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September 17th, 2026

To: Premier of Ontario
Doug Ford
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto, ON
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Sent via email.

Re: Review of Ontario Land Tribunal and Enhancing Deference to Municipal Planning Decisions

Dear Premier Ford,

Please be advised that at the Regular Meeting of Council held on Wednesday, September 16th, 2026, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Blandford-Blenheim carried the following resolution:

Resolution No. 2026-09-16-08

Moved by – Councillor Demarest
Seconded by – Councillor Young

Be it hereby resolved that the Corporation of the Township of Blandford-Blenheim receive the correspondence from Town of Ingersoll and Town of Blue Mountains regarding Review of OLT and Enhancing Deference to Municipal Planning Decisions; and,

That Council support the resolution regarding Review of OLT and Enhancing Deference to Municipal Planning Decisions; and further,

That the resolution be circulated to Ontario municipalities, Oxford MPP Ernie Hardeman, all relevant ministries, and the provincial government.

.Carried

If you have any questions regarding the resolution of Council, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Sarah Matheson

Sarah Matheson
Director of Corporate Services / Clerk
Township of Blandford-Blenheim
smatheson@blandfordblenheim.ca

cc: Ontario Municipalities
Hon. Rob Flack, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Ernie Hardeman, Member of Provincial Parliament for Oxford
Association of Municipalities of Ontario

August 13, 2026

Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building
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Re: Town of Ingersoll Resolution - Review of OLT and Enhancing Deference to Municipal Planning Decisions

Dear Premier Ford,

Please be advised that at their regular meeting on August 10, 2026, Council of the Corporation of the Town of Ingersoll adopted the following resolution:

Resolution # 2026-230

Moved by Councillor Eus; seconded by Councillor Bowman

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Ingersoll receive the correspondence from the Town of the Blue Mountains regarding Review of OLT and Enhancing Deference to Municipal Planning Decisions;

AND THAT Council support the resolution regarding Review of OLT and Enhancing Deference to Municipal Planning Decisions;

AND THAT the resolution be forwarded to other municipalities in Ontario, Oxford MPP Ernie Hardeman, all relevant ministries, and the provincial government.

CARRIED

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Kind regards,

Julie Clayton

Julie Clayton
Deputy Clerk

cc: Hon. Rob Flack, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Ernie Hardeman, Member of Provincial Parliament for Oxford
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
All municipalities in Ontario



The Town of The Blue Mountains Council Meeting

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Title: Kathryn Douglas, Supervisor, Legislative Services, Town of Whitby
Date: Monday, July 13, 2026
Time: 6:16 PM

Moved by: Councillor Hope
Seconded by: Councillor Porter

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the June 25, 2026, correspondence from Kathryn Douglas, Supervisor, Legislative Services, Town of Whitby, and supports the June 22, 2026 Town of Whitby Council resolution regarding a Review of Ontario Land Tribunal and Enhancing Deference to Municipal Planning Decisions;

AND THAT Council directs staff to circulate this resolution of support to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Local Members of Provincial Parliament, the Association of Municipalities (AMO) and all Ontario Municipalities for consideration and support

YES: 6

NO: 0

ABSENT: 1

The motion is Carried

YES: 6

Deputy Mayor Bordignon	Councillor Ardiel	Councillor Hope	Councillor Maxwell
Councillor McKinlay	Councillor Porter		

NO: 0

ABSENT: 1

Mayor Matrosovs

June 25, 2026

Via Email

The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
premier@ontario.ca

Re: Review of the Ontario Land Tribunal and Enhancing Deference to Municipal Planning Decisions

Please be advised that at its meeting held on June 22, 2026, the Council of the Town of Whitby adopted the following as Resolution # 166-26:

Whereas local councils are elected by residents to make planning decisions that reflect the needs and priorities of their communities;

Whereas municipalities rely on extensive public consultation, professional planning advice, engineering studies, and technical reports when making land-use decisions;

Whereas the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) has the authority to overturn municipal planning decisions, often requiring municipalities to spend significant taxpayer dollars defending decisions that have already undergone a thorough local review process;

Whereas lengthy and costly appeals can delay housing projects, consume municipal resources, and reduce the ability of municipalities to focus on delivering services to residents; and,

Whereas local governments should have greater certainty and authority when decisions are consistent with approved Official Plans, provincial policies, and sound planning principles.

Now Therefore be it Resolved:

1. That the Government of Ontario be requested to review the role and mandate of the Ontario Land Tribunal to ensure greater respect for municipal planning decisions that are supported by evidence, public consultation, and approved planning policies;

2. That the Province consider amendments to the Planning Act and Ontario Land Tribunal Act to provide stronger deference to municipal decisions that align with provincial planning frameworks and Official Plans;
3. That the Province improve transparency and accountability within the Ontario Land Tribunal by requiring clear and detailed reasoning when municipal decisions are overturned;
4. That the Province explore measures to reduce the financial burden on municipalities defending planning decisions before the OLT, helping to protect taxpayer dollars and improve the efficiency of the planning process; and,
5. That Staff be directed to circulate this resolution to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Local Members of Provincial Parliament, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all Ontario municipalities for consideration and support.

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the Office of the Town Clerk at 905-430-4300.



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September 2, 2026

The Honourable Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier
Constituency Office
Suite A, 3rd Floor
180 Broadway Ave
Orangeville, ON L9W 1K3

Dear Deputy Premier Jones

RE: Motion for Provincial Support, Funding and Coordinated Plans to Combat Tick Borne Diseases

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting on September 2nd, 2026, Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan passed the following resolution, supporting the resolution from the Town of Caledon.

Resolution No: 2026-09-02-06
Moved by: Councillor Kauffeldt
Seconded by: Councillor Quade

“Be It resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan support the Town of Caledon resolution regarding Provincial Support, Funding and Coordinated Plans to Combat Tick Borne Diseases.

And further that this resolution be forwarded to the Chief Medical Officer of Health, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, Renfrew County District Health Unit, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and all municipalities in Ontario.”

Carried.

Sincerely,

Tammy Thompson
Deputy Clerk
Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan



Annette Groves
Mayor

July 2, 2026

Sent via E-Mail: sylvia.jones@pc.ola.org

Honourable Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier
Constituency Office
Suite A, 3rd Floor
180 Broadway Ave.
Orangeville, ON L9W 1K3

Dear Deputy Premier Jones,

RE: Motion for Provincial Support, Funding and Coordinated Plans to Combat Tick Borne Diseases

I am writing to advise that at the Town Council meeting held on June 23, 2026, Council adopted a motion regarding requesting support to combat tick borne diseases.

The resolution reads as follows:

Whereas the prevalence of ticks, including those known to carry Lyme disease, and other Vector borne diseases have increased across Ontario;

Whereas Lyme disease diagnoses have increased by 27% in 2024 to 2369 (Public Health Agency of Canada, PHAC);

Whereas residents across Caledon have registered growing concerns about public health risks associated with tick exposure in parks, trails and residential areas;

Whereas municipalities have limited jurisdiction and resources to effectively manage tick populations on a broad ecological scale;

Whereas the Government of Ontario is responsible for public health policy, environmental management and vector-borne disease prevention and detection;

Therefore, be it resolved that:

Caledon Town Council formally requests that the Government of Ontario investigate and implement measures to reduce burgeoning tick populations and to mitigate their associated public health risks; and

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That such measures may include safe and effective tick control methods, public education campaigns and coordinated regional strategies; and

That the Province consider increased funding and support for local public health units to address tick-borne disease prevention; and

That a copy of this motion be sent to Minister of Health, Sylvia Jones, Chief Medical Officer of Health, Kieran Moore, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, Todd McCarthy, Peel Public Health, the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA), the Credit Valley Conservation (CVC), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all 444 municipalities across Ontario.

For more information regarding this request, please contact the undersigned by email to mayor@caledon.ca or by phone at 905.584.2272 ext. 4155.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Mayor Annette Groves

CC:

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September 2, 2026

Premier's Office
Room 281
Main Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto, ON M7A 1A5

Dear Hon. Doug Ford

RE: Review and Reform of Provincial Offences System

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting on September 2nd, 2026, Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan passed the following resolution, supporting the resolution from the Huron OPP Detachment Board.

Resolution No: 2026-09-02-05
Moved by: Councillor Quade
Seconded by: Councillor Keller

"Be It resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan support the Huron OPP Detachment Board's resolution regarding an appeal to the Attorney General of Ontario for a Review and Reform of Provincial Offences System.

And further that this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Transportation, the Minister of Finance, Renfrew Nipissing Pembroke MP and MPP, AMO, ROMA, all Police Service Boards, and all municipalities in Ontario."

Carried.

Sincerely,

Tammy Thompson
Deputy Clerk
Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan



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July 21, 2026

Via email: doug.fordco@pc.ola.org

Premier's Office
Room 281
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**Re: Letter of Support – Appeal to Attorney General of Ontario for Review
and Reform of Provincial Offences System**

Dear Hon. Doug Ford,

Please be advised that the Huron OPP Detachment Board passed the following resolution at their July 20, 2026, Meeting:

Resolution: 37-2026

Moved by: Member Lamport

Seconded by: Member Anderson

That the Huron OPP Detachment Board supports the Village of Merrickville-Wolford's May 26, 2026 correspondence regarding Traffic Calming & Speeding Mitigation Techniques; and

That this supporting resolution and originating documentation be circulated to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Transportation, the Minister of Finance, MP Ben Lobb, MPP Lisa Thompson, AMO, ROMA, all Ontario Police Service Boards and all municipalities in Ontario.

Result: Carried

Please find attached the originating correspondence for your reference.

Respectfully,

Kendra Webster
Administrator (Municipality of South Huron)
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Encl.

cc:

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September 9, 2026

Sent via email to: Minister of Infrastructure,
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing,
Local Member of Provincial Parliament (MPP),
Municipal Finance Officers Association of Ontario (MFOA),
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO),
Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA),
Ontario municipalities.

RE: Support for MFOA Request to Permanently Double the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF) Beyond 2026

Dear Ministers,

On behalf of the Corporation of the County of Huron, I am writing to express our support for the Municipal Finance Officers' Association of Ontario (MFOA) request to the Province of Ontario to permanently double the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF) beyond 2026.

The County of Huron recognizes the significant infrastructure needs facing municipalities across Ontario, particularly in rural communities. Stable and predictable infrastructure funding is essential to enable municipalities to effectively plan and invest in the renewal and maintenance of critical infrastructure.

OCIF funding is an important component of the County of Huron's ability to address its infrastructure renewal needs. Given the significant amount of infrastructure required throughout the County, this funding has been very beneficial in supporting necessary infrastructure renewal.

The current OCIF funding allocations are based on the replacement values of municipal infrastructure assets and align with municipal asset management plans. Increasing and maintaining this funding on a long-term basis would provide municipalities with greater stability and the ability to better plan for future infrastructure investments.

The County of Huron therefore supports MFOA's request that the Province of Ontario permanently double OCIF funding beyond 2026 and encourages the Province to provide municipalities with stable, predictable and sustained infrastructure funding.

We respectfully ask the Province to consider this request and recognize the important role that long-term infrastructure funding plays in supporting strong, sustainable and resilient communities across Ontario.

Director of Legislative Services/County Clerk

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Thank you for your consideration.

Should you have any questions, please reach out to me via email at clerk@huroncounty.ca.

Respectfully,

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Director of Legislative Services/County Clerk

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Regular Council Meeting

Resolution Number 168
Title: Tick Borne Diseases - Support for Town of Caledon Motion
Date: Tuesday, August 25, 2026

Moved by Deputy Reeve King
Seconded by Councillor Closs

THAT, Council support the July 2, 2026, correspondence from the Town of Caledon regarding improved provincial support, funding and coordinated plans to combat tick borne diseases; and

THAT, this supporting resolution and the originating correspondence be circulated to the Minister of Health, Sylvia Jones, Chief Medical Officer of Health, Kiernan Moore, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, Todd McCarthy, Peel Public Health, the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA), the Credit Valley Conservation (CVC), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all 444 municipalities across Ontario.

ADOPTED

Reeve, Peter McLaren



July 2, 2026

Sent via E-Mail: sylvia.jones@pc.ola.org

Honourable Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier
Constituency Office
Suite A, 3rd Floor
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Orangeville, ON L9W 1K3

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Sincerely,



Mayor Annette Groves

CC:

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Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks minister.mecp@ontario.ca

Peel Public Health info@peelregion.ca

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From: Pat Maloney

Sent: September 11, 2026 2:21 PM

To: Angie Nuziale <anuziale@municipalityofkillarney.ca>; Bert Liverance - Reeve <bliverance@thearchipelago.ca>; Mayor David Evans <mayorevans@tiny.ca>; Paula Hope <paula@bookedsolid.ca>; drobinson@mcdougall.ca; khamer@mcdougall.ca; "atorresan@parrysound.ca" <atorresan@parrysound.ca>; "jmcgarvey@parrysound.ca" <jmcgarvey@parrysound.ca>; Mayor David Evans <mayorevans@tiny.ca>; Deputy-Mayor Sean Miskimins <deputymayormiskimins@tiny.ca>; meverson@tiny.ca; Info <info@gbtownship.ca>; "mburkett@severn.ca" <mburkett@severn.ca>; "jcox@severn.ca" <jcox@severn.ca>
Cc: Tiny Township Residents' Alliance <communications@tinytra.ca>; jlmarks@rogers.com
Subject: Trans Canada Energy's Pumped Storage Proposal on DND lands and Niagara Escarpment in the Municipality of Meaford

Honoured Ladies and Gentlemen and Members of Municipal councils

I am emailing these letters to all the municipalities local to Georgian Bay that have expressed concerns over this energy storage proposal. Also a couple of advocacy groups. With Election time around the corner I would ask all involved to at least communicate with each other and form some sort of "together agreement to proceed" that could carry on after elections. Our goal would be to join forces and become one voice to Federal and Provincial governments. I believe that if you join forces and send a few letters **signed by all municipalities** both level of governments will have no choice but to listen and most of all take action to stop this TCE boondoggle.

Your thoughts are welcome. I would be at your disposal to write such letters, help organize your group or whatever. The power behind 8 municipalities will not go unanswered. One letter to each government ministry involved signed by all of you! That is a lot of votes: they will need to listen. If necessary because I have contacted the wrong person or such, please forward this email to an alternate member of your council that would be a good fit.
Sincerely

Pat Maloney

To: Mr. Michael Reider Mayor and Council
Municipality of Killarney, Ontario
July 17, 2026
Re: TC Energy Commentary

Mr. Reider

Hopefully you have all of the forward email addresses that TCE seem to have.

This letter you received from TC Energy (attached) in my opinion is TCE's way of diverting municipalities from the true challenges that will ultimately affect the decision to proceed with the Pumped Storage Project. Governments and corporations historically override most environmental concerns when it comes to economic agendas being advanced for "approval". We all know this.

The challenges facing this Pumped Storage project that will make or break this ill- advised project are Cost, Efficiency and Available Alternatives. From these three obvious reasons- to-reject the project the IAAC from my understanding only include reviewing "alternatives" while concentrating on environmental issues (that mostly cannot be mitigated but will be ignored).

This TCE letter focuses on environmental issues: correct?

Perhaps a return letter to TCE and all the other listed recipients should point out the important issues that will certainly affect all of Ontario and even Canada. These are:

-Cost: this estimate has ballooned from \$2.5 billion then to \$4.3 billion and now to \$8.3 billion. The IESO twice rejected the project in 2023 (est. \$4.3 billion) as not providing any value to Ontario. My experience makes me believe a \$12 billion target is more reasonable but still unlikely to achieve. This is a massive and complex project.

-Efficiency: TCE claim an average of 8 MWh of available energy when operational that can be stretched to 11MWh if needed. Overall "mechanical" efficiency they claim at 76%. but I would claim when efficiency is measured at the receiving end of the energy: the Essa transfer station in Barrie, properly measured overall efficiency is closer to 68%-70%. It must be noted this is a storage project that uses grid energy. To generate their claim of 1000MW of energy they will use roughly 1400MW of grid night-time energy to pump Georgian Bay water to the elevated man-made storage reservoir. 400MW wasted every cycle!

-Alternatives: Investigating the alternatives provides readily available solutions to Ontario's energy storage requirements. The available solutions (some can now be sourced in Canada) virtually eliminate all environmental, cost and efficiency challenges. They make the IAAC involvement unnecessary and a waste of time and taxpayers' money: absolutely no offence meant to Eve McLeod Norberg of the IAAC and her crew.

Battery alternatives are the global choice going forward: costs are coming down while TCE's costs continue upward. Here are some examples: simple research will verify them.

Lithium-ion battery storage: offer excellent short term available energy (4-6 hours) with past risks of fire outbreaks now fully mitigated: small (250MW) now in operation in Haldimand County in partnership with Six Nations. These systems can be built at the transfer stations across the grid; no transmission lines necessary. They are currently the

most popular storage option globally. Modern systems available have up to 30-year duration but cost about half that of Pumped Storage taking duration and upkeep into account. Google “Oneida Energy Storage”

Iron Air Battery Storage: Recently completed in Europe and produced by Form Energy in West Virginia USA, is an Iron Air battery system. This offers advantages that include up to 100 hours of energy supply with up to 100+ years system duration and the use of common inexpensive readily available materials: Iron and Oxygen. Although they require more space for generating stations (relative to lithium ion) and are slower to re-charge, they are excellent solutions for grid energy storage where size and time to recharge can be addressed. Form Energy will be producing systems that provide up to 20GWh/year storage! A perfect alternative to pumped storage offering ten times more daily storage than TCE’s project and again can be constructed anywhere along the grid at a much lower cost. Google “Iron Air Energy Storage”

Virtual Power Plants: VPP: Although not being used as a storage system in Ontario there is activity in other provinces like British Columbia. This involves residential battery storage systems like Tesla’s Power Wall. Homes use battery generator systems working with solar panels, other renewables (or cheap nighttime grid energy) for recharging after a power outage rather than propane or natural gas. These batteries (20-30 W) protect the home during power outages. However, this is a rare occurrence so after these batteries get charged the excess energy being generated is sold back to the grid. Homeowners get paid for the energy they return to lower their energy bills and the grid gets inexpensive energy storage: a win/win situation. Government incentives can reduce the cost to consumers. The only drawback of course would be implementing these systems across thousands of homes that are attached to the grid that make the energy amounts worthwhile. By the time TCE finish their archaic project Ontario, other provinces could have this system in place: no need for a massive, pumped storage system. Google: “Virtual Power Plants”

Mr. Reider and Council: There are massive amounts of information regarding energy storage. I mention some “google” sites just for simplicity. To the best of my knowledge, while TCE divert your attention to the environment (for good reason) I would recommend all municipalities to keep in mind what captures the attention of our Provincial and even Federal governments: **Cost:** monetary and efficiency costs along with **Alternatives** that would provide better solutions for all Ontario’s municipalities and the people you serve.

Pat Maloney

THE INCONVENIENT COST OF PUMPED STORAGE OVER BATTERY

There are many valid arguments against the flawed decision to proceed with this project on DND Canadian Training Center Central (CTCC) lands, the Niagara Escarpment and the Municipality of Meaford. These include but are not limited to environmental issues, Indigenous challenges, reduced and possibly sterilized local property values, lack of using Canadian expertise as it does not exist and costly transmission lines to Barrie and likely from the project to a Bruce C nuclear reactor. But these challenges, now being virtually ignored, do not mention the shocking and compelling evidence that the bottom-line cost of acquisition and operation of this energy storage technology present. This is where Ontario consumers should pay attention and politicians should take notice.

The following is a comparison of the cost between Pumped Storage and Battery [Storage](#) systems. To preface, I am an electrical engineer with 20 years experience in designing and building Hydro-Electric and Water Storage Dams internationally. This commentary is strictly academic. I have no proprietary interests in any real estate in the affected area or in any related commercial activity. I do know the numbers associated with this proposed pump storage system.

This comparison is based on charging/discharging both 1,000-megawatt systems 5 times per week for a service life of 50 years, with a nominal cost of electricity at 14 cents per kilowatt hour. It also accommodates a Pumped Storage energy capture efficiency, measured at the Essa Transfer Station of 67% (calculated) and a measured capture efficiency of battery at 89%.

It should be noted that both systems consume energy to store energy.

To regenerate 1,000 megawatts (storage) this pumped storage system will require 1,492 megawatts from our electrical grid. To regenerate 1,000 megawatts with battery storage will require 1,124 megawatts from our electrical grid. Battery storage will consume 368,000 less kilowatts per charge cycle than Pumped Storage. (1 megawatt is equal to 1,000 kilowatts)

At 14 cents per kilowatt hour, the added cost using pumped storage per charge cycle is therefore \$51,520 per cycle\$257,600 per week \$13,395,200 per year ... and \$669,760,000 over 50 years.

Should some correction wish to be made for the 14 cents per kilowatt cost or the number of charge cycles per week, these totals can be factored accordingly but will have little consequence.

We also need to recognize the capital cost of the Meaford Pumped Storage System will likely top \$10 billion. The capital cost of the same capacity of Battery Storage will likely be short of \$5 billion: this includes all operating, update and durability factors. Therefore, the Pumped Storage option will cost \$5.67 billion dollars more than the Battery option. The battery storage facility can be located anywhere in Ontario underneath high voltage transmission easement divided into say, five 250-megawatt storage units if desired. Their charge and discharge cycles are automatically variable based on real time demand. Something unachievable with Pumped Storage.

In terms of “Green Initiatives”, Pumped Storage will create 4 times the waste heat than will Battery Storage. The energy savings here would power 36,800 homes, essentially all of Owen Sound, Meaford and The Town of Blue Mountains.

The adverse challenges that exist with pumped storage would not exist if we made use of modern available and developing technologies.

There is clearly no argument remaining here to consider and recommend Pumped Storage. Those members of all political bodies and local community as well as TC Energy must develop a compelling critique of this analysis to justify the extra \$5.67 Billion needed to regenerate 1,000 megawatts of electrical energy. These numbers carry a maximum +/- 5% tolerance.

Stephen Carr
BASc
Meaford, On.

I will add:

Politicians at all levels need to step back and review support of this project. In my opinion those politicians that could support this project are showing some level of contempt to Ontario tax and ratepayers that must be exposed! TC Energy is in this “game” simply for profits as most corporations hopefully do. However, if this project had been advertised using the normal civil procurement competitive scenario TC energy’s proposal’s cost would be more than double other corporate proposals using current available technologies. It would not be considered due to costs efficiencies and modern new technologies available today. It provides no value to Ontario**.

Addition by:
Pat Maloney

**taken from IESO studies done in 2021-2022 timelines

September 10, 2026

The Honourable Michael S. Kerzner
Office of the Solicitor General
25 Grosvenor Street, 18th Floor
Toronto, ON M7A 1Y6

Re: Request for Review of the OPP Municipal Policing Cost Model

Dear Minister Kerzner:

The Township of McNab/Braeside is writing to express its strong opposition to the current Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) municipal policing cost model and the significant cost increases being imposed on small rural municipalities. While the Province has limited the increase in OPP policing costs for 2027 to a maximum of 11 per cent, an increase of up to 11 per cent is not reasonable or sustainable for a small rural municipality. This level of increase places significant pressure on municipal budgets and local taxpayers, particularly at a time when communities are already facing substantial economic pressures.

The issue is not the importance of effective policing or the services provided by the OPP. The Township recognizes and values the OPP's role in keeping our community safe. Our concern is that the current funding model does not fairly reflect the financial realities and policing circumstances of small rural municipalities.

Municipalities with populations of 10,000 or less can have substantially different circumstances than larger urban communities, including smaller tax bases, larger geographic areas and different policing demands. These factors should be meaningfully reflected in how policing costs are allocated.

The Township therefore respectfully requests that the Province undertake a comprehensive review of the OPP municipal policing cost model and consider factors including population, geographic area, policing demand, calls for service and municipal financial capacity when determining municipal policing costs.

Small rural municipalities should not be expected to absorb increases of this magnitude under a funding model that does not adequately recognize the differences between rural and urban communities.

The Township urges the Province to re-evaluate the OPP municipal policing cost model and develop a more equitable, predictable and sustainable approach to policing costs for small rural municipalities.

The Township invites recipient municipalities to consider passing a resolution of support at an upcoming council meeting. Please forward any supporting motions to the Office of the Solicitor General to amplify this vital advocacy for rural communities.

Sincerely,



Mandy Cannon
CAO, Interim Clerk
Township of McNab/Braeside

cc:

MPP Billy Denault, Renfrew–Nipissing–Pembroke
All Ontario Municipalities



September 9, 2026

Re: Mandated Conservation Authority Amalgamation

To Whom it May Concern:

Please be advised that at their Regular Council meeting held September 8, 2026, the Council of the Township of North Huron adopted the following resolution:

M225/26

MOVED BY: A. van Hittersum

SECONDED BY: C. Palmer

THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby directs staff to send a letter of concern regarding the regional consolidation of conservation authorities with a request to reconsider the amalgamation and keep the Lake Huron watershed Conservation Authorities separated from the Lake Simcoe area;

AND FURTHER, THAT the letter be sent to all Ontario municipalities, MPP Lisa Thompson, Premier Doug Ford, the Project Executive for the Lake Huron Regional Conservation Authority, Minister Todd McCarthy, Minister Trevor Jones, Conservation Authority Ontario, and the Ontario Federation of Agriculture.

CARRIED

The Township of North Huron is located in Huron County and is within the watershed of the Maitland River Conservation Authority (MVCA). Under the current format for Conservation Authorities, the Township, along with other municipalities who have boundaries within the MVCA watershed have representation on the MVCA Board of Directors. This process has worked well and has ensured that local knowledge of the area is kept, and issues are being handled in a timely manner. With the updated changes to the Conservation Authorities at the end of 2026, the Township of North Huron will be included under the umbrella of Huron County and will be amalgamated into the Lake Huron Regional Conservation Authority Board which will have twenty-one (21) members.

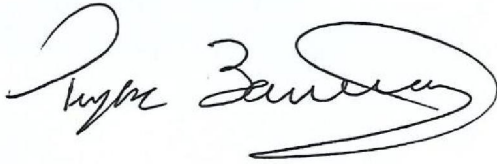
Recently, the MVCA received news that the proposed board distribution for the Lake Huron Regional Conservation Authority Board will be based on a tiered allocation formula based on population to assist in determining the amount of members that will be appointed to the board. Out of the thirteen (13) municipalities that will be included on the Board, eight (8), including Huron County will have only one member appointed, while the other municipalities will have a combined 13 members.

With this, the Township of North Huron is concerned that our local voice and local concerns will not be addressed, and the decisions will be left to the individuals who have higher populations and higher board representation. Due to this proposed change, local knowledge may be lost and the priorities for heavily populated areas are much different than rural areas and may not achieve the goals or priorities from rural communities. The Township of North Huron also has concerns pertaining to the financial information and effects it will have on local municipalities.

In conclusion, the Township of North Huron respectfully urges the Province of Ontario to reconsider the amalgamation of Conservation Authorities in Ontario, including the Lake Huron Regional Conservation Authority Board. The Township also encourages the Province to keep the Lake Huron watershed separate from the Lake Simcoe Watershed.

Should you have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

Regards,



Tyler Zamostny, AMP, Dipl.M.A.
Deputy Clerk/Planning Coordinator

Cc:

All Ontario Municipalities

Hon. Lisa M. Thompson - minister.mra@ontario.ca

Hon. Doug Ford - premier@ontario.ca

Project Executive for the Lake Huron Conservation Authority - d.goodyear@lsrca.on.ca

Hon. Todd J. McCarthy - minister.mecp@ontario.ca

Hon. Trevor Jones - minister.omafa@ontario.ca

Conservation Authority Ontario - info@conservationontario.ca

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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF PARRY SOUND RESOLUTION IN COUNCIL

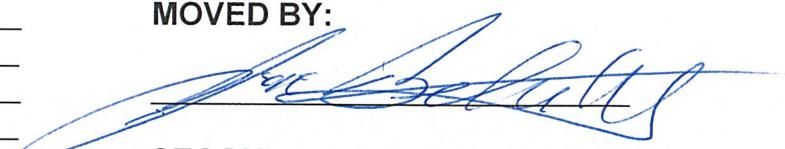
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DIVISION LIST	YES	NO	DATE: September 1, 2026
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Councillor	J. BELESKEY
Councillor	P. BORNEMAN
Councillor	B. KEITH
Councillor	D. McCANN
Councillor	C. McDONALD
Mayor	J. McGARVEY

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MOVED BY:



SECONDED BY:



CARRIED: ✓ **DEFEATED:** _____ **Postponed to:** _____

WHEREAS electric kick-style scooters (e-scooters) have become an increasingly popular and affordable form of transportation in Parry Sound and across Ontario; and

WHEREAS e-scooters can provide an accessible, low-emission transportation option and help address transportation needs in communities such as Parry Sound that do not have conventional public transit; and

WHEREAS Ontario's current e-scooter pilot program places responsibility on individual municipalities to determine how e-scooters may operate locally, creating administrative and enforcement challenges, particularly for smaller municipalities with limited resources; and

WHEREAS the continued use of a pilot framework has resulted in uncertainty and inconsistent approaches to e-scooter regulation across the Province.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Parry Sound requests that the Province of Ontario establish a province-wide regulatory framework for e-scooters that recognizes their unique operating characteristics, maintains appropriate safety standards, and provides municipalities with authority to address local needs; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Parry Sound requests the support of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) in advocating for a framework that reduces unnecessary administrative and enforcement burdens on local municipalities; and

FINALLY BE IT RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be circulated to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA), the Premier of Ontario, Doug Ford, the Minister of Transportation, Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria, Parry Sound–Muskoka MPP, Graydon Smith, and all municipalities across Ontario.



 Mayor Jamie McGarvey



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September 15, 2026

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The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building, Queens Park
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Dear Honourable Doug Ford:

Re: City of Port Colborne Supports the Town of Ingersoll regarding Review of OLT and Enhancing Deference to Municipal Planning Decisions

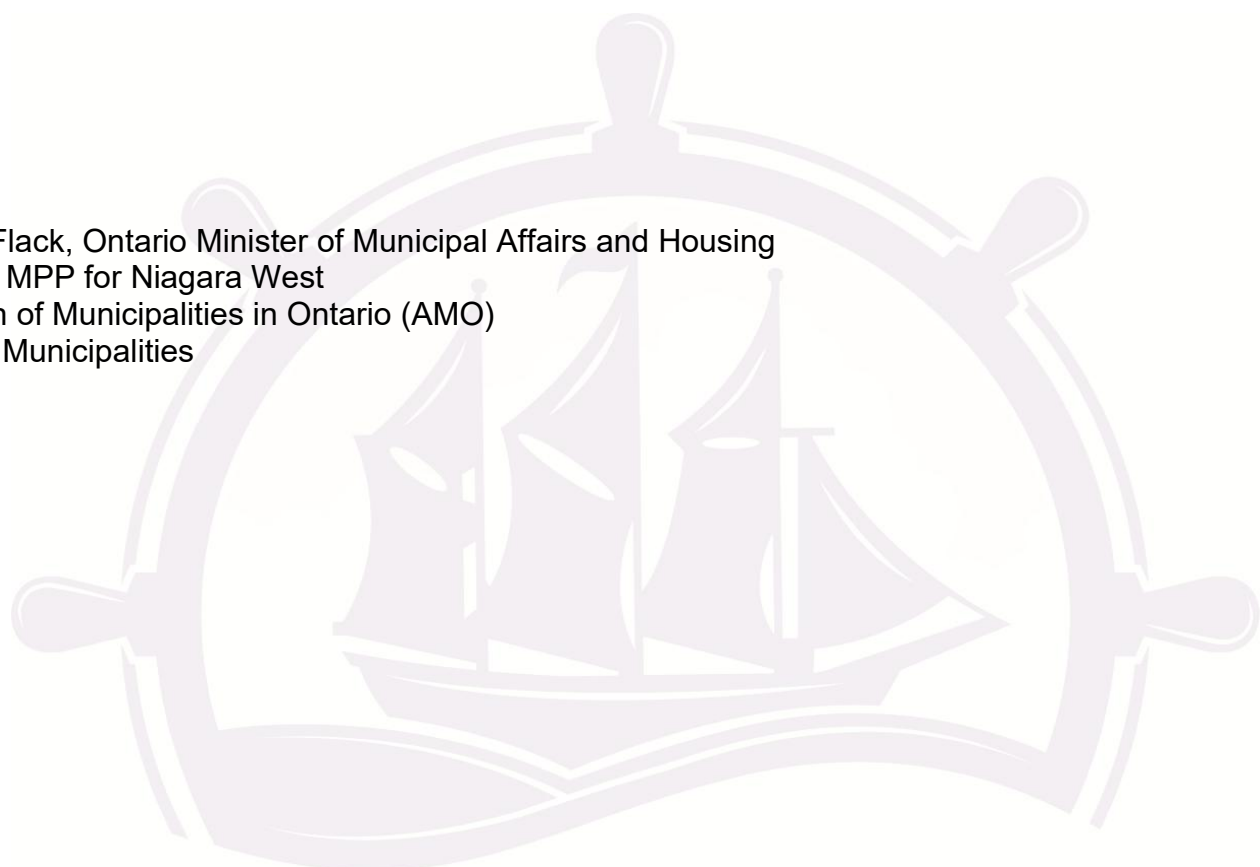
Please be advised that, at its meeting of September 8, 2026, the Council of The Corporation of the City of Port Colborne supported the resolution received from the Town of Ingersoll regarding a Review of OLT and Enhancing Deference to Municipal Planning Decisions.

The correspondence is attached for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Charlotte Madden
City Clerk

ec: Hon. Rob Flack, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Jeff Burch, MPP for Niagara West
Association of Municipalities in Ontario (AMO)
All Ontario Municipalities



August 13, 2026

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

Re: Town of Ingersoll Resolution - Review of OLT and Enhancing Deference to Municipal Planning Decisions

Dear Premier Ford,

Please be advised that at their regular meeting on August 10, 2026, Council of the Corporation of the Town of Ingersoll adopted the following resolution:

Resolution # 2026-230

Moved by Councillor Eus; seconded by Councillor Bowman

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Ingersoll receive the correspondence from the Town of the Blue Mountains regarding Review of OLT and Enhancing Deference to Municipal Planning Decisions;

AND THAT Council support the resolution regarding Review of OLT and Enhancing Deference to Municipal Planning Decisions;

AND THAT the resolution be forwarded to other municipalities in Ontario, Oxford MPP Ernie Hardeman, all relevant ministries, and the provincial government.

CARRIED

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Kind regards,

Julie Clayton

Julie Clayton
Deputy Clerk

cc: Hon. Rob Flack, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Ernie Hardeman, Member of Provincial Parliament for Oxford
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
All municipalities in Ontario



The Town of The Blue Mountains Council Meeting

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Title: Kathryn Douglas, Supervisor, Legislative Services, Town of Whitby
Date: Monday, July 13, 2026
Time: 6:16 PM

Moved by: Councillor Hope
Seconded by: Councillor Porter

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the June 25, 2026, correspondence from Kathryn Douglas, Supervisor, Legislative Services, Town of Whitby, and supports the June 22, 2026 Town of Whitby Council resolution regarding a Review of Ontario Land Tribunal and Enhancing Deference to Municipal Planning Decisions;

AND THAT Council directs staff to circulate this resolution of support to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Local Members of Provincial Parliament, the Association of Municipalities (AMO) and all Ontario Municipalities for consideration and support

YES: 6

NO: 0

ABSENT: 1

The motion is Carried

YES: 6

Deputy Mayor Bordignon	Councillor Ardiel	Councillor Hope	Councillor Maxwell
Councillor McKinlay	Councillor Porter		

NO: 0

ABSENT: 1

Mayor Matrosovs

June 25, 2026

Via Email

The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
premier@ontario.ca

Re: Review of the Ontario Land Tribunal and Enhancing Deference to Municipal Planning Decisions

Please be advised that at its meeting held on June 22, 2026, the Council of the Town of Whitby adopted the following as Resolution # 166-26:

Whereas local councils are elected by residents to make planning decisions that reflect the needs and priorities of their communities;

Whereas municipalities rely on extensive public consultation, professional planning advice, engineering studies, and technical reports when making land-use decisions;

Whereas the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) has the authority to overturn municipal planning decisions, often requiring municipalities to spend significant taxpayer dollars defending decisions that have already undergone a thorough local review process;

Whereas lengthy and costly appeals can delay housing projects, consume municipal resources, and reduce the ability of municipalities to focus on delivering services to residents; and,

Whereas local governments should have greater certainty and authority when decisions are consistent with approved Official Plans, provincial policies, and sound planning principles.

Now Therefore be it Resolved:

1. That the Government of Ontario be requested to review the role and mandate of the Ontario Land Tribunal to ensure greater respect for municipal planning decisions that are supported by evidence, public consultation, and approved planning policies;

2. That the Province consider amendments to the Planning Act and Ontario Land Tribunal Act to provide stronger deference to municipal decisions that align with provincial planning frameworks and Official Plans;
3. That the Province improve transparency and accountability within the Ontario Land Tribunal by requiring clear and detailed reasoning when municipal decisions are overturned;
4. That the Province explore measures to reduce the financial burden on municipalities defending planning decisions before the OLT, helping to protect taxpayer dollars and improve the efficiency of the planning process; and,
5. That Staff be directed to circulate this resolution to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Local Members of Provincial Parliament, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all Ontario municipalities for consideration and support.

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the Office of the Town Clerk at 905-430-4300.



Kathryn Douglas
Supervisor, Legislative Services
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September 15, 2026

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The Honourable Doug Ford
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Dear Honourable Doug Ford:

Re: City of Port Colborne Supports the Township of Armour regarding Support for Sustainable and Predictable Operating funding for Ontario's Public Libraries

Please be advised that, at its meeting of September 8, 2026, the Council of The Corporation of the City of Port Colborne supported the resolution received from the Township of Armour regarding support for Sustainable and Predictable Operating funding for Ontario's Public Libraries.

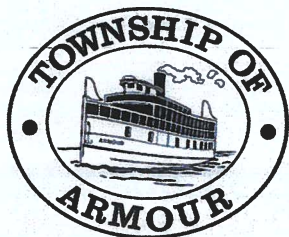
The correspondence is attached for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Charlotte Madden
City Clerk

ec: Zee Hamid, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Gaming
Jeff Burch, MPP for Niagara West
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Date: August 11, 2026

Motion # 2026-236

WHEREAS public libraries provide essential services including literacy, education, technology access, employment resources, and community programming;

AND WHEREAS the Burk's Falls, Armour & Ryerson Union Public Library serves the residents of the Township of Armour and surrounding communities;

AND WHEREAS the provincial funding received by the Burk's Falls, Armour & Ryerson Union Public Library has remained at \$13,914 annually since 1990, despite significant increases in the cost of providing library services;

AND WHEREAS the Township of Armour's contribution to library services has increased from \$14,097.99 in 2001 to \$98,722 in 2026, placing an increasing financial burden on municipal taxpayers;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Library Association and Federation of Ontario Public Libraries have called for increased and sustainable provincial funding for public libraries;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Armour petitions the Government of Ontario, through the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Gaming, to substantially increase and provide sustainable, predictable operating funding for Ontario's public libraries;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Tourism, Culture and Gaming, the local Member of Provincial Parliament, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Ontario Library Association (OLA), and the Federation of Ontario Public Libraries (FOPL) for their support and advocacy;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this resolution be circulated to municipalities across Ontario for their consideration and support.

Moved by: Blakelock, Rod ☐
Brandt, Jerry ☐
Haggart-Davis, Dorothy ☒
Ward, Rod ☐
Whitwell, Wendy ☐

Seconded by: Blakelock, Rod ☐
Brandt, Jerry ☒
Haggart-Davis, Dorothy ☐
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Whitwell, Wendy ☐

Carried / Defeated

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Recorded vote requested by:

Recorded Vote:

Blakelock, Rod

Brandt, Jerry

Haggart-Davis, Dorothy

Ward, Rod

Whitwell, Wendy

For

☐☐☐☐☐

Opposed

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September 10, 2026

RE: 6.17 TAPMO Newsletter July 2026

Please be advised that Township of Puslinch Council, at its meeting held on August 26, 2026 considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

Resolution No. 2026-255:

**Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bailey**

That the Consent Agenda item 6.17 be received for information; and

Whereas the Aggregate Resources Act, R.S.O. (ARA) governs the licensing and regulation of aggregate pits and quarries in Ontario;

And Whereas the Planning Act and the Provincial Planning Statement establish the policy framework for land use planning in Ontario and recognize aggregate extraction as an interim land use, with defined expectations for progressive rehabilitation and ultimate transition to an appropriate end use;



And Whereas the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) has provided written clarification confirming that where a licensed site's site plan expressly permits the importation of aggregate material from other licensed sites in Ontario:

- such imported material may be brought to the site;
- such imported material does not count toward the site's annual licensed tonnage limit; and
- where processing and blending are permitted in the site plan, imported material may be processed or blended for the duration of the licence;

And Whereas under the Ministry's current interpretation, imported aggregate material that is processed or blended is not currently subject to annual licensed tonnage limits or associated TOARC levy payments;

And Whereas this interpretation may enable a licensed site to function as an ongoing industrial processing and blending facility, including in circumstances where on-site extraction has ceased or is winding down;

And Whereas municipalities may experience increased truck traffic, road deterioration, noise, and dust impacts where processing and blending continue independent of extraction;

And Whereas such an outcome may not align with the planning principle that aggregate operations are intended to be interim land uses and may have implications for municipal land use planning, infrastructure management, environmental oversight, and long-term rehabilitation objectives;

And Whereas clarity and consistency between the implementation of the ARA and the provincial land use planning framework are essential to maintaining policy coherence and municipal planning certainty;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved That the Council of Township of Puslinch respectfully requests that the MNR reconsider its current interpretation respecting the importation, processing, and blending of aggregate material under the ARA, particularly where such interpretation:

- permits unlimited importation of aggregate material from other licensed sites;



- excludes imported and processed materials from annual licensed tonnage limits; and
- allows processing and blending activities to continue for the duration of the licence without regard to the interim nature of aggregate extraction contemplated under provincial planning policy; and,

That the Province clarify how the interpretation and administration of the ARA will be aligned with the *Planning Act* and Provincial Planning Statement, including the recognition of aggregate extraction as an interim land use with defined rehabilitation and transition objectives;

That the Province provide guidance on how imported and processed aggregate materials are to be considered in relation to licensed tonnage limits, rehabilitation timelines, and the interim land use intent of aggregate operations;

That the Province consult with municipalities prior to finalizing any policy, regulatory, or interpretive direction related to importation, processing, blending, and tonnage calculations under the ARA and importantly any TOARC regulatory reform;

Further be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Puslinch supports TAPMO's call for policy clarification regarding importation, processing and blending under the Aggregate Resources Act; and

Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Natural Resources, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Top Aggregate Producing Municipalities of Ontario (TAPMO), MPP Joseph Racinsky and all Ontario Municipalities.

CARRIED



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

Sincerely,

Justine Brotherston
Municipal Clerk

cc: Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
Top Aggregate Producing Municipalities of Ontario (TAPMO)



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September 10, 2026

- 6.10 Huron OPP Detachment Board requesting Letter of Support for Traffic Calming and Speeding Mitigation Techniques
- 6.11 Municipality of Wawa Support Resolution regarding Traffic Calming and Speed Mitigation Initiatives
- 6.12 Township of Clearview Council Resolution regarding Traffic Calming & Speeding Mitigation Initiatives

Please be advised that Township of Puslinch Council, at its meeting held on August 26, 2026 considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

Resolution No. 2026-254:

Moved by Councillor Bailey and
Seconded by Councillor Hurst

That the Consent Agenda items 6.10, 6.11, and 6.12 be received for information; and,

Whereas Council Supports the resolutions from the Huron OPP Detachment Board, Municipality of Wawa and Township of Clearview regarding Traffic Calming and Speeding Mitigation initiatives;

That Council direct staff to send a support resolution accordingly.

CARRIED

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

Sincerely,

Justine Brotherston
Municipal Clerk



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cc: Minister of Transportation, Hon. Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria; prabmeet.sarkaria@pc.ola.org
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