

## INFORMATION LIST #07-20

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## Municipality of West Grey

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### Re: Anti-racism resolution

Please be advised the council of the Municipality of West Grey at its regular meeting held on July 7, 2020 passed the following resolution:

Whereas West Grey council condemns the unjust treatment, oppression, and racism against those who identify as black, indigenous, and people of colour; and

Whereas council acknowledges that systemic racism exists and persists in every community and institution in Canada, including West Grey, creating social and economic disparities from education, to healthcare, to housing, to employment, and justice; and

Whereas council supports the Bruce Grey Poverty Task Force belief that everyone deserves to live free of systematic oppression or racialized violence; and

Whereas the report by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada contains 'Calls to Action' several of which are actionable by local governments including Call 57: "We call upon federal, provincial, territorial, and municipal governments to provide education to public servants on the history of Aboriginal peoples, including the history and legacy of residential schools, the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, Treaties and Aboriginal rights, Indigenous law, and Aboriginal-Crown relations. This will require skills-based training in intercultural competency, conflict resolution, human rights, and anti-racism"; and

Whereas council is committed to anti-racism as demonstrated in the foundation of our 2020 Vision Plan whereby we set goals to listen to our community, value diverse voices, and build partnerships;



Therefore be it resolved that the Municipality of West Grey will actively work towards anti-racism and anti-oppression at every opportunity beginning with annual training for council, committee members, and employees for anti-racism, anti-oppression, diversity and inclusion, and the history of Aboriginal peoples; and

Further that this resolution be circulated to media, lower tier municipalities in Grey and Bruce; Grey County; Bruce County; West Grey Public Library, West Grey Police Service, Grey Bruce Public Health Unit; Bluewater District School Board; and Bruce Grey Catholic District School Board.

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Lindsey Glazier

Administrative Assistant, Clerk's Office

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Ontario Municipalities

West Grey Public Library

West Grey Police Service

Grey Bruce Public Health Unit

Bluewater District School Board

Bruce Grey Catholic District School Board



# MEDIA RELEASE

August 7, 2020

## NEW BOARD CHAIRS SHARE ALIGNED GOALS

Carol Anne Esnard and Dave Perley both believe in giving back to their local communities. As the new Board Chairs of the Carleton Place & District Memorial Hospital (CPDMH) and Almonte General Hospital (AGH) respectively, they plan to work together to ensure their communities have the very best care close to home.

"I love living in Beckwith and I want to be involved," explains Carol Anne. "Being on the CPDMH Board has been an incredible experience and I've learned so much about health care and my community." Carol Anne retired in 2015. Most recently, she was the Chief Administrative Officer at Genome Canada. Carol Anne has held a number of executive positions over her career, mostly in the not-for-profit sector.

Dave Perley shares Carol Anne's love of the local community: "I was relatively new to the area when I joined the AGH Board and I wanted to expand my network, meet some new people and make a difference. I sure haven't been disappointed." Dave is a retired Hewlett Packard executive with over 30 years in the high-tech industry. He is a frequent lecturer at Algonquin College in the areas of business, marketing, and leadership skills. Throughout his career, he has also volunteered with not-for-profit associations.

Both Carol Anne and Dave say their goals are aligned, focused on improving care through the further advancement of the Mississippi River Health Alliance and a joint clinical service plan for the two hospitals. "Aligning strategic plans and integrating select services is leading to greater efficiencies and innovations in our delivery of care. We are excited to see what the future holds as this collaboration evolves," says Carol Anne. "We want to build on the great work that has been done already and ensure we are aligned at the Board level too," adds Dave. "1 + 1 definitely equals 3."

Each hospital is also planning a major infrastructure project in the coming years with the new Emergency Department in Carleton Place and expanded Diagnostic Imaging services in Almonte, including an application for a new CT Scanner. "We are all looking forward to completing the Emergency Department planning process and getting the shovel in the ground," says Carol Anne. "Approval of the CT Scan application will be a major achievement for health care in our area," notes Dave.

President and CEO Mary Wilson Trider says she is proud to be working alongside both Boards of Directors: “Our local communities are very supportive, and these committed volunteers bring diverse skills, expertise, and community knowledge. Congratulations to Carol Anne and Dave on their new roles.”

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Carol-Anne Esnard



Dave Perley

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August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Dear Municipal Stakeholder,

I am pleased to announce that as of **September 1, 2020** the province will be introducing a new regulatory framework which sets out evidentiary rules to govern school bus stop arm camera programs. Municipalities who choose to implement school bus stop arm camera programs will be able to use evidence from camera systems in court without requiring a witness to introduce that evidence. The regulation can be found at the following hyperlink: [Ontario Regulation 424/20: School Bus Cameras](#).

The rules under the *Provincial Offences Act* for school bus stop arm camera programs will mirror those currently in place for automated speed enforcement and red-light camera programs.

In support of municipalities interested in setting up school bus stop arm camera programs in their regions, the ministry has developed the attached guidance document. This document provides relevant information to assist municipalities in developing school bus stop-arm camera programs. The Ministry also encourages participating municipalities to engage in public outreach and education when enacting school bus stop-arm camera programs to maximize safety benefits.

The Ministry asks that you please bring this notice and attached guidance material to the attention of municipal staff responsible for traffic safety. If there are any questions regarding these amendments, please do not hesitate to contact the Acting Manager at the Safety Program Development Office Erik Thomsen at (647)-638-5210 or [erik.thomsen@ontario.ca](mailto:erik.thomsen@ontario.ca).

Thank you for your assistance in communicating this change and for your ongoing efforts to help improve the safety of students travelling on school buses.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Angela Litrenta".

Angela Litrenta  
A/Director  
Safety Program Development Branch  
Ministry of Transportation

Attachment – Municipal Guidance Materials

## School Bus Stop Arm Camera Programs

Municipalities are responsible for all aspects of school bus stop arm camera program administration and are subject to all relevant rules and procedures included in the *Highway Traffic Act* (HTA), *Provincial Offences Act* (POA) and associated regulations. Additionally, municipalities are responsible for complying with all privacy and data retention rules outlined in the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

The Ministry of Transportation (MTO) has drafted these guidelines to support municipalities in developing safety-oriented school bus stop arm camera programs in their communities by providing information on relevant legislative requirement, processes and responsibilities.

Municipalities are responsible for ensuring that school bus stop arm camera programs are implemented transparently and for the express purpose of promoting road safety, while maintaining public trust.

### Ontario’s School Bus Stop Arm Camera Regulatory Framework

Effective September 1, 2020, the school bus stopping law has been expanded so that the extension of the school bus stop arm becomes an element of the offence. This change makes it illegal for drivers to pass a stopped school bus that has a stop arm extended, regardless of whether the bus’s overhead red lights are activated. This change makes it easier for provincial offences officers to make certified statements about the camera and for Crown prosecutors to demonstrate that an offence has occurred using camera technology. The prosecution of school bus camera offences will no longer require the introduction of evidence by a supporting witness.

With this new program, municipalities will continue to have the choice as to whether they would like to set up a school bus stop arm camera program in their municipality. Some examples of other evidentiary requirements include:

- ▶ State that the system used to take the photograph was an automated school bus stop arm camera system as per the regulation;
- ▶ Set out the manufacturer's name and the model number of the automated school bus stop arm camera system used to take the photograph; and
- ▶ State the name of the municipality in which the school bus was located when the photograph was taken.

For a full list of evidentiary requirements, please consult the HTA and its relevant school bus stop arm camera regulations, along with the Part 1 *Provincial Offences Act* forms.

### General Operating Considerations

Municipalities should comply with existing privacy rules in the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* for storing and transferring sensitive information. MTO recommends that municipalities undertake a privacy assessment before launching a school bus stop arm camera program.

The camera technology chosen will need to be able to capture all elements of the offence – such as the stop arm being actuated while the bus is passed by a motor vehicle that has a clearly visible number plate, etc. – and comply with all requirements set out in the future school bus stop arm camera regulation. Video at a minimum of 10fps, or an equivalent for a series of photographs that are taken in very quick succession, is a requirement. Please consult the HTA and its relevant school bus stop arm camera regulations, along with the Part 1 *Provincial Offences Act* forms, prior to setting up your school bus stop arm camera program.

Sections 175 (19) and 175 (20) of the HTA set out the penalties for the owner-based offences for passing/overtaking a school bus. Under a school bus stop arm camera program, the penalties for these owner liability offences remain unchanged. The set fine for these offence(s) is \$400 with a maximum penalty of \$2,000.

Also, being that these are owner-based offences, demerit points and licence suspensions are not imposed upon conviction. Those drivers convicted of a school bus passing offence may be subject to licence plate denial if they default on the fines.

Signage will be uniform across the province, signage requirements will be outlined as part of the plate registrant data access agreement.

Privacy

Procurement

Penalties

Signage

School Bus Stop Arm Camera Programs (continued)

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| Public Education                              | <p>Research demonstrates that public awareness of automated enforcement programs like school bus stop arm cameras, automated speed enforcement cameras, and red-light cameras, is an important element in their success. Municipalities should consider developing a communication/public education plan to inform the public about their school bus stop arm camera programs.</p> <p>Communications and public education activities, which might take the form of websites, question and answer resources, social marketing and social media campaigns, should be sustained in advance of the program’s launch and during its operation.</p>  |
| Evidence Processing                           | <p>Under POA section 3(2), only a designated provincial offences officer may issue an offence notice.</p> <p>Consistent with the province’s existing red light camera program and automated speed enforcement program, provincial offences officers will be responsible for reviewing evidence collected by school bus cameras, certifying this evidence and issuing an offence notice by mail, based on vehicle owner address data supplied by the Ministry.</p> <p>Provincial offences officers are responsible for a range of activities as part of charging and prosecution processes, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ Reviewing evidence (video or photographic) and forming a belief that an offence was committed;</li><li>▶ Certifying the accuracy of that evidence;</li><li>▶ Making a request to MTO for plate registrant information to determine vehicle owner address information;</li><li>▶ Issuing and mailing POA offence notices with a set of images/video of the offence occurring;</li><li>▶ In cases where the charge is disputed, the provincial offences officer will request MTO provide a certified copy of the plate holder information as evidence.</li></ul> |
| Access to Plate Registrant Data               | <p>Participating municipalities will be required to enter into a data access agreement with MTO for the purposes of accessing licence plate registrant information. Access to the data for this purpose is restricted to persons who have been designated as a provincial offences officer by the ministry.</p> <p>This data access agreement will set out the terms, conditions and audit requirements which municipalities must adhere to, including confidentiality clauses that restrict disclosure of licence plate registrant data to only authorized users. For specific questions about the agreement with the ministry, please contact <a href="mailto:Luc.Spina@ontario.ca">Luc.Spina@ontario.ca</a>.</p>  |
| Hiring Municipal Provincial Offences Officers | <p>Subsection 1(3) of the POA provides the authority for the appointment of provincial offences officers. MTO will coordinate with municipalities so that the required documentation required to designate these officers can be prepared and approved.</p> <p>The Ministry of the Solicitor General (SOLGEN) sets Ontario’s policy with respect to who can be appointed as a provincial offences officer under the POA. Under this policy only municipal employees and police officers can receive designation and thus lay charges under automated enforcement programs.</p> <p>Prior to issuing offence notices municipalities should ensure the POA officer is sufficiently trained so that they can make all the certified statements necessary for the certificate of offence.</p>   |
| Joint and Independent Evidence Processing     | <p>The Ministry recognizes that some municipalities may choose to set up their own school bus stop arm camera programs with independent evidence processing, while others may choose to adopt a joint processing approach, similar to the automated speed enforcement and red light camera programs. MTO’s framework does not restrict municipalities in joint or independent evidence processing.</p> <p>Municipalities that issue school bus camera offences must request a series of ticket numbers. Ticket numbers will be issued by the POA Unit, Ministry of the Attorney General and should be included as part of the charging document that is filed with their local Provincial Offences court.</p>  |





## **Special Council August 10, 2020**

**Moved by:** Councillor Ray Young

**Seconded by:** Councillor Gauri Shankar

That the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Prescott endorse the City of Sault Ste. Marie's resolution regarding the closure of the Canada/US border and puts forward the following:

WHEREAS due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Canada and the United States agreed to close their shared border on March 21, 2020 and that closure, with exceptions, has been extended to August 21, 2020; and

WHEREAS Canada has managed to slow the spread of COVID-19 across the country including our own community of Leeds and Grenville; and

WHEREAS the United States has not slowed the spread of COVID-19 and cases continue to grow in the United States at a much more significant rate than Canada; and

WHEREAS Canadians across the country including here in the Town of Prescott have made and continue to make many sacrifices to slow the spread of COVID-19 and minimize the risk to each other and our larger community; and

WHEREAS Mayor Todd has been working with his border municipal mayoral colleagues across Eastern Ontario to advocate for and support the continued closure of the Canada/United States border with the current terms and conditions.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this resolution shall serve to support the Federal Government's decision to close the Canada/US border and to request that the Federal Government maintain its current position until the risk of COVID-19 travelling into Canada from the United States is minimized and there is objective data that indicates the growth and spread of the COVID-19 virus across the United States has slowed dramatically and is at a minimum consistent with the growth and spread of the virus in Canada; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that this resolution shall serve to support the work that local border mayors have done on this issue and encourages that work to continue until Council directs otherwise; and



FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to The Right Honourable Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, MP Michael Barrett, The Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, and all municipalities in Eastern Ontario

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|                       |          | <b>REQUESTED BY:</b>      |            |           |
|                       |          | <b>RECORDED VOTE</b>      | <b>YES</b> | <b>NO</b> |
|                       |          | Councillor Leanne Burton  |            |           |
|                       |          | Councillor Teresa Jansman |            |           |
|                       |          | Councillor Lee McConnell  |            |           |
| <b>CARRIED:</b>       | <b>X</b> | Councillor Mike Ostrander |            |           |
| <b>TABLED:</b>        |          | Councillor Gauri Shankar  |            |           |
| <b>DEFEATED:</b>      |          | Mayor Brett Todd          |            |           |
| <b>RECORDED VOTE:</b> |          | Councillor Ray Young      |            |           |

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| <b>BRETT TODD, MAYOR</b> | <b>KIMBERLEY CASSELMAN, CLERK</b> |
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## MEDIA RELEASE

August 12, 2020

### NEW CHIEF OF STAFF SAYS ALMONTE IS A PERFECT FIT

Dr. Graeme McKillop contemplated becoming a doctor while living in West Africa in a small house with no electricity or running water. He had already completed a Master's degree in Agronomy, but decided that the crop science research he was doing might not be enough. "I'd been thinking about it for a while on the back burner," he says. "It was a good change for me. I think I'm much better suited for medicine."

Dr. McKillop came back to Canada and completed his medical training in Calgary and Toronto, eventually landing in Almonte. "I stumbled onto Almonte and it was a perfect fit," he says. "It is a great town full of interesting people who were very welcoming to me."

Almost 20 years later, Dr. McKillop is taking the helm as Chief of Staff at Almonte General Hospital and Medical Director at Fairview Manor. He is also a family physician at the Ottawa Valley Family Team, with additional training in palliative care, dermatology, and tropical medicine.

"It's been a fantastic evolution during my time here," notes Dr. McKillop. "There have been a lot of changes in how we deliver care and how doctors work together to provide cross-coverage." He cites the family medicine obstetrics program as one example: "There are now four family physicians delivering babies and providing pre- and post-natal care. "That's rare for a small hospital and it's something we want to promote."

Dr. McKillop says he has also seen changes since he last served as Chief of Staff from 2006 to 2008: "Now, we also have increased integration with our colleagues at Carleton Place Hospital. The result is better utilization of services, including the surgical program. COVID-19 has really accelerated this and there's even more we can do."

Special thanks to outgoing Chief of Staff Dr. Christiane Deschenes who brought wisdom, common sense, and a sense of humour to the role. She is retiring after 40 years of caring for patients.



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August 12, 2020

Mayor Christa Lowry  
Municipality of Mississippi Mills  
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Dear Mayor Lowry:

On July 27, 2020, as part of the federal-provincial Safe Restart Agreement, the Ontario government announced that it had secured up to \$4 billion in emergency assistance to provide Ontario's 444 municipalities with the support they need to respond to COVID-19. I am writing to you today to provide further details on this funding investment.

Municipalities play a key role in delivering critical services that Ontarians rely on and are at the frontlines of a safe reopening of the economy. This investment will provide support to municipalities and public transit operators to help them address financial pressures related to COVID-19, maintain critical services and protect vulnerable people as the province safely and gradually opens. It includes:

- Up to \$2 billion to support municipal operating pressures, and
- Up to \$2 billion to support municipal transit systems.

The Honourable Caroline Mulroney, Minister of Transportation, will provide more information on the transit stream of this funding.

I would also like to acknowledge the Federal government in their role in this historic agreement. As Premier Ford has indicated, "by working together, we have united the country in the face of the immense challenges brought on by COVID-19 and secured a historic deal with the federal government to ensure a strong recovery for Ontario and for Canada".

Under the municipal operating stream, \$1.39 billion will be available to Ontario's municipalities to address operating pressures and local needs. This funding will be allocated in two phases: 50% allocated in Phase 1 for all municipalities, and 50% allocated in Phase 2 for municipalities that require additional funding.

The Safe Restart Agreement also includes a second phase of Social Services Relief Funding (SSRF) totalling \$362 million. This is in addition to significant investments made earlier to the SSRF and in support of public health. Details will be outlined in a letter to Service Managers in the coming days.

#### Municipal Operating Funding Phase 1: Immediate Funding for Municipal Pressures

Phase 1 of this funding will be allocated on a per household basis and I am pleased to share that the **Municipality of Mississippi Mills will receive a payment of \$361,000** to support your COVID-19 operating costs and pressures.

Please note that your municipality is accountable for using this funding for the purpose of addressing your priority COVID-19 operating costs and pressures. If the amount of the funding exceeds your municipality's 2020 COVID-19 operating costs and pressures, the province's expectation is that your municipality will place the excess funding into reserves to be accessed to support COVID-19 operating costs and pressures that you may continue to incur in 2021. Your municipality will be expected to report back to the province in March 2021 with details on your 2020 COVID-19 operating costs and pressures, your overall 2020 financial position, and the use of the provincial funds in a template to be provided by the ministry. More details on this reporting will be shared in the coming weeks.

**In the meantime, I am requesting that your municipal treasurer sign the acknowledgement below and return the signed copy to the ministry by email by September 11, 2020 to [Municipal.Programs@ontario.ca](mailto:Municipal.Programs@ontario.ca).** Please note that we must receive this acknowledgement before making a payment to your municipality. We intend to make payments to municipalities in September, subject to finalizing details.

#### Phase 2: Funding for Additional Municipal Pressures

I anticipate that the funding our government is providing through Phase 1 of the municipal operating stream will be sufficient to address COVID-19 costs and pressures for most municipalities. However, we recognize that some municipalities have experienced greater financial impacts arising from COVID-19 than others. As a result, we are offering a second phase of funding to those municipalities that can demonstrate that 2020 COVID-19 operating costs and pressures exceed their Phase 1 per household allocation.

To be considered for this Phase 2 funding, municipalities will be required to submit reports outlining their COVID-19 operating costs and pressures in a template to be provided by the ministry. **These reports will be due by October 30, 2020.**

Municipalities that require additional time to submit their report are asked to reach out to their Municipal Services Office contact by October 30, 2020 to request an extension to November 6, 2020. **Please note that the ministry is unable to consider municipal requests for Phase 2 funding if the municipality has not submitted its report by November 6, 2020.**

A template for this municipal report and request for consideration for Phase 2 funding will be provided shortly and will require:

1. Information about measures the municipality has undertaken to reduce financial pressures (e.g. use of reserves, cost saving measures);
2. Explanation of how the municipality applied or plans to spend Phase 1 funding towards COVID-19 operating costs and pressures;
3. A year-end forecast of COVID-19 operating costs and pressures;
4. Actual COVID-related impacts as of the end of Q3 of the municipal fiscal year (September 30, 2020);
5. Treasurer's statement as to accuracy of reporting;
6. Resolution of Council seeking additional funding.

Municipalities who are eligible and approved to receive funding under Phase 2 will be informed before the end of the calendar year and can expect to receive a payment in early 2021.

Our government will continue to be a champion for communities as we chart a path to a strong economic recovery. We thank all 444 Ontario municipal heads of council for their support through our negotiations with the federal government. Working together, we will ensure Ontario gets back on track.

Sincerely,



Steve Clark  
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

c. Municipal Treasurer and Municipal CAO

By signing below, I acknowledge that the per household allocation of \$361,000 is provided to the Municipality of Mississippi Mills for the purpose of assisting with COVID-19 costs and pressures and that the province expects any funds not required for this purpose in 2020 will be put into reserves to support potential COVID-19 costs and pressures in 2021. I further acknowledge that the Municipality of Mississippi Mills is expected to report back to the province on 2020 COVID-19 costs and pressures and the use of this funding.

Name:

Title:

Signature:

Date:





# SMITHS FALLS

RISE AT THE FALLS

Wednesday August 12, 2020

**Re: COVID 19 Pandemic – Public Health Guidelines**

At their meeting on Monday August 10, 2020, Council of the Corporation of the Town of Smiths Falls passed the following resolution respecting the Public Health Guidelines during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Moved by: Councillor W Alford  
Seconded by: Councillor L Allen  
2020-08-171

*WHEREAS, Council of the Corporation of the Town of Smiths Falls recognizes that adhering to public health guidelines is critical to containing and defeating community transmission of the COVID-19 virus in our region, and*

*WHEREAS circulating and promoting information indicating otherwise is irresponsible and could endanger the health and wellbeing of the people of Smiths Falls, and*

*WHEREAS the Town of Smiths Falls supports Dr. Paula Stewart, Medical Officer of Health and the staff of the Leeds, Grenville and Lanark District Health Unit in their continuous efforts since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, and condemns any false narratives and actions designed to destroy confidence in the medical community, resulting in an increase in the risk of exposure, spread, and potentially devastating impacts of COVID-19; and*

*WHEREAS the Town of Smiths Falls thanks our dedicated Health Unit staff for their crucial and tireless efforts in keeping our communities safe, healthy, and educated.*

*NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Mayor Shawn Pankow and the members of Council encourage all residents to continue to work together and adhere to public health guidelines, including the wearing of face coverings, adhering to proper physical distancing and thorough hand hygiene throughout the current COVID-19 Recovery Phase and beyond, for their own safety and well-being and to minimize the risk of the virus spreading in our communities.*



*AND FURTHER THAT, a copy of this resolution be distributed to all municipalities within the provincial riding of Lanark Frontenac Kingston for endorsement, and further, that a copy be sent to the Lanark Leeds Grenville District Health Unit board and our local MPP.*

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact Mayor Shawn Pankow or the undersigned.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Nadine Bennett". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Nadine Bennett  
Deputy Clerk

Dear Municipality of Mississippi Mills  
Municipal Council Members,

These are difficult times for many Ontarians. Job disruption, dislocation, and uncertainty have many anxious about their future. Education and training is one of the keys to successfully adjusting to the post-COVID-19 world.

As part of its contribution to the economic recovery efforts of your municipality and of the province, I would very much like to connect with you to discuss specific initiatives Contact North | Contact Nord is undertaking to help your residents get the education and training to get a job without having to leave the community.

As your local Contact North | Contact Nord Online Learning Recruitment Officer, my team and I are continually connecting with your residents to offer our range of local services:

- Provide information about available online programs and courses from Ontario's colleges, universities, literacy and basic skills and training providers.
- Assist with registration for their online program or course of choice and financial aid options.
- Arrange for free use of our web conferencing platform to connect to and participate in their online programs and courses from their own computer or tablet.
- Welcome them at our local online learning centre to use computer workstations and high-speed Internet access to complete their online courses (available once our local centre reopens).
- Arrange for supervision of their written and online exams and tests (available once our local centre reopens).

While our local online learning centres are temporarily closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we continue to provide virtual support to residents in your community by phone, e-mail, text message, Zoom or Facebook Messenger.

This is all part of the mandate of Contact North | Contact Nord as a community-based organization helping underserved Ontarians in 600 small, rural, remote, Indigenous and Francophone communities get jobs by making it possible for them to access education and training without leaving their communities. We are in our 34th year of operation, with

116 online learning centres in communities across Ontario funded by the Ontario Ministry of Colleges and Universities. We respond to more than 1 million requests for services a year.

I very much look forward to connecting with you next week to get suggestions and advice you may have about how I can further support residents in your community get the education and training they need to get a job.

If I can provide further information immediately, please do not hesitate to call me at 1-855-899-4788 or e-mail me at [madoc@contactnorth.ca](mailto:madoc@contactnorth.ca).

Kind regards,

Petra Blain  
Online Learning Recruitment Officer  
Contact North | Contact Nord



## **CITY of STRATFORD**

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**WHEREAS** small, local businesses are the heart of our community, main streets and create the majority of new jobs;

**AND WHEREAS** small, local businesses have been significantly affected by the COVID-19 pandemic and are in need of support from the community (as they have always been there to support us);

**AND WHEREAS** we wish to encourage all to experience, support, visit and celebrate all that is local within the City of Stratford;

**AND WHEREAS** the Chambers of Commerce, Boards of Trade, BIAs and iconic Canadian brands from coast to coast to coast have come together to start the "Canada United Movement" to show local businesses support during these unprecedented times;

**NOW THEREFORE** I, Mayor Dan Mathieson, on behalf of Stratford City Council, do hereby proclaim August 28-30, 2020 as "Canada United Weekend" in the City of Stratford for the purpose of encouraging all to safely support and partake in all of the amazing local businesses in our extraordinary community.

August 17, 2020

Ulli S. Watkiss  
City Clerk  
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Sent via email: [clerk@toronto.ca](mailto:clerk@toronto.ca)

**Re: Support to the City of Toronto in their Legal Challenge of the Amendments  
made under Bill 184, Section 83  
Our File 35.2.2**

Dear Ms. Watkiss,

At its meeting held on August 10, 2020, St. Catharines City Council approved the following motion:

WHEREAS the COVID-19 pandemic has caused much financial strain to residents of St. Catharines; and

WHEREAS many residents without income supports face the reality of evictions under the July 26, 2020 amendment of Provincial Bill 184 Section 83; and

WHEREAS Section 83 of Bill 184 states:

“Refusal for certain arrears of rent”

If a hearing is held in respect of an application under section 69 for an order evicting a tenant based on arrears of rent arising in whole or in part during the period beginning on March 17, 2020 and ending on the prescribed date, in determining whether to exercise its powers under subsection the Board shall consider whether the landlord has attempted to negotiate an agreement with the tenant including terms of payment for the tenant’s arrears; and

WHEREAS the City Council of Toronto voted 22-2 in support of a legal challenge of Bill 184 Section 83;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of St. Catharines, City Council show support to the City of Toronto in their legal challenge of the amendments made under Bill 184, Section 83; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be provided to the Premier's Office; the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; and Niagara MPPs and MPs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be circulated to all Ontario municipalities requesting their support.

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



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