



THE TOWNSHIP OF TARBUTT
Council Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, August 16, 2023 at 6:00 pm
Township Council Chambers, 27 Barr Road S.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

3. PREVIOUS MINUTES

- a. Minutes of the Council meeting held July 19, 2023

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4. DEPUTATIONS / PRESENTATIONS

5. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

- a. Payment log for July 2023.
b. Financial statement for the month of July, 2023.

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6. STAFF AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Report from the Road Superintendent
b. Highway 17 Boundary Sign Options
c. Emergency Management Control Group
d. Regional BLEO proposal
e. Clerk's Report for August 2023

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7. BY-LAWS

- a. Emergency Management By-law (to be circulated)

8. INFORMATION / CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Resolution from the Town of Parry Sound
Re: Addressing housing shortages while protecting freshwater resources
b. Resolution from the Town of Fort Erie
Re: Global access to Short Term Rental accommodations

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- c. Resolution from the Township of Puslinch 17-18
Re: Negative impacts on rural municipalities of Bill 3, Special Duties of Heads of Council
- d. Letter from The Township of Johnson 19
Re: Annual recreation donation request
- e. E-mail request from a Tarbutt Resident 20
Re: Donation toward pickleball court resurfacing in Richards Landing
- f. News article on Floating Homes Reform

9. OTHER BUSINESS

10. CLOSED SESSION

Council will move into closed session under Sec. 239 2 b) of the *Municipal Act*, in order to discuss personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.

11. CONFIRMATION BY-LAW

12. ADJOURNMENT



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THE TOWNSHIP OF TARBUTT

Council Minutes

Wednesday, July 19, 2023 at 6:00 pm

Township Council Chambers, 27 Barr Road S.

Present: Lennox Smith, Mayor
Ursula Abbott
David Farrar
Darren McClelland
Jacqui Nagel

Staff: C. Trainor, CAO/Clerk/Deputy Treasurer

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Smith called the regular Council meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

The Clerk noted an adjustment to the agenda in that one of the two closed session items is no longer required.

2. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

3. PREVIOUS MINUTES

- a. Minutes of the Council meeting held June 22, 2023

Resolution No: 2023 – 87

Moved by: D. McClelland Seconded by: D. Farrar

Be it resolved that the minutes of the regular Council meeting held June 21, 2023 be adopted as circulated.

Carried

4. DEPUTATIONS / PRESENTATIONS

5. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

- a. Payment log and financial statement for the month of June, 2023.

Resolution No: 2023 – 88

Moved by: U. Abbott Seconded by: J. Nagel

Be it resolved that the payment log and financial statements for the month ending June 30, 2023 be approved.

Carried



6. STAFF AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Report from the Road Superintendent

Resolution No: 2023 – 89

Moved by: D. McClelland Seconded by: D. Farrar

Be it resolved that the report from the Road Superintendent dated July 19, 2023 be received for information.

Carried

b. Employee Compensation Policy Amendment

Re: Boot Allowance Schedule

Resolution No: 2023 – 90

Moved by: J. Nagel Seconded by: U. Abbott

Be it resolved that the Employee Compensation Policy be approved as amended to include a boot allowance for members of the Roads and Landfill departments.

Carried

c. Report from the CAO/Clerk

Re: Contractor Holdback Policy

Resolution No: 2023 – 91

Moved by: D. Farrar Seconded by: D. McClelland

Be it resolved that the report from the CAO/Clerk regarding the Contract Holdback be received; and

That the CAO/Clerk be authorized to implement this holdback process for any works or projects in progress which have not reached substantial completion and which work remains outstanding; and

That the CAO/Clerk be authorized to include a Contractor Holdback clause in the updated Procurement Policy which shall apply to all agreements.

Carried

d. Clerk's Report for July 2023

Council discussed the need for increased By-law Enforcement.

Resolution No: 2023 – 92

Moved by: U. Abbott Seconded by: J. Nagel



Be it resolved that the Clerk's Report for July 2023 be received for information;
and

That Jared Brice be provided his regular wage and mileage to attend the five day HazMat Operations course in August in Sault Ste. Marie, which will provide him with the minimum service level required for the Tarbutt Fire Department;
and

That the proposal for a Regional By-law Enforcement Officer be received, and a response provided to the organizing group.

Carried

7. BY-LAWS

a. Clean and Clear Yard By-law

Council confirmed that the by-law will be initiated on a complaint based process with a completed complaint form. Anonymous complaints will not be accepted.

Resolution No: 2023 – 93

Moved by: D. McClelland Seconded by: D. Farrar

Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2023 – 18, being a By-law respecting the Cleaning and Clearing of Yards and Properties within The Township of Tarbutt, and to repeal By-law #7-75; and

That said By-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed this Nineteenth day of July, 2023.

Carried

b. Emergency Management Appointment By-law

The Clerk noted that the roles of the Emergency Control Group and members of Council would be reviewed at the next meeting in order to have the structure in place before the Emergency Exercise on September 12.

Resolution No: 2023 – 94

Moved by: U. Abbott Seconded by: J. Nagel

Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2023 – 19, being a By-law to Appoint a Community Emergency Management Coordinator (CEMC) and an Alternate CEMC, and to repeal By-law 2022-25; and

That said By-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed this Nineteenth day of July, 2023.

Carried

8. INFORMATION/ CONSENT AGENDA



- a. Message from the Secretary Treasurer of the Planning Board
Re: RFQ for Joint Official Plan
- b. Message from the Secretary Treasurer of the Planning Board
Re: Fee Increase for Consent Application Process
- c. Thank you card from the family of Patricia Strum
Re: Donation to Matthews Hospital Auxiliary
- d. Letter from the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, Policy Division
Re: Occupation of Public Lands and Crown Land Camping
- e. Resolution from the Municipality of North Perth
Re: Vacant Building Official Positions

Resolution No: 2023 – 95

Moved by: D. McClelland

Seconded by: D. Farrar

Be it resolved that correspondence items a. through e. on the consent agenda dated July 19, 2023 be received; and

That Council accept the information from the Planning Board regarding the results of the Request for Quotations for the Joint Official Plan and the increase to the Consent Application Fee.

Carried

9. OTHER BUSINESS

Upon news of the resignation/retirement of the Chair of the Cemetery Board, Council concurred that a gift should be provided to Barbara Jalak in appreciation of the many years of service and dedication she has given to the Cemetery Board.

The Mayor noted that hydro poles have been placed in the centre of the ditch on McKnight road once again. This raises concerns about the potential of the flow of water being interrupted and the logic behind the decision. The municipality as not notified or consulted.

10. CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No: 2023 – 96

Moved by: J. Nagel

Seconded by: U. Abbott



Be it resolved that Council move into closed session at 6:36 pm under Sec. 239 2 f), in order to discuss advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

Carried

a. Joint Johnson Tarbutt Landfill

Resolution No: 2023 – 97

Moved by: J. Nagel

Seconded by: U. Abbott

Be it resolved that Council rise from closed session at 7:08 pm.

Carried

11. CONFIRMATION BY-LAW

Resolution No: 2023 – 98

Moved by: J. Nagel

Seconded by: U. Abbott

Be it resolved that leave be granted to introduce By-law 2023 - 20, being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the regular council meeting held the Nineteenth day of July, 2023; and

That said By-law be read a first, and taken as read a second and third time and finally passed this Nineteenth day of July, 2023.

Carried

12. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No: 2023 – 99

Moved by: D. Farrar

Seconded by: D. McClelland

Be it resolved that the regular Council meeting of July 19, 2023 be adjourned at 7:34 pm, to meet again on Wednesday, August 16, 2023 at 6:00 pm.

Carried

Lennox Smith, Mayor

Carol O. Trainor, Clerk

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Corporation of Township of Tarbutt				
Payment Log				
July 2023				
Type	Cheque No.	Cheque Date	Payee	Amount
Cheque	4591	07/04/2023	Traction Heavy Duty Parts	724.13
Cheque	4592	07/04/2023	Heritage Home Hardware	561.16
Cheque	4593	07/10/2023	Animal Control	200.00
Cheque	4594	07/11/2023	Omers	7,440.92
Cheque	4595	07/11/2023	Receiver General	12,462.61
Cheque	4596	07/11/2023	Minister of Finance-Policing	7,673.00
Cheque	4598	07/11/2023	J.L. Richards Associated	2,514.18
Cheque	4599	07/11/2023	Desbarats to Echo Bay Planning Brd. - Final Levy	4,696.00
Cheque	4600	07/11/2023	Esso and Mobil Business Card	1,795.17
Cheque	4601	07/11/2023	GFL Environmental Inc	17,747.10
Cheque	4602	07/11/2023	Algoma Business Computers	80.51
Cheque	4603	07/11/2023	17E Trading Post/Gas Bar	100.60
Cheque	4605	07/11/2023	Spadafora Johnson Lapore	460.74
Cheque	4606	07/11/2023	Quattra SCS LTD.	411.44
Cheque	4607	07/11/2023	Emergency Management - Quarterly	300.00
Cheque	4608	07/11/2023	Heritage Home Hardware	47.43
Cheque	4609	07/11/2023	ReSolution Media Group	384.03
Cheque	4610	07/11/2023	Iconix Waterworks LP	11,865.00
Cheque	4611	07/13/2023	Algoma Business Computers	47.46
Cheque	4612	07/13/2023	M & L Supply Fire & Safety	736.64
Cheque	4613	07/13/2023	Kentvale Merchants Ltd.	894.95
Cheque	4614	07/13/2023	Algoma District Services Admin Brd	29,394.67
Cheque	4615	07/13/2023	Encompass IT	389.85
Cheque	4616	07/18/2023	Ibbitson Enterprises	2,754.38
Cheque	4617	07/21/2023	Tulloch Engineering Inc.	1,553.86
Cheque	4618	07/21/2023	Algoma Office Equipment	125.48
Payroll		July	Staff (Council, Admin, Roads, Landfill & Caretaker)	\$ 26,603.28
Visa		07/01/2023	Bell Mobility	\$ 317.62
Visa		07/10/2023	Adobe	\$ 105.06
Visa		07/01/2023	Starlink	\$ 158.20
Visa		07/15/2023	Zoom	\$ 48.57
Visa		07/17/2023	Canada Post - Postage	\$ 458.78
Visa		07/31/2023	Metro - Water	\$ 18.00
Visa		07/31/2023	Bell Canada - Hall	\$ 67.21
Visa		07/31/2023	Bell Canada - Office	\$ 316.23
Visa		07/31/2023	Bell Canada - Roads/ Fire	\$ 73.94
PAP		1/7/2023	Equitable Life Insurance of Canada	\$ 2,356.32
PAP		1/7/2023	RCAP - Photocopier/ Plotter Lease	\$ 189.93
PAP		1/7/2023	MPAC, 3rd Quarter Levy	\$ 3,740.49
PAP		11/7/2023	Algoma Power Inc. - Hall	\$ 145.43
PAP		11/7/2023	Algoma Power Inc. - Office, Garage & Fire Hall	\$ 341.73
				\$ 105,361.31
* Please note this is a summary of payments made in July and does not include all of July's expenditures as reflected in the monthly statement.				

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The Township of Tarbutt				
Financial Statement				
General Statement for the Month of July 2023				
	BUDGET	ACTUALS - JULY	PRIOR JAN-MAY	TOTAL
REVENUE				
Tax Levy	1,243,482.07	639,313.67	600,160.39	1,239,474.06
Payments in Lieu of Taxes/Railway	1,387.67	-	-	-
Provincial Grants	465,715.04	60,550.00	301,013.94	361,563.94
Federal Grants	37,444.00	17,672.24	-	17,672.24
Shared Services Cost Recovery	119,885.15	-	51,352.79	51,352.79
Fees and Charges	99,800.00	20,390.08	32,380.80	52,770.88
Other/Misc. Income	49,260.00	6,120.88	37,075.23	43,196.11
TOTAL REVENUE	2,016,973.94	744,046.87	1,021,983.15	1,766,030.02
EXPENSES - OPERATING				
General Government	557,006.17	27,775.79	284,295.91	312,071.70
Protection to Person and Property	182,268.52	10,666.89	77,776.15	88,443.04
Transportation	328,222.58	17,537.71	172,219.99	189,757.70
Environmental	240,878.76	16,087.83	116,665.59	132,753.42
Social and Family Services	352,736.00	29,394.67	176,388.33	205,783.00
Health Services	37,171.00	-	18,967.57	18,967.57
Recreation and Cultural Services	51,931.52	4,451.94	22,809.02	27,260.96
Planning and Development	40,514.98	10,018.19	15,217.73	25,235.92
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	1,790,729.53	115,933.02	884,340.29	1,000,273.31
LOANS AND INTEREST PAYMENTS				
2020 Western Star Truck	52,329.84	-	26,164.92	26,164.92
TOTAL LOANS AND INTEREST PAYMENTS	52,329.84	-	26,164.92	26,164.92
CAPITAL EXPENSES				
NOHFC - Rural Enhancement	5,200.00	-	-	-
Covid Funding	15,000.00	21.88	2,633.79	2,655.67
Capital - Roads	199,556.00	-	137,519.96	137,519.96
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENSES	219,756.00	21.88	140,153.75	140,175.63
LESS: TRANSFERS TO RESERVES				
OCIF - Unused	1,375.89	-	-	-
TOTAL TRANSFERS TO RESERVES	1,375.89	-	-	-
ADD: TRANSFERS FROM RESERVES				
Transfer from Landfill	14,000.00	-	-	-
Transfer from Culverts	8,000.00	-	-	-
Transfer from Building Maintenance	10,217.32	-	-	-
Transfer from Covid Capital - Restart	15,000.00	-	-	-
TOTAL TRANSFERS FROM RESERVES	47,217.32	-	-	-
NET SURPLUS OR DEFICIT	0.00	628,091.97	-	599,416.16



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REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: August 16, 2023
From: Michael Pigeon, Road Superintendent
Re: August Roads Report

The Roads Department has caught up with road patching, and all outhouses now meet specifications for drainage.

The Road Super has spoken with the property owner south of the MacLennan Hall about installing a French drain on the southeast corner of the hall for drainage. The owner has no issue with draining the run off toward the shared ditch on the south side of the building. An agreement will be drawn up to ensure that both parties understand and acknowledge the work proposed.

The summer student encountered a hostile neighbour while cutting grass early in the morning. The Road Super spoke with the owner regarding timing of the grass cutting noting that there is a schedule to follow, and while some adjustments could be made, cutting the grass later in the day would not always be possible. Owner was asked to contact the Township office or the Road Super directly if they have concerns, rather than the student, who is following the scheduled routine.

Ibbitson Enterprises has offered to donate two hours of work to demo a new brush head, and asking if there are any particular areas that need attention. The Road Super is suggesting some areas on Government Road.

Accessible parking signs have been updated at the MacLennan Hall.

No Parking/Fire Truck Filling signs have been installed at Pine Island and Port Findlay, as well as the No Lifeguard sign at the WI Park.

The playground at Birch Hill will be tilled again next week to keep the grass and weeds down. The spray has not been wholly effective following the last tilling.

The Road Super will be on vacation the week of August 16 and part of the week of August 28.



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REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: August 16, 2023
From: Carol Trainor, CAO/Clerk
Re: Highway 17 Boundary Signs

BACKGROUND / OVERVIEW

After contacting the Ministry of Transportation, they provided a number of signage options for both east and west boundaries of the township on Highway 17. Tarbutt is eligible to have both signs replaced at no cost.

In casual discussion, there was consensus that number 6 was the preferred option, opting not to put the population on the sign since it is subject to change. French wording is mandatory.

Alternatively, if a copy of the logo in the proper format can be located, Option 5 should also be considered.

There is a limit of 25 characters in the welcome message, so the logo "Gateway to the North Channel" does not fit. Mayor Smith suggested that the web address be added, which does not require a French language line, and also provides everyone who sees it with the township's main source of public information.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no cost and no staff time required for the installation of new highway signage.


SUMMARY

A copy of the council resolution is required before the MTO will approve the request.

RECOMMENDATION:

Be it resolved that the report regarding new highway signs be received; and

That Council selects Option ____ for new signs to be placed on Highway 17 using the Township's website address of www.tarbutt.ca as the welcome message.

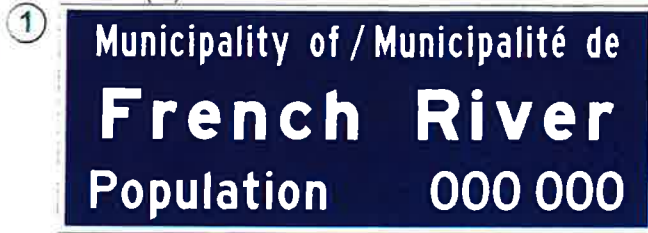


Carol O. Trainor, A.M.C.T.
CAO/Clerk

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Boundary Signing Options - Municipality of French River

G314 (B)



(0900 x 2400) mm

Modified G314 (B) - NO POPULATION



(0750 x 2400) mm

G315 (B)



(1800 x 2400) mm - Two piece plywood

Modified G315 (B) - NO SLOGAN



(1200 x 2400) mm

Modified G315 (B) - NO POPULATION



(1500 x 2400) mm - Two piece plywood

Modified G315 (B) - NO LOGO &
NO POPULATION



(1200 x 2400) mm

www.tarbutt.ca

Modified G315 (B) - NO POPULATION &
NO SLOGAN



(0900 x 2400) mm

NOTE: Municipality to supply vector file of logo (.ai or .eps format)

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Ontario
Ministry of Transportation

The Traffic Office
Traffic Operations Engineering Section

May 16, 2014 - V. Noyes



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REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: August 16, 2023
From: Carol Trainor, CAO/Clerk
Re: Emergency Management Appointments

BACKGROUND / OVERVIEW

Council will note that an updated by-law to establish an Emergency Management Program for the Township is listed on the agenda. The by-law provides for the appointment of two separate groups which are required under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*; the Municipal Emergency Control Group, and the Emergency Management Program Committee.

These groups play similar but not overlapping roles, and the appointment of individuals to each of them is to be by position, rather than by name. Members of Council are not permitted to fill all positions and best practices recommend that staff be appointed who are experts or trained in certain areas, such as administration, roads, and fire services.

The "Emergency Management Program Committee" (EMPC) provides strategic direction and advice to Council on the development and implementation of the emergency management program. This committee **shall** be comprised of:

- The CEMC appointed by Council
- A senior municipal official appointed by council
- Members of council as may be appointed
- Municipal employees who are responsible for emergency management
- Other persons appointed by council such as any employees who are involved in emergency management.

The following are recommended for appointment to the Program Committee:

- a. CEMC or Alternate CEMC
- b. Clerk
- c. Head of Council (Mayor) or Alternates
- d. Fire Chief or Alternate
- e. Volunteer Fire Training Officer

The Committee shall advise Council on the development and implementation of the municipality's EM program, and shall conduct an annual review of the emergency management program and make recommendations to council for its revision where necessary.

The "Municipal Emergency Control Group" (MECG) is responsible for directing the municipal response during an emergency, including the implementation of the emergency plan. *Members of the MECG **must** be appointed by Council and must participate in annual training and an annual emergency exercise.*



The Emergency Control Group shall be composed of such officials or employees as may be appointed by Council; and such members of Council as may be appointed by Council.

- Members shall complete annual training required by EMO;
- The group shall direct the municipality's response in an emergency;
- The group shall develop procedures to govern its responsibilities in an emergency;
- The group shall conduct an annual practice exercise for a simulated emergency incident.

The following positions are recommended for appointment to the Control Group:

- a. Head of Council/Mayor
- b. CEMC
- c. CAO/Clerk
- d. Fire Chief
- e. Road Superintendent

Alternates should be appointed for all positions.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact as a result of this report; however Emergency Management training is required not only for the CEMC, but also staff and senior officials appointed to either of the committees.

SUMMARY

Council is asked to clarify and confirm the suggested appointments to the Program Committee and the Control Group noted in the by-law. EMO suggests that appointments be listed by position rather than by the name of individuals so that by-laws do not have to be amended or repealed due to turnover of staff or council.

RECOMMENDATION:

Be it resolved that the report regarding Emergency Management appointments be received; and That Council agrees to the appointment of the various positions for the Emergency Management Program Committee and the Municipal Emergency Control Group, as appointed by By-law.



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REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: August 16, 2023
From: Carol Trainor, CAO/Clerk
Re: Regional By-law Enforcement

BACKGROUND / OVERVIEW

At the last meeting, Council was advised that several that municipalities in Central Algoma had expressed interest in engaging one By-law Enforcement Officer (BLEO) to cover the area from Echo Bay to Huron Shores. A proposal covering a vehicle/mileage rates, wages, cost sharing, startup costs and training was presented. While Council was supportive of the idea, concerns were expressed about the cost and viability of such a position. At least one municipality has withdrawn due to the cost.

In the meantime, one of the partner municipalities already has an Officer who expressed interest in taking on a larger role. This person would be paid at their current rate, which is less than the original proposal, and has had at least some by-law enforcement training. They also already have a cell phone used for this purpose. Some confidentiality issues were expressed, and the reporting requirement would have to be emphasized to ensure that accurate records could be kept of how the time is divided among partnering municipalities, as well as the monthly submission of reports to each municipality where patrol or complaints had been received.

A number of details will have to be worked out, as each municipality will have slightly different requirements for patrol, reporting, and method of enforcement.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no line item for by-law enforcement or related expenses; however this most recent development would result in significant savings compared to the original proposal. A new line item can be added to next year's budget if the recruitment process provides a good candidate.

SUMMARY

Clerks felt that a recruitment and interview process should be pursued with an eye to hiring the most qualified, experienced and available officer to cover Central Algoma.

RECOMMENDATION:

Be it resolved that the report regarding a Regional By-law Enforcement Officer be received; and That Council supports partnering with other area municipalities to recruit an experienced By-law Enforcement Officer at a reasonable cost, to be added to the 2024 budget.



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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF PARRY SOUND
RESOLUTION IN COUNCIL

NO. 2023 – 087

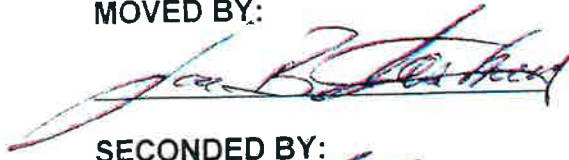
DIVISION LIST

YES NO


DATE: June 20, 2023

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

MOVED BY:



SECONDED BY:



CARRIED: ✓ DEFEATED: _____ Postponed to: _____

That Council of the Corporation of the Town of Parry Sound hereby supports the Township of the Archipelago's Resolution attached as Schedule A, as submitted to and approved in June, 2023 by the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiative, with respect to the following calls for action:

THAT the Province of Ontario continue working with municipalities and municipal organizations on the implementation of Bill 23 and other housing initiatives to identify a range of solutions that will address the lack of attainable and affordable housing in the province, while building new housing units in a sustainable manner that is consistent with the province's and municipalities' mandate of keeping people and property safe from natural hazards and protecting the health of our essential freshwater resources; and

THAT the Province of Ontario create a permanent, predictable and dedicated infrastructure program to ensure that municipalities can service lands for housing and address growth pressures on existing water and road systems without placing the burden on existing property taxpayers; and

THAT the Province of Ontario take a regional approach to the implementation of Bill 23 and other housing policy initiatives to respond to the varying needs of urban, suburban, rural and Northern communities in addressing attainable housing needs and environmental protection; and



Legislative Services

July 26, 2023

Sent via email: premier@ontario.ca

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

Honourable and Dear Sir:

Re: Controls on Airbnb, VRBO and Others Which Affect Municipal Rentals

Please be advised the Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie at its meeting of July 24, 2023 passed the following resolution:

Whereas global technology platforms such as Airbnb or VRBO were created to improve global access to rental opportunities, particularly those available for vacation or shorter-term business purposes, and

Whereas the impact of these "disruptive technologies" on rental markets has raised the following concerns in the past decade:

- Concentration of ownership and proliferation of landlord corporations with minimal interest in or accountability to local communities
- Removal of housing stock from long-term rental markets with resulting increases in rents
- Lack of control over occupancy (e.g. families vs large groups of partygoers)
- Incidence of nuisance infractions (noise, garbage, parking), and

Whereas any reduction in the availability of long-term housing stock runs counter to the Province of Ontario's goal of 1.5 million additional homes in the next 10 years, and

Whereas growth in short-term rental markets may also have a negative impact on housing affordability for the seasonal workers who service tourist destinations or farming communities, and

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The Corporation of the Town of Fort Erie
1 Municipal Centre Drive, Fort Erie ON L2A 2S6

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Web-site: www.forterie.ca

Whereas implementing local municipal restrictions through municipal law enforcement tools (licensing) and municipal planning tools (zoning by-law restrictions) may push demand to other communities; and

Whereas some platforms (e.g. Airbnb) are already working toward providing notice to owners about municipal regulations and licensing through a license number field; and

Whereas some jurisdictions (e.g. Quebec, Scotland) have acknowledged the limitations of local authorities/municipalities in controlling the impact of global technologies and have developed comprehensive regulatory frameworks; and

Whereas a comprehensive consistent regulatory approach is likely to prove more effective in Ontario;

Now, therefore, be it resolved,

That: Council requests the Government of Ontario to establish a regulatory framework requiring digital platforms such as Airbnb and VRBO to:

1. Require owners using the digital platforms to comply with municipal planning and licensing regulations; and
2. Prevent advertising of properties that are not registered with the relevant municipality; and
3. Provide a contact with the platform to ensure ongoing and effective communications for provincial and municipal officials and further

That: The Province of Ontario work with municipalities to address situations in which long-term housing stock has been lost to corporate ownership of short-term rental properties and further

That: A copy of the resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario (Hon. Doug Ford), the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing (Hon. Steve Clarke), local MPPs, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all municipalities in Ontario

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Kind regards,

Ashlea Carter, AMP

Deputy Clerk

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Attach

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August 8, 2023

RE: 9.4.5 County of Wellington Planning Report - Comments on the Government's Proposal to Grow the Greenbelt

Please be advised that Township of Puslinch Council, at its meeting held on July 12, 2023 considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

Resolution No. 2021-090:

Moved by Councillor Goyda and
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

That the Consent Agenda item 6.34 listed for JULY 12, 2023 Council meeting be received; and

Whereas Council supports the resolution from Municipality of Shuniah regarding Bill 3 - Special Powers and Duties of Heads of Council; and

That Council direct staff to support and circulate in accordance with the resolution.

Therefore, the Township of Puslinch, passes this resolution to petition the Government of Ontario that:



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1. These changes to the Municipal Act, 2001, are unnecessary and will negatively impact the Municipality of Puslinch;
2. That if the Ontario Government deems these changes necessary in large single-tier municipalities such as Toronto and Ottawa, that such changes should not be implemented in smaller municipalities;
3. That the Ontario Government should listen to concerns raised by Associations such as AMO and AMCTO;
4. That if the stated goal of this legislation is to construct more housing in Ontario that this can be accomplished through other means including amendment of the Planning Act and funding of more affordable housing.

CARRIED

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

Sincerely,
Courtenay Hoytfox
Municipal Clerk

CC:
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) amo@amo.on.ca
All Ontario Municipalities



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August 9, 2023

Dear Mayor and Council Members of The Township of Tarbutt,

Johnson Township is full swing into our summer recreational programming. Offering community members Pick-up Floor Hockey, Pickleball, and Roller Rink. Along with the North Shore Youth Slo-Pitch and Soccer programs. With plans for winter programming to include Pick-up Adult Hockey and Broomball. Public Skating, Free Skate, A Snowshoe Trail, Winter festivities, and Holiday Fun. We have drafted various application to explore walking trails and retro fit the tennis court with a multi-sport court.

As per our longstanding agreement, Johnson Township takes care of providing these recreational programs to community members of Johnson Township and The Township of Tarbutt. Although we are very lucky to have an operational recreation budget it is never enough. As we expand program offerings and work to elevate the quality of programs being offered to residence of Johnson Township and The Township of Tarbut, we always welcome your additional monetary support.

As in previous years we are requesting a donation of \$3,000 to help with the overall cost of running recreational programming for Johnson Township and The Township of Tarbutt. We would also love to share and support anything ongoing in Tarbutt by sharing that information online or in our monthly newsletter.

Thank you so very much for considering this request and for your support of quality recreational programming for the communities of Johnson Township and The Township of Tarbutt.

Talk soon,

Patti Trotter

Events, Recreation, Marketing & Promotions Coordinator

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Carol Trainor

Subject: FW: Pickleball Funding

From: Paul & Suzan Breton
Sent: Tuesday, August 8, 2023 2:57 PM
To: lenniessmith@gmail.com
Cc: Carol Trainor <clerk@tarbutt.ca>
Subject: Fwd: Pickleball Funding

Hi Lennie: just a follow up with you that I have passed your receptive information to our committee which has been sent to Sherie Gladu.

The 10 percent of \$13,000 is sitting at just under \$8000.00, topping up this amount would allow all Tarbutt Township residents now and into the future to have access to the pb courts. It also gives you an advantage to post on the Tarbutt website that pickleball is available for residents.

Regards

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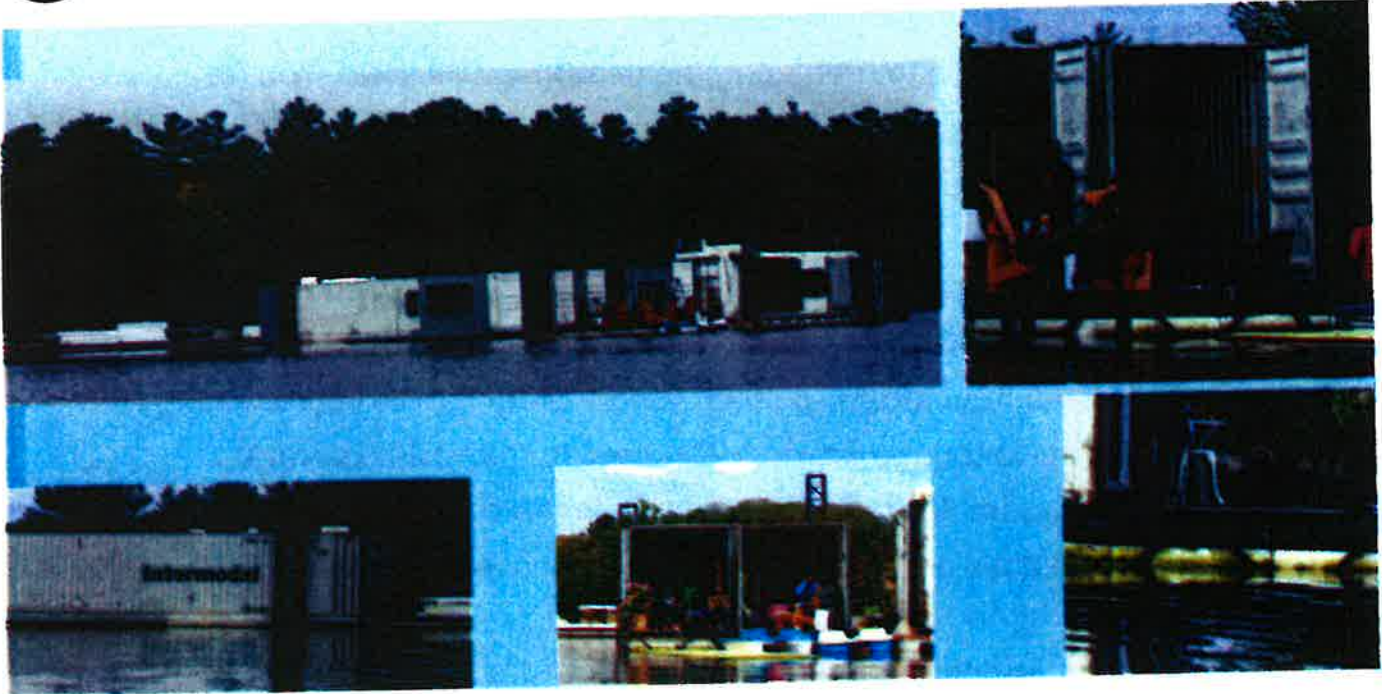
ENVIRONMENT

Peterborough County supports Georgian Bay's push for floating homes reform



By **Greg Davis** • Global News

Posted August 2, 2023 3:21 pm ▾




Georgian Bay Township is asking for support from Peterborough County to address floating, in particular with federal classification of the structures as "vessels.". **Georgian Bay Township presentation**



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Peterborough County council is endorsing a campaign by **Georgian Bay Township**, Ont., to ask the federal government to reclassify **floating homes** to allow them to fall under municipal regulations.

On Wednesday, Georgian Bay Township Mayor Peter Koetsier **provided a presentation** to council on the issue of floating homes, noting currentl  AdChoices

have a “pending” classification as a vessel by **Transport Canada** and are regulated by the Canadian Shipping Act of 2002.

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The “contraptions,” as he called them, are a major issue on Gloucester Pool on the Trent-Severn Waterway in his township. And he says their federal classification means Ontario municipalities and agencies have no real control over them as they can drop anchor on Crown land and lakebeds on any waterway.


“It’s the biggest roadblock to managing these homes,” he said. “You’re trumped by Transport Canada — they make the decision, not anyone directly impacted by these things.”

Koetsier says the township is asking others to join them in petitioning the Ministry of Transportation to designate the floating homes as homes. That would follow federal regulations passed 20 years ago for structures along the coastline of British Columbia, which are subject to municipal permits, standards and taxation. Some floating homes in Victoria, he notes, are connected to municipal services such as water and sewer.

“What they have in British Columbia should apply cross-country,” he said. “We believe they (federal government) should consider them float homes, not vessels — therefore not enjoying the privileges that vessels have.”

Koetsier says some floating homes are also being used as short-term rentals, noting he’s aware of a commercial property owner in the Kawartha Lakes who plans to place three floating homes one metre offshore as a new Airbnb business.

He says the lack of regulation on the local level can allow some floating home owners to circumvent zoning and building codes and shoreline regulations.

He considers some an “environmental hazard” with the discharging of  AdChoices

water and garbage into the water. He also argues the anchored buildings can pose a safety risk to other navigators.

"We're not saying float homes should be illegal," he said. "We're saying they should be subject to municipal rules and regulations just like any other home that is within our boundaries."

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In July, new regulations went into effect in Ontario that would prevent floating homes, barges with residential units or camping facilities on water over public lands. Cabin cruisers and houseboats could continue to camp on water more than 300 metres offshore for up to seven consecutive days.

Peterborough County council endorsed the presentation. Municipality of Trent Lakes Deputy Mayor Carol Armstrong noted council has previously been vocal about the issue to try to prevent a "proliferation" in the area's lakes and waterways.

"It hasn't really come here yet but we certainly have the same concerns as you have with the environment, safety and more," she said.

