



## Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan

June 5, 2024 - Regular Meeting - 07:00 PM (Public can attend virtually by Zoom for Teleconference. Zoom Meeting ID: 541 968 4239 Passcode: 2WY40N  
Teleconference dial: 1-647-374-4685 Meeting ID: 541 968 4239 Passcode: 820260)

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- 📎 Monthly Expenses Summary

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- 13.1 2024 Tax Rate By-Law
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## 14 Closed Session

- 14.1 To go into Closed
 

"THAT we the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan go into closed session pursuant to the Municipal Act, 2001, Section 239 (2) for the purposes of subsection (d) labour relations or employee negotiations, and subsection (k) Plans and instructions for negotiations."
- 14.2 To come out of Closed
- 14.3 Report from Closed

## 15 Confirmation By-Law

 By-Law 2024-23

16 **Adjournment**



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**DELEGATION REQUEST FORM**  
Schedule "A" Procedural By-law 2023-19

TO BE A DELEGATION AT A REGULAR COUNCIL OR COMMITTEE MEETING you must complete this form, in its entirety and submit it to the Deputy Clerk no later than seven days prior to the meeting at which you wish to be heard. Council agendas are finalized the Friday prior to the meetings. The Clerk reserves the right to designate the request to the appropriate meeting upon review of the completed form.

**APPLICANT INFORMATION:**

FIRST NAME: Roger LAST NAME: Cardozo

TITLE/ORGANIZATION (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

SPOKESPERSON(S): Scott Williams

NUMBER OF PEOPLE EXPECTED TO BE IN ATTENDANCE: 5

MAILING ADDRESS:

675 Lower Rosenthal Rd, Palmer Rapids

TELEPHONE NO.: 647-226-6389

E-MAIL: rcardozo@bell.net

Has this subject matter been brought to council previously: yes  no

Please describe the topic or subject matter you wish to address:

To express concerns and provide responses to information provided at the May 28 open house for the proposed snowmobile trail.

If you are seeking a specific action or decision please explain:

We wish council to reject the proposed snowmobile trail based on the considerable detrimental effects on many constituents for very limited benefits to a small proportion of residents

Is this a time sensitive issue:

yes

no

Do you have supporting documentation:

yes

no

If yes: Please ensure documentation is attached or has been forwarded to [deputyclerk@blrtownship.ca](mailto:deputyclerk@blrtownship.ca) with the application. Please provide a copy of materials used in your presentation, if any, to the Deputy Clerk. Materials provided prior to the meeting will be circulated to Council/Committee for their review before the meeting. Please be advised all materials including your name form part of the Public Record.

Signature: R. Cardozo

Date: May 29, 2024

Received By: Virginia Franenhour

Date: May 29/24

Time: 8:53 am



## Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan

### Meeting Minutes

#### Regular Meeting May 1, 2024 - 07:00 PM

Present Were:	Mayor,	Valerie Jahn
	Councillor,	Sheldon Keller
	Councillor,	Wayne Banks
	Councillor,	Iris Kauffeldt
	Councillor,	Kevin Quade
Also Present:	Clerk-Treasurer,	Virginia Phanenhour
	Deputy Clerk,	Tammy Thompson
	Operations Manager,	Jordan Genrick
Public Attending:	Via Zoom/Telephone/In Person	

**1 Call to Order & Roll Call**

Call to order Regular Council Meeting for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell Lyndoch and Raglan this 1st day of May, 2024 at 7:03 pm.

Roll Call:

Councillor Banks

Councillor Kauffeldt

Councillor Keller

Councillor Quade

**2 Land Acknowledgement**

"As we gather this evening I would like to acknowledge on behalf of this Council and our community that we are meeting on the traditional territory of the Algonquin People. We would like to thank the Algonquin people and express our respect and support for their rich history, and we are extremely grateful for their many and continued displays of friendship. We also thank all the generations of people who have taken care of this land for thousands of years."

**3 Adoption of the Agenda**

**Resolution No:** 2024-05-01-01

**Moved By:** Iris Kauffeldt

**Seconded By:** Kevin Quade

"THAT we the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan adopt the agenda as amended to include item 12.1, Financial Statement Report from MacKillican and Associates."

**CARRIED**

**4 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest expressed.

**5 Mayor's Address**

Fairly quiet month for meetings. Myself, Jordan and Tammy met with Peterson Pathfinders for more information regarding the proposed snowmobile trail. BLR Recreation Committee meeting last night, and there is lots of event planning going on.

**6 Clerk's Report**

Attended multiple meetings in April in person and via zoom. CEPG Grant announcement in the amount of 41,686 for the purchase of a sandbagger.

Wellness Day is this Saturday May 4th, are there any members of council that can attend?

Councillor Quade will be able to attend for a portion of the time.

The Valley Manor is once again hosting a Rock-A-Thon. KHR has asked if the Township would like to partner again this year. 10am-4pm on June 21st, 2024. Councillor Quade, Councillor Kauffeldt and Councillor Banks will be able to attend.

Verbal report regarding Cameron Lake Road resident complaints. Virginia explained that the AMP shows that road to be in "very good" condition, when the last gravel was applied, when grading has been performed this year, when and how often the road is patrolled and also provided a cost comparison on paving and double surface treatment. Council did not feel staff needed to take action at this point. Council also addressed the disrespectful complaints

showed towards staff and how they perform their jobs. Council directed the Clerk-Treasurer to send a letter to the residents to address their concerns and that disrespect will not be tolerated.

A special meeting will be scheduled for May 15th at 7pm to review two RFP's that will close on May 10th and to receive the Pay Study Evaluations.

**7 Delegations and/or Presentations**

**8 Adoption of Minutes from Previous Meetings**

**Resolution No:** 2024-05-01-02

**Moved By:** Iris Kauffeldt

**Seconded By:** Wayne Banks

"THAT we the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby adopt the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of April 10, 2024 as presented."

**CARRIED**

**9 Committee and/or Staff Reports**

**9.1 Staff Report Re: Road Pulverization**

**Resolution No:** 2024-05-01-03

**Moved By:** Sheldon Keller

**Seconded By:** Kevin Quade

"THAT Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch & Raglan accept the quotation received by Greenwood Paving Pembroke Ltd. in the amount of \$12,820.50 plus HST for pulverizing work to be completed on River Road and Bruceton Road."

**CARRIED**

**9.2 Staff Report - Lawn Care/Maintenance**

**Resolution No:** 2024-05-01-04

**Moved By:** Wayne Banks

**Seconded By:** Kevin Quade

"THAT Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch & Raglan directs the Operations Manager to sign an agreement with Jessup Property Care for bi-weekly lawn care maintenance for Municipal properties."

**CARRIED**

**9.3 Staff Report Re: Canada Summer Jobs**

**Resolution No:** 2024-05-01-05

**Moved By:** Wayne Banks

**Seconded By:** Iris Kauffeldt

"THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan approve the expenditure of 2 summer student wages for an 8-week period at 40 hours per week and top up the Waste Site Attendant Assistant wage to a 40-hour week."

**CARRIED**



**9.4 Recreation Committee Minutes**

**Resolution No:** 2024-05-01-06

**Moved By:** Sheldon Keller

**Seconded By:** Wayne Banks

"THAT Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan accept the November 28th, 2023, January 30th 2024, February 13th, 2024 Recreation Committee Minutes as presented."

**CARRIED**

**10 Correspondence**

**Resolution No:** 2024-05-01-07

**Moved By:** Wayne Banks

**Seconded By:** Kevin Quade

"THAT we the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby accept the correspondence as circulated with the exception of item 10.4, 10.5, 10.10, 10.12 and 10.16 to be brought back to the next Regular Meeting of Council."

**CARRIED**

**10.1 Eradicate all forms of racism**

**10.2 County Council Summary - March**

**10.3 Extension of Bill 23 - Timelines Regarding Heritage Registry Lists**

**10.4 Mental Health and Addiction**

**10.5 Recommended Phase-Out of Free Well Water Testing in the 2023 Auditor General's Report**

**10.6 Ontario Energy Board (OEB) to End the Subsidization of Fossil Gas**

**10.7 Securing Access to Natural Gas for our Community and Ontario**

**10.8 Ontario Heritage Act**

**10.9 Request to Increase Tile Drain Loan Limit**

**10.10 Jurisdiction of Ontario's Ombudsman**

**10.11 Bill C-63, The Online Harms Act**

**10.12 Household Food Insecurity**

**10.13 Conservation Authorities Act**

**10.14 Urging the Government to Promptly Resume Assessment Cycle**

**10.15 Motion regarding Accessible Ontario by 2025**

**10.16 Motion regarding Public Health Ontario Labs**

**11 New Business**

**11.1 Letter of Support - New Provincial-Municipal Fiscal Framework**

**Resolution No:** 2024-05-01-08

**Moved By:** Wayne Banks

**Seconded By:** Iris Kauffeldt

**“Be it resolved that** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby supports the Town of Bracebridge letter dated March 14th 2024, regarding the request to the Province of Ontario for New Provincial-Municipal Fiscal Framework.

**And further that** Council directs staff to provide a copy of this resolution to the Premier of Ontario; the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Minister of Finance; the Local Member of Provincial Parliament; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Association of Municipal Managers; Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMTCO); and all Ontario Municipalities.”

**CARRIED**

**11.2 Letter of Support - Amenity Sharing MOU with School Boards for Evening/Weekend Gymnasium Use**

**Resolution No:** 2024-05-01-09

**Moved By:** Sheldon Keller

**Seconded By:** Kevin Quade

**“Be it resolved that** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby supports the Town of Aurora’s Request for Amenity Sharing Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with School Boards for Evening/Weekend Gymnasium Use.

**And further that** Council directs staff to provide a copy of this resolution to the Premier of Ontario; the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Minister of Education; the Local Member of Provincial Parliament; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); and all Ontario Municipalities.”

**CARRIED**

**11.3 Letter of Support - Operational Budget Funding**

**Resolution No:** 2024-05-01-10

**Moved By:** Wayne Banks

**Seconded By:** Iris Kauffeldt

**“Be it resolved that** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby supports the request of the Township of Amareth calling upon the Province of Ontario to treat all municipalities fairly and provide equivalent representative operational budget funding amount to all Ontario municipalities.

**And further that** Council directs staff to provide a copy of this resolution to the Premier of Ontario; the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Local Member of Provincial Parliament; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); and all Ontario Municipalities.”

**CARRIED**

**11.4 Letter of Support - Mental Health Services of Renfrew County Hoarding Program**

**Resolution No:** 2024-05-01-11

**Moved By:** Kevin Quade

**Seconded By:** Sheldon Keller

**“Be it resolved that** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby supports the resolution from the Town of Arnprior and their support for the Mental Health Services of Renfrew County (MHSRC) Hoarding Program and its benefits to all residents within the County of Renfrew.

**And further that** Council directs staff to provide a copy of this resolution to the Pembroke Regional Hospital, all local municipalities and the County of Renfrew in support of the MHSRC Hoarding Program.”

**CARRIED**

**11.5 Letter of Request - Melody Budarick**

**Resolution No:** 2024-05-01-12

**Moved By:** Iris Kauffeldt

**Seconded By:** Kevin Quade

"THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan approve the request from Melody Budarick to waive the rental fees for the use of the Hall and Kitchen at BLR Community Centre for a fundraising event for Alfred Smallpiece on June 15th, 2024. All other conditions of the rental agreement will still apply."

**CARRIED**

**11.6 Paddler Coop - Special Event Notice**

**Resolution No:** 2024-05-01-13

**Moved By:** Wayne Banks

**Seconded By:** Iris Kauffeldt

"THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan accept the Paddler Coop Special Event notification as information only."

**CARRIED**

**12 Financial Report**

**Resolution No:** 2024-05-01-14

**Moved By:** Sheldon Keller

**Seconded By:** Iris Kauffeldt

"THAT we the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan accept the Year-to-Date Budget Variance and the Monthly Expenses Summary as presented."

**CARRIED**

**12.1 Financial Statement Report from MacKillican**

**Resolution No:** 2024-05-01-15

**Moved By:** Kevin Quade

**Seconded By:** Sheldon Keller

"THAT we the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby accept the 2023 Financial Statements."

**CARRIED**

**13 By-Laws**

**13.1 By-Law 2024-18 Amendment to By-Law 2023-43**

**Resolution No:** 2024-05-01-16

**Moved By:** Sheldon Keller

**Seconded By:** Wayne Banks

"THAT we the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch & Raglan hereby adopts By-Law 2024-18 being a By-Law to amend By-Law 2023-43, being a By-Law for the Regulation of Traffic by Imposition of Reduced Speed Limits on Specified Highways, having been introduced and read a first, second and third time and finally passed."

**CARRIED**

**14 Closed Session**

**14.1 To go into Closed**

**Resolution No:** 2025-05-01-17

**Moved By:** Wayne Banks

**Seconded By:** Kevin Quade

"THAT we the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan go into closed session pursuant to the Municipal Act, 2001, Section 239 (2) for the purposes of subsection (d) labour relations or employee negotiations; and subsection (f) advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose"

**CARRIED**

**14.2 To come out of Closed**

**Resolution No:** 2024-05-01-18

**Moved By:** Wayne Banks

**Seconded By:** Kevin Quade

"That Council comes out of closed at 8:51pm."

**CARRIED**

**14.2.1 Report from Closed Session**

"In Closed Session Council discussed one item regarding labour relations or employee negotiations and one item regarding advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege."

- 14.3 Resolution from Closed #1**  
**Resolution No:** 2025-05-01-19  
**Moved By:** Sheldon Keller  
**Seconded By:** Wayne Banks

"THAT Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby direct staff to advertise for an Open House on May 28th, 2024 at the BLR Community Centre from 2-4pm and 6:30-8:30pm, for a question/answer period regarding the proposed snowmobile trail."

**CARRIED**

- 14.4 Resolution from Closed #2**  
**Resolution No:** 2025-05-01-20  
**Moved By:** Sheldon Keller  
**Seconded By:** Kevin Quade

"THAT Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby direct the Clerk-Treasurer to proceed as directed in Closed."

**CARRIED**

- 15 Confirmation By-Law**  
**Resolution No:** 2025-05-01-21  
**Moved By:** Wayne Banks  
**Seconded By:** Sheldon Keller

"THAT we the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch & Raglan hereby adopts By-Law 2024-19 being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of the May 1, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council, having been introduced and read a first, second and third time and finally passed."

**CARRIED**

- 16 Adjournment**  
**Resolution No:** 2024-05-01-22  
**Moved By:** Wayne Banks

"THAT this meeting adjourns at 8:55 pm."

**CARRIED**

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Mayor, Valerie Jahn

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Clerk-Treasurer, Virginia Phanenhour



## Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan

### Meeting Minutes

#### Special Meeting May 15, 2024 - 07:00 PM

Present Were:	Mayor,	Valerie Jahn
	Councillor,	Sheldon Keller
	Councillor,	Wayne Banks
	Councillor,	Iris Kauffeldt
	Councillor,	Kevin Quade
Also Present:	Deputy Clerk,	Tammy Thompson
	Operations Manager,	Jordan Genrick
Public Attending:	Via Zoom/Telephone/In Person	

**1 Call to Order and Roll Call**

Call to order this Special Council Meeting for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell Lyndoch and Raglan this 15th day of May, 2024 at 7:02 pm.

Roll Call:

Councillor Banks

Councillor Kauffeldt

Councillor Keller

Councillor Quade

**2 Adoption of the Agenda**

**Resolution No:** 2024-05-15-01

**Moved By:** Kevin Quade

**Seconded By:** Iris Kauffeldt

"THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan adopt the agenda as submitted."

**CARRIED**

**3 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest expressed.

**4 Closed Session**

**4.1 To go into Closed**

**Resolution No:** 2024-05-15-02

**Moved By:** Sheldon Keller

**Seconded By:** Kevin Quade

"THAT we the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan go into closed session pursuant to the Municipal Act, 2001, Section 239 (2) for the purposes of subsection (d) labour relations or employee negotiations; and subsection (f) advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose"

**CARRIED**

**4.2 To come out of Closed**

**Resolution No:** 2024-05-15-03

**Moved By:** Sheldon Keller

**Seconded By:** Wayne Banks

"That Council comes out of closed at 8:20 pm."

**CARRIED**

**4.3 Report from Closed**

During closed session council received a final report from Gallagher Benefit Services Groups and discussed legal advice regarding the proposed snowmobile trail.

- 4.4 Resolution from Closed**  
**Resolution No:** 2024-05-15-04  
**Moved By:** Wayne Banks  
**Seconded By:** Sheldon Keller

"THAT Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan accept the report as presented in closed session by Gallagher Benefit Services Group, and further direct the Clerk-Treasurer to bring back the requested information."

**CARRIED**

- 5 Purpose**

- 5.1 Awarding of RFP PW2024-1 "A" Gravel & RFP PW2024-2 Asphalt Paving**  
**Resolution No:** 2024-05-15-05  
**Moved By:** Iris Kauffeldt  
**Seconded By:** Wayne Banks

"THAT Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch & Raglan award RFP PW2024-1 to Bonnechere Excavating Inc. for the supply of 4800 tonne of gravel in the amount of \$103,824.00 plus HST. AND that Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch & Raglan award RFP PW2024-2 to Bonnechere Excavating Inc. for hot mix asphalt in the amount of \$281,662.92 plus HST."

**CARRIED**

- 5.2 By-Law Amendment**  
**Resolution No:** 2024-05-15-06  
**Moved By:** Sheldon Keller  
**Seconded By:** Kevin Quade

"THAT we the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby adopts By-Law 2024-20 being a By-Law to amend By-Law 2024-08, Being a By-Law to enable the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan to utilize the provisions of Section 41 of The Planning Act, regarding lands within the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan."

**CARRIED**

- 6 Confirmatory By-Law**  
**Resolution No:** 2024-05-15-07  
**Moved By:** Wayne Banks  
**Seconded By:** Sheldon Keller

"THAT we the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch & Raglan hereby adopts By-Law 2024-21 being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of the May 15th, 2024 Special Meeting of Council, having been introduced and read a first, second and third time and finally passed."

**CARRIED**



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**Adjournment**

**Resolution No:** 2024-05-15-08

**Moved By:** Iris Kauffeldt

That this meeting adjourn at 8:30 pm.

**CARRIED**

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Mayor, Valerie Jahn

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Clerk-Treasurer, Virginia Phanenhour



## Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan

### Meeting Minutes

BLR Recreation Committee March 19, 2024 - 06:00 PM

**1 Meeting Called to Order**

THAT the Tuesday March 19th, 2024 BLR Recreation Committee Meeting is called to order at 6:02 pm.

- 2** Attendance  
Diane Neuman  
Melody Budarick  
Dave Ryan  
Cheryl Hudder  
Kevin Quade  
Kim Aide  
Kevin Richardson

**3** Adoption of Agenda

THAT the agenda is adopted as presented.  
Moved By: Cheryl Hudder  
Seconded By: Melody Budarick  
All were in favour

**4 Confirmation of Minutes**

THAT the minutes of Wednesday February 13th, 2024 BLR Recreation Committee Meeting are adopted as presented.  
Moved By: Cheryl Hudder  
Seconded By: Melody Budarick  
All were in favour

**5 Old Business**

**5.1 Informal Easter Planning Meeting - February 27th 2024 @ 2pm**

Advertising – Committee agreed to advertise for 2 weeks at \$150.00+HST

Volunteers have been arranged and donations are coming in.

Discussion surrounding food preparation and prizes for the colouring contest.

**5.1.1 Game Day**

Game Day during March Break was held on March 14<sup>th</sup> from 10am – 2pm. Four adults and 5 Children attended.

Positive feed back from community. If this event is held again suggestions were to expand advertising. (Posters in local churches and notifying schools)

**6 New Business - Equipment Purchase Request**

**6.1 Equipment Purchase Request**

Equipment Purchase Request Form

Members of the Recreation Committee are required to fill out this form to be approved and signed by all Committee members before submission to the Township for approval.

Discussion surrounding the purchase of the Shuffleboard table and bean bags.

**6.2 Event Proposal Form**

Recreation Committee Members will be required to fill out an Event Proposal Form that will outline the proposed event, date, time, items needed, estimated cost etc.

The Committee is required to discuss this with each other, agree as a whole to the proposed event and signing before submission to the Township for approval.

**7 Financial Reports**

**7.1 Game Day**

Our cost for the event was \$233.27.

Our Revenue was \$46.75.

We will be carrying over items from this event to other events, such as Easter Breakfast (juice Boxes) and Canada Day (Pop, Chips, Hotdogs etc.)

**8. Other Business**

1. Lending Hub – Inventory Required
2. Heavy Duty Plastic Hangers – Money was donated to purchase.
3. Cheryl Hudder asked that we get new tea towels, dish cloths and rubber gloves. Committee agrees they are needed in the Community Center.
4. Reminder to leave the Community Center how you found it – clean up after events.

5. Pickle Ball & Games Night – Event Proposal filled out and signed by the Recreation Committee, submitted to Township March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

Start date Friday April 5<sup>th</sup> 6-9pm. Open to all ages. No fee at this time, drop in by donation. It is the Recreation Committee’s responsibility to set up and take down if need be. Discussion around opening the Canteen – some revenue for Recreation Committee during these nights. Do we have volunteers to run that? Kim Aide will make poster and post on website.

6. Lottery/Raffle – Can the Recreation Committee do this if another organization provides the license.
7. Discussed different possible fundraising avenues.
8. Peg board outside door of Community Center is being sanded & repaired.
9. Concerns about no existing railing for new public bathroom. A railing will be going up – no date finalized at this time.
10. Other Business needs to be added to our Agenda for open discussion – Kim will do this.
11. Next meeting we will be discussing Canada Day event/celebrations.
12. Committee agrees to meet monthly.

**9 Next Meeting**

THAT the date of the next BLR Recreation Committee meeting is scheduled for April 2, 2024 at 6:00 pm.

**10 Adjournment**

That this meeting adjourns at 7:43 pm.

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President, Diane Neuman

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Council Rep., Mayor Jahn or Councillor Quade



## Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan

### Meeting Minutes

BLR Recreation Committee April 2nd, 2024 - 06:00 PM

**1 Meeting Called to Order**

THAT the April 2nd, 2024 BLR Recreation Committee Meeting is called to order at 6:04 pm.

**2 Attendance**

Diane Neuman  
Dave Ryan  
Cheryl Hudder  
Melody Budarick  
Linda Yuke  
Kim Aide  
Kevin Richardson

**3 Adoption of Agenda**

THAT the agenda is adopted as presented.  
Moved By: Cheryl Hudder  
Seconded By: Linda Yuke  
All were in favour.

**4 Confirmation of Minutes**

THAT the minutes of the March 19th, 2024 BLR Recreation Committee Meeting are adopted as presented.  
Moved By: Dave Ryan  
Seconded By: Linda Yuke  
All were in favour.

**5 Event Report**

**5.1 Easter Pancake Breakfast**

The Easter Pancake Breakfast Event was a success.  
We had 103 Adults, 14 Children, then 8 adults at a reduced rate due to running out of food items nearing the end of the event.

A message from our Mayor Valerie Jahn to the recreation committee is that she thought it was well put together and the food was great! Thank you, Recreation Committee.

**6 Financial Reports**

**6.1 Easter Pancake Breakfast**

Walmart - Easter Candy	\$117.25
Dollarama - Candy Bags	\$ 7.06
Walmart - Easter Candy	\$ 33.27
Metro - Eggs	\$ 31.96
Loblaws/Wholesale - meat & Juice	\$ 256.36
<u>Advertising</u>	<u>\$ 169.50</u>
Total Spending	\$ 615.40

Event Revenue	\$1403.45
<u>Total Spending</u>	<u>\$ 615.40</u>

Total Revenue for Event \$788.05

Going forward receipts need to be provided to the Recreation Committee Treasurer.

**6.2 Game Day**

Total Spending	\$233.27
<u>Revenue</u>	<u>\$ 46.75</u>

Event Revenue \$ -186.52

**7 Old Business**

Invoice submitted for Shuffle Board Table.

Easter Pancake Breakfast – A Thank you to be posted on Website.

PRPS will be borrowing games from the Arena for Family Game Night.

New tea towels and dish cloths were purchased for the BLR Community Center.

**8 New Business**

**8.1 Open Discussion**

CRC-SALC is providing a 3rd Pickle Ball net.  
BLR Recreation Committee can use it as long as there is 1 hour designated for Seniors regarding Friday Night Games night.

Discuss/Finalize time and what the Recreation Committee wants on the Games Night poster that will be posted on the website tomorrow.

Details sorted out regarding the operation of the Canteen for Games Nights.

Proposed running the Canteen for the MVFGC Gun Show. Need to contact MVFGC. Kim Aide with follow up with Recreation Committee tomorrow.

**8.2 Canada Day**

Canada Day

Discussion on ideas for food, games and events.

**9 Next Meeting**

THAT the date of the next BLR Recreation Committee meeting is scheduled for April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024 for a Gun Show Planning meeting if required and Regular Meeting on April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 6:00 pm.

**10 Adjournment**

That this meeting adjourns at 7:40

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President, Diane Neuman

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Council Rep., Mayor Jahn or Councillor Quade



## Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan

### Meeting Minutes

#### Recreation Committee April 30th, 2024 - 06:00 PM

**1 Meeting Called To Order**

THAT the April 30th, 2024 BLR Recreation Committee Meeting is called to order at 6:19 pm.

**2 Attendance**

Diane Neuman  
Dave Ryan  
Cheryl Hudder  
Linda Yuke  
Valerie Jahn  
Kim Aide

**3 Adoption of Agenda**

THAT the agenda is adopted as presented.  
Moved By: Dave Ryan  
Seconded By: Cheryl Hudder  
All were in favour.

**4 Confirmation of Minutes**

THAT the amended minutes of March 19th, 2024 and the minutes of the April 2nd, 2024 BLR Recreation Committee Meetings are adopted as presented.  
Moved By: Dave Ruyan  
Seconded By: Cheryl Hudder  
All were in favour.

**5 Old Business**



### **5.1 Movie Night**

Discussion about "Movie Night" FAQs Provided.

Recreation Committee reviewed Pricing and Licencing. Members agreed to reach out to some other organizations, i.e. Library. Will investigate further in order to decide if this is an event the Committee will offer to the community.

### **5.2 Recreation Committee By-Law**

Please review the By-Law and ensure that you are aware of your responsibilities as a committee and responsibilities for set up and take down of equipment.

Recreation Committee discussed set up/take down of equipment used in the BLR Community Center. Other event dates not related to Recreation Committee will be provided to the Committee in advance. The Committee understands they are responsible for having "games equipment" removed when other events will be taking place

### **5.3 Survey's Received**

Review of completed surveys.

Recreation Committee reviewed surveys. They would like a spread sheet listing our volunteers and their areas of interest if applicable and events or programs people would like to see more of for review purposes.

## **6 New Business**

### **6.1 Canada Day Celebrations**

Discussion: Informed Recreation Committee that Fire Department would like to do their evening event "Free Poutine and Fireworks", Recreation Committee agrees FD should go ahead with that.

Discussed Fundraising.

Would like to send some information home with children regarding Canada Day when school is ending for the summer.

### **6.2 Letter from Lions Club**

The Lion's Club has offered volunteer services to the Recreation Committee when hosting events. They will provide a letter with contact information.

### **6.3 Letter of Resignation**

"THAT the Recreation Committee accepts the resignation letter from Melody Budarick dated April 2, 2024."

Moved By: Cheryl Hudder

Seconded By: Linda Yuke  
All were in favour.

Recreation Committee would like to send Melody a card of Thanks for her time with them.  
Kim will pick up card for next meeting.

#### **6.4 Appointment of Treasurer**

"THAT Cheryl Hudder is nominated as Treasurer."  
Moved By: Diane Neuman  
Seconded By: Linda Yuke  
All were in favour.

#### **6.5 Games Nights**

Discussion on Membership fees and review of attached notice for distribution.  
People from the community are already purchasing their membership, seems to be going well.

#### **6.6 Open Discussion**

Discussion regarding a 2<sup>nd</sup> member of Recreation Committee having a set of keys. Reminder to use Credit Card designated for Recreation Committee purchases whenever possible. Card must be signed out at the Township Office.

#### **7 Event Report**

No events since last meeting.

#### **7.1 Canteen at the MVFGC Gun Show May 4th, 2024**

Discussion: Gun show food/canteen and member responsibilities/tasks.

#### **7.2 Arena Rentals Calendar**

April 26th/27th - Hall Rental for Stag & Doe  
May 3rd - Day Time - Arena - PRPS Floor Hockey Tournament  
May 3rd/4th - Arena Rental - Gun Show  
May 17th/18th - Hall Rental for Stag & Doe  
June 14th - Day Time - PRPS Fun Day  
June 21st/22nd - Hall Rental for Wedding

#### **8 Financial Reports**

That the Recreation Committee accept the Financial Reports.  
Moved By: Cheryl Hudder  
Seconded By: Linda Yuke  
All were in favour.

#### **8.1 2024 Financials**

#### **8.2 March Break Financials**

**8.3 Easter Breakfast Financials**

**9 Next Meeting**

THAT the date of the next BLR Recreation Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday May 14th, 2024 at 6:00pm.

**10 Adjournment**

That this meeting adjourns at 8:11pm

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President, Diane Neuman

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Council Rep., Mayor Jahn or Councillor Quade



# INFORMATION REPORT TO COUNCIL

<b>Report Date:</b>	May 27, 2024
<b>Date of Council Meeting:</b>	June 5, 2024
<b>Prepared By:</b>	Eddy Whitmore
<b>Approved By:</b>	Virginia Phanenhour
<b>Agenda Item:</b>	Staff Reports
<b>Attachment(s):</b>	Building Permit Fee Comparisons

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## **Reason for this Report**

To provide Council with Information regarding updating our Township Permit Fee's

## **Recommendation**

That Council reviews and approves attached description of current and proposed building permit fees, and further sets a Public Meeting for July 3th at 6:30pm to meet OBC requirements and directs staff to advertise.

## **Information**

Our Township building permit fees were last updated to the current pricing today in 2011. The prior permit fee amendments were very minor adjusts from 2005, and before that 1999. For example, our residential building permit fees have only been raised a total of \$0.08 from 1999 to our current price.

The recommended permit fee changes, found in attachment, are based on slight adjustments to the average price that our neighboring Municipalities are charging.

## Building Permit Fee's Comparison

Class of Permit	Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan	Township of Carlow/Mayo	Township of Madawaska Valley	Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards	Township of Bonnechere Valley	Township of Greater Madawaska
Stats Canada 2021 Population	1552	953	3927	2410	3898	2518
Typical 1500sqft Single Dwelling (1 floor + unfinished basement, 1 Bathroom )	\$450.00	\$1,275.00	\$1,275.00	\$600.00 + \$100.00 deposit	\$1,725.00	\$1,350.00
Typical 1500sqft Detached Garage ( no plumbing )	\$300.00	\$425.00	\$1,000.00	\$525.00	\$750.00	\$750.00
Residential Dwelling, Seasonal Dwelling	\$0.30/sqft	\$ 0.75/sqft	\$0.65/sqft	\$0.40/sqft	\$0.75/sqft, \$0.75/sqft of basement area when 50% is out of ground, \$0.40/sqft of basement area when less than 50% out of ground	\$0.70/sqft
Accessory Buildings, Garages, Sheds	\$0.20/sqft	\$ 0.25/sqft	\$0.60/sqft	\$0.35/sqft	\$ 0.50/sqft	\$0.50/sqft
New Class 4 Septic System	\$250.00	\$450.00	\$450.00	\$400.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Septic System Repair	\$250.00	\$200.00	\$350.00	\$400.00	\$250.00	\$200.00

Class of Permit	Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan	Township of Carlow/Mayo	Township of Madawaska Valley	Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards	Township of Bonnechere Valley	Township of Greater Madawaska
Renovations	\$0.24/sqft	\$50.00 + 1% Construction cost	\$0.65/sqft	\$0.40/sqft	\$0.75/sqft	\$0.70/sqft, \$150.00 flat rate for small renos
Farm Buildings	\$0.08/sqft	\$0.30/sqft	\$0.60/sqft	\$0.15/sqft	\$0.30/sqft, \$0.20/sqft for eathen floors	\$0.30/sqft
Commercial/Industrial Buildings	\$0.22/sqft	\$0.50/sqft	\$0.70/sqft	\$0.60/sqft	\$0.75/sqft	\$0.90/sqft
Decks	\$0.12/sqft	\$0.25/sqft	\$100.00 for <201sqft, + \$0.30/sqft for >201sqft	\$0.35/sqft	\$0.30/sqft	\$100.00
Swimming pools	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$200.00	\$100.00
Demolition	\$30.00	\$50.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$200.00	\$100.00
Plumbing	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
Woodstove/Chimney	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Change of Use	\$75.00	\$50.00 + 1% Construction cost	\$150.00	\$100.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
Occupancy	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00 deposit returned upon project completion	\$0.00	\$100.00
Building without permit penalty	\$0.00	\$300	\$500.00 or 3x value of permit fee	\$0.00 (up for review)	\$0.00 ( up for review)	2x permit fee
Administration	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

## Staff Recommendation

<b>Class of Permit</b>	<b>Current</b>	<b>Average of 5 Neighboring Townships</b>	<b>Proposed</b>
Residential Dwelling, Seasonal Dwelling, Hunt camp	\$0.30/sqft	\$0.73/sqft	\$0.70/sqft
Accessory Buildings ( Garages, Sheds, Carports)	\$0.20/sqft	\$0.44/sqft	\$0.40/sqft
Decks	\$0.12/sqft	\$0.27/sqft	\$0.25/sqft
Additions, Alterations and Renovations	\$0.24/sqft	\$0.53/sqft	\$0.50/sqft
Commercial/Industrial/Institutional	\$0.22/sqft	\$0.69/sqft	\$0.70/sqft
Farm Buildings	\$0.08/sqft	\$0.33/sqft	\$0.30/sqft
Demolition	\$30.00	\$110.00	\$100.00
Swimming Pools	\$100.00	\$120.00	\$100.00
Change of Use	\$75.00	\$160.00	\$75.00
Plumbing	\$0.00	\$80.00	\$100.00
Woodstove/Chimney	\$0.00	n/a	\$100.00
Occupancy	\$0.00	n/a	\$100.00
Administration	\$0.00	n/a	\$100.00
Building Without Permit Penalty	\$0.00	n/a	2x Permit Fee
Building Permit Renewal	\$0.00	n/a	\$100.00
Minimum Permit Fee	\$150.00	n/a	\$150.00
Class 2, 3, 4, 5 Septic System	\$250.00	\$460.00	\$400.00
Septic System Repair	\$250.00	\$280.00	\$200.00

Proposed fee's are based on slight adjustments to average of surrounding townships.

Comparison prices listed are as of April 2024, after speaking with a few other townships it should be noted that most are also in the process of updating permit fee's in the coming months.

# County Council Summary

**April 24, 2024**

Below you will find highlights of the County of Renfrew County Council meeting from April 24, 2024

Please note that this summary does not constitute the official record of the meeting and approved minutes should be consulted for that purpose.

The [full County Council package](#) can be found on our website.

[April meeting](#) YouTube link.

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## Warden's Address

### Key highlights

- The first ever Renfrew County Housing Summit was held on April 4 at the myFM Centre in Renfrew. The Warden noted it was a very successful event with more than 110 attendees representing various segments of the housing spectrum. During the meeting, council had a chance to watch a summit wrap-up video. A fulsome report will be forthcoming in the months to follow, including action items and a discussion about tangible targets. Warden Emon thanked all involved in organizing the event.
- Warden Peter Emon noted the release of the federal budget on April 16. While the recently announced provincial budget had more direct implications to municipal operations, there were several items within the federal budget that focus on solving the housing and homelessness crises, including funding investments in infrastructure. He remains hopeful that the County of Renfrew will be an eligible partner in the funding allocations and applications when the programs get rolled out, including the \$6-billion Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund.

During the month of April 2024, Warden Peter Emon attended 20 meetings on County business.

- On April 12, he met with MPP John Yakabuski to discuss several issues including Queen's Park Days, Mesa funding for the Carefor project, Ministry of Transportation following up on the ROMA delegation on the Highway 17 brief, Child Care – CWELLC issues, Housing (funding and access/eligibility) for a modular project and housing stock revitalization, Enterprise Renfrew County and the Renfrew County and District Health Unit.
- On April 17, the Warden and CAO met with the Renfrew County and District School Board to discuss items of mutual benefit. In attendance were the new Director of Education Kristin Niemi, RCDSB Board Chair Susan Humphries and Executive Officer of Public Affairs Meredith Caplan Jamieson. The meeting identified several initiatives that the County and the School Board could collaborate on in the future.



## Delegations

- Ann Pohl, Judy Sauve, Carol Sulpher of the Kitchissippi-Ottawa Valley (KOV) Chapter – Council of Canadians attended to discuss the Climate Action Petition in recognition of International Earth Day. They stressed the need for immediate action on climate change and the group requested the County of Renfrew take the lead on a Valley-wide Climate Action Committee.
- Jason St-Pierre, Chief Executive Officer, and Lisa Severson, Director of Communications, for the Eastern Ontario Regional Network (EORN) provided an update on the cell gap project for eastern Ontario, specifically on Renfrew County current and planned projects. Approximately \$50 million is being invested in infrastructure in the County of Renfrew to increase broadband service. They also touched upon Communal Servicing Systems projects within Eastern Ontario. Communal services, also known as shared drinking water and sewage systems, provide water and wastewater treatment to clusters of residences and businesses.

## Finance & Administration Committee

**Presented by: Jennifer Murphy, Chair**

- The Municipal Benefits Committee (MBC) has approved North Algona Wilberforce as a member. The MBC is chaired by the County of Renfrew and consists of lower-tier municipalities and partner agencies. The purpose of the MBC is to optimize the management of employee benefits programs, maximize efficiencies in program administration, share information and implement solutions, and benefit from economies of scale. These economies of scale include lower administration costs, higher breakeven points, improved trend factors, the use of reserves and risk sharing.
- County Council approved the Delegated Authority Policy which sets out Council’s ability to delegate its powers and duties to staff. The intent of the by-law is to include appendices that would, i) consolidate all current delegated authority traceable to existing by-laws and/or Council resolutions, and ii) address administrative practices by staff lacking current approval via a by-law or Council resolution.
- By-laws were passed in relation to the 2024 Tax Policy:
  - A by-law to set tax ratios for County and lower-tier purposes.
  - A by-law to include a revenue neutral ratio for the Landfill class at 1.189066.
- County Council adopted a by-law to establish the 2024 Tax Rates for County of Renfrew purposes.

## Community Services Committee

**Presented by: Anne Giardini, Chair**

- On March 20, 2024, a Mesa stakeholder engagement session was held in Pembroke. Representatives from the County of Renfrew’s Community Services, Development and Property, and Emergency Services Departments participated in the meeting, along with local addictions and mental health service providers. The aim of the session was to exchange information on services and obtain feedback from stakeholders on strategies to better meet the needs of individuals experiencing mental health, addictions, and homelessness.

- County Council adopted a By-law authorizing the Warden and Clerk to enter into a 2024 Ontario Works Administration Transfer Payment Agreement with the Minister of Children, Community and Social Services. An Ontario Transfer Payment Agreement is required to be executed for the Corporation of the County of Renfrew to accept the 2024 Ontario Works Administration Funding in the total amount of \$2,022,000.
- Based on feedback received from the Province on the funding challenges being downloaded from the National Housing Strategy, County Council passed a motion requesting the Warden send urgent correspondence to the Provincial and Federal Ministers of Housing to confirm financial supports will continue for vulnerable households across Ontario and that he advocate to the Federal and Provincial governments to establish a trilateral table to negotiate a final three-year tranche of funding under the National Housing Strategy.

## Development & Property Committee

Presented by: James Brose, Chair

- The County of Renfrew held an [Affordable Housing Summit](#) on April 4, 2024 at the myFM Centre, Renfrew, Ontario, with an excellent turnout from interested parties. Topics for the day were developer experiences, updates from Community Services, information on the County of Renfrew properties expression of interest and innovative partnerships, and the Mesa project. Staff will provide a report to Council at a future meeting.
- The County of Renfrew has two designated Recreational Trails – the ‘Algonquin Trail’ and the ‘K & P Recreational Trail’, and each trail is governed by a separate By-law setting the rules for use of the trails. For consistency across the County’s trails, including any future trails, the preference is having a single By-law capable of governing all of the County’s Recreational Trails. A new draft By-law to Regulate and Govern the Use of the Lands Identified as County of Renfrew Recreational Trails as Linear Parks ([Appendix II \(pgs 274-280\)](#)) is available for consideration and input. A notable change in the new draft By-law from the current By-law governing the Algonquin Trail is permitting dirt bikes and motorcycles on the trail. Dirt bikes and motorcycles would require insurance, a licence, and an Ontario Federation of All Terrain Vehicle (OFATV) trail permit. Input on the draft By-law should be provided no later than April 30, 2024 to Taylor Hanrath, Manager of Capital Works.
- Tourism Tomorrow: Cultivating Growth and Navigating Change was the theme of this year’s Ottawa Valley Tourism Conference and AGM that took place on April 16 at the myFM Centre in Renfrew. Presented by the Renfrew County Community Futures Development Corporation, and coinciding with National Tourism Week, event included a keynote address by Sara Norton of Reply All, a welcome to the land and a flash history lesson with Christine Luckasavitch of Waaseyaa Consulting, panel discussions about community partnerships, travel trade and succession planning.  
The event wrapped up with the presentation of the [Ottawa Valley Tourism Awards](#):
  - Tourism Champion: Ron Moss, Ottawa Valley Cycling and Active Transportation Alliance (Laurentian Valley)
  - Business/Organization of the Year: Somewhere Inn Calabogie (Greater Madawaska)
  - Event of the Year: Pembroke Regional Silver Stick Tournament
  - Sustainability Champion: Anupaya Cabin Co. (Deep River)
  - New Tourism Product: Ottawa Valley Farm to Fork (Bonnechere Valley)
  - Tourism Marketing: Ontario’s Highlands Tourism Organization (Whitewater Region)

- On April 2, 2024, Pembroke City Council voted in favour to implement a 4% Municipal Accommodation Tax (MAT) that will be applied to all roofed and non-roofed transient accommodations for overnight stays of 30 days or less with a proposed implementation date of January 1, 2025. The City of Pembroke also identified the Ottawa Valley Tourist Association (OVTA) as the eligible tourism entity to receive 50% of the collected funds. Staff will be working with the City over the coming months to finalize arrangements and develop plans for use of the funds to promote and develop tourism for the City of Pembroke.
- On February 14, 2024, a Request for Quotations (RFQ) was issued to six known service providers for 25 hectares of chemical site preparation at Beachburg Tract. This area is scheduled to be planted with 45,000 white and red pine in 2025 and the seedlings have already been ordered. It is anticipated that chemical site preparation will be necessary this year to control poplar and red maple competition in advance of planting. The area will be assessed by County staff mid-June to confirm that a chemical site preparation treatment is warranted. The estimated cost of chemical is less than \$500. The quote of \$10,201.25 + chemical from Heritage Reforestation Inc., Waltham, Québec was accepted with a maximum price of \$11,000. Significant public outreach and education by County staff will occur in advance of this work, and the area will be signed and closed by the contractor according to the requirements of the Pesticides Act and any other relevant regulations.
- The fit-up on the first floor of 450 O'Brien Road in Renfrew, consisting of 1,744 sq. ft. has been completed and is now functional at Renfrew County Place. Renfrew County Virtual Triage and Assessment Centre (RC VTAC), which was temporarily located on the second floor, moved into this newly renovated area on March 27, 2024. Staff continues to look for future interested tenants for the remaining vacant space.
- The GIS Division has created two dashboards to view data/information regarding building activity and vacant land availability within Renfrew County. The [building dashboard](#) provides information on the location, type of unit, and year that residential buildings have been constructed. The [vacant land inventory dashboard](#) provides information regarding the location, size, and services of properties across Renfrew County.
- In partnership with Natural Resources Canada (NRCan) and the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF), Renfrew County and local municipalities are preparing for an effective response to any future potential flood mapping funding opportunities. This project is aligned with the federal flood mapping framework (NRCan, 2018), of which the objectives of this project will be to identify current mapping status, identify shortfalls in current data and mapping, identify and prioritize areas for acquiring new mapping, and develop a plan to acquire data required for flood mapping and implement flood mapping across the county. Phase 1 of the flood-mapping framework (Flood Hazard Identification and Priority Setting) is complete and has been accepted by NRCan. The final reports are posted on the County of Renfrew [Zencity](#) platform.
- County Council directed staff to undertake an Official Plan Amendment and development of a Regional Incentives Program, enabling the County to offer financial support to local municipalities for implementing their respective CIPs. It is estimated at a high-level that this project could be done in-house and potentially completed in time for consideration of funding levels for the 2025 budget.
- County Council also directed staff to pursue a change to the regulation under the Planning Act to become a "Prescribed Upper-tier Municipality" for the purposes of developing an affordable housing Community Improvement Plan (CIP). If successful, the County could proceed with formulating its own CIP, particularly focused on affordable housing initiatives.

- County Council directed staff to prepare a report within three months on steps to form a Municipal Services Corporation to address communal water and wastewater systems in Renfrew County or join another Municipal Services Corporation and the possible scope of services that could be provided, for consideration by County Council. A Municipal Services Corporation can provide other services that are impractical for a single lower-tier municipality to manage efficiently on its own.
- County Council adopted a By-law authorizing Pro-tec 5, Pembroke, Ontario to act as By-law Enforcement Officers on County of Renfrew owned Recreational Trails on behalf of the County of Renfrew. It is anticipated approximately 27 patrols can be completed before the end of 2024, which is substantially more than past years with paid duty police officers.
- County Council adopted a By-law to approve Official Plan Amendment No. 44 to introduce an Alternative Notice Provisions policy into the Official Plan. The Planning Act allows for local alternatives for providing notice if the Official Plan contains policies specifying details of the method of notice. This amendment would introduce the required policies to allow municipalities to utilize “alternative notice” provisions under the Planning Act. Staff will continue to use print media when available.
- County Council adopted a By-law to approve Official Plan Amendment No. 45 to redesignate lands in the Township of Horton from “Rural-Exception Four” to “Rural-Exception Twenty”. The amendment allows the subject lands to finish the remaining development of the property to proceed through the consent (severance) process, rather than by means of a registered plan of subdivision.
- County Council adopted a By-law to approve Official Plan Amendment No. 46 to redesignate lands in the Township of McNab/Braeside, located along Gunsmith Road, Hidden River Road, and along Robertson Line from the Madawaska River to Hanson Creek from “Rural-Exception Sixteen” to a “Rural” designation to remove the restriction on lot creation for these lands.

## Health Committee

### Presented by: Michael Donohue, Chair

- On March 20, the Mesa team, in collaboration with the Ontario Health Teams, hosted a community meeting with 20 community partners to discuss the new Collaborative Approach to Compassionate Care. Paramedics involved in the Mesa team are participating in regular visits with the Ontario Provincial Police and the Mental Health Crisis Rapid Response Team. They are involved in regular clinics at The Grind in Pembroke and the demand for services is increasing as trust and education are built through educational programs, system navigation, RCVTAC consultations and paramedic-lead interventions.
- County Council adopted a By-law authorizing the Warden and Clerk to sign a Letter of Agreement with MacKay Manor as represented by Community Withdrawal Management Services of Renfrew County (“CWMS”) and Addiction Treatment Services (ATS) for the provision of addiction and withdrawal services related to the Mesa Program.
- County Council adopted a By-law authorizing the Warden and Clerk to sign the 2023/24 one-time Increase to Long-Term Care Home Funding Agreement to assist in relieving financial pressures and addressing key priorities related to Ontario Fire Code requirements, addressing deferred maintenance and proceeding with (re)development projects in the amount of \$2,543 per bed with Ontario Health.

# Operations Committee

Presented by: Glenn Doncaster, Chair

- County Council endorsed a letter of support, under the Warden’s signature, be sent to the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards to endorse their application to the My Main Street, Community Activator Program for the “Killaloe: A Main Street Enhancement Project”.
- County Council denied the request from the Township of McNab/Braeside to lower the posted speed limits along County Road 3 (Usborne Street) between McLean Drive and River Road.
- County Council adopted a By-law to enter into an agreement to provide funding in the amount of \$2,460,000 to the Town of Petawawa for the reconstruction and urbanization of County Road 37 (Murphy Road). The Town of Petawawa will be managing the project and has provided the County of Renfrew with an Agreement to acknowledge the County of Renfrew’s contribution of \$2,460,000.
- County Council approved several contracts/agreements as submitted:
  - Rehabilitation of County Road 5 (Stone Road), from Mhusk Road to Highway 60, a distance of 5.13km, Township of Admaston/Bromley, to Thomas Cavanagh Construction Limited, Ashton, Ontario, in the amount of \$1,413,700, plus applicable taxes.
  - Rehabilitation of County Road 8 (Cobden Road) from Highway 60 to Urban Limit, a distance of 11.51km, Townships of Admaston/Bromley and Whitewater Region, Walker Construction, Niagara Falls, Ontario, in the amount of \$1,197,073, plus applicable taxes.
  - Rehabilitation of County Road 13 (Mountain Road) from Stafford Third Line to Highway 17, a distance of 4.01km, Townships of Laurentian Valley and Whitewater Region, Greenwood Paving (Pembroke) Ltd., Pembroke, Ontario, , in the amount of \$1,419,067.13, plus applicable taxes.
  - Contract Administration and Construction Supervision Services for the rehabilitation of County Structure B007 (Butler Bridge), Township of Admaston/Bromley, Stantec Consulting Limited, Ottawa, Ontario in the amount of \$151,640.10, plus applicable taxes.
  - Rehabilitation of County Structure B181 (Peter Black Bridge), located on County Road 24 (White Water Road), approximately 1.5km east of Highway 41, Township of Laurentian Valley, Bonnechere Excavating Incorporated, Renfrew, Ontario, in the amount of \$1,282,480, plus applicable taxes.
  - Supply and installation of traffic signal equipment at various County of Renfrew intersections within the Town of Petawawa and the Township of Laurentian Valley, in the amount of \$232,500, plus applicable taxes, to Partham Engineering Limited, Richmond, Ontario.
  - Supply and delivery of seven light duty pick-up trucks, in the amount of \$392,065, plus applicable taxes, to Surgenor Chev Buick GMC Cadillac, Ottawa, Ontario.

## Additional Information

**Craig Kelley, Chief Administrative Officer**

613-735-7288

April 23, 2024

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

Sent via email: [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

**Re: Provincial Regulations Needed to Restrict Keeping of Non-native ("exotic") Wild Animals  
Our File 35.11.2**

Dear Premier Ford,

At its meeting held on April 8, 2024, St. Catharines City Council approved the following motion:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of St. Catharines hereby petitions the provincial government to implement provincial regulations to restrict the possession, breeding, and use of non-native ("exotic") wild animals and license zoos in order to guarantee the fair and consistent application of policy throughout Ontario for the safety of Ontario's citizens and the non-native ("exotic") wild animal population; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution will be forwarded to all municipalities in Ontario for support, the Premier of Ontario, Ontario Solicitor General, Ontario Minister for Natural Resources and Forestry, MPP Jennie Stevens, MPP Sam Oosterhoff, MPP Jeff Burch, AMO, AMCTO, and MLEAO.

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of the City Clerk at extension 1524.



Kristen Sullivan, City Clerk  
Legal and Clerks Services, Office of the City Clerk  
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cc: The Honourable Michael S. Kerzner, Solicitor General  
The Honourable Graydon Smith, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry  
Local MPPs  
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All Municipalities of Ontario

May 15, 2024

SENT VIA EMAIL

Ann-Marie Norio, Regional Clerk  
Niagara Region  
1815 Sir Isaac Brock Way  
Thorold, ON L2V 4T7

Dear Ann-Marie:

**Re: Correspondence from the City of St. Catharines regarding Provincial Regulations Needed to Restrict Keeping of Nonnative (“exotic”) Wild Animals.**

At its meeting on May 7, 2024, Welland City Council passed the following motion:

**“THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information and supports the correspondence from the City of St. Catharines dated April 23, 2024, regarding Provincial Regulations Needed to Restrict Keeping of Nonnative (“exotic”) Wild Animals.”**

Yours truly,



Tara Stephens  
City Clerk

- c.c.:
- The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
  - Local Area Municipalities, sent via e-mail
  - The Honourable Michael S. Kerzner, Solicitor General
  - The Honourable Graydon Smith, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry  
Local MPPs
  - Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
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  - All Municipalities of Ontario



**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

HELD  
May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**2024-106**

**Moved by Councillor Kelly**

**Seconded by Councillor Champagne**

THAT Council for the Municipality of East Ferris support the resolution from the City of St. Catharines regarding petitioning the provincial government to implement provincial regulations to restrict the possession, breeding, and use of non-native (“exotic”) wild animals and license zoos in order to guarantee the fair and consistent application of policy throughout Ontario for the safety of Ontario’s citizens and the non-native (“exotic”) wild animal population;

AND FUTHER THAT that this resolution will be forwarded to all municipalities in Ontario for support, the Premier of Ontario, Ontario Solicitor General, Ontario Minister for Natural Resources and Forestry, MPP Anthony Rota, MPP Vic Fedeli, AMO, AMCTO, and MLEAO.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

CERTIFIED to be a true copy of  
Resolution No. 2024-106 passed by the  
Council of the Municipality of East Ferris  
on the 14th day of May, 2024.



Kari Hanselman, Dipl. M.A.  
Clerk

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Hon. Doug Ford [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)  
(sent via e-mail)

May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Re: Provincial Regulations Needed to Restrict Keeping of Non-native ("exotic") Wild Animals

Please be advised that the Council of the Town of Plympton-Wyoming, at its meeting on May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024, passed the following motion supporting the resolution from St. Catherines regarding the need of Provincial regulations to restrict the keeping of non-native ("exotic") wild animals.

**Motion #21**

Moved by Councillor Bob Woolvett

Seconded by Councillor Kristen Rodrigues

That Council support correspondence item 'g' from St. Catherines regarding Provincial Regulations needed to Restrict Keeping of Non-Native (exotic) Wild Animals.

**Carried.**

If you have any questions regarding the above motion, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email at [eflynn@plympton-wyoming.ca](mailto:eflynn@plympton-wyoming.ca).

Sincerely,

Ella Flynn  
Executive Assistant – Deputy Clerk  
Town of Plympton-Wyoming

Cc: The Honourable Michael S. Kerzner, Solicitor General  
The Honourable Graydon Smith, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry  
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Municipal Law Enforcement Officers' Association of Ontario (MLEAO)  
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**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LARDER LAKE**

69 Fourth Avenue, Larder Lake, ON  
 Phone: 705-643-2158 Fax: 705-643-2311



**MOVED BY:**

- Thomas Armstrong
- Patricia Hull
- Paul Kelly
- Lynne Paquette

**SECONDED BY:**

- Thomas Armstrong
- Patricia Hull
- Paul Kelly
- Lynne Paquette

Motion #: 8  
 Resolution #:  
 Date: May 14, 2024

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

AND WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has of yet not developed regulations to prohibit or restrict animal possession, breeding, or use of exotic wild animals in captivity;

AND WHEREAS exotic wild animals can pose very serious human health and safety risks, and attacks causing human injury and death have occurred in the province;

AND WHEREAS the keeping of exotic wild animals can cause poor animal welfare and suffering, and poses risks to local environments and wildlife;

AND WHEREAS owners of exotic wild animals can move from one community to another even after their operations have been shut down due to animal welfare or public health and safety concerns;

AND WHEREAS municipalities have struggled, often for months or years, to deal with exotic wild animal issues and have experienced substantive regulatory, administrative, enforcement and financial challenges;

AND WHEREAS the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO), and the Municipal Law Enforcement Officers' Association (MLEOA) have indicated their support for World Animal Protection's campaign for provincial regulations of exotic wild animals and

Recorded vote requested:

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

I declare this motion

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

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

Chair: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

69 Fourth Avenue, Larder Lake, ON

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**MOVED BY:**

- Thomas Armstrong
- Patricia Hull
- Paul Kelly
- Lynne Paquette

**SECONDED BY:**

- Thomas Armstrong
- Patricia Hull
- Paul Kelly
- Lynne Paquette

Motion #: 9

Resolution #:

Date: May 14, 2024

roadside zoos in letters to the Ontario Solicitor General and Ontario Minister for Natural Resources and Forestry;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Corporation of the Township of Larder Lake hereby petitions the provincial government to implement provincial regulations to restrict the possession, breeding, and use of exotic wild animals and license zoos in order to guarantee the fair and consistent application of policy throughout Ontario for the safety of Ontario's citizens and the exotic wild animal population;

AND FINALLY THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, Ontario's Solicitor General, Ontario's Minister for Natural Resources and Forestry, MPP Timiskaming-Cochrane, AMO, AMCTO, MLEAO, Timiskaming Municipal Association (TMA), the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, (FONOM), and all municipalities within the District of Timiskaming.

Recorded vote requested:

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

I declare this motion

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

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

Chair:

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

**THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MATTAWAN**


DATE                      May 27, 2024                      Resolution No. 2024 - 069

MOVED BY                Councillor EDWARDS

SECONDED BY           Councillor LAHAYE

BE IT RESOLVED that Council for the Municipality of Mattawan support the resolution from the City of St. Catharine’s and the Municipality of East Ferris regarding petitioning the provincial government to implement provincial regulations to restrict the possession, breeding, and use of non-native (“exotic”) wild animals and license zoos in order to guarantee the fair and consistent application of policy throughout Ontario for the safety of Ontario’s citizens and the non-native (“exotic”) wild animal population;

AND FUTHER THAT that this resolution will be forwarded to all municipalities in Ontario for support, the Premier of Ontario, Ontario Solicitor General, Ontario Minister for Natural Resources and Forestry, MPP Anthony Rota, MPP Vic Fedeli, AMO, AMCTO, and MLE.

CARRIED                Mayor Peter Murphy 

DIVISION VOTE

NAME OF MEMBER OF COUNCIL	YEAS	NAYS
<u>Councillor Bell</u>	_____	_____
<u>Councillor Edwards</u>	_____	_____
<u>Councillor Lahaye</u>	_____	_____
<u>Councillor Lemaire</u>	_____	_____



**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**  
HELD  
May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**2024-106**  
**Moved by Councillor Kelly**  
**Seconded by Councillor Champagne**

THAT Council for the Municipality of East Ferris support the resolution from the City of St. Catharines regarding petitioning the provincial government to implement provincial regulations to restrict the possession, breeding, and use of non-native (“exotic”) wild animals and license zoos in order to guarantee the fair and consistent application of policy throughout Ontario for the safety of Ontario’s citizens and the non-native (“exotic”) wild animal population;

AND FURTHER THAT that this resolution will be forwarded to all municipalities in Ontario for support, the Premier of Ontario, Ontario Solicitor General, Ontario Minister for Natural Resources and Forestry, MPP Anthony Rota, MPP Vic Fedeli, AMO, AMCTO, and MLEAO.

**Carried Mayor Rochefort**

CERTIFIED to be a true copy of  
Resolution No. 2024-106 passed by the  
Council of the Municipality of East Ferris  
on the 14th day of May, 2024.

Kari Hanselman, Dipl. M.A.  
Clerk

April 23, 2024

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

Sent via email: [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

**Re: Provincial Regulations Needed to Restrict Keeping of Non-native ("exotic") Wild Animals  
Our File 35.11.2**

Dear Premier Ford,

At its meeting held on April 8, 2024, St. Catharines City Council approved the following motion:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of St. Catharines hereby petitions the provincial government to implement provincial regulations to restrict the possession, breeding, and use of non-native ("exotic") wild animals and license zoos in order to guarantee the fair and consistent application of policy throughout Ontario for the safety of Ontario's citizens and the non-native ("exotic") wild animal population; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution will be forwarded to all municipalities in Ontario for support, the Premier of Ontario, Ontario Solicitor General, Ontario Minister for Natural Resources and Forestry, MPP Jennie Stevens, MPP Sam Oosterhoff, MPP Jeff Burch, AMO, AMCTO, and MLEAO.

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of the City Clerk at extension 1524.



Kristen Sullivan, City Clerk  
Legal and Clerks Services, Office of the City Clerk  
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cc: The Honourable Michael S. Kerzner, Solicitor General  
The Honourable Graydon Smith, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry  
Local MPPs  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
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June 6, 2024

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Premier's Office  
Room 281, Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier Ford,

**Re: Mental Health and Addictions**

Please be advised that at their last Regular Meeting of Council on Wednesday June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024, the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan supported the following resolution:

Resolution # 2024-06-05-XX  
Moved By: Councillor XXX  
Seconded by: Councillor XXX

**"Be It resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby supports the request from the City of Pembroke calling upon the Province of Ontario to allocate funding specifically for the establishment of a mental health, addiction, and residential drug treatment rehabilitation facility serving the County of Renfrew.**

**And further that Council directs staff to provide a copy of this resolution to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health; Michael Tibollo, Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addictions; Robin Martin, Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Health; the Honourable John Yakabuski, Member of Provincial Parliament for Renfrew~Nipissing~Pembroke; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); the Eastern Ontario Wardens Caucus; Eastern Ontario Mayor's Caucus; Peter Emon, Warden, for the County of Renfrew; and all neighbouring County of Renfrew lower-tier municipalities."**

**CARRIED.**

Sincerely,

Tammy Thompson  
Deputy Clerk



April 8, 2024

**CITY OF PEMBROKE**  
1 Pembroke Street East  
Pembroke, Ontario  
K8A 3J5  
Tel. 613-735-6821

Honourable Doug Ford  
Via email: [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

Dear Premier Ford:

**Chief Administrative  
Officer & Human  
Resources**  
Extension 1330  
Fax: 613-735-3660

Please be advised that Council of the Corporation of the City of Pembroke passed the following resolution at its meeting of April 2, 2024:

Resolution #011 (April 2, 2024)

**Finance**  
Extension 1320  
Fax: 613-735-3660

Moved by Deputy Mayor Brian Abdallah  
Seconded by Councillor Troy Purcell

**Fire**  
Extension 1201  
Fax: 613-732-7673

Whereas the well-being of our community members is of paramount importance, and addressing mental health and substance use disorder is crucial for the overall health and safety of all our residents; and  
Whereas the County of Renfrew, like many other regions, faces significant challenges related to mental health and addiction, with individuals and families grappling with the devastating impact of these conditions; and  
Whereas timely access to specialized treatment and residential rehabilitation services and transitional housing is essential for those struggling with mental health issues and substance use disorders; and  
Whereas we need to address the urgent need for additional treatment beds, especially for adults requiring intensive supports, and to improve access to care in rural, Northern, and Indigenous communities; and  
Whereas the number of drug-related deaths in the County of Renfrew, as a whole, is on the rise underscoring the critical importance of accessible treatment options for those at risk of negative impacts including overdose and death; and

**OPP Administration**  
613-732-3332

**Economic Development  
Culture, & Tourism**  
Extension 1303  
Fax: 613-735-3660

Whereas the establishment of a mental health, drug addiction treatment and residential rehabilitation facility serving the County of Renfrew would provide the following benefits:

**Operations**  
Extension 1409  
Fax: 613-732-1421

**Planning, Building &  
By-Law Enforcement**  
Extension 1304  
Fax: 613-735-3660

1. **Local Accessibility:** Residents would have access to specialized services without the burden of traveling long distances, ensuring timely intervention and continuity of care.
2. **Holistic Approach:** The facility could offer integrated care, addressing both mental health and substance use disorders concurrently, thereby improving outcomes for clients.
3. **Community Support:** By providing a safe and supportive environment, the facility would contribute to reducing stigma and fostering community understanding of mental health and addiction.
4. **Collaboration with Existing Services:** The facility could collaborate with existing community organizations, healthcare and social service

**Purchasing**  
Extension 1409  
Fax: 613-732-1421

**Parks & Recreation**  
Extension 1501  
Fax: 613-635-7709

**general email:**  
[pembroke@pembroke.ca](mailto:pembroke@pembroke.ca)

[www.pembroke.ca](http://www.pembroke.ca)



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providers, and law enforcement agencies to create a comprehensive network of support (i.e. County of Renfrew MESA program).

Now Therefore, be it resolved that Council of the Corporation of the City of Pembroke:

1. Urgently requests the Province of Ontario to allocate funding specifically for the establishment of a mental health, addiction, and residential drug treatment rehabilitation facility serving the County of Renfrew.
2. Advocates for a facility that offers evidence-based, trauma-informed care, addressing both addiction and concurrent mental health issues.
3. Commits to working collaboratively with neighbouring municipalities, all community stakeholders, and provincial authorities to ensure the successful implementation of this vital facility.

Furthermore, the City of Pembroke Council encourages all residents to support this resolution and join the collective effort to enhance mental health and addiction services in our region.

Be It Further Resolved that copies of this motion be distributed to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health; Michael Tibollo, Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addictions; Robin Martin, Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Health; the Honourable John Yakabuski, Member of Provincial Parliament for Renfrew~Nipissing~Pembroke; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); the Eastern Ontario Wardens Caucus; Eastern Ontario Mayor's Caucus; Peter Emon, Warden, for the County of Renfrew; and all neighbouring County of Renfrew lower-tier municipalities. Carried

Sincerely,

David Unrau  
Chief Administrative Officer

/nr



**TOWNSHIP OF  
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June 6, 2024

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Premier's Office  
Room 281, Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier Ford,

**Re: Public Health Ontario proposes phasing out free water testing for private wells.**

Please be advised that at their last Regular Meeting of Council on Wednesday June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024, the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan supported the following resolution:

Resolution # 2024-06-05-XX  
Moved By: Councillor XXX  
Seconded by: Councillor XXX

**"Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby supports the request from the Township of Archipelago for the Province to reconsider and ultimately decide against the proposed phasing-out of free private drinking water testing services.**

**And further that Council directs staff to provide a copy of this resolution to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health; Andrea Khanjin, Minister of Environment Conservation and Parks; the Honourable John Yakabuski, Member of Provincial Parliament for Renfrew~Nipissing~Pembroke; the Renfrew County District Health Unit; and all Ontario Municipalities."**

**CARRIED.**

Sincerely,

Tammy Thompson  
Deputy Clerk



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

**Agenda Number:** 15.8.

**Resolution Number** 24-082

**Title:** Public Health Ontario proposes phasing out free water testing for private wells

**Date:** Friday, April 19, 2024

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**Moved by:** Councillor Manners

**Seconded by:** Councillor MacLeod

**WHEREAS** the Ontario Auditor General's annual report on public health from December 2023 indicates that Public Health Ontario is proposing the phasing-out of free provincial water testing services for private drinking water; and

**WHEREAS** free private drinking water testing services has played a pivotal role in safeguarding public health, particularly in rural communities, including the entire Township of The Archipelago, that rely predominantly on private drinking water; and

**WHEREAS** the removal of free private drinking water testing could lead to a reduction in testing, potentially increasing the risk of waterborne diseases in these vulnerable populations; and

**WHEREAS** the tragic events in Walkerton, Ontario underscored the critical importance of safe drinking water.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that The Township of The Archipelago hereby requests that the Province reconsider and ultimately decide against the proposed phasing-out of free private drinking water testing services.

**FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED** that this resolution be sent to all Ontario municipalities, Minister of Environment Conservation and Parks, Minister of Health, North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit, Graydon Smith, MPP Parry Sound-Muskoka.

**Carried**



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June 6, 2024

The Honourable Paul Calandra,  
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Dear Hon. Calandra,

**Re: Jurisdiction of Ontario's Ombudsman**

Please be advised that at their last Regular Meeting of Council on Wednesday June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024, the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan supported the following resolution:

Resolution # 2024-06-05-XX  
Moved By: Councillor XXX  
Seconded by: Councillor XXX

**"Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby supports the request from the City of Peterborough that the Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing be requested to introduce a Bill to amend the Ombudsmen Act.**

**And further that Council directs staff to provide a copy of this resolution to the Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Honourable John Yakabuski, Member of Provincial Parliament for Renfrew Nipissing Pembroke; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario; and all Ontario Municipalities."**

**CARRIED.**

Sincerely,

Tammy Thompson  
Deputy Clerk



April 11, 2024

Hon. Paul Calandra  
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
via Email:  
minister.mah@ontario.ca

**Re: Jurisdiction of Ontario's Ombudsman**

The following resolution, adopted by City Council at their meeting on April 8, 2024, is forwarded for your information and necessary action.

That Council approve the recommendations outlined in Report LSOCS24-005, dated April 2, 2024 of the Commissioner, Legislative Services, as follows:

- a) That the Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, be requested to introduce a Bill to amend the Ombudsman Act to require the Ontario Ombudsman to provide to each municipality, if requested by the municipality, sufficient particulars of each investigation, matter or case respecting the municipality that is referred to in each of the Ombudsman's Annual Reports to permit the municipality to fully understand and address the subject matter of each such investigation, matter or case including:
  - i) a copy of each complaint, as applicable, redacted only to the extent of individuals' personal information contained therein;
  - ii) the identities of the municipality's employees, officers and members of Council with whom the Ombudsman was consulting in respect of the investigation, matter or case; and
  - iii) particulars of the outcome of the investigation, matter or case including the Ombudsman's findings, conclusions and recommendations, if any.
- b) That the City Clerk forward Council's resolutions resulting from Council's approval of these recommendations to Minister Calandra, MPP David Smith, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and to the municipal Clerks of Ontario's municipalities.

Sincerely,

*J. Kennedy*

John Kennedy, City Clerk

cc: David Smith, MPP  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
All Ontario Municipalities





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June 6, 2024

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Premier's Office  
Room 281, Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier Ford,

**Re: Household Food Insecurity.**

Please be advised that at their last Regular Meeting of Council on Wednesday June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024, the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan supported the following resolution:

Resolution # 2024-06-05-XX  
Moved By: Councillor XXX  
Seconded by: Councillor XXX

**"Be It resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby supports the resolution passed by Public Health Sudbury & Districts on January 18, 2024, regarding household food insecurity.**

**And further that Council directs staff to provide a copy of this resolution Premier Doug Ford; Minister of Children, Community and Social Services, Michael Parsaco; Minister of Finance, Peter Bethlenfalvy; Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Paul Calandra; Deputy Premier and Minister of Health, Sylvia Jones; Honourable John Yakabuski, Member of Provincial Parliament for Renfrew Nipissing Pembroke; the Association of Ontario (AMO); and all Ontario Municipalities."**

**CARRIED.**

Sincerely,

Tammy Thompson  
Deputy Clerk



**Public Health**  
**Santé publique**  
SUDBURY & DISTRICTS

January 24, 2024

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

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

Dear Recipient:

**Re: Household Food Insecurity**

At its meeting on January 18, 2024, the Board of Health carried the following resolution #06-24:

*WHEREAS food security is a chronic and worsening health issue as documented by annual local data on food affordability and as recognized by multiple Association of Local Public Health Agencies (alPHA) resolutions: A05-18 (Adequate Nutrition for Ontario Works and Ontario Disability Support Program), A18-02 (Minimum Wage that is a Living Wage), A15-04 (Basic Income Guarantee), and A23-05 (Monitoring Food Affordability in Ontario and the Inadequacy of Social Assistance Rates)*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Health for Public Health Sudbury & Districts call on the provincial government to incorporate local food affordability findings in determining adequacy of social assistance rates to reflect the current costs of living and to index Ontario Works rates to inflation going forward; and*

*THAT in the context of the Public Health Strengthening roles and responsibilities deliberations, the Board of Health urge all health system partners to remain committed to population health assessment and surveillance as it relates to monitoring food environments and, specifically, to monitoring food affordability; and share this motion broadly with local and provincial stakeholders.*

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Household food insecurity is one of the strongest predictors of poor health, making it a serious public health issue (PROOF, 2023). Individuals who are food insecure are at higher risk of diet-related diseases like diabetes and are at higher risk for a wide range of chronic conditions such as depression and anxiety disorders, arthritis, and chronic pain. Household food insecurity leaves an indelible mark on children's health and well-being (PROOF, 2023). The experience of food insecurity in childhood is associated with mental health concerns throughout childhood and into early adulthood (PROOF, 2023). In Ontario, the healthcare costs of individuals who are the most food insecure can be more than double that of individuals who are food secure (PROOF, 2023, Tarasuk et al., 2015).

Thank you for your attention to this important issue – the solutions for which will not only help many Ontarians in need but also protect the sustainability of our critical health and social services resources.

Sincerely,



Penny Sutcliffe, MD, MHSc, FRCPC  
Medical Officer of Health and Chief Executive Officer

cc: Honourable Michael Parsa, Minister of Children, Community and Social Services  
Honourable Peter Bthlenfalvy, Ministry of Finance  
Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
Honourable Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health  
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Jamie West, Member of Provincial Parliament, Sudbury  
Michael Mantha, Member of Provincial Parliament, Algoma-Manitoulin  
Dr. Kieran Moore, Chief Medical Officer of Health  
Jacqueline Edwards and Jennifer Babin-Fenske, Co-chairs, Greater Sudbury Food Policy Council  
Richard Lathwell, Local Food Manitoulin  
Colleen Hill, Executive Director, Manitoulin Family Resources  
All Ontario Boards of Health  
Association of Local Public Health Agencies

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**PROOF (2023). What are the implications of food insecurity for health and health care? Identifying Policy Options to Reduce Household Food Insecurity in Canada. Retrieved from: <https://proof.utoronto.ca/food-insecurity/what-are-the-implications-of-food-insecurity-for-health-andhealth-care/>**

**Tarasuk, V., Cheng, J., de Oliveira, C., Dachner, N., Gundersen, C., Kurdyak, P. (2015. Association between household food insecurity and annual healthcare costs. Canadian Medical Association Journal. 1 87 (14) E429-E436. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1503/cmaj.150234>**



## TOWNSHIP OF BRUDENELL, LYNDOCH AND RAGLAN

42 Burnt Bridge Road, PO Box 40  
Palmer Rapids, Ontario K0J 2E0  
TEL: (613) 758-2061 · FAX: (613) 758-2235

June 6, 2024

Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health  
Ministry of Health  
5<sup>th</sup> Floor – 777 Bay St.  
Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

Dear Minister,

**Re: Motion Regarding Public Health Labs.**

Please be advised that at their last Regular Meeting of Council on Wednesday June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024, the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan supported the following resolution:

Resolution # 2024-06-05-XX  
Moved By: Councillor XXX  
Seconded by: Councillor XXX

**“Be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby supports the resolution passed by Loyalist Township urging the provincial government to take caution against acting on the recommendations stated in the audit report.**

**And further that Council directs staff to provide a copy of this resolution to Minister of Health, Sylvia Jones; Honourable John Yakabuski, Member of Provincial Parliament for Renfrew Nipissing Pembroke; Honourable Cheryl Gallant, Member of Parliament for Renfrew Nipissing Pembroke; the Association of Ontario (AMO); and all Ontario Municipalities.”**

**CARRIED.**

Sincerely,

Tammy Thompson  
Deputy Clerk

April 24, 2024

Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health  
Ministry of Health  
5th Floor - 777 Bay St.  
Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

DELIVERED VIA EMAIL

Dear Minister,

**Re: Motion regarding Public Health Ontario Labs**

Please be advised that at its regular meeting of April 23, 2024, Loyalist Township Council passed the following resolution:

**Resolution 2024-94**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Townend  
Seconded by Councillor Willis

**WHEREAS** the mission of Public Health Ontario (PHO) is to "enable informed decisions and get actions that protect and promote health and contribute to reducing health inequities", there are grave concerns that the closure of six community-based PHO labs will increase health inequities, especially for rural communities; and

**WHEREAS** combined these labs collect and process thousands of water samples and time sensitive medical tests each day; and

**WHEREAS** there are grave concerns about the integrity of samples being compromised if travel time is increased by centralizing all tests to a few locations; and

**WHEREAS** these labs already process overflow tests and samples when labs such as Toronto and Ottawa cannot keep up to demand and many scaled up to meet demand during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS** frequent drinking water testing services is vital for Ontarians who draw their water from private drinking water systems (i.e. wells) and protecting groundwater quality and quantity is a shared responsibility.



**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** As stewards of care for the Safe Drinking Water Act, 2022, Council of Loyalist Township urges the provincial government to take caution against acting on the recommendations stated in the aforementioned audit report.

**AND FURTHER THAT** this motion be circulated to Honourable Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, Shelby Kramp-Neuman MP of Hastings-Lennox and Addington, Ric Bresee MPP of Hastings-Lennox and Addington and all municipalities, for their support.  
**Motion carried.**

Sincerely,

*Anne Kantharajah*

Anne Kantharajah  
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cc: Shelby Kramp-Neuman MP - Hastings-Lennox & Addington  
Ric Bresee, MPP Hastings - Lennox & Addington  
Jim Hegadorn, Mayor, Loyalist Township  
Rebecca Murphy, CAO, Loyalist Township  
Deputy Mayor Townend, Loyalist Township  
Councillor Willis, Loyalist Township  
Ontario Municipalities



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June 6, 2024

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Premier's Office  
Room 281, Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier Ford,

**Re: National Fire Fighting Strategy**

Please be advised that at their last Regular Meeting of Council on Wednesday June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024, the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan supported the following resolution:

Resolution # 2024-06-05-XX

Moved By: Councillor XXX

Seconded by: Councillor XXX

**"Be It resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby supports the resolution from the Council of the Municipality of Calvin regarding a review of the National Fire Fighting Strategy.**

**And further that Council directs staff to provide a copy of this resolution to The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada; the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable Bill Blair, Minister of National Defense; the Honourable Graydon Smith, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry of Ontario; the Honourable Vic Fideli, Minister of Economic Development Ontario; the Honourable John Yakabuski, Member of Provincial Parliament for Renfrew Nipissing Pembroke; the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FMC); the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); and all Ontario Municipalities."**

**CARRIED.**

Sincerely,

Tammy Thompson  
Deputy Clerk





## **Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin Council Resolution**

**Date:** January 30, 2024

**Resolution Number:** 2024-31

**Moved By:** Councillor Moreton

**Seconded By:** Councillor Manson

**Background:** Before Calvin township became a township, it was burned by numerous forest fires. This was before the time of fire towers, water bombers, and municipal fire departments. A 1881 report from Lawrence Tallan, Provincial Land surveyor, states: *"The township of Calvin has been traversed by repeated and severe fires – so well have the flames done their work that with the exception of an insignificant portion, scarcely a vestige of the original timber remains."*

History has a way of repeating itself, and now rural municipalities and remote areas need more than ever to be prepared to respond to forest fires. Invasive pests like the emerald ash borer and the spruce bud worm are killing large numbers of trees, leaving copious amounts of dry kindling in our forests just waiting for a careless human or a lightning strike. Our forests are choked with deadfall and forest fires are becoming increasingly difficult to control. Add to this the effects of rising temperatures and drier seasons, or climate change, and we could be facing increasingly disastrous forest fires. This is not the time to be caught short with limited forest fire-fighting resources.

Jordan Omstead of the Canadian Press recently wrote: *"But as Canada's water bombers age – and wildfire seasons are expected to intensify – some wildland*

firefighters and emergency preparedness experts say the country needs to prop up its fleet of firefighting aircraft, even though several provinces are playing down concerns about capacity." He quotes Eric Davidson, president of the Ontario Professional Association of Wildland Firefighters, "We're really starting to see the effect of the aging fleet."

The article further states the John Gradek, lecturer at McGill University estimates that almost half of the larger water bombers used to fight Canadian forest fires are nearing the end of their service life.

However, a Canadian company making a large skimmer-style water bomber is backed up with orders from European countries until the end of the decade.

Ontario has its own fleet of aircraft. They have 20 fixed-wing aircraft which includes 9 CL215 and CL415 water bombers that are 24 years old on average. The remaining 11 aircraft are an average of 54 years old. Melissa Candelaria, a spokesperson for Minister Graydon Smith says the MNR can handle Ontario fires with these aircraft, but Jennifer Kamau, communications manager for the Canada Interagency Forest Fire Centre, CIFFC, noted that other provinces contract out firebombers and last year there was a strain in Canada to get the resources to areas in need because there were so many fires across the country at the same time and very few aircraft available.

Peter Zimonjic of the CBC quoted the Canadian Association of Fire Chiefs (CAFC) President Ken McMullen, "It's not often that the fire chiefs sound the alarm. We are very concerned about this impending crisis that the summer of 2024 and beyond is going to bring our sector."

In 2023 we all smelled the smoke and saw the sky turn brown. Buildings can be replaced, but lives cannot. And once an area is burned it takes more than a lifetime for it to return to its original state.

**WHEREAS** Forest fires are a very real threat to rural municipalities.

**AND WHEREAS** smoke from forest fires put people's health at risk. This is especially true of children and the elderly. The David Suzuki Foundation reports that wildfires kill many thousands of people per year and most of the deaths are from smoke inhalation.

**AND WHEREAS** forest fires are a very real danger to the climate and according to The Guardian, in 2023 they emitted three times as much carbon as the entire carbon footprint of Canada.

**AND WHEREAS** according to the John Crace interview in The Guardian with William Kurz, a retired scientist with Natural Resources Canada, around two billion tonnes of carbon have been released into the atmosphere from forest fires in 2023.

**AND WHEREAS** carbon emissions from forest fires are not counted against Canada's Paris agreement commitments, according to Kurz, but they far exceeded all of the emissions tied to Canada's economy (670 mega tonnes, or 0.67 billion tonnes, according to Environment and Climate Change Canada).

**AND WHEREAS** that standing healthy forest serves as a carbon sink, drawing in carbon, but once destroyed by fire, even though second growth takes its place, it is much less effective for many decades.

**AND WHEREAS** the federal government owns no water bombers and assists the provinces through the CIFFC, Canadian Interagency Forest Fire Centre, a spokesperson with CIFFC says that last year there were too many requests and not enough inventory to meet the needs of the country.

**AND WHEREAS** as reported by De Havilland Canada who manufacture the Canadian made water bomber, they have contracts with European countries for the next 22 of its new DHC-515 planes, which will take until 2029 or 2030 to complete and there will be very little production available to replace the aging water bombers in Ontario and the rest of Canada.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the council of the Corporation of Calvin Township urges and encourages the Federal Government to commit additional funds for cost sharing of provincial firefighting and to consider the development of a national strategy of firefighting. Furthermore, we urge the federal government to consider the measures necessary for acquiring a national fleet of Canadian-made waterbombers, with home bases strategically located to best serve and respond to the needs of rural communities, and a national fire administration to better coordinate and manage efforts across the country. We also encourage the introduction of a program similar to the Joint Emergency Preparedness Program (JEPP) which was ended in 2013.

And we encourage Minister Graydon Smith to step up the on-the-ground firefighting capability and water bomber acquisitions in Ontario.

**AND THAT** this resolution be forwarded to The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada, The Honourable Bill Blair, Minister of National Defence, The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, The Honourable Graydon Smith, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry of Ontario, The Honourable Vic Fidell, Minister of Economic Development Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and the Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO).

**AND THAT** this resolution be shared with all 444 municipalities in Ontario for their consideration and adoption.

**Results: Carried**

**Recorded Vote:**

<u>Member of Council</u>	<u>In Favour</u>	<u>Opposed</u>
Mayor Gould	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Moreton	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Latimer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Grant	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Manson	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



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

*DELIVERED VIA EMAIL*

February 26, 2024

**RE: National Fire Fighting Strategy**

Dear Premier Ford,

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting of February 26, 2024, the Township of Limerick Council passed the following motion, supporting the resolution from the Council of the Municipality of Calvin regarding a review of the National Fire Fighting Strategy.

**Motion 024-2024**

**Moved by Councillor Jan MacKillican**

**Seconded by Councillor Glenn Locke**

**That Council direct staff to issue a letter of support for the National Fire Fighting Strategy.**

**Carried**

If you have any questions regarding the above motion, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email at [clerk@township.limerick.on.ca](mailto:clerk@township.limerick.on.ca).

Best Regards,

Victoria Tisdale  
Clerk-Treasurer  
Township of Limerick

cc.

Ric Bresee – MPP, Hastings-Lennox and Addington  
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**TOWNSHIP OF KILLALOE, HAGARTY AND RICHARDS**

**Date: March 19, 2024**

**Resolution No.:** 05

Moved by 


Seconded by 

THAT Council for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards hereby supports the resolution from the Township of Limerick supporting the resolution from the Council of the Municipality of Calvin regarding a review of the National Fire Fighting Strategy.

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada, The Honourable Bill Blair, Minister of National Defence, The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, The Honourable Graydon Smith, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry of Ontario, The Honourable Vic Fidell, Minister of Economic Development Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), the Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO) and all 444 Municipalities in Ontario.

Carried:

Not Carried:           

Certified a true copy  
  
Tammy Gorgeral, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer  
Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards



# INFORMATION REPORT TO COUNCIL

<b>Report Date:</b>	May 29, 2024
<b>Date of Council Meeting:</b>	June 5, 2024
<b>Prepared By:</b>	Kim Aide
<b>Approved By:</b>	Virginia Phanehour
<b>Agenda Item:</b>	New Business
<b>Attachment(s):</b>	BLR 2024 Canada Day Poster

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## **Reason for this Report**

To ask Council to support the Canada Day celebrations by donating \$100.00 for the purchase of the bubbles to be handed out to the children on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024.

## **Recommendation**

THAT we the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell Lyndoch and Raglan hereby approve the donation of \$100.00 to the BLR Recreation Committee for the purchase of bubbles for the children on Canada Day July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024.

## **Information**

The BLR Recreation Committee has been working hard on events for the Community, they have been successful thus far and would appreciate a donation from council for the children on Canada Day.

**Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch & Raglan**

**2024 Canada Day**

**Celebrations**

**July 1st**

**At the BLR Community Centre  
in Palmer Rapids**

**3 pm—4 pm : Canada Day Cake AND Mini Kids Parade**

**4 pm—5 pm : Games on the Green & Face Tattoos!**

**5 pm—6 pm : Get some Bubbles and Freezies while you check  
out the BIG Trucks and Equipment!**

**5 pm—7 pm : BLR Fire Department hosting FREE Poutine!  
& BLR Recreation Committee hosting FREE Hot Dogs!**

**FIREWORKS AT DUSK**

**MANY THANKS TO:**

**Yuill's Valu-Mart for donating the Canada Day Cake!  
AND Barry's Bay Metro for donating the Freezies**



**\*Event dependent upon weather and fire ban status\***





ACTUAL vs. BUDGET YTD

YEAR

2024

G/L Code	Account Title	Actual	Budget	Remaining \$	Remaining %
5002	Administration	\$251,832.58	\$537,730.00	\$285,897.42	53.17%
5003	Fire Department	\$99,254.90	\$236,745.00	\$137,490.10	58.08%
5004	Building Department	\$37,915.88	\$92,000.00	\$54,084.12	58.79%
5005	Livestock Valuers	\$1,373.40	\$1,000.00	(\$373.40)	-37.34%
5006	Policing Services	\$80,000.00	\$322,289.00	\$242,289.00	75.18%
5007	911 Service	\$1,737.74	\$2,000.00	\$262.26	13.11%
5008	Transportation Services	\$550,276.08	\$1,818,780.00	\$1,268,503.92	69.74%
5009	Streetlights	\$1,766.26	\$4,500.00	\$2,733.74	60.75%
5010	Environmental Services	\$338,012.57	\$521,850.00	\$183,837.43	35.23%
5015	Recreation & Four Season Park	\$69,031.41	\$243,583.00	\$174,551.59	71.66%
5020	Library Services	\$0.00	\$6,757.00	\$6,757.00	100.00%
5022	Planning & Development	\$935.00	\$3,000.00	\$2,065.00	68.83%
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$1,432,135.82</b>	<b>\$3,790,234.00</b>	<b>\$2,358,098.18</b>	<b>62.22%</b>

# MONTHLY EXPENSES SUMMARY



**Account Title**

911 Services	Administration	Building Department	Environmental Services	Fire Department	Library Services	Livestock Valuers
Planning & Development	Policing Services	Recreation & Four Season Park	Streetlights	Transportation Services		

G/L Code	Account Title	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total	
5002	Administration	\$52,492.15	\$53,194.81	\$25,287.46	\$33,613.05	\$87,245.11								\$251,832.58	✓
5003	Fire Department	\$46,416.99	\$13,602.65	\$8,022.24	\$25,789.34	\$5,423.68								\$99,254.90	✓
5004	Building Department	\$6,193.24	\$6,898.49	\$7,042.71	\$7,205.36	\$10,576.08								\$37,915.88	✓
5005	Livestock Valuers				\$1,326.70	\$46.70								\$1,373.40	✓
5006	Policing Services		(\$243.00)	\$26,529.00	\$26,857.00	\$26,857.00								\$80,000.00	✓
5007	911 Services	\$1,129.74			\$456.00	\$152.00								\$1,737.74	✓
5008	Transportation Services	\$136,401.72	\$132,322.34	\$91,129.47	\$82,314.14	\$108,108.41								\$550,276.08	✓
5009	Streetlights	\$327.67	\$198.89	\$170.95	\$889.52	\$179.23								\$1,766.26	✓
5010	Environmental Services	\$276,340.76	\$16,128.65	\$10,513.17	\$18,346.30	\$16,683.69								\$338,012.57	✓
5015	Recreation & Four Season Park	\$29,231.22	\$13,556.86	\$8,984.35	\$5,166.82	\$12,092.16								\$69,031.41	✓
5020	Library Services													\$0.00	
5022	Planning & Development	\$935.00												\$935.00	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$549,468.49</b>	<b>\$235,659.69</b>	<b>\$177,679.35</b>	<b>\$201,964.23</b>	<b>\$267,364.06</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$1,432,135.82</b>	

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF  
BRUDENELL, LYNDOKH AND RAGLAN**

**BY-LAW NO. 2024-22**

Being a by-law to establish the 2024 Tax Rates for The  
Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan shall in each year prepare and adopt estimates of the sums it requires during the year for the purposes of the municipal corporation pursuant to Section 289 of the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, Chapter 25, as amended; and

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan on April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024 adopted By-Law Number 2024-13, being a By-Law to adopt the estimates for the sums required during the year 2024 for general and capital purposes for the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan; and

WHEREAS Council adopted the sum of One Million Four Hundred and Seventy One Thousand Two Hundred and Seventy Two Dollars (\$1,471,272.00) as the estimate of the property tax levy required during the year 2024 for general and capital purposes for the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan; and

WHEREAS the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, Chapter 25, Section 312, provides that the local municipality shall pass a by-law levying a separate tax rate on the assessment in each property class; and

WHEREAS the tax ratios on the aforementioned property for the 2024 taxation year have been set out by By-Law by the Corporation of the County of Renfrew for County and lower-tier purposes; and

WHEREAS the sub-class tax rate reductions on prescribed subclasses on the aforementioned property for the 2024 taxation year have been set out by By-Law by the Corporation of the County of Renfrew for County and lower-tier purposes; and

WHEREAS the tax rates on the aforementioned property classes and property subclasses have been calculated pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Act and the manner set out herein;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby enacts as follows:

1. THAT the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby adopts the 2024 Tax Rates for the municipality, as outlined in Schedule "A" attached hereto.
2. THAT every owner shall be taxed according to the tax rates in the by-law and such tax shall become due and payable in two (2) installments being August 30, 2024 and November 29, 2024.
3. THAT a penalty shall be imposed for non-payment of taxes on the due date of any installment in the amount of 1.25% of the amount due and unpaid on the first day of each calendar month thereafter in which default continues.

4. THAT the Treasurer is hereby authorized to mail or the same to be mailed to the residence or place of business of such person indicated on the last revised assessment roll, a written or printed notice specifying the amount of taxes payable.
5. THAT taxes are payable to Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan Township.
6. THAT the Treasurer is hereby empowered to accept part payment from time to time on account of any taxes due.
7. THAT this by-law shall come into force and take effect immediately upon the passing thereof.

Read and adopted by Resolution 2024-06-05-XX this 5<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024.

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Mayor, **Valerie Jahn**

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Clerk-Treasurer, **Virginia Phanenhour**

**Schedule "A"**  
**To Bylaw NO. 2024-22**

<u>Property Class</u>	Own Purpose Tax Rates	County Tax Rates	Education Tax Rates
Residential/Farm	0.00610289	0.00412365	0.00153000
Commercial	0.01107491	0.00748319	0.00880000
Commercial (Vacant Unit)	0.01107491	0.00748319	0.00880000
Commercial (Vacant Land)	0.01107491	0.00748319	0.00880000
Commercial (New Const.)	0.01107491	0.00748319	0.00880000
Commercial (New Const. – E/V)	0.01107491	0.00748319	0.00880000
Industrial	0.01505524	0.01017266	0.00880000
Industrial (Vacant Unit)	0.01505524	0.01017266	0.00880000
Industrial (Vacant Land)	0.01505524	0.01017266	0.00880000
Farmlands	0.00152572	0.00103091	0.00038250
Managed Forests	0.00152572	0.00103091	0.00038250
Multi-Residential	0.01186158	0.00801473	0.00153000
New Multi-Residential	0.00610289	0.00412365	0.00153000
Landfill	0.00725674	0.00490330	0.00880000

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP  
OF BRUDENELL, LYNDOKH AND RAGLAN**

**BYLAW NO. 2024-23**

Being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of  
the Council of the Corporation of the Township  
of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan at its  
Regular Council Meeting of June 5, 2024.

**WHEREAS** Section 5(3) of the Municipal Act, 2001, Chapter 25 provides that, except where otherwise provided, the powers of the Council shall be exercised by bylaw;

**AND WHEREAS** it is deemed expedient and desirable that the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan at this meeting be confirmed and adopted by by-law.

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan hereby enacts as follows:

1. THAT the actions of the Council at its Regular Council Meeting of June 5, 2024, in respect of each motion, resolution and other action passed and taken by the Council at its said meeting, is, except where the prior approval of the Ontario Municipal Board or other body is required, hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed as if all such proceedings were expressly embodied in this bylaw.
2. THAT the Head of Council and proper officers of the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the said action or to obtain appropriate approvals where required, except where otherwise provided, and to affix the Corporate Seal of the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan to all such documents.
3. This bylaw takes effect on the day of its final passing.

Read and adopted by Resolution 2024-06-05-XX this 5<sup>th</sup> Day of June, 2024.

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**Mayor, Valerie Jahn**

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**Clerk-Treasurer, Virginia Phanenhour**