

Member Motion MM26.7

(<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2025/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-252857.pdf>)

### **Communications (City Council)**

(February 2, 2025) E-mail from George Bell (MM.Supp)



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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF PARRY SOUND  
RESOLUTION IN COUNCIL

NO. 2025 – 018

DIVISION LIST

YES NO

DATE: February 18, 2025

Councillor **G. ASHFORD**  
Councillor **J. BELESKEY**  
Councillor **P. BORNEMAN**  
Councillor **B. KEITH**  
Councillor **D. McCANN**  
Councillor **C. McDONALD**  
Mayor **J. McGARVEY**

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MOVED BY:

G.A.

SECONDED BY:

J. Beleskey

CARRIED: ✓ DEFEATED: \_\_\_\_\_ Postponed to: \_\_\_\_\_

Whereas United States President Donald Trump, issued executive orders to impose tariffs on imports from Canada effective March 12, 2025; and

Whereas these tariffs will have a significant detrimental impact on the economic stability in both countries; and

Whereas federal and provincial leaders are encouraging Canadians to buy Canadian; and

Whereas municipalities have significant purchasing power through capital and infrastructure programs; and

Whereas according to data from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Ontario municipalities are expected to spend \$250 to \$290 billion on infrastructure in the next 10 years; and

Whereas municipalities have traditionally been prevented by trade agreements and legislation from giving preference to the purchase of Canadian products and services; and

Whereas municipalities can assist in the effort to combat tariffs and support businesses in the procurement for capital and infrastructure programs;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Parry Sound endorse the federal and provincial call to action to buy Canadian where and when possible; and

That the federal and provincial governments work with municipalities on measures to protect Canadian consumers and businesses; and

That Council call on the federal and provincial government to remove any impediments to municipalities preferring to engage Canadian companies for capital projects and supplies when appropriate and feasible; and

That this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and all Ontario municipalities.



**The Corporation of The Township of The Archipelago  
Council Meeting**

**Agenda Number:** 16.5.  
**Resolution Number** 25-029  
**Title:** Response to Tariff Threats - Support Canadian Business and Consumers  
**Date:** Friday, February 21, 2025

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**Moved by:** Councillor Manners  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Barton

**WHEREAS** the Corporation of The Township of The Archipelago (The Archipelago) is a Canadian government entity; and

**WHEREAS** The Archipelago is committed to fiscal responsibility and prudent management of financial and organizational resources, information databases, and the protection of taxpayer information; and

**WHEREAS** The Archipelago developed 'guiding principles' for its broadband connectivity project that included 'Canadian solutions first, North American second' in the acquisition of technology and services; and

**WHEREAS** The Archipelago's projected capital program for 2025 is \$1.5 million; and

**WHEREAS** all Canadian municipalities have significant purchasing power through capital and infrastructure programs; and

**WHEREAS** United States President, Donald Trump, issued executive orders to impose tariffs on imports from Canada effective March 12, 2025; and

**WHEREAS** predatory tariffs by the US government affect all our residents, businesses, and institutions within The Archipelago, the Province of Ontario, and Canada; and

**WHEREAS** federal, provincial, and municipal leaders are encouraging Canadians to 'buy Canadian'; and



**WHEREAS** The Archipelago supports Team Canada efforts to stop US tariffs on Canadian goods and services.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that The Archipelago adopts the following actions:

1. That staff ensure that all municipal data resides within Canada for security and sovereignty interests; and
2. That The Archipelago supports the federal and provincial call to action “Canadian business first” policy in its procurement of capital and infrastructure programs; and
3. That The Archipelago promotes the policy of “Buy Canadian” to encourage the purchase of Canadian goods and services and to support local business in The Archipelago and Parry Sound District; and
4. That all travel to the US for municipal advocacy requires the adoption of a formal position on US tariffs by The Archipelago; and
5. That Staff prepare a Council tariff position and policy for Council approval.
6. That The Archipelago participate in the Parry Sound Chamber of Commerce survey of businesses on the impact of tariffs and support, where possible, actions that follow.

**FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED** that this resolution be forwarded to: Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, MP Scott Aitchison – Parry Sound Muskoka, MPP Graydon Smith – Parry Sound Muskoka, Mayors of Parry Sound District Municipalities, Chief Adam Pawis - Shawanaga First Nation, Chief Warren Tabobondung - Wasauksing First Nation, Chief M. Wayne McQuabbie - Henvey Inlet First Nation, Association of Municipalities of Ontario, all Ontario municipalities, Rural Ontario Municipal Association, The Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, and community associations in The Archipelago.

**Carried**



# Township of Central Frontenac

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**March 6, 2025**

The Honourable Doug Ford  
Premier's Office, Room 281  
Legislative Building, Queens Park,  
Toronto, Ontario, M7A 1A1  
Delivered via email: [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

**RE: U.S Tariffs on Canadian Goods.**  
Supporting the letter from Peterborough County dated February 5, 2025.

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Please be advised that, at its regular meeting of Council held on February 11, 2025, The Corporation of the Township of Central Frontenac supported a resolution from Peterborough County, regarding U.S Tariffs on Canadian Goods.

The correspondence is attached for your consideration.

Motion #: 26-2025

**THAT** Council authorize staff to create a letter of support for the following correspondence received, #14 b;

**AND FURTHER THAT** the letters of support be sent to All Municipalities of Ontario, the Ontario Premier and the associated Provincial Ministers.

Kind Regards,

Cathy MacMunn AMCT ACST  
Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk  
[cmacmunn@centralfrontenac.com](mailto:cmacmunn@centralfrontenac.com)

cc. Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, Hon. King Surma, Minister of Infrastructure, Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture, Hon. Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs, Hon. Trevor Jones, Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response, and Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, & All Municipalities of Ontario

CM/am



February 5, 2025

To Whom it May Concern,

**Re: Proposed U.S. tariffs on Canadian Goods**

Please note at their Regular meeting held on February 5, 2025, Peterborough County Council passed the following resolution:

**Resolution No. 19-2025**

Moved by Deputy Warden Senis

Seconded by Warden Clark

Whereas the federal government is currently in negotiations with the U.S. government on their proposed 25% tariffs on Canadian goods exported to the U.S.; and

Whereas Premier Doug Ford has outlined several plans to combat the impact the proposed tariffs would have on Ontario including Fortress Am-Can which focus on strengthening trade between Ontario and the U.S. while bringing good jobs back home for workers on both sides of the border; and

Whereas the federal government has also outlined several ways to address the current relationship with the U.S. including establishing the Council on Canada-U.S. relations to support the federal government as it negotiates with the U.S on tariffs; and

Whereas trade between Ontario and the United States is very important to our residents and local economies and requires all levels of government to work together in the best interest of those residents; and

Whereas according to data from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, across Ontario municipalities are expected to spend between \$250 and \$290 billion on infrastructure in the next 10 years; and



Whereas municipalities have traditionally treated all procurements from trade partners equally and fairly; and

Whereas municipalities can assist in the Team Canada effort to combat tariffs and support businesses in our procurement for capital and infrastructure programs; and

Whereas there are trade barriers between Canadian provinces.

Therefore, be it resolved that, the County of Peterborough supports the provincial and federal governments on the measures they have put in place in response to the proposed U.S. tariffs on Canadian goods and ask that they take any and all measures to protect the interests of Ontario in any upcoming trade negotiations;

And that federal and provincial governments remove any impediments to municipalities preferring Canadian companies and services for capital projects and other supplies;

And that the provincial and federal governments take action to remove trade barriers between provinces as a response to US tariffs and support Canadian businesses.

And that the CAO be directed to bring back a report detailing a temporary purchasing policy that integrates and addresses these concerns;

And that County Economic Development & Tourism Division be directed to implement a “Buy Local Peterborough County, Buy Canadian” campaign to encourage residents and businesses to purchase locally made and Canadian goods and services.

Be it further resolved, that copies of this motion be sent to:

- The Right Hon. Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada
- The Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
- The Hon. Melanie Joly, Minister of Foreign Affairs
- The Hon. Vic Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade
- The Hon. Nate Erskine-Smith, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities
- The Hon. Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
- Rebecca Bligh, President, FCM and Councillor, City of Vancouver



- Robin Jones, President, AMO and Mayor of Westport
- Bonnie Clark, Chair, Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus
- Jeff Leal, Chair, Eastern Ontario Leadership Council
- John Beddows, Chair, Eastern Ontario Mayors' Caucus
- All provincial and territorial Premiers.
- All local MPs and MPPs,
- All Ontario Municipalities for their support.

**Carried**

Should you have any questions or concerns please contact Kari Stevenson, Director of Legislative Services/Clerk at [kstevenson@ptbocounty.ca](mailto:kstevenson@ptbocounty.ca).

Yours truly,

Holly Salisko  
Administrative Services Assistant – Clerk's Division/Planning  
[hsalisko@ptbocounty.ca](mailto:hsalisko@ptbocounty.ca)





Hon. Justin Trudeau  
Prime Minister of Canada  
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Hon. Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
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March 5, 2025

Association of  
Municipalities of Ontario  
(AMO)  
VIA EMAIL:  
[amo@amo.on.ca](mailto:amo@amo.on.ca)

Federation of Canadian  
Municipalities –  
VIA EMAIL:  
[resolutions@fcm.ca](mailto:resolutions@fcm.ca)

RE: Resolution No. 2025-051 – Federal and Provincial Call to Action to Buy Canadian

Please be advised that Township of Puslinch Council, at its meeting held on February 20, 2025 considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

**Resolution No. 2025-051:**

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and  
Seconded by Councillor Hurst

**That the Consent Agenda items 6.8 and 6.9 listed for FEBRUARY 20, 2025 Council meeting be received for information; and**

**Whereas United States President Donald Trump, continues to indicate that he will issue executive orders to impose tariffs on imports from Canada; and**

**Whereas these tariffs will have a significant detrimental impact on the economic stability in both countries; and**

**Whereas federal and provincial leaders are encouraging Canadians to buy Canadian; and**

**Whereas municipalities have significant purchasing power through capital and infrastructure programs; and**



**Whereas according to data from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Ontario municipalities are expected to spend \$250 to \$290 billion on infrastructure in the next 10 years; and**

**Whereas municipalities have traditionally been prevented by trade agreements and legislation from giving preference to the purchase of Canadian products and services; and**

**Whereas municipalities can assist in the effort to combat tariffs and support businesses in the procurement for capital and infrastructure programs;**

**Now therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Puslinch endorse the federal and provincial call to action to buy Canadian where and when possible; and**

**That the federal and provincial governments work with municipalities on measures to protect Canadian consumers and businesses; and**

**That council call on the federal and provincial government to remove any impediments to municipalities preferring to engage Canadian companies for capital projects and supplies when appropriate and feasible; and**

**That this resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and all Ontario municipalities.**

**CARRIED**

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

Sincerely,

Justine Brotherston  
Municipal Clerk

CC: All Ontario Municipalities

February 6, 2025

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau  
Prime Minister of Canada  
80 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2  
Via fax

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

Robin Jones, President, AMO  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
155 University Avenue, Suite 800  
Toronto, ON M5H 3B7  
Via email

Rebecca Bligh, President, FCM  
Federation of Canadian Municipalities  
24 Clarence Street  
Ottawa, ON K1N 5P3  
Via email

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**Re: United States Imposition of Tariffs on Canada**

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Please be advised that the Council of the Town of Hanover, at their regular meeting of February 3, 2025, adopted the following resolution with respect to the above noted matter:

“Whereas United States President Donald Trump, issued executive orders to impose tariffs on imports from Canada effective February 4, 2025; and

Whereas these tariffs will have a significant detrimental impact on the economic stability in both countries; and

Whereas federal and provincial leaders are encouraging Canadians to buy Canadian; and

Whereas municipalities have significant purchasing power through capital and infrastructure programs; and

Whereas according to data from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Ontario municipalities are expected to spend \$250 to \$290 billion on infrastructure in the next 10 years; and

Whereas municipalities have traditionally been prevented by trade agreements and legislation from giving preference to the purchase of Canadian products and services; and

Whereas municipalities can assist in the effort to combat tariffs and support businesses in the procurement for capital and infrastructure programs;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Hanover endorse the federal and provincial call to action to buy Canadian where and when possible; and

That the federal and provincial governments work with municipalities on measures to protect Canadian consumers and businesses; and

That council call on the federal and provincial government to remove any impediments to municipalities preferring to engage Canadian companies for capital projects and supplies when appropriate and feasible; and

That this resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and all Ontario municipalities.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

A black rectangular box redacting the signature of Vicki McDonald.

Vicki McDonald  
Clerk

/tp

cc: Honourable Rick Byers, MPP Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound  
All Ontario Municipalities

January 29, 2025

All Municipalities in Ontario  
Via Email

**Re: Sovereignty of Canada**

Please be advised that Council of the Town of Halton Hills at its meeting of Monday, January 20, 2025, adopted Resolution No. 2025-0010 regarding Sovereignty of Canada.

Attached for your information is a copy of Resolution No. 2025-0010.

Respectfully,



Melissa Lawr, AMP  
Deputy Clerk – Legislation





THE CORPORATION  
OF  
THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS

**Resolution No.:** 2025-0010

**Title:** Sovereignty of Canada

**Date:** January 20, 2025

**Moved by:** Councillor D. Keene

**Seconded by:** Councillor J. Brass

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**Item No. 12.2**

WHEREAS incoming President Trump has suggested that with the use of "economic force" such as tariffs, Canada should become the 51st state of the United States, and further he suggests that many Canadians would agree;

AND WHEREAS residents of our community, known as Canada's Most Patriotic Town, have demonstrated passion for and loyalty to our nation by opposing past "Buy America" trade measures; by celebrating Canada's 150th anniversary by simultaneously flying over 57,000 Canadian flags and along with other activities, by annually hosting popular Canada Day festivities throughout our municipality; and

AND WHEREAS Canada is a sovereign nation with a peaceful history of self-governance dating to its Confederation in 1867; and

AND WHEREAS the Canadian identity is marked by a deep-rooted pride in its heritage and culture founded by French and British settlement, enriched by Indigenous culture and traditions and by more than a century and a half of multi-cultural immigration;

AND WHEREAS Canada has significant global standing, consistently supporting its allies, including the United States, in global conflicts such as two world wars, and wars in Korea and Afghanistan; and in international coalitions and in being consistently recognized as among the top countries in the world for quality of life;

AND WHEREAS the shared history of the United States and Canada has been one of friendship, respect and neighbourly relations;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Halton Hills categorically rejects any efforts by incoming President Trump or any others to undermine the sovereignty of Canada. We stand united with our Ontario Premier Doug Ford and our Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau for a Canada that remains strong, free, independent, and characterized by peace, order, and good government.

AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor prepare correspondence containing this resolution for circulation to the office of the American president through our Canadian diplomatic channels with copies to The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister, The Honourable Melanie Joly, Minister of Foreign Affairs, MP Michael Chong, Premier Doug Ford, The Honourable Vic Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade of Ontario, MPP Ted Arnott, Leaders of the Opposition Parties, AMO, FCM, and all municipalities in Ontario.



Mayor Ann Lawlor



**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LARDER LAKE**

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**LARDERLAKE.CA**

Prime Minister of Canada  
House of Commons  
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025

To whom it May Concern:

Please be advised that at the Township of Larder Lake Regular Council Meeting held Tuesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025, the following resolution of support was adopted:

**Resolution: 5**

Moved by: Councillor Armstrong

Seconded by: Councillor Hull

That Council supports item 6.3.1 of letters and communications from the Town of Fort Frances regarding the Sovereignty of Canada

**Carried**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Crystal Labbe", is written over a faint, larger signature.

**Crystal Labbe**  
**CAO/ Clerk Treasurer**

Enc. Fort Frances Resolution of Council  
Resolution of support Township of Larder Lake



FORTFRANCES

## RESOLUTION OF COUNCIL

Monday, February 10, 2025

Oral Motion

**“THAT Council supports the Town of Halton Hills Resolution No. 2025-0010 regarding the  
Sovereignty of Canada.”**

*Moved by Wendy Brunetta, Seconded by Steven Maki, Motion Carried by Council.*

WHEREAS President Trump has suggested that with the use of “economic force” such as tariffs, Canada should become the 51st state of the United States, and further he suggests that many Canadians would agree;

AND WHEREAS Canada is a sovereign nation with a peaceful history of self-governance dating to its Confederation in 1867;

AND WHEREAS the Canadian identity is marked by a deep-rooted pride in its heritage and culture founded by French and British settlement, enriched by Indigenous culture and traditions, and by more than a century and a half of multicultural immigration;

AND WHEREAS Canada has significant global standing, consistently supporting its allies, including the United States, in global conflicts such as two world wars, and wars in Korea and Afghanistan; and in international coalitions and in being consistently recognized as among the top countries in the world for quality of life;

AND WHEREAS the shared history of the United States and Canada has been one of friendship, respect, and neighbourly relations;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Fort Frances categorically rejects any efforts by incoming President Trump or any others to undermine the sovereignty of Canada. We stand united with our Ontario Premier Doug Fort and our Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau for a Canada that remains strong, free, independent, and characterized by peace, order, and good government.

AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor prepare correspondence containing this resolution for circulation to the office of the American president through our Canadian diplomatic channels with copies to The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister, The Honourable Melanie Joly, Minister of Foreign Affairs, MP Michael Chong, Premier Doug Ford, The Honourable Vic Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade of Ontario, MPP Ted Arnott, Leaders of the Opposition Parties, AMO, FCM, and all municipalities in Ontario.

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LARDER LAKE

69 Fourth Avenue, Larder Lake, ON

Phone: 705-643-2158 Fax: 705-643-2311



MOVED BY:

☒ Thomas Armstrong  
☐ Patricia Hull  
☐ Paul Kelly  
☐ Lynne Paquette

SECONDED BY:

☐ Thomas Armstrong  
☒ Patricia Hull  
☐ Paul Kelly  
☐ Lynne Paquette

Motion #: 5

Resolution #: 5

Date: April 8, 2025

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the township of Larder Lake supports the resolution from the Town of Fort Frances regarding the Sovereignty of Canada

Recorded vote requested: ☐

	For	Against
Tom Armstrong	✓	
Patricia Hull	✓	
Paul Kelly	✓	
Lynne Paquette	✓	
Patty Quinn	✓	

I declare this motion

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carried
<input type="checkbox"/> Lost / Defeated
<input type="checkbox"/> Deferred to: _____ (enter date)
Because:
<input type="checkbox"/> Referred to: _____ (enter body)
Expected response: _____ (enter date)

<b>Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest*</b>

Chair: 

\*Disclosed his/her (their) interest(s), abstained from discussion and did not vote on this question.





# Northumberland County

## Council Resolution

**SENT VIA EMAIL**

**April 25, 2025**

Prime Minister of Canada  
Honourable Doug Ford (Premier of Ontario)  
Member of Parliament for Northumberland-Clarke  
Honourable David Piccini (MPP for Northumberland-Peterborough South and Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development)  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus  
Northumberland County's 7 Member Municipalities

**Re: Correspondence, Town of LaSalle 'Interprovincial Trade Barriers'**

At a meeting held on April 16, 2025 Northumberland County Council approved Council Resolution # 2025-04-16-305, adopting the below recommendation from the April 2, 2025 Economic Development, Tourism & Land Use Planning Committee meeting:

**Moved by:** Councillor Mandy Martin  
**Seconded by:** Councill Alternate Todd Attridge

"**That** the Economic Development, Tourism and Land Use Planning Committee, having considered the correspondence from the Town of LaSalle regarding 'Interprovincial Trade Barriers', recommend that County Council support this correspondence and direct staff to send a copy of this resolution to key stakeholders."

**Council Resolution # 2025-04-16-305**

**Carried**

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at [matherm@northumberland.ca](mailto:matherm@northumberland.ca) or by telephone at 905-372-3329 ext. 2238.

Sincerely,  
Maddison Mather



Manager of Legislative Services / Clerk  
Northumberland County

## Council Resolution

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Moved By M. Murphy  
Seconded By I. Attridge

Agenda  
Item 11

Resolution Number  
2025-04-16- 305

Council Date: April 16, 2025

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**And Further That** the items listed above and held for separate discussion each require a separate resolution."

Recorded Vote  
Requested by \_\_\_\_\_  
Councillor's Name

Deferred \_\_\_\_\_  
Warden's Signature

Carried  \_\_\_\_\_  
Warden's Signature

Defeated \_\_\_\_\_  
Warden's Signature

## Economic Development, Tourism, & Land Use Planning Committee Resolution

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Committee Meeting Date: April 2, 2025

Agenda Item: 7.d

Resolution Number: 2025-04-02- 295


Moved by: B. Ostrander

Seconded by: R. Crate

Council Meeting Date: April 16, 2025

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"That the Economic Development, Tourism and Land Use Planning Committee, having considered the correspondence from the Town of LaSalle regarding 'Interprovincial Trade Barriers', recommend that County Council support this correspondence and direct staff to send a copy of this resolution to key stakeholders."

Carried   
Committee Chair's Signature

Defeated \_\_\_\_\_  
Committee Chair's Signature

Deferred \_\_\_\_\_  
Committee Chair's Signature



March 4, 2025

The Honourable Doug Ford  
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The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau  
Office of the Prime Minister  
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### **Re: Tariffs on Canadian Production**

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Council of the Town of LaSalle, at its Regular Meeting held Tuesday, February 25, 2025  
passed the following resolution:

**40/25**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Akpata

Seconded by: Councillor Riccio-Spagnuolo

Whereas the recent threats of an imposition on tariffs on Canadian production will have a substantial effect on the items produced in the County of Essex and purchased in the Town of LaSalle;

And Whereas there has only been a 30-day reprieve granted;

And Whereas, a tariff on Canadian steel and aluminum has been threatened;

And Whereas, these tariffs were going to be applied by another country and therefore can be deemed as being external to the Province and Country;

And Whereas, the interprovincial trade has been deemed by the Canadian Federation of Independent Business (CFIB) to represent 18% of Canada's GDP.

And Whereas, the CFIP released a report that said removing interprovincial barriers could boost the economy by up to \$200 billion annually;

And Whereas, items produced, grown, and manufactured in Essex County are sent across Canada;

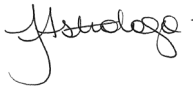
And Whereas, persons in the Town of LaSalle purchase goods manufactured in many provinces and from across the country, and these goods are in many cases subject to interprovincial barriers.

Be It Resolved that, the Town of LaSalle calls upon both the Provincial and Federal Governments to eliminate interprovincial trade barriers to ensure that items produced in the County of Essex and that Canadian items purchased in the Town of LaSalle are no longer subject to these interprovincial trade barriers.

**Carried.**

Please consider this letter as confirmation of the Town of LaSalle's support of the above matter.

Yours Truly,



Jennifer Astrologo  
Director of Council Services/Clerk  
Town of LaSalle  
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All Ontario Municipalities



# Northumberland County Council Resolution

**SENT VIA EMAIL**

**April 25, 2025**

Prime Minister of Canada  
Member of Parliament for Northumberland-Clarke  
B'nai Brith Canada  
Northumberland County's 7 Member Municipalities

**Re: Correspondence, The Regional Municipality of Durham 'Protecting Canadian Values - Ban the Nazi Swastika in Canada'**

At a meeting held on April 16, 2025 Northumberland County Council approved Council Resolution # 2025-04-16-305, adopting the below recommendation from the April 1, 2025 Corporate Support Committee meeting:

**Moved by:** Councillor Mandy Martin

**Seconded by:** Councill Alternate Todd Attridge

**"That** the Corporate Support Committee, having considered the correspondence from The Regional Municipality of Durham regarding 'Protecting Canadian Values - Ban the Nazi Swastika in Canada', recommend that County Council support this correspondence and direct staff to send a copy of this resolution to key stakeholders."

**Council Resolution # 2025-04-16-305**

**Carried**

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at [matherm@northumberland.ca](mailto:matherm@northumberland.ca) or by telephone at 905-372-3329 ext. 2238.

Sincerely,  
Maddison Mather



Manager of Legislative Services / Clerk  
Northumberland County



## Council Resolution

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Recorded Vote  
Requested by \_\_\_\_\_  
Councillor's Name

Deferred \_\_\_\_\_  
Warden's Signature

Carried  \_\_\_\_\_  
Warden's Signature

Defeated \_\_\_\_\_  
Warden's Signature

## Corporate Support Committee Resolution

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Committee Meeting Date: April 1, 2025

Agenda Item: 7.a

Resolution Number: 2025-04-01- 267

Moved by: B. Ostrander

Seconded by: R. Crate

Council Meeting Date: April 16, 2025

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**"That** the Corporate Support Committee, having considered the correspondence from The Regional Municipality of Durham regarding 'Protecting Canadian Values - Ban the Nazi Swastika in Canada', recommend that County Council support this correspondence and direct staff to send a copy of this resolution to key stakeholders."

Carried   
Committee Chair's Signature

Defeated \_\_\_\_\_  
Committee Chair's Signature

Deferred \_\_\_\_\_  
Committee Chair's Signature



February 28, 2025

The Honourable Arif Virani  
Minister of Justice  
House of Commons  
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

Dear Minister Virani:

**RE: Motion regarding Protecting Canadian Values: Ban the  
Nazi Swastika in Canada, Our File: C00**

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Municipality of  
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**Alexander Harras  
M.P.A.  
Director of  
Legislative Services  
& Regional Clerk**

Council of the Region of Durham, at its meeting held on February 26, 2025, adopted the following recommendations of the Committee of the Whole, as amended:

“Whereas in recent years, Nazi iconography has surfaced with alarming frequency in the public sphere, used by an increasing number of groups and individuals to promote hate and instill fear within Canadian society; and

Whereas since the atrocities of WWII, the Nazi swastika, also known as the hakenkreuze, has become universally synonymous with systematic violence, terror and hate. Its growing presence in our country poses a threat to every single Canadian citizen, undermining the core values of equality, diversity, and inclusion that define our nation, and

Whereas eighteen countries have already taken action to ban these symbols, it is imperative that Canada follow suit;

Therefore be it resolved, that Durham Region Council supports B’Nai Brith’s call to the Government of Canada to pass legislation banning, with exceptions for certain educational and artistic purposes, the public display of Nazi symbols and iconography, including the Nazi swastika (hakenkreuze). Specifically, demanding that the Government of Canada immediately:

1. Ban the Nazi swastika (hakenkreuze)

2. Ban all Nazi symbols and iconography

Durham Region Council agrees that the people of Canada are counting on the federal government to ensure a future free from hate, where every Canadian is protected, valued, and respected; and

That a copy of this motion is sent to all Canadian Municipalities.”

*Alexander Harras*

Alexander Harras, M.P.A.  
Director of Legislative Services & Regional Clerk  
AH/tf

c: B'nai Brith Canada  
All Canadian Municipalities

**15. Committee and Staff Reports**

**15.1 Minutes - Committee of the Whole Meeting CW#06-25 held April 16, 2025**

**15.1.13 Member Motion - Councillor Cilevitz - Provincial regulations needed to restrict keeping of non-native ("exotic") wild animals - (CW Item 12.1)**

Moved by: Councillor Thompson

Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

Whereas Ontario has more private non-native ("exotic") wild animal keepers, roadside zoos, mobile zoos, wildlife exhibits and other captive wildlife operations than any other province; and,

Whereas the Province of Ontario has of yet not developed regulations to prohibit or restrict animal possession, breeding, or use of non-native ("exotic") wild animals in captivity; and,

Whereas non-native ("exotic") wild animals can pose very serious human health and safety risks, and attacks causing human injury and death have occurred in the province; and,

Whereas the keeping of non-native ("exotic") wild animals can cause poor animal welfare and suffering, and poses risks to local environments and wildlife; and,

Whereas owners of non-native ("exotic") wild animals can move from one community to another even after their operations have been shut down due to animal welfare or public health and safety concerns; and,

Whereas municipalities have struggled, often for months or years, to deal with non- native ("exotic") wild animal issues and have experienced substantive regulatory, administrative, enforcement and financial challenges; and,

(continued)



Extracts from Council Meeting  
C#10-25 held April 23, 2025  
Confirmatory By-law 60-25

Whereas the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO) and the Municipal Law Enforcement Officers' Association (MLEOA) have indicated their support for World Animal Protection's campaign for provincial regulations of non-native ("exotic") wild animals and roadside zoos in letters to the Ontario Solicitor General and Ontario Minister for Natural Resources and Forestry;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved:

1. That the City of Richmond Hill hereby petitions the provincial government to implement provincial regulations to restrict the possession, breeding, and use of non-native ("exotic") wild animals and license zoos in order to guarantee the fair and consistent application of policy throughout Ontario for the safety of Ontario's citizens and the non-native ("exotic") wild animal population;
2. That this resolution will be forwarded to all municipalities in Ontario for support and that each endorsement be then forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, Ontario Solicitor General, Ontario Minister for Natural Resources and Forestry, and Richmond Hill MPP's, AMO, AMCTO, and MLEOA.

Carried

For Your Information and Any Action Deemed Necessary





**BY EMAIL**

April 28, 2025

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**Re: Opposition to Strong Mayor Powers: Proposed Amendments to O. Reg. 530/22**

At its Regular Council Meeting held on April 22, 2025, Council discussed their opposition to the expansion of Strong Mayor Powers, as announced on April 9, 2025. Council of the Town of Essex requests that the proposed amendments to O. Reg. 530/22 to expand Strong Mayor Powers and duties to additional municipalities not include the Town of Essex.

Council accordingly passed the following resolution:

**R25-04-187**

Moved By Mayor Bondy  
Seconded By Councillor Hammond

**Whereas** on April 9, 2025, the Government of Ontario (hereafter, the "**Province**"), led by Premier Doug Ford, announced a proposal to expand "Strong Mayor Powers" as provided for by Part VI.1 of the Municipal Act, 2001, to the heads of council in 169 additional municipalities including the Town of Essex, effective May 1, 2025;

**And whereas** Strong Mayor Powers erode democratic process and have fundamentally altered the historic model of local governance which has existed for almost two centuries, by:

- Providing the head of council with the authority to give direction and make certain decisions without the usual consensus from a majority of the members of council; and,
- Creating a power imbalance by providing the head of council with special powers that other members do not generally have.



**And whereas** the Province is undermining the local governance model and municipal independence by attempting to advance its priorities through municipalities, and downloading its responsibilities to the same.

**Now there be it resolved that:**

- The Council of the Corporation of the Town of Essex ("**Council**") formally **opposes** the expansion of Strong Mayor Powers, as announced on April 9, 2025;
- Council requests that the proposed amendments to O. Reg. 530/22 to Expand Strong Mayor Powers and Duties to Additional Municipalities not include the Town of Essex; and
- Council **directs** the Clerk to forward a copy of this resolution to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, Honourable Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Anthony Leardi, MPP, Essex, Lisa Gretzky, MPP Windsor West, Andrew Dowie, MPP Windsor-Tecumseh, Trevor Jone, MPP Chatham-Kent-Leamington, AMCTO, AMO and all Ontario Municipalities.

**Carried**

We trust you will find this satisfactory. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Malandrucolo".

Joseph Malandrucolo  
Director, Legal and Legislative Services/Clerk  
[jmalandrucolo@essex.ca](mailto:jmalandrucolo@essex.ca)

cc: Anthony Leardi, MPP, Essex  
Lisa Gretzky, MPP Windsor West  
Andrew Dowie, MPP Windsor-Tecumseh  
Trevor Jones, MPP Chatham-Kent-Leamington  
Association of Municipal Managers Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO)  
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# TOWN OF PETAWAWA

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## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

### DELIVERED ELECTRONICALLY

Honorable Rob Flack  
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
777 Bay Street, 17<sup>th</sup> floor  
Toronto, Ontario  
M7A 2J3

April 29, 2025

**RE: Proposed Amendments to O. Reg. 530/22 to Expand Strong Mayor Powers and Duties to Additional Municipalities**

Dear Minister Flack,

Thank you for your letter dated April 9, 2025, regarding the expansion of Strong Mayor Powers and Duties to the Town of Petawawa. Our Council discussed this issue in an open forum at our council meeting on April 23<sup>rd</sup> and are firmly of the belief that this effort undermines the value of collaboration between the Mayor, Councillors, and Staff. Increasing the powers of the Mayor to push forward Provincial Priorities would eliminate shared decision making, create divisiveness at the council table, and blur the lines between administrative and political roles. Our council believes that this would result in an erosion of the democratic process at the Municipal level, especially in a small city like Petawawa.

Although we don't always agree unanimously on all matters, our council works as a cohesive unit, firmly focused on the goals of advancing and encouraging growth and making our community a wonderful place in which to live and invest. Each of member of council brings their own set of skills, knowledge, values and perspectives to achieve these goals, and has worked extremely well together.

Since it was sworn in, our Council has been collectively focused on advancing provincial priorities by delivering much needed housing, building infrastructure that supports community growth and the construction of new homes, including housing-enabling infrastructure such as water and wastewater. The largest community in Renfrew County, Petawawa has grown significantly over the last decade (roughly 25%) and added a large amount of new housing to meet market demands. In 2024, Petawawa increased the size of its planning department to

reduce permit processing times, 120 new dwellings (Single Family Detached/Row Housing/Multi-family) were constructed, and there are many more dwellings underway:

Structure type	In Pre-Consultation or going through Planning Approvals	Planning Approvals Complete (under construction)
Single Family Detached	533	61
Row Housing	24	96
Apartment	348	60
Additional Residential Unit	0	44
<b>Total Units</b>	<b>905</b>	<b>261</b>

Further to this, Garrison Petawawa and Canadian Nuclear laboratories are reporting that they will need to house 1100 individuals and their families as they expand operations. Based on this need and other factors, our municipality is working with private sector and nonprofit developers to meet the demand for both market and affordable housing. To be forthright, where the municipality needs help the most to support housing development and foster densification is access to additional funding to extend utilities, such as water and wastewater services, to developable lands to meet future growth needs. Petawawa has faced a significant reduction in Payment In Lieu of Taxes (PILT) over the past two fiscal years (\$2.3 million over 2024 and 2025) due to the Business Education Tax discount as well as an annual reduction in Ontario Municipal Partnership Funding over the past decade which has hampered our ability to extend necessary water and wastewater infrastructure vital to delivering new homes. The community's Ontario Community Infrastructure Funding was reduced in 2025 as well.

In closing, our Council requests that the Ontario Government excludes the Town of Petawawa from its proposed amendments to O. Reg. 530/22 to Expand Strong Mayor Powers and Duties to Additional Municipalities, and work with the municipality to identify funding to support expansion of its storm, water and wastewater treatment systems to support future residential and commercial growth. Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please feel free to contact me through our offices if you wish to discuss this further.

Sincerely,



Gary Serviss  
Mayor of Petawawa

Copied: Doug Ford, Premier  
Billy Denault, MPP, Renfrew—Nipissing—Pembroke

Enc. Resolution – Opposition to Strong Mayor Designation for the Town of Petawawa



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April 28, 2025

## Delivered Electronically

Attn: The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario

Re: Resolution - Opposition to Strong Mayor Designation for the Town of Petawawa

At its Council-In-Committee meeting on **April 28, 2025**, Petawawa Town Council passed a **Resolution** in response to the Province's recent proposal to designate Petawawa as a "**Strong Mayor**" municipality, effective May 1, 2025.

**WHEREAS** the Province of Ontario has proposed to designate the Town of Petawawa as a "Strong Mayor" community, granting enhanced powers to the Mayor effective May 1, 2025; and,

**WHEREAS** the Strong Mayor powers significantly alter the balance of governance at the municipal level, undermining the role of Council in decision-making and weakening the fundamental democratic principle of majority rule; and,

**WHEREAS** the Town of Petawawa has a long history of collaborative, transparent, and accountable local governance built upon a foundation of Council-debate and shared decision-making; and,

**WHEREAS** many municipally elected officials across the province and members of the public have expressed significant concern regarding the imposition of these powers; and,

**WHEREAS** the Town of Petawawa did not formally request or express a desire to be designated under the Strong Mayor framework; and,

**WHEREAS** a growing number of municipalities and elected officials across Ontario are questioning the appropriateness of the Strong Mayor system and are calling for its reconsideration or repeal;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Petawawa Town Council formally request that the Premier of Ontario and the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing immediately remove the Town of Petawawa from the list of municipalities designated under the Strong Mayor legislation;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, all regional Members of Provincial

Parliament, all Ontario municipalities, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their awareness and support.

We thank you for your attention to this matter and urge you to respect the democratic wishes of our Council and community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'G. Serviss', with a small 'ss' written below the main signature.

Gary Serviss  
Mayor, Town of Petawawa  
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CC:  
The Honourable Rob Flack (Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing)  
Regional Members of Provincial Parliament  
All Ontario Municipalities  
The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)





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April 30, 2025

Via email: [rob.flack@pc.ola.org](mailto:rob.flack@pc.ola.org)

Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
17<sup>th</sup> Floor  
777 Bay Street  
Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

Dear Hon. Rob Flack,

**Re: Proposed Amendments to O.Reg. 530/22 to Expand Strong Mayor Powers**

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Please be advised that South Huron Council passed the following resolution at their April 22, 2025 Regular Council Meeting:

176-2025

Moved By: Jim Dietrich

Seconded by: Wendy McLeod-Haggitt

**That South Huron Council supports the April 14, 2025 correspondence of Town of Saugeen Shores regarding opposition to Proposed Amendments to O.Reg. 530/22 to Expand Strong Mayor Powers; and**

**That this supporting resolution and the originating correspondence be circulated to Premier Doug Ford, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Rob Flack, Lisa Thompson, MPP, Minister of Rural Affairs, AMO, Town of Saugeen Shores, and all municipalities in Ontario.**

Result: Carried

Please find attached the originating correspondence for your reference.

Respectfully,

Kendra Webster, Legislative & Licensing Coordinator  
Municipality of South Huron  
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Encl.

cc: Minister of Rural Affairs, MPP Lisa Thompson, [lisa.thompson@pc.ola.org](mailto:lisa.thompson@pc.ola.org);  
AMO, [resolutions@amo.on.ca](mailto:resolutions@amo.on.ca) ; Town of Saugeen Shores,  
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**Town of Saugeen Shores**  
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April 14, 2025

Honourable Rob Flack  
Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
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[rob.flack@pc.ola.org](mailto:rob.flack@pc.ola.org)

Dear Minister,

**RE: Opposition to Proposed Amendments to O.Reg. 530/22 to Expand Strong Mayor Powers**

I am writing to express my opposition to the government's proposed expansion of Strong Mayor powers to include the Town of Saugeen Shores. As the Mayor of Saugeen Shores, I am concerned about the implications of this policy change on our local governance. Please consider this letter as the Town of Saugeen Shores submission on O.Reg. 530/22 which is available for comment until April 16<sup>th</sup>.

In my experience, the 'Council Manager' system of governance has always served our municipality well. Specifically, when it comes to advancing our shared priority of building more housing to serve our residents, Saugeen Shores Council has demonstrated flexible and determined leadership. Our Council has enabled housing by reducing red tape resulting in the construction of more than 600 multi-family residential units in the last two years alone. Given the strong and sustained commitment of our Council to these efforts, I do not see how the introduction of Strong Mayor powers will accelerate the construction of housing (or the pursuit of other priority areas) in any way. On the contrary, vesting these new powers in the Mayor threatens to disrupt long-established and effective processes, sidelining elected members of Council with effects that may be contrary to the interests of our residents.

Saugeen Shores has thrived for decades on the principle of shared leadership. We have an effective team of elected representatives working in partnership with a professional staff to achieve goals that are transparently set out in our Strategic Plan and annual Business Plans. This approach to governance is foundational to building trust between the municipality and the residents that it serves. I fear that the unilateral decision-making enabled by Strong Mayor powers would erode this trust and disrupt the collaborative environment that has long been at the heart of the democratic tradition of our Council and community.

I urge you to reconsider the expansion of Strong Mayor powers. If the government has a strong desire to advance these major changes to the governance of our municipality, I

request that you engage in a thorough consultation process with our Council and the residents of our community before moving forward. It is crucial that any changes to local governance structures be made in close partnership with the communities they impact.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I look forward to your response and hope that we can work together in the interest of ensuring strong local governance in Saugeen Shores.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'L. Charbonneau', written in a cursive style.

Luke Charbonneau, Mayor  
Town of Saugeen Shores

cc. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Lisa Thompson, MPP, Minister of Rural Affairs  
Council, Town of Saugeen Shores  
All Ontario Municipalities

# Municipality of *Bluewater*

April 28, 2025

The Honourable Doug Ford  
Legislative Building  
Queens Park  
TORONTO ON M7A 1A4  
[premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

Dear Premier Ford:

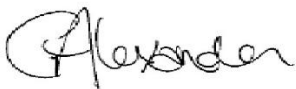
At the Municipality of Bluewater's regular Council meeting held on April 22, 2025, Council passed the following resolution:

**MOVED:** Councillor Whetstone **SECONDED:** Councillor Hessel  
WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has proposed to expand Strong Mayor Powers to an additional 169 municipalities across Ontario, including the Municipality of Bluewater, effective May 1, 2025;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Corporation of the Municipality of Bluewater is in opposition to the addition of Strong Mayor Powers in the Municipality of Bluewater, and across the Province;

AND FURTHER that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, all Ontario Municipalities, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their awareness and support. **CARRIED**

Sincerely,



Chandra Alexander  
Manager of Corporate Services/Clerk

cc: The Honourable Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
All Ontario Municipalities

# THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF DEEP RIVER

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**BY EMAIL**

April 30, 2025

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Email: [rob.flack@ontario.ca](mailto:rob.flack@ontario.ca)

**Re: Opposition to Strong Mayor Designation for the Town of Deep River in Response to the Province's Recent Proposal to Designate Deep River as a "Strong Mayor" Municipality, Effective May 1, 2025.**

At a Special Meeting of Council held on April 29, 2025, Council of the Town of Deep River passed the following resolution:

## **RESOLUTION 2025 128**

**MOVED BY:** Councillor Fitton  
**SECONDED BY:** Councillor Hughes

**WHEREAS** the Province of Ontario has proposed to designate the Town of Deep River as a "Strong Mayor" community, granting enhanced powers to the Mayor effective May 1, 2025; and,

**WHEREAS** the Strong Mayor powers significantly alter the balance of governance at the municipal level, undermining the role of Council in decision-making and weakening the fundamental democratic principle of majority rule; and,

**WHEREAS** the Town of Deep River has a long history of collaborative, accountable local governance built upon a foundation of Council-debate and shared decision-making; and,

**WHEREAS** many municipally elected officials across the province and members of the public have expressed significant concern regarding the imposition of these powers; and,

**WHEREAS** the Town of Deep River did not formally request or express a desire to be designated under the Strong Mayor framework; and,

**WHEREAS** a growing number of municipalities and elected officials across Ontario are questioning the appropriateness of the Strong Mayor system and are calling for its reconsideration or repeal;



**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Deep River Town Council formally request that the Premier of Ontario and the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing immediately remove the Town of Deep River from the list of municipalities designated under the Strong Mayor legislation; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, all regional Members of Provincial Parliament, all Ontario municipalities, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their awareness and support.

We thank you for your attention to this matter and urge you to respect the democratic wishes of our Council and community.

Kind Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Mellon', written in a cursive style.

Jackie Mellon  
Clerk  
Town of Deep River  
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cc: Regional Members of Provincial Parliament  
All Ontario Municipalities  
The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)



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April 30, 2025

DELIVERED ELECTRONICALLY

Honorable Rob Flack  
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
777 Bay Street, 17<sup>th</sup> floor  
Toronto, ON  
M7A 2J3

Re: Proposed Amendments to O. Reg. 530/22 to Expand Strong Mayor Powers and Duties to Additional Municipalities

Dear Minister Flack,

Thank you for your letter dated April 9, 2025, regarding your intention to expand strong mayor powers to the Town of Deep River.

I am writing as requested by Council, to emphasize that the most significant barrier to support the provincial priorities which *"include supporting the construction of new homes, economic development and building infrastructure that supports community growth, including housing-enabling infrastructure like water and wastewater infrastructure, as well as roads, highways, transit and more"* is a lack of financial resources for infrastructure projects.

Over the past several years the Town of Deep River has been investing in infrastructure projects at a rate that is not sustainable to create capacity for new residential development which is currently in the planning stages. During this same period, we have requested grant funding from the Province of Ontario through infrastructure grant applications and delegations to ministers at both AMO and ROMA to support our growth initiatives but have been unsuccessful to date.

Our primary barrier to growth in the Town of Deep River is a lack of financial support for infrastructure projects to generate capacity. This in my opinion would have a much higher impact on new housing growth than strong mayor powers will for the Town of Deep River.



I would be more than happy to answer any questions or discuss how Deep River can help to promote and achieve Ontario's housing targets.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sean Patterson', with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

Sean Patterson  
Chief Administrative Officer  
Town of Deep River  
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[spatterson@deepriver.ca](mailto:spatterson@deepriver.ca)





## *The Corporation of the Township of Otonabee-South Monaghan*

April 29, 2025

Via Email: [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

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

Dear Premier Ford:

### **Re: Proposal to End Daylight Savings Time in Ontario**

Please be advised that the Council of the Township of Otonabee-South Monaghan at its meeting on April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025 passed the following resolution:

#### **R107-2025**

Moved by Councillor Terry Holmes  
Seconded by Councillor Mark Allen

**Whereas Ontario already has the legislative framework to end the antiquated practice of Daylight Saving Time (DST), as per the Time Amendment Act of 2020:** But New York has delayed us for over 4 long years.

**And Whereas the Case for Ending DST immediately pertains to clear and present Health and Public Safety concerns:** Clock shifts spike heart attacks, accidents, and stress, per the Canadian Society for Chronobiology. Kids lose focus, domestic violence rises, and vulnerable folks—mentally ill, homeless, addicts—face unnecessary strain and relapse risks. Indigenous health gaps deepen as DST clashes with traditions. Standard Time aligns with nature, easing healthcare burdens and healthcare costs.

**And Whereas ending DST is a clear and permanent assertion of the economic independence of Ontario:** Our new, post tariff economic reality exposes the reliance on New York for our internal policy as outdated. Ontario should look out for Ontarians, and

our sovereignty must be asserted. Quebec already considers the change; so 15 million Ontarians should not continue to wait on NY. Businesses will adapt; citizens will gain stability. Over 100,000 petition voices and 70% of Ontarians agree. Ontario must take the lead, and hopefully NY can eventually follow our lead for the good of their own people.

**Therefore be it resolved** that we request staff to distribute this communication to all the Municipalities, Chiefs & Councils of Ontario in addition to the Premier of the Govt. of Ontario and urge the Premier to:

1. Amend the Time Amendment Act 2020 to drop New York's contingency, effective immediately.
2. Set permanent Standard Time (EST) from November 2, 2025.

**CARRIED.**

Yours truly,  
Township of Otonabee-South Monaghan



Liz Ross  
Deputy Clerk

Sent via Email:  
Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)  
Municipalities of Ontario