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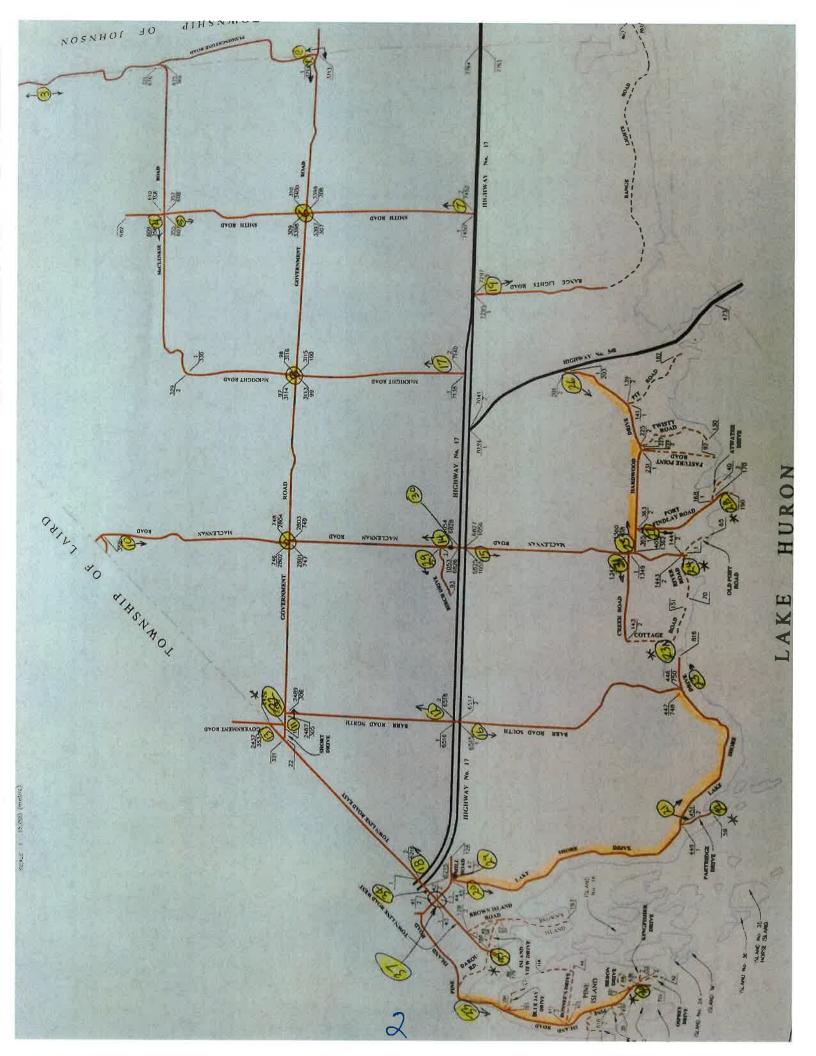
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<u>Recommendation</u>: Be it resolved that the Road / Signage audit review presented by Mayor Smith be received for implementation; and

That correspondence items 2 through 6 on the consent agenda dated October 20, 2021 be received; and

That Council supports the resolutions from FONOM and AMO as well as the Township of Prince, the Town of Kingsville, an the Townships of Enniskillen and Adelaide Metcalfe.

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This question needs asking as I have been approached by citizens at large as to why the speed limits cannot be reduced on our Township roads.

Several reasons have been given to reduce the speeds and I have to concur

- A. Our roads are part of the Bike Trail. Signs have been posted as such and it is documented / advertises on web sites. There has been an increase in this usage.
- B. Mennonite traffic is limited to horse speeds and they have concerns with some high speed drivers especially on waste disposal days.
- C. Our roads are some of the best maintained in our area and as such are conducive to excess speeds by some drivers.
- D. Highway 548, a secondary provincial highway, is only posted at 80 km/hr and in no way, shape or form are our roads, even as good as they are, with blind hills, curves and slow moving traffic designed for the speeds they are being used at by drivers.

I believe that all non-marked speed roads, especially those leading into our township, should be posted at 60 km/hr for the <u>safety of users, pedestrians and drivers alike</u>. Other areas due to different situations could be further reduced at councils discretion or resident request.

Respectfully submitted

Lennox G. Smith (Mayor)

Sept. 22, 2021

To Mayor and Councillors, Township of Prince

At your September meeting, I urge you to pass a Resolution in support of the selection of Sault Ste. Marie as the location of the **Great Lakes Office** for the new **Canada Water Agency**, such Resolution to be forwarded to the federal Minister of the Environment and Climate Change and the Prime Minister and circulated to other municipal councils and First Nations councils in Ontario.

The logic of such a location - physically at the 'heart' of three of the Great Lakes, with significant federal and provincial scientific research organizations located here, noteworthy post-secondary educational facilities and other infrastructure in place, and adjacent to and historically linked with Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan and the Locks - is clear and compelling.

Important distributed benefits for Prince Township and other communities in Algoma and the neighbouring First Nations will be: economic - in jobs, investments and stability; intellectually dynamic; internationally significant; and focused on key elements of the 21¢ Century's flash points: water, weather and our environment.

Given the upcoming federal election, now is the time to make the Township's support known to the Federal Government.

I would also invite each of the federal candidates in the Sault and Algoma District to join with Prince Township in expressing their support for the selection of the Sault Ste. Marie area as the site of the **Great Lakes Office** of the new **Canada Water Agency**.

Hal McGonigal

4759 Second Line West, Prince Township

## The Corporation of the Township of Prince COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Date: September 14, 2021

Resolution 2021- 114 Moved by: Councillor

Seconded by: Councillor

ENDA ITEM

Whereas, the City of Sault Ste. Marie sits at the 'heart of the 3 largest Great Lakes; and

Whereas, significant federal and provincial scientific research organizations are located in the City; and

Whereas, noteworthy post-secondary educational facilities and other infrastructure is in place; and

Whereas, the City is adjacent to and historically linked with Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan and the Locks

Now therefore be it resolved that this Council hereby supports the selection of the City of Sault Ste. Marie as the location of the Great Lakes Office for the new Canada Water Agency; and

**Further be it resolved that** a copy of this resolution be sent to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and to each of the federal candidates in the Sault and Algoma District, asking for their support of this resolution.

ARRIED	Mayor & Council	YES	NO
DEFEATED	Ken Lamming		
DEFERRED	David Amadio		
REFERRED	lan Chambers		
PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARED	Michael Matthews	***	
RECORDED VOTE (SEE RIGHT)	Enzo Palumbo		
WITHDRAWN	-14		-
MAYOR - Ken Lamming	STANKS TO SEE STANKS		

The above is a certified to be true copy of resolution number 2021 -

Peggy Greco CAO/CLERK-TREASURER

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During the AMO Conference, FONOM/NOMA/NOSDA participated together in a Multi Minister Delegation on the issue of Mental Health, Homelessness, and the Opioid Crisis. The attached Resolution comes from that Delegation. We would ask that you share this Resolution with your Council and Senior Management Team. In addition, we would ask your Council to consider personalizing the Resolution and supporting it at a future meeting.

WHEREAS Communities across the province are addressing an intensified social crisis and Northern Ontario is no different. We recognize that creating solutions will require a multi-ministry approach but if there are lessons to be learned from this pandemic, what were once cracks in the health care foundation, there are now large gaps forming especially around mental health, addictions, and homelessness; and

WHEREAS Northern Ontario has significant challenges when it comes to accessing mental health and addictions services for our people in our communities; and

WHEREAS over 300 Child care staff who provide services to over 21,000 licenced child care spaces in over 340 locations across the North and they see the effects of Mental Health and Addictions every day in the children they care for and the parents they support; and

WHEREAS, the defined area of Northern Ontario is over 800,000 square kilometres. Also, annually over 500 Social Services staff provide financial and employment assistance to over 15,000 families in 37 delivery sites across the North. Over 300 Community Housing staff provide safe and affordable housing to over 17,000 families in the North. In addition, there are many Police Officers and over 900 paramedics who responded to 200,000 medical emergency 911 calls. Paramedics have seen the direct results of the Mental Health and Addictions crisis in the North and some cases becoming ill themselves trying to cope with what they have seen; and

WHEREAS FONOM appreciates the efforts of all the agencies that are working to help and support those addicted to opioids. In some districts, over 30 agencies are providing some assistance. But we would like to see consolidation of these agencies with the input of Municipalities/DSSAB's and local stakeholders. As we believe, a streamlined agency would be able to put the combined funds to better use; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that FONOM ask that our Northern Ontario Health Teams, in consultation with Municipalities/DSSAB's and local stakeholders, support a province-wide strategy that supports such consolidation;

FUTHER BE IT RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution to be shared with Premier Ford, Christine Elliott the Minister of Health, Michael Tibollo the Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addictions, the Leaders of the Provincial Oppositions, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO).



September 23, 2021

Whereas the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) estimates the annual province-wide municipal infrastructure deficit to be \$6 billion dollars;

And Whereas the City of Toronto Act, 2006 granted Toronto broader municipal revenue tools than the other 443 municipalities;

And Whereas the AMO has long lobbied for its members the right to access the same revenue tools permitted by the City of Toronto Act;

And Whereas one of the revenue tools the City of Toronto charges and collects is a Municipal Land Transfer Tax (MLTT) in parallel with the Province of Ontario for all property sales, except for first-time homebuyers;

And Whereas in 2020 the City of Toronto received \$800 million from the Municipal Land Transfer Tax; this offset represents 15% of their annual revenue (page 28 of the 2021 Budget) and this revenue tool would generate nearly \$2.68 billion dollars for the other Ontario Municipalities, which would help municipalities' growing infrastructure deficit;

And Whereas Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities believes MLTT be renamed Land Transfer Infrastructure Support (LTIS);

Therefore Be It Resolved that the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities ask the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) to lobby the Premier of Ontario to grant Ontario Municipalities the same Municipal Revenue Tools as the City of Toronto.

Further Be It Resolved that an electronic copy of this Resolution be shared with the Provincial Minister of Finance Peter Bethlenfalvy, the Leaders of the Provincial Oppositions, the Ontario's Big City Mayors, ROMA, OSUM, and NOMA



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October 1, 2021

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

Dear Premier:

## RE: KINGSVILLE COUNCIL SUPPORT OF SAVE EYE CARE IN ONTARIO

At its Regular Meeting held Monday, September 27, 2021 Council of the Town of Kingsville passed a Resolution in support of Save Eye Care in Ontario as follows:

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Moved By Councillor Laura Lucier Seconded By Councillor Thomas Neufeld

Whereas routine eye care is critical in early detection of eye diseases like glaucoma, cataracts, and macular degeneration, and the health of eyes is critical to overall health and quality of life; and

Whereas conditions that may be detected with an annual eye exam include Diabetes mellitus, Glaucoma, Cataract, Retinal disease, Amblyopia (lazy eye), Visual field defects (loss of part of the usual field of vision), Corneal disease, Strabismus (crosses eyes), Recurrent uveitis (an inflammation of the uvea, the middle layer of the eye that consists of the iris, ciliary body and choroid), Optic pathway disease; and

**Whereas** payments from OHIP have only increased 9% over the last 30 years, which has not come close to matching inflation of costs (which include rent, staff, utilities, equipment, taxes and supplies); and

Whereas the lack of funding makes it difficult to invest in modern technology, and newer technology means earlier detection of eye disease; and

Whereas the Provincial government's refusal to formally negotiate with Optometrists for more than 30 years has forced the Optometrists to absorb approximately 173 Million dollars annually in the cost to deliver eye care to Ontarians; and

Whereas the 2021 Ontario Budget did not address OHIP-insured eye care, Ontario Optometrists took action and voted to withdraw OHIP services starting September 1, 2021, unless the government agrees to legally-binding negotiations to fund these services at least to the cost of delivery; and

Whereas this job action will jeopardize good eyecare for those who need the care of an optometrist the most and will have the greatest impact on the most vulnerable groups. Children, who's lifetime ability to learn and develop depends on good vision and to the elderly, who are at the greatest risk for vision-threatening ocular diseases.

**Now Therefore Be It Resolved** that The Corporation of the Town of Kingsville requests that the Provincial government recognize the value that access to quality eye care brings to all Ontarians and act now to protect it; and further

That the Provincial government address the OHIP-insured eye care immediately and enter into legally-binding negotiations with Ontario Optometrists to fund these services at least to the cost of delivery, prior to any job action taking place; and further

**That** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Ford, Ontario Minister of Health Christine Elliot, MPP Taras Natyshak, to the Ontario Association of Optometrists, and to all municipalities in Ontario.

CARRIED"

Yours very truly,

Sandra Kitchen, Acting Clerk Legislative Services Department

skitchen@kingsville.ca

Enclosure

cc: Honourable Christine Elliott, Ontario Minister of Health

Taras Natyshak, MPP, Essex Chris Lewis, MP, Essex Ontario Association of Optometrists

All Ontario Municipalities



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October 5 2021

Minister of Health Patti Hajdu House of Commons Ottawa ON K1A 0A6

Re: Cannabis Act

Dear Minister:

At the regular meeting of the Council of the Township of Enniskillen of October 4 2021 the following resolution was endorsed:

As the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Enniskillen through a resolution January, 2021 had enacted an Interim Control Bylaw to undertake a review of land use policies related to Cannabis Production & Processing Facilities.

The Township of Enniskillen is considered rural with several settlement areas and is primarily zoned Agricultural and has endured the placement of a cannabis facility in our township since the inception of the *Cannabis Act* with little or no compliance, enforcement or oversight from Health Canada. Furthermore, dealing with the enforcement of nuisances such as odour, lights and noise and having only one recourse which is an appeal to the *Normal Farm Practices Protection Board*. This process is costly, lengthy and, in the meantime, causes negative impacts on neighbouring homeowners and unsatisfactory living conditions with the end results costing ALL of the ratepayers of this municipality.

And Whereas correspondence from Health Canada has stated that licenses have regulatory requirements for producers and Health Canada has a range of enforcement tools at its disposal to verify compliance including regular inspections of license holders. This has been proven ineffective in our municipality with both medicinal and recreational licensed cannabis. Health Canada also encouraged to immediately contact our local law enforcement should we suspect illegal activity in our community. Enniskillen, as well as municipalities all across Ontario have incurred extraordinary expenses due to this "encouragement" as the only alternative.

**And Whereas** with the establishment of cannabis growing operations, and lights, odours and noise are not being properly regulated, and being left up to municipalities to shoulder these concerns, and Health Canada controls the regulations for cannabis growing operations.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Council of the Township of Enniskillen enacts the following:

- that Health Canada research more fully when AND before an applicant is issued a license for either medicinal or recreational cannabis
- AND notification and/or communication be given to the appropriate municipality
- AND that regular inspections of these facilities should be MANDATORY to verify compliance by license holders
- AND upon complaints received by Health Canada online reporting should trigger an unannounced inspection.
- AND a comprehensive study of the Cannabis Act be undertaken as many Ontario municipalities have encountered problems.

AND That copies of this resolution be forwarded to **ALL** Ontario municipalities, and the following:

Federal Minister of Health –
Provincial Minister of Health – Hon. Christine Elliott
Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing – Hon. Steve Clark
Sarnia-Lambton-Kent MP – Marilyn Gladu
Sarnia-Lambton-Kent MPP – Bob Bailey
London West MPP - Peter Fragiskatos

Duncan McTavish

Clerk

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## TOWNSHIP OF ADELAIDE METCALFE

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October 8, 2021

Township of Scugog 181 Perry Street PO Box 780 Port Perry, ON L9L 1A7

ATTENTION: BECKY JAMIESON, DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES/MUNICIPAL CLERK

RE: SUPPORT OF RESOLUTION – FEDERAL AND PROVINCIAL FUNDING OF RURAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

Please be advised that the Council of the Township of Adelaide Metcalfe, at the regular meeting of October 4, 2021, supported and passed The Township of Scugog resolution as follows.

THAT the Province of Ontario and the Government of Canada be encouraged to provide more funding to rural municipalities to support infrastructure projects related to major bridge and culvert replacements.

CARRIED.

Kind regards,

Mike Barnier

Manager of Legislative Services/Clerk