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## The Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole Agenda

October 7, 2024 7:00 pm Council Chambers

#### Members

Don Murray, Mayor Jim Hanna, Deputy Mayor Larry Allison, Councillor Shari Flett, Councillor Scott Gibson, Councillor Ed McGugan, Councillor Carl Sloetjes, Councillor

#### Staff

Jennifer White, Manager of Legislative Services/Clerk
Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer
Jeff Bradley, Fire Chief
Mike Fair, Director of Community Services
Christine Heinisch, Manager of Financial Services/Treasurer
John Yungblut, Director of Public Works

**Pages** 

#### 1. Call to Order

The Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss will be called to Order at 7:00 p.m. on October 7, 2024 in the Council Chambers.

#### 2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

#### 3. Delegations

## 11 3.1 Continuous Improvement Fund - Blue Box Transition Brad Whitelaw with Continuous Improvement Fund (CIF) will provide a blue box transition presentation to Council. 27 3.2 County of Bruce - 2022 Investment in Local Services Annual Report Aaron Stauch, Director of Government Relations with the County of Bruce will present the 2022 Investment in Local Services Annual Report. Staff Reports 4.1 **Building & Planning** 37 Building Statistics August and September 2024, BLD-2024-10-21 a. Motion THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole receives for information Report BLD-2024-10-21, prepared by Michele Barr, Deputy Chief Building Official. 42 b. Deeming Plan 145 Lots 541 and 540, BLD-2024-10-22 Motion THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby approves Report BLD-2024-10-22 prepared by Michele Barr, Deputy CBO AND FURTHER authorizes Lot 541 and 540 Plan 145 to not be lots in a registered plan; AND FURTHER that the appropriate By-law be brought forward. 4.2 **By-law Enforcement** 45 Enhanced Lakeshore Summer Patrol Services 2024, BLE-2024-10a. 14 Motion THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report BLE-2024-10-14 prepared by Heather Falconer, Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer.

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## b. Municipal By-Law Enforcement Status Report September 2024, BLE-2024-10-13

Motion

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report BLE-2024-10-13, as prepared by Heather Falconer, Municipal By-Law Enforcement Officer.

#### 4.3 Fire Department

a. Emergency Management Summary September 2024 and Community Emergency Preparedness Grant, FIR-2024-10-25

Motion

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report FIR-2024-10-25 prepared by Mel Moulton, Emergency Services/ Health & Safety Coordinator-CEMC.

b. Fire and Emergency Services September 2024, FIR-2024-10-26

Motion

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report FIR-2024-10-26 prepared by Jeff Bradley, Fire Chief.

c. Lakeshore Response Times 2024, FIR-2024-10-27

Motion

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report FIR-2024-10-27 prepared by Jeff Bradley, Fire Chief;

AND FURTHER THAT the Infrastructure Needs Assessment indicated for 2025 in the Township's Integrated Master Plan be considered complete and that response times, and call volumes be monitored to determine the need and timing for completion of a future feasibility study for a lakeshore area fire hall;

AND FURTHER THAT Staff be directed investigate and implement alternative mitigation measures as outlined in report FIR-2024-10-27 as budget permits.

#### 4.4 Drainage

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	Motion That the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report DRAIN-2024-10-04 prepared by Ken McCallum, Drainage Superintendent.	
Commu	nity Services	
a.	Community Services Status Report October 2024, CS-2024-10-39	66
	Motion THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CS-2024-10-39 prepared by Mike Fair, Director of Community Services.	
b.	Electricity Procurement with Local Authority Services LAS Report, CS-2024-10-40	73
	Motion THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CS-2024-10-40 prepared by Mike Fair, Director of Community Services.	
C.	Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund Stream 1, CS-2024-10-41	77
	Motion THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby approves Report CS2024-10-41 prepared by Mike Fair, Director of Community Services;	
	AND FURTHER authorizes staff to submit a grant application to the Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund stream 1 for the Ripley-Huron Community Centre Refurbishment Project.	
d.	Parks and Facilities October 2024 Update, CS-2024-10-43	81
	Motion THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CS-2024-10-43 prepared by Matt McClinchey, Parks, and Facilities Supervisor.	
Public W	/orks	

Municipal Drain Status Update September 2024, DRA-2024-10-04

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### a. Transportation Oct. 2024, PW-2024-10-40

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Motion

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report PW-2024-10-40 prepared by John Yungblut, Director of Public Works.

#### b. Water-Wastewater October 2024, PW-2024-10-42

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Motion

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report PW2024-10-42 prepared by John Yungblut, Director of Public Works.

#### 4.7 Chief Administrative Officer

a. Hiring Report October 2024, CAO-2024-10-31

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Motion

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CAO2024-10-31 prepared by Leanne Scott, Human Resources Generalist.

#### 4.8 Legislative Services

a. E-file Registration Ontario Land Tribunal, CLK-2024-10-38

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Motion

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receive Report 2024-10-38 prepared by Jennifer White, Manager of Legislative Services/Clerk;

AND FURTHER THAT Staff be directed to proceed with registering for the E-File portal to submit appeals to the Ontario Land Tribunal;

AND FURTHER THAT the Clerk be authorized as the Level-1 Administrator for the E-file portal.

#### b. Point Clark Boat Club Dredging Request, CLK-2024-10-39

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Motion

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CLK-2024-10-39 as prepared by Jennifer White, Clerk;

AND FURTHER confirms there are no concerns with the Point Clark Boat Club request for dredging of the Point Clark Harbour basin, channel and mouth of the harbour during 2025 and 2026;

AND FURTHER THAT the Clerk be directed to sign all necessary documentation to support this request.

#### c. Resolutions for Consideration October 2024, CLK-2024-10-40

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Motion

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CLK-2024-10-40 prepared by Kelly Lush, Deputy Clerk;

AND FURTHER THAT the Committee of the Whole support the following resolutions:

AND FURTHER direct Staff to distribute as they see fit.

#### d. Committee and Commissioner Vacancies, CLK-2024-10-41

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Motion

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CLK-2024-10-41 prepared by Kelly Lush, Deputy Clerk.

#### 5. Information

Motion

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information all items listed in Section 5.0.

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5.1	Pine River Water Monitoring Report August 2024	126
	Peter Postma with B.M Ross has provided the August 2024 Pine River Water Monitoring Reports noting the following results :	
	E.Coli - elevated at typical sites and not that high of exceedances at the other sites.	
	Nitrate - very low everywhere (except for 1 spike at PR7 – likely something got into the sample bottle)	
	Phosphorus – high at most places. Again, likely seasonality/productivity, but there may be a lot of loose phosphorus in the landscape when it is not needed.	
5.2	Ministry of Agriculture Food and Agribusiness	130
	Agriculture Workforce Equity and Diversity Initiative (AWEDI) Ontario Agri-Food Research Initiative (OAFRI)	
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What3Words App to Add to your Bruce County Hiking Checklist - August 29, 2024

Council Meeting Highlights - September 5, 2024

Free Tours at the Bruce County Museum and Cultural Centre - September 5, 2024

Explore Historic Bruce County Sites at Doors Open Brockton - September 9, 2024

Spark Program Offers Grants and Mentorship - September 9, 2024

Notice: Temporary Closure of Bruce Rd 15 at Donnelly Crescent - September 9, 2024

Bruce County Recruiting Snow Plow Operators and Road Patrollers - September 9, 2024

Bruce County Releases Draft New Official Plan 2024-2046 - September 9, 2024

New Exhibits at the BCM&CC - September 10, 2024

Application for Fencing along the Bruce County Trail Available Now - September 11, 2024

TIFF Film Series at the Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre - September 12, 2024

Additional Residential Unit Funding Pilot for Bruce County Homeowners - September 12, 2024

Bruce County Rail Trail Restricted Access on Concession 6 in Saugeen Shores - September 12, 2024

Long Term Care Sessions in Bruce and Grey - September 12, 2024

BCPL Hosts Resume and Interview Essentials Workshops - September 12, 2024

Seven Youth Entrepreneurs Launch Bruce County Businesses - September 13, 2024

Bruce County Preparing Launch of 2024 Starter Company Plus Program - September 18, 2024

Bruce County Annual Bridges to Better Business Networking Event - September 18, 2024

Brucelea Haven Staff and Residents Walk to Support the Terry Fox Foundation - September 18, 2024

Council Meeting Highlights - September 19, 2024

Local Supports and Services - September 24, 2024

BCPL Now Offering Biblioboard Library - October 1, 2024

Walk for Wenjack Events in Wiarton and Southampton - October 1, 2024

Bruce County Updates Emergency Response Plan - October 1, 2024

Bruce County Highlights National Seniors Day - October 1, 2024

MPAC In Touch - August 28, 2024

Bruce County Federation of Agriculture August 29, 2024

Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority Appoints Erik Downing as General

Manager/Secretary-Treasurer - September 6, 2024

Community Living Kincardine and District September Newsletter - September 6, 2024

RT-O7 September Newsletter - September 6, 2024

YMCA Peace Medal Nominations are Now Open - September 11, 2024

RT-O7 Press Release: Federal Funding Secured for the Tech Compass

Program in Bruce, Grey and Simcoe Counties - September 18, 2024

Fisheries and Oceans Canada: Management Plan for the Silver Lamprey -

September 19, 2024

Grey Bruce Community Safety and Well-Being Planning - September 27, 2024

#### 6. New Business/Council Reports

Committee members have the opportunity to provide an update on Board and Committee meetings.

#### 7. Closed Session

Motion

THAT Committee of the Whole move into closed meeting at [time] for the purpose of considering:

- 1) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board; (Ripley Industrial Park),
- 2) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; (recruitment update),

pursuant to Section 239(2) of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended;

AND FURTHER THAT Committee of the Whole return to regular open meeting upon completion.

#### 8. Business Arising from the Closed Session

#### 9. Adjournment

#### **Document Accessibility**

The Township of Huron-Kinloss is committed to providing information in the format that meets your needs. We have made every attempt to make documents for this meeting accessible but there may still be difficulty in recognizing all of the information. Please contact us if you require assistance and we will make every attempt to provide this information in an alternative format.

Please note that third party documents received and found within this document will not be converted to an accessible format by the Township of Huron-Kinloss. However, upon request, we will attempt to obtain these documents in an appropriate accessible format from the third party.

For assistance or to make a request please call 519-395-3735 or email info@huronkinloss.com

#### Motion

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby adjourn at XX:XX.

# Transitioning the Blue Box to Full Producer Responsibility

Township of Huron-Kinloss

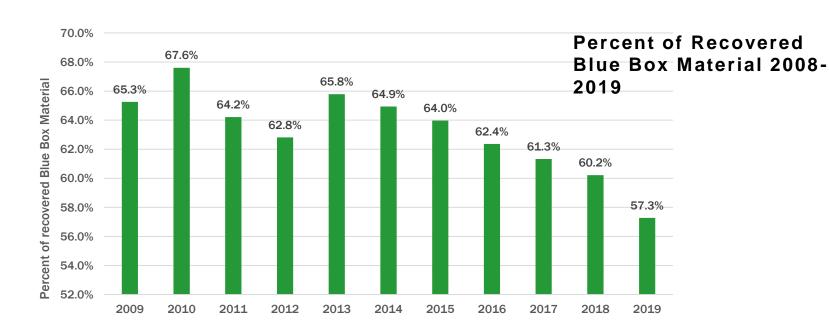


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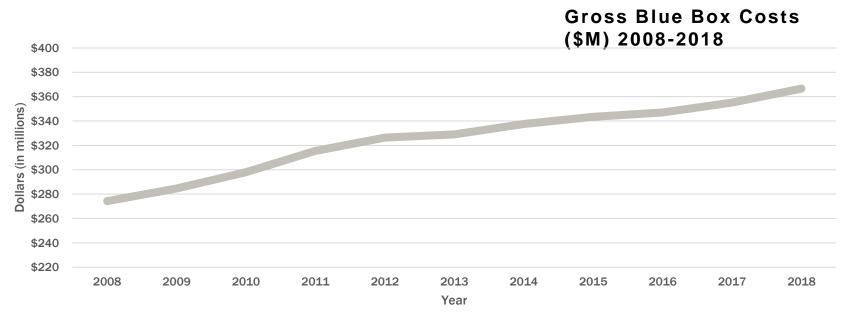
## Agenda

- Rationale for Change to Full Producer Responsibility
- Regulation Overview
- Producers and Producer Responsibility Organizations (PROs)
- Transition Timeline
- Council Considerations
- Information Producers Need from Communities

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# Diversion is dropping



# Costs are rising

Actual Gross Costs Page 13 of 289

## **Blue Box Regulation**

- Regulation was finalized June 3, 2022
- Producers fully responsible for operational and financial management of program
  - Municipalities potentially a service provider if commercial terms can be agreed
- The final regulation includes the following provisions:
  - Establishment of a province-wide common collection system that transitions all current municipal programs and expands servicing to
    - all communities regardless of size (except Far North)
    - all residential dwelling types
    - all schools,
    - all publicly run retirement homes and long-term care facilities, and
    - more public spaces
- An enhanced and standardized list of materials that will need to be collected and recycled
- High, progressive, and enforceable targets
- Certainty for planning to ensure a seamless transition with a <u>transition schedule</u>

## **Eligible Sources**

Local municipalities with 5,000+ population



Collect or accept from same sources as residential garbage







50% funding does not include costs for Industrial, Commercial and Institutional (IC&I), even if delivered through municipal program All Ontario communities outside of the <u>Far North</u>, including First Nation communities.



single-family homes



seasonal dwellings



multi-unit residential buildings



public & private schools



**specified** retirement & long-term care homes



specified public spaces

## Non-Eligible Sources



Industrial or commercial properties



Not-for-profit organizations



Municipal buildings or facilities (e.g., libraries, arenas)



Daycare



Places of worship



Commercial buildings along residential routes

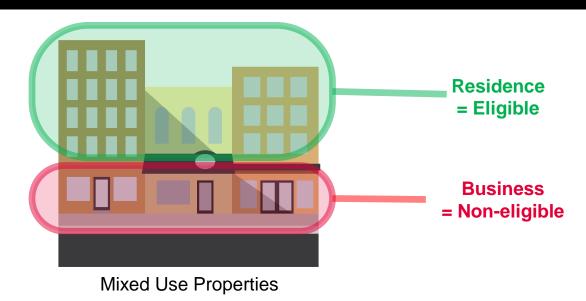


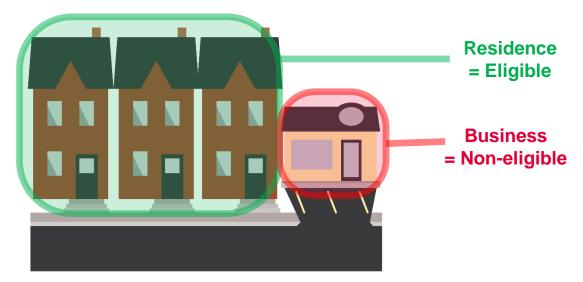
Campgrounds and trailer-parks (without permanent or seasonal Pabe পাছ কানু প্রধান



Commercial Farm

## **Business Areas**





Commercial buildings along residential routes

There are some properties that have both eligible and noneligible materials. These will need to be separated from residential collection and serviced in an alternative way, starting in 2026.

## Mixed Use Properties:

- Residential apartments on top of a business are considered eligible
- Industrial or commercial property underneath the residential building are non-eligible
- Found in Business Improvement Area (BIA) or along residential routes

## Commercial Buildings Along Residential Routes:

- Residential buildings (single family homes/ multi-unit residential buildings) are eligible
- Industrial or commercial properties (e.g., coffee shop, convenience store) are non-eligible

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## **Designated Materials**

#### All of these:







Glass bottles & cans



PET plastic bottles



Steel cans



Newsprint

for food and beverages

#### At least two of these:



Aluminum foil



Boxboard & paperboard





Cardboard



Polystyrene containers & packing materials



Office paper



Polycoat





(O. Reg 101/94: Schedule 1)

Magazines



Paper cups & plates



Plastic film



Rigid plastic containers (HDPE, PS)



Telephone Directories



**Textiles** 

#### Packaging, Paper Products, & Packaging-like products:



✓ Typical "blue box packaging" items, made of paper, glass, metal or plastic



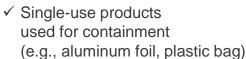
✓ Printed and un-printed paper (newspaper, magazines, flvers, office paper)



✓ Single-use products used for consumption (e.g., straws, cutlery, plates, coffee cups)

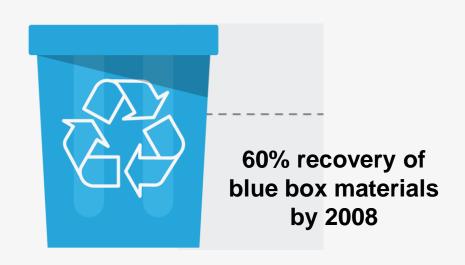


**Consistent across the Province** 

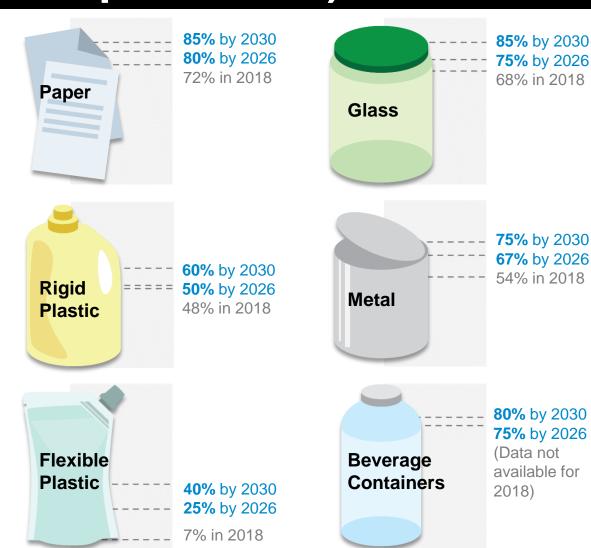


## **Varies by Municipality**

## Targets (Minimum Requirements)



- Announced by the Ministry in 2003
- Not codified in the regulation



**Sources:** 2009 Stewardship Ontario Annual Report
"McGuinty Government builds on Success of Blue Box Program" December 22, 2003

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(O. Reg 391/21 s. 42)

## **Service Standards - Residences**







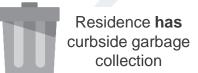
Residence has depot garbage collection



Curbside collection must be at least half of what it is for garbage









Residence does not have curbside garbage collection

PROs must provide curbside blue box collection





Curbside collection must be at least every other week



Depots must be as accessible (number of locations and hours) as the depots for household garbage in the community

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(O. Reg 391/21 s. 20-26)

## Producers vs. Producer Responsibility Organizations (PROs)



## **Producers**

The brand holders, importers, or retailers of products that contain blue box materials

Any company that supplies products (containing packaging, paper products and packaging-like products) into the Ontario market, including online sales. Includes:

- Grocery store foods with packaging (cereals, cookies, frozen foods, dairy products)
- Retail stores items with packaging (cosmetics, games, household wares, dog and cat foods)
- Fast food packaging (burgers, fries, pizza, pop cans, water bottles)



## **Producer Responsibility Organization (PRO)**

The Blue Box legislation allows for organizations (called a Producer Responsibility Organizations - PROs) to represent the producers of paper products and packaging

Producers may meet their requirements and responsibilities in the new regulation as a member of a PRO

Each Producer decides which PRO to join

## Producers vs. Producer Responsibility Organizations (PROs)



**Producers** 



**Producer Responsibility Organization (PRO)** 

































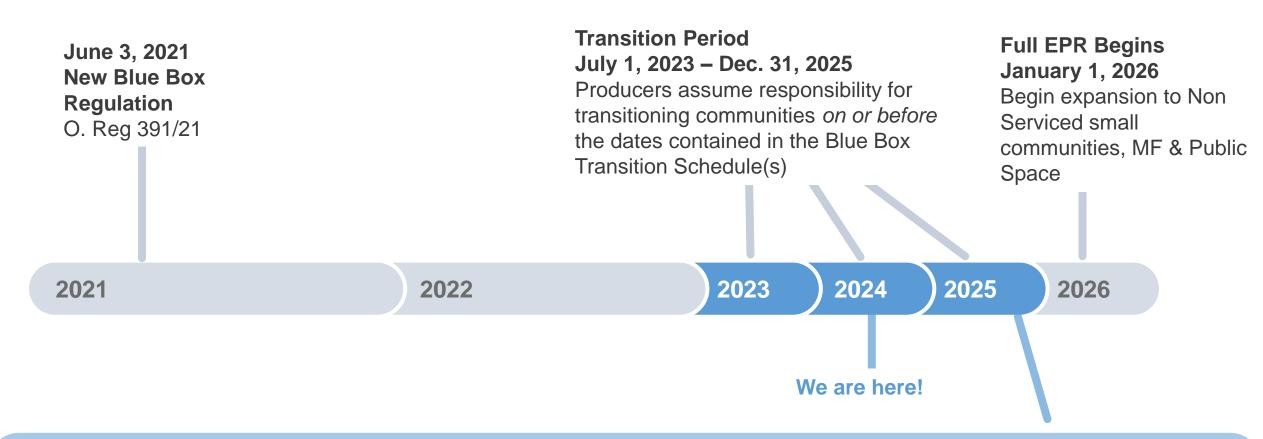




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(Source: CircularMaterials.ca: Our Founders)

## **Blue Box Transition Timeline**



Township of Huron-Kinloss - Transition Date is December 31, 2025

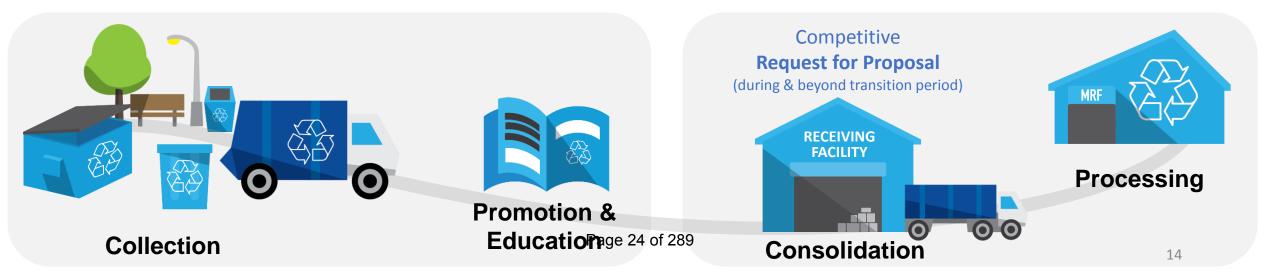
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## **Council Considerations**

Competitive Request for Proposal (RFP) process for services during transition (July 2023 to December 2025) and post transition (January 1, 2026, onward) has ended. Information can be found on <u>Circular Materials (CM) website</u>. The post transition competitive procurement process applies to your community, since you're transitioning December 31, 2025.

If eligible communities have declined to participate in the RFP process for post transition services, CM will likely secure arrangements with an alternate service provider and continue to assume responsibility for the blue box program.

## Community staff should reach out to Circular Materials to further discuss options.



## **Information Needed By Producers**

- Number & addresses of single-family dwellings, multi-residential dwellings with number of units & other eligible sites (e.g., schools, long-term homes) receiving blue box collection by the municipality
- Number of single-family dwellings receiving curbside garbage collection by the municipality but not receiving curbside recycling collection by the municipality & addresses with a map
- Number, type & location of entities on collection routes that are non-eligible
- Level of service being provided to single-family dwellings as of a specified date including
  materials accepted, type of container, frequency of collection, day of the week on which
  collection occurs, approach if collection day falls on statutory holiday, route maps & quantity
  collected
- Level of service being provided to multi-residential dwellings as of a specified date including
  materials accepted, type, size & number of containers, location of containers at each building,
  whether keys or codes are required to access building or containers, frequency of collection,
  route maps & quantity collected
- Location of depots accepting designated materials including hours of operation, materials accepted, type, size & number of containers, frequency of collection & quantity collected from each depot

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## Thank you & Questions

**Brad Whitelaw** 

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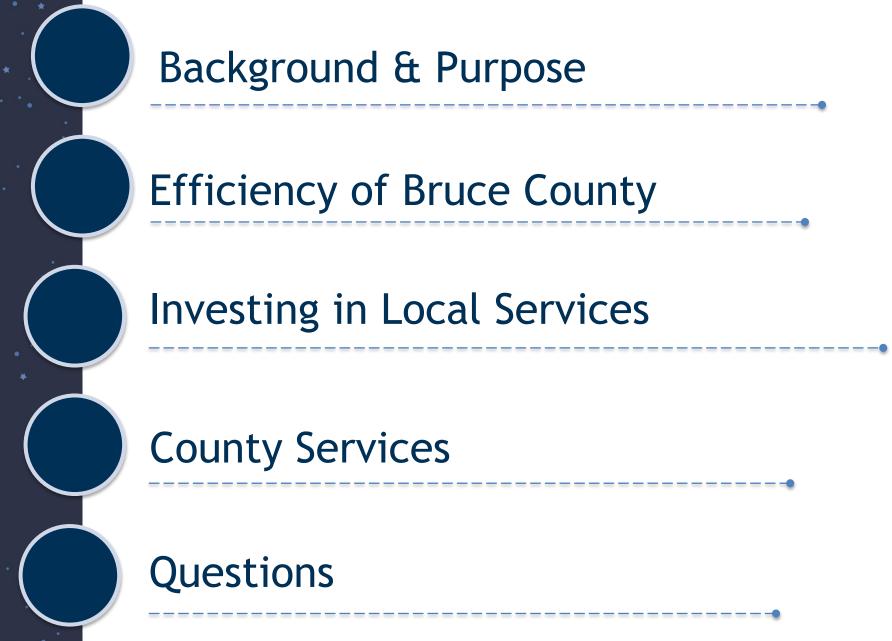
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## 2022 Investment in Local Services

"Bruce County, a welcoming, innovative, thriving community, committed to the well-being of current and future generations."

September 24, 2024





## Background & Purpose

- Bruce County provides upper-tier services to the eight local municipalities in the County.
- Each of those municipalities contribute a portion of their tax levy to Bruce County.
- Using the 2022 Financial Information Returns and service volume data we can benchmark the investment in local services Bruce County makes in each community.





## Efficiency of Bruce County



We compared Bruce County with other upper-tier counties and Consolidated Municipal Service Managers within the Western Ontario Wardens Caucus. The chart below highlights expenditures, grants, and levy assessments per household.





## Investing in Local Services

Municipality	Households		Levy		County Investment	
	Count	%	\$ (000,000)	%	\$ (000,000)	%
South Bruce Peninsula	7,427	18%	\$8.584	15%	\$18.362	15%
Arran-Elderslie	3,089	<b>7</b> %	\$3.227	6%	\$12.642	10%
Brockton	4,468	11%	\$5.153	<b>9</b> %	\$15.509	13%
South Bruce	2,533	6%	\$3.077	5%	\$7.839	6%
Huron-Kinloss	4,107	10%	\$6.240	11%	\$10.665	<b>9</b> %
Kincardine	6,322	15%	\$10.178	18%	\$18.677	15%
Northern Bruce Peninsula	5,101	12%	\$7.150	13%	\$9.178	8%
Saugeen Shores	8,983	21%	\$12.881	23%	\$29.002	24%
Total	42,030	100%	Pa <b>95</b> 61 45249	100%	\$121.88	100%

This chart outlines how Bruce County invests in local services within our community.

Specific local details are provided in the one-page profiles (for each local municipality).

This chart reflects the investment in local services in 2022.

## **COUNTY SERVICES**



## **SERVICE AREAS**

Providing high quality services to the communities we share and taxpayers we work for.



Office of the CAO



Long Term Care and Senior Services



Community
Development
Office



Transportation and Environmental Services



Museum and Cultural Services



Government Relations



Human Services



Bruce County Public Library



Planning and Development

Internal serving



Corporate Services

**Paramedic** 

Services



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Human Resources

## Service Areas

Providing high quality services to the communities we share and taxpayers we work for.



Office of the CAO

Oversees municipal operations and ensure Council's priorities and strategic directions are achieved.

Transportation and Env.
Services

Administers 623km of roads, 148 bridges, 180km of trails, 4,725 ha of forests and coordinate waste management, as well as strategic planning for the future.

Human Services



Enhances the quality of life for individuals, families and communities by providing services that remove barriers and create opportunities, including Income & Support Services, Children's Services, Housing Facilities, Strategic Community Initiatives and Business & Human Services Integration.



Responds to medical emergencies, providing pre-hospital care to citizens and visitors of Bruce County.

Long Term
Care and
Senior
Services



Proudly operates two Long Term Care facilities (Gateway Haven & Brucelea Haven). These homes provide quality services to the residents and their families.

Museum 8
Cultural
Services



Offers adult and children's programming, special events, exhibitions, and is home to the Bruce County Archives & Research Room.

Bruce County Public Library



Provides information, knowledge, and entertainment resources needed to achieve our goals, foster interests, and realize our dreams. A trusted community contributor, providing innovative ways to read, connect, learn, and discover.

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Planning and Development



Creates and implements planning policy, as well as facilitate approval of land use planning applications.

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Community
Development
Office



Provides coordinated, strategic leadership and resources for large-scale projects, including housing supply, clean energy and medical isotope growth, the Deep Geological Repository, and the pre-development of a new nuclear reactor at Bruce Power.



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Thank you!

**Questions?** 



## Staff Report

**Report Title: Building Statistics August and September 2024** 

Date: Oct. 7, 2024 Report Number: BLD-2024-10-21

**Department: Building & Planning** File Number: C11 BLDG 24

Prepared By: Michele Barr, Deputy Chief Building Official

Attachments: Septic Program Summary July, Aug. and Sept.2024

#### **Recommendation:**

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole receives for information Report BLD-2024-10-21, prepared by Michele Barr, Deputy Chief Building Official.

#### **Background:**

This is a monthly report updating building activity within the Township.

#### **Discussion/Analysis/Overview:**

Permits <u>issued</u> between August 1<sup>st</sup> 2024 and Sept. 30, 2024 as follows:

Permit Type	Permits Issued	Construction Value	Residential Units Added
New Residential dwelling	7	\$3,300,000	7 (1 ARU)
Demolition	1	10,000	
Residential Addition/Renovation	3	\$485,000	
Accessory Structure	6	\$235,000	
Sewage System	3	\$47,000	
Commercial	2	\$700,000	
Agricultural Building - Other	4	\$171,000	

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Agricultural Building - Livestock	0	0	
Township By-law Permits (pool fence, signs )	2	\$105,450	
Miscellaneous (Decks, tents, solar panels etc)	4	\$11,150	
Lodging unit	1	10,000	
Total	33	\$5,074,600.00	7

	2024 Year to Date	2023 Year to date
Value of Construction	\$26,449,825	\$32,798,636
Number of Permits	155	206

### **Financial Impacts:**

Fees collected to date are \$170,080.13

#### **Performance Measurement:**

Key performance statistics are provided in the body of the report.

### **Strategic Area:**

□Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle	⊠ Enhance Municipal Service Delivery
□Prepare for Inclusive Growth	☐ Ensure Financial Stability

### **Strategic Goal: Performance Measurement**

### **Respectfully Submitted By:**

Michele Barr, Deputy Chief Building Official

### **Report Approved By:**





B. M. ROSS AND ASSOCIATES LIMITED Engineers and Planners
62 North Street, Goderich, ON N7A 2T4
p. (519) 524-2641 ● f. (519) 524-4403

#### Septic Program Summary - July 2024

Month	Regular Inspections	New/Replacement
		Inspections (Part 8)
January	0	5
February	0	0
March	0	4
April	7	1
May	73	2
June	81	2
July	68	3
August		
September		
TOTAL	229	17

<sup>\*</sup>includes completed and currently scheduled appointments to the last day of July

The Huron Kinloss Community Septic program began conducting inspections in the last week of April. B.M. Ross prepared and sent out total of 398 letters to landowners due for a 2024 inspection (permanent residences, WHPA's & seasonal residences\*).

Phone calls were conducted in July as a reminder to past due landowners to book an inspection appointment. For this group, the best results in booking an appointment are answering concerns or clarifying details regarding the program – often to a new landowner. Our inspector will continue leaving a doorknocker as a reminder to book an appointment by calling the Township office to those landowners we could not reach by telephone.

In mid-August BM Ross will send reminder letters to all landowners due for 2024 inspections who have not responded by booking an appointment requesting them to do so.

<sup>\*</sup>Permanent residence – property owners with a mailing address the same as property address

WHPA – properties located within Wellhead Protection Area, these properties received inspections every 5 years

Seasonal residence – property owners with a mailing address that is not the same as the property location

Past Due – properties that were not inspected in Cycle 2





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#### Septic Program Summary - August 2024

Month	Regular Inspections	New/Replacement
		Inspections (Part 8)
January	0	5
February	0	0
March	0	4
April	7	1
May	73	2
June	81	2
July	68	3
August	57	4
September		
TOTAL	286	21

<sup>\*</sup>includes completed and currently scheduled appointments to the last day of August

The Huron Kinloss Community Septic program began conducting inspections in the last week of April. B.M. Ross prepared and sent out total of 398 letters to landowners due for a 2024 inspection (permanent residences, WHPA's & seasonal residences\*).

Reminder letters were sent to 120 landowners (permanent, season and WHPA) who have yet to book an appointment for the 2024 inspection season – there has been good response to this reminder. Reminder letters will be sent to the past due landowners to let them know they can call and book an appointment at their convenience.

In September, we will revisit the call lists from earlier in the summer and reach out to landowners, as there is availability for appointments before the season closes in November. Door knockers will continue to be left at properties without current phone numbers.





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June	81	2
July	68	3
August	57	4
September	56	8
TOTAL	342	29

<sup>\*</sup>includes completed and currently scheduled appointments to the last day of September

The Huron Kinloss Community Septic program began inspections in the last week of April as people were making inquiries. B.M. Ross prepared and sent out total of 398 letters to landowners due for a 2024 inspection (permanent residences, WHPA's & seasonal residences\*).

Reminder letters were sent to the past due landowners to request calling the township offices and booking an appointment at their convenience.

Throughout the month, we have continued to reach out to landowners with calls, emails & doorknockers, to inquire about booking an appointment before the season closes in November.

Currently we have completed approximately 85% of the inspections that were due in 2024, which shows great community involvement and support for the HKCSI program.

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Past Due – properties that were not inspected in Cycle 2



## Staff Report

Report Title: Deeming Plan 145 Lots 541 and 540

Date: Oct. 7, 2024 Report Number: BLD-2024-10-22

**Department: Building and Planning** File Number: C11 BLD 24

**Prepared By: Michele Barr, Deputy CBO** 

**Attachments: Plan 145** 

#### **Recommendation:**

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby approves Report BLD-2024-10-22 prepared by Michele Barr, Deputy CBO

AND FURTHER authorizes Lot 541 and 540 Plan 145 to not be lots in a registered plan;

AND FURTHER that the appropriate By-law be brought forward.

#### **Background:**

The owners of Lot 541 and 540 Plan 145 are requesting a deeming by-law be granted to obtain the required setbacks and allow the construction of an addition in the rear yard.

The owners of Lot 541 purchased Lot 540 in 2005. Since the lots 541 and 540 are whole lots on Plan 145 it is unclear whether the lots have merged. After obtaining a legal option it was determined that the lots may have not merged for the purposes of the *Planning Act*. Therefore, it was noted the path forward was to apply for a deeming by-law. Plan 145 attached for reference.

#### **Discussion/Analysis/Overview:**

Pursuant to subsection 50(4) of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P13, as amended Council has the authority to designate a Plan of Subdivision, or part thereof, that has been registered for eight years or more, to be deemed not to be lots in a registered Plan of Subdivision to the purpose of subsection 50(3) of the Planning Act. Plan 145 fits into the required parameters.

Lot 541 contains a single detached dwelling; Lot 540 is vacant, and both are zoned Residential One "R1" which permits residential use. The owner has indicated that they would like to construct and addition in the rear yard.

A deeming By-law is required to remove Lot 541 and 540 Plan 145 from the plan of subdivision, thereby allowing the two parcels to merge and ensuring the development is consistent with all applicable laws and regulations.

As per the Consolidated Fees By-Law. Fees and deposits have been received to cover legal and registration costs. Any unused portion of the deposit will be refunded, overages will be the responsibility of the applicant.

Performance Measurement:

Strategic Area:

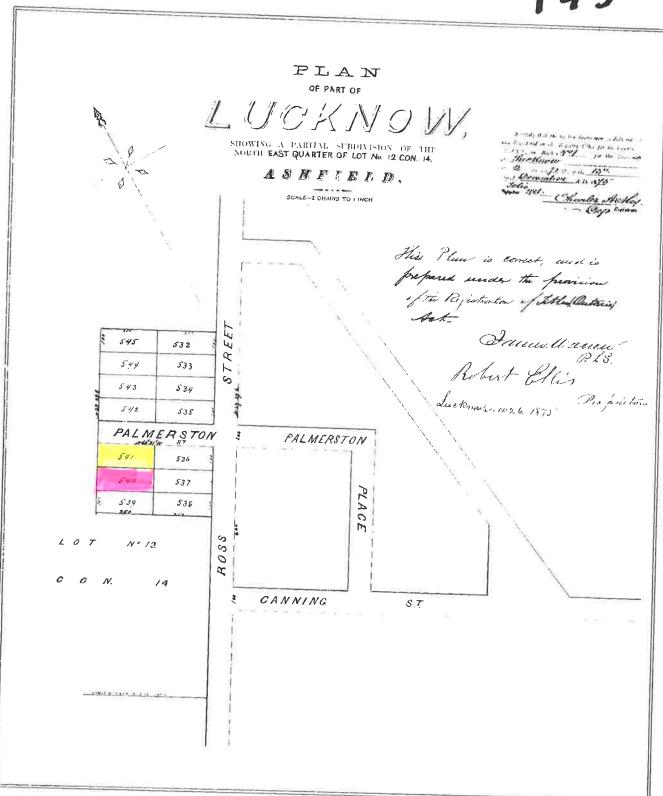
□ Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle
□ Enhance Municipal Service Delivery
□ Prepare for Inclusive Growth
□ Ensure Financial Stability

**Strategic Goal: Build Community Capacity** 

**Respectfully Submitted By:** 

Michele Barr, Deputy Chief Building Official

**Report Approved By:** 





## Staff Report

**Report Title: Enhanced Lakeshore Summer Patrol Services 2024** 

Date: Oct. 7, 2024 Report Number: BLE-2024-10-14

**Department: By-Law Enforcement** File Number: C11

Prepared By: Heather Falconer, Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer

Attachments: N/A

#### **Recommendation:**

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report BLE-2024-10-14 prepared by Heather Falconer, Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer.

#### **Background:**

During the Committee of the Whole meeting on November 06, 2023, staff report BLE-2023-10-21 <a href="By-law Enforcement Services Pilot Summer Program Conclusion">By-law Enforcement Services Pilot Summer Program Conclusion</a> (escribemeetings.com) was presented to Council. At this time, Council directed staff to include the enhanced service levels in the 2024 budget considerations.

During the budget meeting on February 16, 2024, Council approved the amount of \$5000 being allocated to the Enhanced Summer Lakeshore Patrol Services. These services provide additional lakeshore summer patrols to be carried out on weekends during the summer tourist season. The goal of the program is to increased by-law enforcement visibility and to educate the public on by-law matters.

#### Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

The 2024 Enhanced Summer Lakeshore Patrol Services program has concluded with 16 shifts worked to equal a total of 104 hours patrolling. To increase public engagement, two community events held at the Point Clark Lighthouse were attended by officers.

The officers heard a few common concerns from lakeshore residents and visitors. These concerns were:

- 1. The Point Clark Lighthouse parking reaches full capacity with vehicles that then creates an overflow parking problem on Lighthouse Road. Residents did approach officers about a blocked fire hydrant and driveway accesses, and
- 2. Boiler Beach Road also during peak attendance times had parking congestion that obstructed the sightlines of the road.

<b>General Concerns Reported by Officers</b>	<b>Total Amount</b>
Dogs Off Leash	12
Parking	7
Golf Car Permit	1
Fires on Beach	1
Noise	1
<b>Total Amount of Concerns Reported</b>	22

Staff sees the benefits to this service and looks forward to its continuance upon 2025 budget approval.

### **Financial Impacts:**

The Enhanced Summer Lakeshore Patrol Service program total cost for the 2024 season was \$4680 + tax.

#### **Performance Measurement:**

The Enhanced Summer Lakeshore Patrol Service program was completed on time and on budget.

### **Strategic Area:**

□Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle	
□ Prepare for Inclusive Growth	☐ Ensure Financial Stability

### **Strategic Goal: Facilitate Community Well Being**

### **Respectfully Submitted By:**

Heather Falconer, Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer

## **Report Approved By:**



## Staff Report

Report Title: Municipal By-Law Enforcement Status Report September 2024

Date: Oct. 7, 2024

Report Number: BLE-2024-10-13

**Department: By-Law Enforcement** File Number: C11 BLE 24 **Prepared By: Heather Falconer, Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer** 

Attachments: N/A

#### Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report BLE-2024-10-13, as prepared by Heather Falconer, Municipal By-Law Enforcement Officer.

#### **Background:**

To update Council on September occurrences involving Municipal By-Law Enforcement.

### **Discussion/Analysis/Overview:**

September 2024 Data	
Chart	

Complaints	Number of Calls for Service	Calls To Date
Animal Control	7	44
Property Maintenance	4	69
Parking Violations	3	14
Beach Violations	1	6
Feeding Wildlife and Feral Animals	0	0
By-Laws Not Listed Above	1	57
Other complaints not by-law related but of public interest	2	19

Total Complaints	18	193

# Year to Date Issuance of Provincial Offence Certificate & Property Maintenance Order

2024	Issued	Pending Resolution	Resolved
Provincial Offence Certificate	0	0	3
Property Maintenance Order	0	11	24

#### **Animal Control**

There were two incidents of dog attacks. One incident involved a dog that was off leash attacking another dog that was leashed. The dog that was attacked did need medical attention that a local veterinary was able to provide. The dog that did the attacking now has restrictions placed on it to help ensure this type of occurrence does not happen again.

The second incident involved a male who was bitten and required medical attention. The owners of the dog have no fixed address or contact information. The Township is currently working with other community agencies to assist in locating the dog. Once the dog is located, its vaccine records will need to be produced and restrictions on the dog will be investigated.

### **Property Maintenance**

There were complaints of dead trees and overgrown lawns on four private properties. All complaints were explored with an onsite inspection. Notices were issued to property owners to bring their property into compliance.

### **Parking Violations**

Concerns were voiced regarding individuals parking in public spaces for more than 12 consecutive hours. Also, for vehicles not parked within the painted parking lines. Notices were placed on vehicles when required.

### Zoning Infractions

Information pertaining to chickens and other agricultural animals/livestock can now be found on the Township website. This will assist residents to find information on what land these animals are permitted to be on.

### **Financial Impacts:**

There is no financial impact currently.

### **Strategic Area:**

☑Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle ☐ Prepare for Inclusive Growth	<ul><li>□ Enhance Municipal Service Delivery</li><li>□ Ensure Financial Stability</li></ul>		
Strategic Goal: Facilitate Community Well Being			
Respectfully Submitted By: Heather Falconer, Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer			
<b>Report Approved By:</b> Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative C	Officer		



## Staff Report

Report Title: Emergency Management Summary September 2024 and Community

**Emergency Preparedness Grant** 

Date: Oct. 2, 2024 Report Number: FIR-2024-10-25

**Department: Fire and Emergency Services** File Number: C11 FIR 24

Prepared By: Mel Moulton- Emergency Services and Health & Safety Coordinator-

**CEMC** 

**Attachments: None** 

#### **Recommendation:**

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report FIR-2024-10-25 prepared by Mel Moulton, Emergency Services/Health & Safety Coordinator-CEMC.

#### **Background:**

The Ontario Government announced on September 16, 2024 it is investing \$5 million to small and medium size communities to assist with community emergency preparedness through a second round of funding. The Township of Huron-Kinloss is eligible for \$5,000- \$50,000 funding. Applications are due October 31, 2024, successful applicants will be notified February 2025 and projects must be completed by August 29, 2025.

This report also includes monthly emergency management updates.

#### **Discussion/Analysis/Overview:**

**Emergency Management- Special Event Permits** 

Three special event permits were issued in September

- 1. Lucknow Agricultural Society Annual Fall Fair
- 2. Ripley Agricultural Society Annual Fall Fair
- 3. Kites In The Field

Required event debriefs will be completed with organizers now that all submitted events are complete for 2024.

#### **Community Emergency Preparedness Grant**

Staff have reviewed various options to enhance emergency management services and have selected to apply for a natural gas standby generator for the Point Clark well on Tuscarora Road which provides water for the Point Clark and Amberley areas.

Currently during a power outage a portable generator must be moved from indoor storage Lucknow to Point Clark and be connected.

Benefits of installing a natural gas generator:

- allow for automatic transition to generated power ensuring water continues to fill the standpipe during a power outage
- allow the existing portable generator to be used elsewhere during an emergency
- provide generated power even if the roads are not safe to be travelled on

#### **Financial Impacts:**

An estimated installation cost of the project is \$120,000 which exceeds the maximum eligible funding. Staff will apply for \$50,000 of funding, a cost of approximately \$70,000 would remain.

The Director of Public Works is planning to include the remaining expense of \$70,000 in the 2025 capital budget.

#### **Performance Measurement:**

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### **Strategic Area:**

□Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle	☑ Enhance Municipal Service Delivery
□Prepare for Inclusive Growth	☐ Ensure Financial Stability

#### Strategic Goal: Facilitate Community Well Being

#### **Respectfully Submitted By:**

Mel Moulton, Emergency Services and Health & Safety Coordinator- CEMC

#### **Report Approved By:**



## Staff Report

**Report Title: Fire and Emergency Services September 2024** 

Date: Oct. 7, 2024 Report Number: FIR-2024-10-26

**Department: Fire and Emergency Services** File Number: C11 FIR 24

**Prepared By: Jeff Bradley Fire Chief** 

**Attachments: None** 

#### **Recommendation:**

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report FIR-2024-10-26 prepared by Jeff Bradley, Fire Chief.

#### **Background:**

During the month, the following Fire and Emergency Services administrative tasks have been initiated, are on-going and/or have been completed.

- 1. All general administrative tasks with the day-to-day operations of the Fire Department for the months have been completed.
- 2. The monthly activities for the Ripley-Huron and Lucknow & District Fire Stations are detailed below in the discussion section.

### Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

1. Fire Department Emergency Responses:

#### **Ripley-Huron Station # 15-0**

Incident Type:	September
	Totals:
Fire - Structure	0
Fire – Mutual Aid	0
Fire – Outdoor - Grass	0
Fire - Vehicle	0
Motor Vehicle Collision	0
Industrial/ Agricultural Incident	0
Medical Assist	2
General Fire Alarm	0
Public Hazard - Wires	0
Public Hazard – CO/Gas	0
Open Air Burning Complaint	0
Water Rescue	0
Total Responses:	2

### **Lucknow & District Station # 16-0**

Incident Type:	September
	Totals:
Fire - Structure	0
Fire – Mutual Aid	0
Fire – Outdoor- Grass	0
Fire - Vehicle	1
Motor Vehicle Collisions	1
Medical Assist	4
Public Hazard - Wires	0
Public Hazard – CO/Gas	1
General Fire Alarm	2
Open Air Burning Complaint	0
Total Responses:	9

### 2.Fire Department Training/Meeting Sessions:

### Ripley-Huron Station # 15-0

Session Type:	September
	Totals:
General/Officer/JHSC Meetings	0
Fire Practice	2
Additional Training	0
Recruit Firefighter Training	0
Vehicle/Station/PPE Inspections	2

### **Lucknow & District Station # 16-0**

Session Type:	September
	Totals:
General/Officer/JHSC Meetings	2
Fire Practice	1
Additional Training	0
Recruit Firefighter Training	0
Vehicle/Station/PPE Inspections	3

### 3. Fire Department Non-Emergency Activities:

## **Ripley-Huron and Lucknow Stations Combined**

Activity Type:	September
	Totals:
Fire Inspections (Incl. Follow Ups)	2
Fire Investigations	0
Open Air Burn By-law Investigation	2
Fire Permits Issued	2
Fire Prevention Activity/Plan Review	0
Pre-Incident Planning Activity	0
Public Education: In person/social media	5
Smoke/CO Program Activity Page 5	3 of 289

Community Event Participation	2
JHSC – Monthly Facility Inspection	1

#### **Additional activity:**

- Great support from the community at this years Lucknow firefighter's breakfast. Over 525 people served.
- Lucknow firefighters participated in the Lucknow fall fair with for prevention material and best practices with fire safety in the home.
- Ripley new pumper is starting production September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024





#### **Financial Impacts:**

N/A

#### **Performance Measurement:**

Statistics included in body of report.

### **Strategic Area:**

 $\square$  Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle  $\boxtimes$  Enhance Municipal Service Delivery  $\boxtimes$  Prepare for Inclusive Growth  $\square$  Ensure Financial Stability

**Strategic Goal:** Strive for continuous improvement and increased efficiency

Respectfully Submitted By: Jeff Bradley, Fire Chief

### **Report Approved By:**



## Staff Report

**Report Title: Lakeshore Response Times 2024** 

Date: Oct. 7, 2024 Report Number: FIR-2024-10-27

**Department: Fire and Emergency Services** File Number: C11 FIR 24

**Prepared By: Jeff Bradley Fire Chief** 

**Attachments: None** 

#### **Recommendation:**

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report FIR-2024-10-27 prepared by Jeff Bradley, Fire Chief;

AND FURTHER THAT the Infrastructure Needs Assessment indicated for 2025 in the Township's Integrated Master Plan be considered complete and that response times, and call volumes be monitored to determine the need and timing for completion of a future feasibility study for a lakeshore area fire hall;

AND FURTHER THAT Staff be directed investigate and implement alternative mitigation measures as outlined in report FIR-2024-10-27 as budget permits.

#### **Background:**

The Lucknow & District Fire Board (LDFB) discussed the possible need for a fire station located in the lakeshore area and requested Staff investigate issues related to response times in the lakeshore area. The board expressed concerns regarding response times to medical and fire related emergency calls.

The Township's Fire & Emergency Services Strategy Plan recommends for "inclusion of a third fire station to be built in the Lakeshore Area" with an anticipated timeframe of within the next 6-10 years. The Integrated Master Plan (IMP) recommended the completion of an Infrastructure Needs Assessment for a fire hall at the Lakeshore, as a 2025 objective. This needs assessment was expedited to enable the Fire Chief to provide an update as requested by the LDFB. The Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh (ACW) Council considered a report on response times, and it was reported to the LDFB that ACW Council is satisfied with the response times within their community and that the Council is not supportive of pursuing a joint lakeshore area fire station at this time.

This report is being provided to Committee of the Whole to provide the data analysis used to assess the infrastructure needs at the lakeshore respecting a third fire station.

#### **Discussion/Analysis/Overview:**

Response time may be impacted by a variety of factors. The data collected on factors affecting response times is challenging to gather as it is complicated by the multiple sources of information and the data-sharing policies of agencies involved.

Although the IMP called for an infrastructure needs assessment to be conducted in 2025, staff accelerated the data collection based on the LDFB's request to investigate response times.

Emergency response times are set through the NFPA standards. Considered a best practice, NFPA 1720 Standard is supported by the Office of the Fire Marshal (OFM) and the choice to adopt the standard is up to the Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) and Council.

NFPA 1720 standard for emergency response in a rural area is 14 minutes-80% of the time. Ripley Huron Fire Department (RHFD) current response times average 16 minutes from the time of emergency page to on scene.

#### **Medical Calls Data**

In 2022 there were 22 medical calls along the lakeshore and 18 of the calls were canceled by a higher medical authority Bruce County Paramedics or Huron County Paramedics (EMS) as the fire department was not required to attend. 4 calls when EMS was delayed, and the fire department was first on scene and provided medical care until the transfer of patient care to EMS on scene.

In 2023 there were 30 medical calls along the lakeshore 29 of them were canceled by (EMS) as fire department was not required to attend. 1 call when (EMS) was delayed, and fire department was first on scene and provided medical care until the transfer of patient care to EMS on scene.

#### **Fire Related Calls Data**

In 2022 (RHFD) responded to 15 fire related calls, 5 of them were canceled by authority Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) as the fire department was not required to attend. 10 calls were attended by the fire department.

In 2023 (RHFD) responded to 16 fire related calls, and 8 of them were canceled by authority (OPP) as the fire department was not required to attend. 8 calls were attended by the fire department.

#### Total number of calls along the lakeshore

In 2022 the emergency call total was 14

In 2023 the emergency call total was 9

#### Office of Fire Marshal (OFM) Options

A recommendation to decrease response times from the OFM included establishing alternative measures like automatic agreements to ensure a NFPA 1720 standard response, with other municipality fire stations Kincardine or Goderich using Point Clark as a center point of the lakeshore. Both stations are further away than the Ripley station location for a response.

Kincardine to Point Clark 19 km.

Goderich to Point Clark 40 km.

Ripley to Point Clark 18 km.

Staff will investigate the merits and levels of such agreements and pursue them accordingly.

The Office of the Fire Marshal's defence model to support fire risk reduction and mitigation includes the three lines of defence:

- 1. Public Education and Prevention
- 2. Fire Safety Standards and Code enforcement.
- 3. Emergency response

When there is an extended duration of response times, and the call volume is low and alternative measures are not sufficient. The decision to increase Lines 1 (Public fire safety education) and Line 2 (Fire safety standards and enforcement) is a way to help mitigate the situation.

The most vital component of any community's fire protection services is the effectiveness of its fire prevention program. Legislation, regulations, and standards pertaining to fire safety focus primarily on fire prevention. Enforcement of these codes is one of the most effective ways of reducing the loss of life and property due to fire. In addition, public fire safety education programs have the potential to reduce the loss of life and property due to fire. Every community should strive to provide an adequate, effective, and efficient program directed toward fire prevention, life safety, risk reduction of hazards.

Staff have noted the following as potential mitigation measures to be implemented in line with the OFM's defense model:

#### **Lakeshore Public Education and Prevention**

- 1. Smoke and CO alarm program.
- 2. Home fire prevention and risk reduction.
- 3. Early local fire bans.
- 4. Elimination of beach fires.
- 5. Fire apparatus accessibility to locations.
- 6. Improve water sources.

#### Fire Safety Standards and Code enforcement.

- 1. Complaint follow up with enforcement.
- 2. Changes to the Open-Air Burn By-Law No.2016-139

#### Recommendations

The data analysis completed by Staff does not support the need for a third station in the lakeshore area at this time. Alternatively, Staff are recommending that the Township enhance fire prevention activities and programs, including public education as outlined in this report.

Fire Prevention initiatives will prioritize home fire prevention, the installation of smoke and carbon monoxide alarms, kitchen fire safety, and the development of home escape plans. We all have the responsibility to install and perform a monthly test on smoke alarms. We also have the responsibility to practice two ways out fire escape plan to ensure our part and commitment to fire safety in rural areas.

Staff recommend that the Infrastructure Needs Assessment indicated for 2025 be considered complete, that alternative mitigation measures be implemented as outlined in this report, and that response times, and call volumes be monitored to determine timing for completion of a future feasibility study for a lakeshore area fire hall.

### **Financial Impacts:**

Any changes in level of service for provisions of an enhanced fire prevention program will be included in future operating budgets.

#### **Performance Measurement:**

Decrease in response times, decrease in calls that are turned around or cancelled.

### **Strategic Area:**

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**Strategic Goal:** Strive for continuous improvement and increased efficiency

### **Respectfully Submitted By:**

Jeff Bradley, Fire Chief

### **Report Approved By:**



## Staff Report

Report Title: Municipal Drain Status Update September 2024

Date: Sep. 4, 2024 Report Number: DRA-2024-10-04

**Department: DRAINS** File Number: C11 DRA 24

Prepared By: Ken McCallum, Drainage Superintendent & Jennifer White, Clerk

**Attachments: None** 

#### **Recommendation:**

That the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report DRAIN-2024-10-04 prepared by Ken McCallum, Drainage Superintendent.

#### **Background:**

Municipal Drainage projects are in various stages of completion. This report is to provide the Committee with an update on each drain in progress.

#### **Discussion/Analysis/Overview:**

### **Capital Works**

### **Hamilton Municipal Drain:**

K. Smart & Associates Limited are appointed under Section 78 of the Drainage Act to make improvements to the Hamilton Municipal Drain. Staff continue to work with the appointed Engineer to address changes to the scope of work to address identified concerns and change requests from impacted landowners.

The drainage plan includes a downstream pond which is being restored by Ducks Unlimited as part of conservation efforts. Staff have been advised that the Ducks unlimited restoration work will be moving forward. The outfall of the Drain design plan will need to incorporate this pond feature into the base design.

Design considerations would allow the municipality to control the normal water levels of the pond suitable for upstream landowners' drainage requirements while allowing Ducks Unlimited to manage any future maintenance or restoration to the pond below specified water levels.

When the final report is received from the appointed Engineer, Council will consider it at a public meeting, following notification of affected landowners. Maintenance work to remove beavers was additionally conducted as noted later in this report.

#### **Gaunt-Laidlaw Municipal Drain**

The Engineer's report was referred back to the Engineer by Council for changes to the design and report. Municipal staff have followed up with the engineer to make the necessary changes required and expect to provide the revised report to Council in Fall of 2024 for consideration, pending landowner notification. The Engineer has been delayed in scheduling a landowners meeting to review the revised report, due to the unavailability of one of the landowners.

#### Vandiepenbeek Municipal Drain

The construction of the drain has been certified complete and has entered the one year warranty period Municipal staff will continue to work with the project Engineer to address any outstanding concerns identified by landowners during this period.

#### **Black Creek Municipal Drain**

A meeting with impacted landowners to review scope of work is being scheduled for November/December of 2024.

#### **Park Street & Railway Street Municipal Drains**

RJ Burnside & Associates Ltd. have been appointed under section 78 of the Drainage Act, to improve the Park Street Municipal Drain. Council passed By-law No. 2023-38 and By-law No. 2024-03 to accept the Engineer's report and award the construction tender, respectively. Construction is nearly complete on the Park Street drain, and a one-year warranty period will commence when the Engineer declares the project substantially complete. Municipal staff will continue to work with the project Engineer to address any outstanding concerns identified by landowners during this period. Landowners dissatisfied with the quality of construction may appeal to the Tribunal under section 64 of the Drainage Act.

#### **Bruce Beach Drain (Phase I)**

Phase 1 of the Bruce Beach Municipal Drain project has reached completion. While the process involved significant challenges, the drainage system is now fully operational and meeting its intended purpose. As part of this phase, the Township will soon be issuing final assessments to the residents involved.

#### **Bruce Beach Drain (Phase II)**

### **Current Status and Approvals**

For Phase 2, the project has secured approvals from the Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority (SVCA) and the Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO) following their reviews of the necessary studies. Although these approvals are important, the design continues to be refined, incorporating both regulatory feedback and public input from earlier engagement sessions.

### **Ongoing Design Refinement and Public Engagement**

The project team continues to refine the design while taking public input into consideration. Future engagement opportunities are being planned, being mindful of the availability of seasonal populations and will provide updates when more

information becomes available. The goal of Staff and the appointed Engineer is to ensure that all stakeholders can contribute meaningfully as the project progresses.

**Clark Creek Municipal Drain** Construction of the Clark Creek Municipal Drain Site 'J' (the final site in the overall project), began in August. Additional Work was required to remove soils along one embankment. Municipal staff continue to work closely with the Engineer and Contractor to finalize the completion of the project. A site visit is with SVCA is being scheduled to ensure all construction undertaken is compliant with the proposed plans.

#### **Thompson Lamont Deyell Municipal Drain**

The Municipality of Morris-Turnberry has received a notice of request for a drain improvement. Lands within the Township of Huron-Kinloss contribute to the watershed and shall be assessed costs. No further update has been provided at this time.

### **Unresolved Capitol Works**

Staff are aware of outstanding reports from appointed engineers on several drains. Information of these unresolved projects are listed below. A further report may be brought forward to Council with options for consideration to move these requests forward, if staff efforts are unsuccessful.

### **Pennell Municipal Drain**

DEL was appointed by the Council of the Township of Huron-Kinloss to investigate improvements to the Pennell Drainage Works on August 5th, 2020. An onsite meeting was held on September 3rd, 2020, at 87 Statters Lake Ave. Staff are working with DEL to proceed with the project and produce a report to council.

If the engineer determines that the drainage works are not required or are impractical, Township staff have directed the engineer to file a report to the Council under Section 40 of the Drainage Act. This report will provide the reasons for the decision and include details about the distribution of any costs associated with the project.

### Jantzi Municipal Drain

DEL was appointed by the Council of the Township of Huron-Kinloss to investigate a Petition under Section 4 of the Drainage Act for the Jantzi Drainage Works on May 21st, 2014. An onsite meeting was held on July 3rd, 2014, at 445 South Kinloss Ave. (Martin Metzke's property) with a representative of DEL.

If the engineer determines that the drainage works are not required or are impractical, Township staff have directed the engineer to file a report to the Council under Section 40 of the Drainage Act. This report will provide the reasons for the decision and include details about the distribution of any costs associated with the project.

#### **Von Hoevel Municipal Drain**

DEL was appointed by the Council of the Township of Huron-Kinloss to investigate a legal outlet for landowners followed by a Petition under Section 4 of the Drainage Act for the Von Hoevel Drainage Works on May 20th, 2020. An onsite meeting was held on September 17th, 2020, at Lot 55 Lake Range in the Township of Huron-Kinloss with a representative of DEL. Staff are working with DEL to proceed with the project and produce a report to council.

If the engineer determines that the drainage works are not required or are impractical, Township staff have directed the engineer to file a report to the Council under Section 40 of the Drainage Act. This report will provide the reasons for the decision and include details about the distribution of any costs associated with the project.

#### **Kempton Municipal Drain**

Council appointed R.J. Burnside & Associates under section #78 of the Drainage Act to investigate a legal outlet for landowners. Subsequently to a meeting held on November 6, 2014, 2 of the landowners with a large portion of the area requested that the Engineer put the project on hold until the Improvements were complete to the McNain Municipal Drain which serves outlet for the Kempton Drain. The landowners concluded that Improvements to the McNain drain would help alleviate flooding to their lands, therefore potentially reducing the scope of work proposed for the Kempton Drain. Staff are working to host a meeting with the affected landowners to obtain a better understating of the required improvements if any to the Kempton Drain.

If the landowners decide that the drainage works are either unnecessary or impractical, the Township staff will instruct the engineer to submit a report to the Council under Section 40 of the Drainage Act. This report will outline the reasons for the decision and provide a breakdown of the costs incurred in connection with the project up to that point. The report will ensure that all parties are informed about the rationale behind discontinuing the project and how the expenses will be allocated.

### **Maintenance Works**

### **Ackert Municipal Drain**

A drain maintenance request has been received to remove trees and blockages from the Ackert drain downstream of Karishea Ave. The works has been scheduled. Landowners upstream of the work will be assessed costs for the maintenance work.

### **Stewart Municipal Drain**

A request has been made for a clean out downstream of Concession A, Pt. Lot 60, Parcel ID (9-121-01). A landowner has requested that a portion of Concession 12 roadside ditch be cleaned out to relieve private lands from flooding. Staff are working with the contractor to complete the municipal drain cleanout in September 2024.

Municipal staff have been made aware with the maintenance recently conducted, that a culvert that may be installed at improper grades proving to be detrimental to the functionality of the drain. Staff is scheduling to survey the drain and bring a report to council on the specific findings and any actions recommended.

#### **Reavie Municipal Drain**

1 to 1.5 ft of sediment has been observed in the entire length of the Reavie drain. Approximately 3,500 meters of bottom cleanout is required to have the drain function as it was originally designed again. Brushing will be necessary at the drain outlet and along various parts of the drain for access to complete the work. All approvals have been obtained.

The original contractor has been unable to complete the requested work to date. Staff may contact an alternative contractor if required to complete the works.

#### John-Fair Municipal Drain

Sediment has accumulated in the ditch bottom over the past several years and needs to be removed to improve flows at Concession 12 Road. Approximately 1,000m of bottom cleanout is required to have the drain function properly again. Minor brushing is also required along the top of bank and side slopes to access the drain. Work was completed in September in accordance with the governing report.

#### **Carrick Municipal Drain**

The Carrick municipal tile drain has failed and created a sinkhole in a resident's yard within the village of Whitechurch. Investigations revealed that the Carrick municipal drain open portion needs repair and maintenance. The open portion of the drain has become overgrown with trees which have caused obstructions in the drain. Sediment has built up causing the Municipal drain tile outlet to be submerged under water. Staff are working to obtain approval from DFO. A permit will be required from the Conservation Authority as the work will commence within a regulated wetland area. It is anticipated that due to Conservation Authority timing windows for work, this work will be completed in summer of 2025.

### A. McDonald Municipal Drain

A request has been made to cleanout a section of the A. McDonald Award Municipal Drain. The Landowner of Lot 2, Concession 2, Huron would like approximately 450m of the open drain maintained on his property. Required approvals have been obtained and the work has been contracted for completion this fall.

### **Black Creek SW Municipal Drain (Hayes Lake Beaver's)**

Beavers are in the Black Creek municipal drain Southwest section blocking the outlet to Hayes Lake raising water levels the are encroaching Hayes Lake Ave. A trapper has been notified to remove the beaver.

### **Royal Oak Municipal Drain**

Beavers are located in the Royal Oak drain causing blockages and holding back waterflows causing flooding to neighbouring lands. Staff have contacted a local trapper to remove the nuisance Beaver's and will proceed to remove the dams after Page 63 of 289

potentially impacted crops have been harvested. Staff will now proceed with the removal of the obstructions.

#### Kincardine-Kinloss Municipal Drain.

Sediment has accumulated in the Kincardine-Kinloss drain in Lots 7 & 8, Range 1 NDR Kinloss Ward. Maintenance is required from the Kincardine-Kinloss towline upstream to County Road 9. Staff are working to obtain approvals from DFO to complete in water work and have notified the Conservation Authority as permits are required due to work inside a regulated wetland area. As Conservation Authority timing windows for this work will delay work to 2025, Staff have scheduled for this fall a cleanout of 300m of open ditch to provide some measure of relief to landowners in advance of the other maintenance work.

#### **Pollard Municipal Drain**

The Pollard municipal drain has failed within the road allowance of Statter's Lake Ave. The landowner of Lot 5m Concession 10, Kinloss is experiencing flooding to his lands. Staff have requested locates and are working with a contractor to complete the repairs once the locates are complete.

#### **Hamilton Municipal Drain**

Beavers have been trapped as requested.

#### **McDonald Bushnell Municipal Drain**

Beavers are in the McDonald-Bushnell drain causing blockages and holding back waterflows in Lot 19, 2 Range SDR Kinloss Ward. The Beaver's have been removed and staff have scheduled a contractor to remove the damns this fall and cleanout approximately 350m of drain to re-establish grades.

## **Other Drainage Items of Note**

The Township's Drainage Superintendent duties are provided through a shared services agreement with the Municipality of Huron-East. Typically, the Drainage Superintendent would split time between both municipalities weekly. The Township of Huron-Kinloss would typically have two days each week of availability for the Drainage Superintendent to perform the duties assigned.

Urgent situations impacting drainage in either municipality however would require the Drainage Superintendent to focus attention on the municipality where the crisis, emergency or urgent work is located. Through September, challenges with drainage related issues in Huron-East have limited the Drainage Superintendent's availability to deal with ongoing or arising issues within the Township of Huron-Kinloss. It is anticipated that the Drainage Superintendent will focus additional time in the Township of Huron-Kinloss at the conclusion of the current challenge, before typical availability resumes.

#### **Financial Impacts:**

The cost of constructing, maintaining and/or repairing municipal drains is assessed to all the landowners within the drain watershed depicted in the last engineer's report as outlined in the *Drainage Act*, 1990. The Township is responsible for any Assessments to all Municipal lands and roads as determined by the engineer.

Performance Measurement:	
N/A	
Strategic Area:	
□Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle □Prepare for Inclusive Growth	□ Enhance Municipal Service Delivery     □ Ensure Financial Stability
Strategic Goal: Protect, promote and	restore our natural environment
Respectfully Submitted By: Ken McCallum, Drainage Superintender Services/Clerk	nt & Jennifer White, Manager of Legislative
<b>Report Approved By:</b> Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Of	fficer



### Staff Report

**Report Title: Community Services Status Report October 2024** 

Date: Oct. 7, 2024 Report Number: CS-2024-10-39

**Department: Community Services** File Number: C11 CS 24

**Prepared By: Mike Fair** 

**Attachments:** 

#### **Recommendation:**

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CS-2024-10-39 prepared by Mike Fair, Director of Community Services.

#### **Background:**

#### Attawandaron and Deer Run Trails Restoration Point Clark

The trails are included in the 2024 capital budget for restoration. The trails were damaged due to the extensive ash tree removal work.

### Real Ice System

The <u>Realice</u> system was included in the 2024 capital budget is now installed and ready to start the ice installation on October 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### Ripley Medical Centre

The Ripley Medical Centre renovations is included in the 2024 capital budget.

#### Lakeshore Erosion Shrub Planting Partnership

The Pine River Watershed (David Grant) has partnered with the Township of Huron-Kinloss to prevent Lakeshore Erosion on Lake Huron.

#### Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

#### Attawandaron and Deer Run Trails Restoration Point Clark

The trails have been fully cleared, and restoration work has begun. Larger stone placed in low areas, and all the trail lengths have been topped with stone dust type material. Elliott Construction has provided the larger stone material, and equipment to spread the material. The bulk of the material 500 tonnes has been donated by Teeswater concrete, and Public works department provided the trucking to Point Clark. Gates, and signage are still required to be installed this fall. Photo of the work to date are attached.

The Realice system was included in the 2024 capital budget (\$35 000). The purchase price was \$34 560.00 plus HST, and a Save on Energy Grant was approved for \$5 062 which will bring the final cost under \$30 000 plus the HST. The expected savings is 38 000 Kwh annually or an estimated \$5 000 annually. Staff will be monitoring the system closely to determine the return on investment which is estimated for six years.

#### **Ripley Medical Centre**

The Ripley Medical Centre is included in the 2024 capital budget. The project is nearing completion. Trim, and doors, blinds, preliminary landscaping, and the exterior handrail for new ramp will be installed mid October. Furnishings and equipment are slated to be re-installed late October. Staff will update Council with a grand re-opening ribbon cutting ceremony when the details are available in partnership with the Kincardine Family Health Team.

### Lakeshore Erosion Shrub Planting Partnership

The Pine River Watershed (David Grant) is coordinating the distribution of 100 spreading junipers to those lakeshore residents to be planted in the mid to rear dune area along the Huron-Kinloss Shoreline. The project will bring awareness to the lakeshore residents and the importance of dune protection along the shoreline. The project is included in the 2024 operating tree planting budget.

#### **Financial Impacts:**

The above projects are included in the 2024 capital and operating budgets.

Reduction in Electricity costs for the Ripley-Huron Community Centre by 7%

Reduction in the capital costs for Deer Run and Attawandaron Trails

#### **Performance Measurement:**

Restore 1.5 km of trails

Engaged partner for Environmental initiative

Reducing energy used by the Ripley-Huron Community Centre by 7%

### **Strategic Area:**

Strategic Goal: Encourage strong communication and community engagement

: Facilitate Community Well Being

: Protect, promote and restore our natural environment

### **Respectfully Submitted By:**

Mike Fair, Director of Community Services

### **Report Approved By:**

## Attawanadaron Park 2024 - Trail Photos









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**Deer Run Trail** 























# Staff Report

Report Title: Electricity Procurement with Local Authority Services LAS Report Date: Oct. 7, 2024 Report Number: CS-2024-10-40

**Department: Community Services** File Number: E17 LAS 24

**Prepared By: Mike Fair, Director of Community Services** 

Attachments: 2023 Summary and 2024 Summary to date with projections

#### **Recommendation:**

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CS-2024-10-40 prepared by Mike Fair, Director of Community Services.

# **Background:**

Local Authority Services (LAS) 2023 electricity procurement program

The Township of Huron-Kinloss participates in an electricity procurement program provided by Local Authority Services LAS, and a division of Association of Municipalities of Ontario AMO. The annual report to follow is provided by LAS for the annual savings and the hedge market pricing.

# **Discussion/Analysis/Overview:**

2023 was a down year with unstable market and hedge pricing through 2022 leading to a 2023 inflated hedge cost with the market later stabilizing back to normal levels in 2023. Note that in the last six years the Township of Huron-Kinloss has saved a total of \$52 714.69. The 2023 costs summary is attached.

This year in 2024 the hedge price and market have returned to what we normally expect to see. The projected results look to return to the normal range for the program at this point. The 2024 to date and projection is attached.

# Hedge Level Options

As in past years, the LAS Electricity Program allows municipalities to choose between two distinct approaches to electricity procurement – a hedge purchase alongside 135+ other Ontario municipalities, or 100% Spot Market Billing. In both scenarios

the Global Adjustment (GA) charge will be applied to your monthly usage, with LAS playing no role in determining the GA's month rate.

1. Hedge Purchase: A hedge purchase allows municipalities to purchase up to 75% of their annual electricity consumption at a fixed price, with the balance falling at the prevailing average monthly spot market rate. Going to market with the combined

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volumes of 135+ municipalities allows LAS to secure the best price possible for the program at the time of purchase and adds an element of stability to your commodity cost.

2. 100% Spot Market Billing: Under this option LAS does not make any hedge purchases for the municipality. Instead, municipal accounts ride the ebbs and flows of the electricity market, meaning your commodity cost will fluctuate from one month to the next based on changes in external market factors (i.e., supply, demand, weather, etc.). Generally, this approach provides the biggest opportunity for cost savings over a 12-month period. However, it is also quite volatile and there can be large swings in prices from one month to the next, meaning this approach may not be for every municipality.

Staff has traditionally used a 65% hedge level since Huron-Kinloss joined the program, approximately six years ago and see no reason to adjust.

Financial Impacts:				
There are no financial impacts.				
Performance Measurement:				
Saving \$1577.65 in 2023 electricity costs.				
Strategic Area:				
☐Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle ☐Prepare for Inclusive Growth	<ul><li>□ Enhance Municipal Service Delivery</li><li>⋈ Ensure Financial Stability</li></ul>			
Strategic Goal: Commit to financial h	ealth and sustainability			
Respectfully Submitted By: Mike Fair, Director of Community Service	ces			
Report Approved By:				

Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer

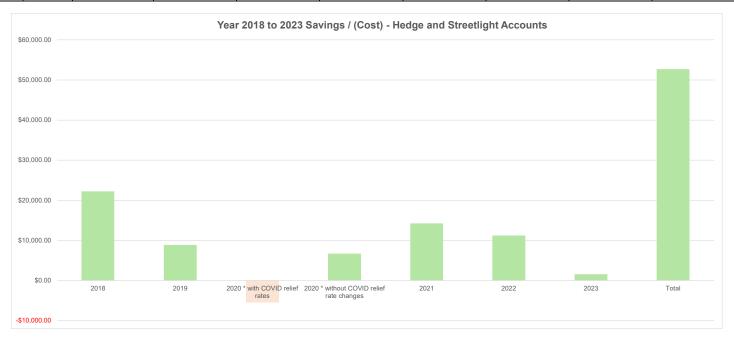


# **Township of Huron-Kinloss**

2023 Cost Summary	
Total Volume kWh	1,677,057.33
LAS Rate \$/kWh	0.046472
LAS Cost \$	77,936.77
Global Adjustment Rate \$/kWh	0.072209
Global Adjustment Cost \$	121,098.91
Total Cost LAS + GA \$/kWh	199,035.68
TOU Pate \$/bWh	0.116250
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Hedge Savings/Cost \$	(4,077.77)
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	0.072209
	15,832.84
Total Cost LAS + GA \$/kWh	21,656.05
TOU Tiered Rate \$/kWh	0.124560
Total TOU Tiered Cost \$	27,311.47
Streetlight Savings/Cost \$	5,655.42
Savings/Cost \$	1,577.65
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## **6 Year Cost Summary**

Year	2018	2019	2020 * with COVID relief rates	2020 * without COVID relief rate changes	2021	2022	2023	Total
% Savings	14%	5%	-3%	3%	3%	6%	1%	4%
\$ Savings	\$22,251.66	\$8,858.85	-\$5,444.91	\$6,697.90	\$14,260.45	\$11,210.99	\$1,577.65	\$52,714.69



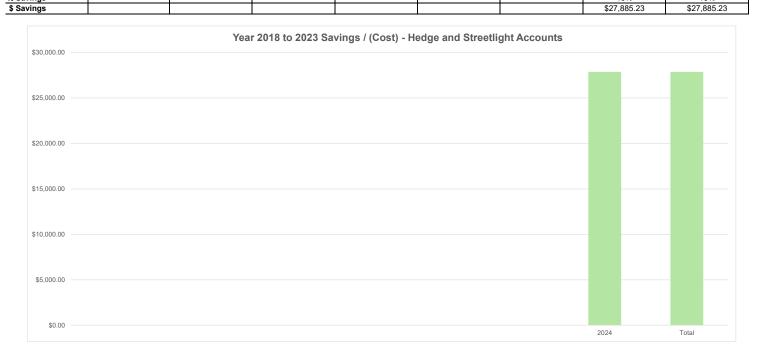


# **Township of Huron-Kinloss**

	2024 Cost Summary	
	Total Volume kWh	1,677,057.33
	LAS Rate \$/kWh	0.040584
	LAS Cost \$	68,060.98
	Global Adjustment Rate \$/kWh	0.062600
	Global Adjustment Cost \$	104,983.79
Hedge	Total Cost LAS + GA \$/kWh	173,044.76
	TOU Rate \$/kWh	0.116250
	Total TOU Cost \$	194,957.91
	Hedge Savings/Cost \$	21,913.15
	Heuge Savings/Cost \$	21,510.10
	Total Volume STL kWh	219,263.61
	LAS Rate \$/kWh	0.034080
	LAS Cost \$	7,472.50
	Global Adjustment Rate \$/kWh	0.062600
	Global Adjustment Cost \$	13,725.90
Streetlights	Total Cost LAS + GA \$/kWh	21,198.41
	TOU Tiered Rate \$/kWh	0.123917
	Total TOU Tiered Cost \$	27,170.49
	Streetlight Savings/Cost \$	5,972.08
Total		
I Otal	Savings/Cost \$	27,885.23

Year				2024	Total
% Savings				13%	13%

**6 Year Cost Summary** 





# Staff Report

Report Title: Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund Stream 1
Date: Oct. 7, 2024

Report Number: CS-2024-10-41

**Department: Community Services** File Number: C11

**Prepared By: Mike Fair, Director of Community Services** 

Attachments: Ice Plant quote, drawing for storage.

#### **Recommendation:**

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby approves Report CS2024-10-41 prepared by Mike Fair, Director of Community Services;

AND FURTHER authorizes staff to submit a grant application to the Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund stream 1 for the Ripley-Huron Community Centre Refurbishment Project.

# **Background:**

# Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund

The Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund stream 1 supports projects that: extend the lifespan of existing facilities, maximize the use of existing facilities (for example, use of space, increasing hours of operation, enhancing functionality and/or participation rates), and or improve health and safety, accessibility and environment standards of facilities (for example, access to facility or field of play, lower operating costs, etc.)

The deadline to apply is Tuesday, October 29, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. ET.

Funding is between \$150,000 to \$1 million and all projects must be completed within 24 months of entering a Transfer Payment Agreement with the province.

Provincial cost-sharing is up to 50% for municipalities, local services boards and not-for-profit organizations, and under unique and exceptional circumstances, we may consider a provincial contribution of up to 70% of eligible project costs for not-for-profit organizations, local services boards or municipalities with a population of less than 20,000.

A resolution from Council is required for the application for a project submission.

# **Discussion/Analysis/Overview:**

Staff has reviewed the capital forecast for the Ripley-Huron Community Centre for the next 5 years. The 2026 capital budget for the ice plant refurbishment is \$200 000. The 2029 capital Budget for adding a 20 x 50 storage space for minor hockey, Figure skating, Agricultural Society and Community Services equipment is \$100 000. The

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2027 capital Budget for replacing the fifty-year-old main electrical panel is \$30 000. The 2026 capital budget for replacing the cement pad and update drainage outside the Zamboni room is \$50 000.

Staff is working on receiving revised estimates. The anticipated revised estimates are summarized below.

Description	Budget	Revised Estimate
Ice Plant	\$200 000	\$565 000
Storage Space	\$100 000	\$225 000
Main Electrical Panel	\$30 000	\$45 000
Cement Pad / Drainage	\$50 000	\$50 000
Total	\$380 000	\$885 000

Staff recommend applying to the Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund stream 1 for the above projects at the Ripley-Huron Community Centre.

## **Financial Impacts:**

A successful application would provide a minimum 50% funding and savings to the taxpayer \$442 500 over the next four years. If the grant is successful then a funding proposal will be brought forward at that time since it will span multiple budget years.

#### **Performance Measurement:**

Strategic Area:	
☐Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle	☑ Enhance Municipal Service Delivery
$\square$ Prepare for Inclusive Growth	⊠ Ensure Financial Stability

Strategic Goal: Manage assets and infrastructure Facilitate Community Well Being

# **Respectfully Submitted By:**

Mike Fair, Director of Community Services

# **Report Approved By:**

Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer



**DATE:** Oct 1, 2024. **FROM:** Alex Drennan

**TO:** Mike Fair **TEL:** (519) 495-7567

**COMPANY:** Town of Huron Kinloss **E-MAIL:** adrennan@drennan.on.ca

**SUBJECT:** Ripley Arena Refrigeration Upgrades **Quote** # 5666

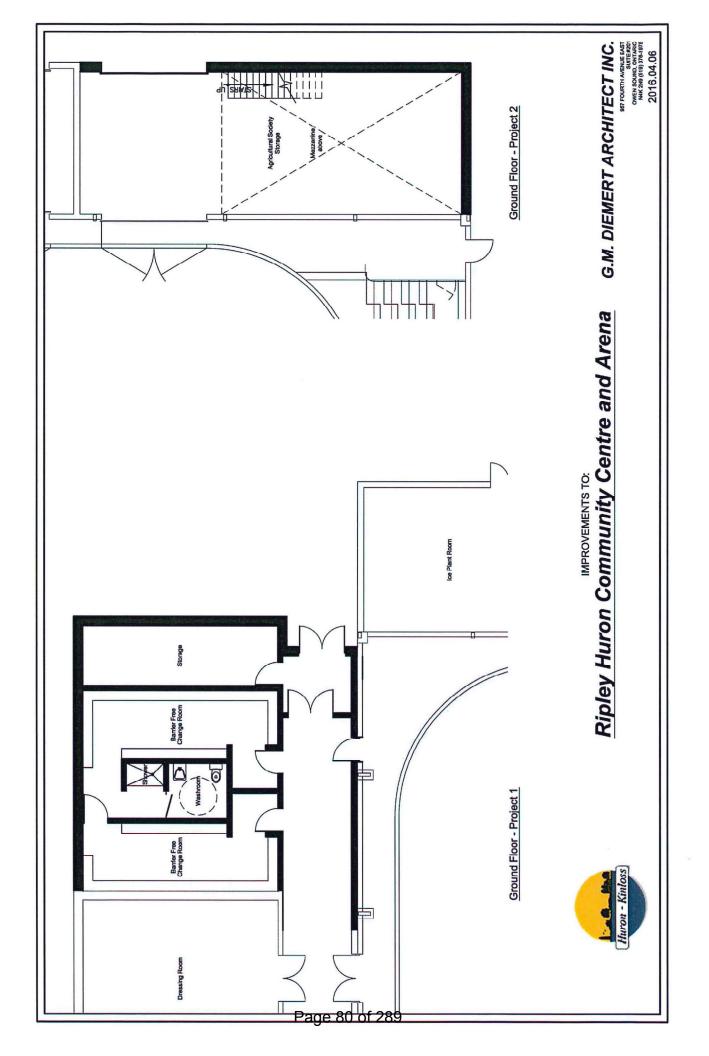
We are pleased to provide a budget proposal to upgrade your existing refrigeration system

#### Scope of Work:

- Remove existing equipment that is being replaced
- Supply & Install (2) 50 Hp Mycom Compressors.
- Supply & Install (1) Evaporative Condenser c/w new stand
- Supply & Install (1) Chiller
- Supply & Install (1) Evaporative Condenser Pump
- Supply & Install (1) Condenser Water Tank
- Supply & Install (1) Desuperheater
- Supply and Install all condenser water piping
- Supply & Install refrigeration piping c/w insulation.
- Supply & Install New Control Panel
- Provide all TSSA drawings and inspections.
- Provide as build drawings and maintenance manuals.
- Provide start-up reports and warranty information.

Budget Price	\$565,000.00 (HST Extra)
Sincerely,	

Alex Drennan





# Staff Report

**Report Title: Parks and Facilities October 2024 Update** 

Date: Oct. 7, 2024 Report Number: CS-2024-10-43

Department: Community Services File Number: C11-CS-24

Prepared By: Matt McClinchey, Parks and Facilities Supervisor Attachments: Boards(before), Boards(after), Lewis Park Pavilion

#### **Recommendation:**

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CS-2024-10-43 prepared by Matt McClinchey, Parks, and Facilities Supervisor.

# **Background:**

The Community Services Department operates and maintains various facilities, parks, and trails in the Township throughout the calendar year.

# Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

# Ripley Huron Community Center

The ice in the community center has been installed. To avoid extra charges in hydro usage, the refrigeration plant was started on October 1<sup>st</sup>. Starting the ice plant September 30<sup>th</sup> would have resulted in an estimated demand increase of \$2000. Ice user groups will begin skating on October 7<sup>th</sup>.

The hockey nets have been refurbished. Bayne's Autobody sandblasted and painted each net. Staff have re-strung each net. Refurbishing costs were roughly \$2000 compared to \$10,000 for a new set of nets.

The arena boards were professionally cleaned by Prime Arena Services (before and after pictures attached).

#### Lewis Park Pavilion

A new steel roof and fascia has been installed at Ripley's, Lewis Park pavilion (picture attached). These items were installed by North Star Carpentry. New steel posts will be installed in the coming weeks by Fabwrights Industrial. All items included in the 2024 capital budget.

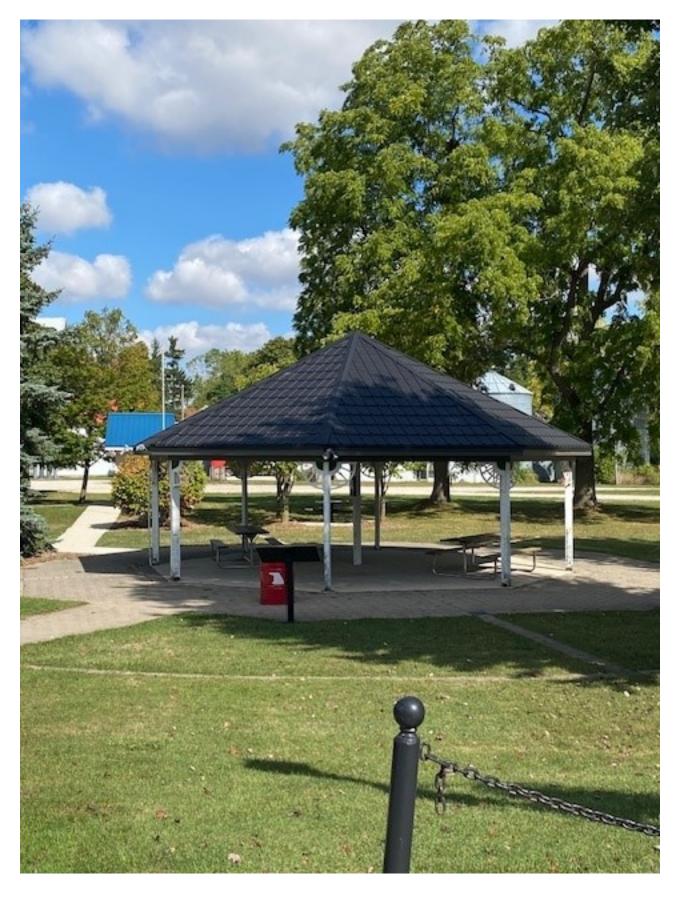
Financial Impacts: All items included in 2024 budget

Performance Measurement: N/A

# Strategic Area: ⊠Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle □ Enhance Municipal Service Delivery □ Prepare for Inclusive Growth ⊠ Ensure Financial Stability Strategic Goal: Manage assets and infrastructure Respectfully Submitted By: Matt McClinchey, Parks and Facilities Supervisor Report Approved By: Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer









# Staff Report

**Report Title: Transportation Oct. 2024** 

Date: Oct. 7, 2024 Report Number: PW-2024-10-40

**Department: Public Works** File Number: C11 PW 24

Prepared By: John Yungblut, Director of Public Works

**Attachments:** 

#### **Recommendation:**

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report PW-2024-10-40 prepared by John Yungblut, Director of Public Works.

# **Background:**

# **Asphalt Paving**

The 2024 hot mix asphalt paving program was awarded to Lavis Contracting on May 20, 2024. The scope of work included pulverizing and paving of Con. 2 from Bruce Rd 7 to Sideroad 5, Lake Range Dr. hill in Point Clark (west of Con. 4) and padding of Grey Ox Ave from Bruce Rd 1 to the Huron-Kinloss Townline. There was also carry over work from 2023 that included the milling and paving of the surface asphalt on Lake Range Dr. from Ashfield-Huron Townline north 200m.

The surface paving on Lake Range Dr. was completed on May 17<sup>th</sup>, asphalt padding on Grey Ox Ave was completed on June 17<sup>th</sup> and Con. 2 paving was completed on Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>.

The section of Lake Range Dr. west of Con. 4 is scheduled to be paved by the end of October. The installation of catch basins and storm sewers at the intersection of Lake Range Dr. and Alice St. was completed on Aug. 27<sup>th</sup>.

## Wheeler and Outram St. Reconstruction

The tender for the reconstruction of Wheeler St. from Inglis St. to Havelock St. and Outram St. from Wheeler St. to Hamilton St. and the rehabilitation of structure L1 on Ludgard St. and L3 on Wheeler St. was awarded to Lavis Contracting on May 15, 2024 and construction began on July 16, 2024.

The new watermain and services on Wheeler St. between Inglis St. and Havelock St. have been tested and connected to the water system.

New storm sewer installations on Wheeler St. and Outram St. were completed during the week of Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>.

The rehabilitation of the Wheeler St. Bridge (L3) was completed during the week of Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> and the rehabilitation of the Ludgard St. Bridge was completed during the week of Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>.

The construction of concrete curbs is expected to begin during the week of Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> with the expectation that the road work will be complete by the end October.

# 2024 Miscellaneous Paving RFQ

Township staffed issued Request For Quotation (RFQ) PW2024-09-01 for the paving of small areas of hot mix asphalt in various locations in Point Clark, Blairs Grove, Ripley and Lucknow.

#### One bid was received:

Bidder	Amount (not incl. HST)
Lavis Contracting Co. Ltd.	\$63,588.50

# **Culvert Replacements**

The replacement of a section of culvert on River Road, west of Alice St. is scheduled to be completed by the end of October.

# **Bruce Beach Road Drainage Improvements**

Township staff began the process of repairing or replacing existing French drains along the east side of Bruce Beach Road between Highland Drive and Con. 8 that are no longer functional.

Drains and catch basins were installed between 114 and 120 Bruce Beach Road in 2022. Since that time, staff have observed other areas that need to be addressed and some improvements are required for the work done in 2022 for the system to function as intended.

# **Discussion/Analysis/Overview:**

# Asphalt Paving

Township staff are pleased with the results of the paving work completed so far. We are still expecting to fit in the paving of Lake Range Dr., west of Con. 4, however, there is the possibility that the paving work could be deferred to next year.

We are delaying the removal of the existing asphalt until we are certain that the paving will be complete this year.

#### Wheeler and Outram St. Reconstruction

Work is progressing well with no significant issues that will affect the budget or schedule have been encountered so far.

# 2024 Miscellaneous Paving RFQ

The bid that was received was significantly higher than the \$35,000 budgeted for this project, so the RFQ was not awarded. Based on feedback from potential bidders, the

contractors that typically bid on these projects did not think they could complete the work before the asphalt plants shut down in November.

Township staff are in the process of removing the areas that could be delayed until 2025 and working with contractors that can complete the work that needs to be completed this year. We are confident that the work can be completed at a cost that is close to the budgeted amount, however, some will have to be deferred into 2025.

## **Bruce Beach Road Drainage Improvements**

Township staff are expecting that these improvements will resolve the road drainage issues in this section of Bruce Beach Road. We will be monitoring their performance to determine if further remedial actions are necessary.

# **Financial Impacts:**

Asphalt road paving and the Wheeler and Outram project is covered in the capital budget.

Miscellaneous asphalt paving, culvert replacements and road drainage improvements are funded by the operating budget.

#### **Performance Measurement:**

Regular Pavement Condition Index (PCI) evaluations on all our paved roadways will allow staff to determine if the overall condition of our paved roads is improving or deteriorating. This information is critical in establishing the appropriate capital investment required. The last PCI evaluation was completed in 2020, and we are expecting to complete another study in 2025. Ideally, the PCI evaluations are completed on a three year cycle, which is our goal beyond 2025.

Our Bridge Condition Index (BCI) evaluations are completed on a six year cycle, which is used to determine the overall condition of our structures.

# Strategic Area:

⊠Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle	☐ Enhance Municipal Service Delivery
□ Prepare for Inclusive Growth	

# Strategic Goal: Manage assets and infrastructure

# **Respectfully Submitted By:**

John Yungblut, Director of Public Works

# **Report Approved By:**

Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer



# Staff Report

**Report Title: Water-Wastewater October 2024** 

Date: Oct. 7, 2024 Report Number: PW-2024-10-42

**Department: Public Works** File Number: C11 PW 24

Prepared By: John Yungblut, Director of Public Works Attachments: Monthly Water/Wastewater Summary

#### **Recommendation:**

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report PW2024-10-42 prepared by John Yungblut, Director of Public Works.

# **Background:**

# Monthly Summary

Our Operating Authority, Veolia Water Canada, has prepared a summary of the water and wastewater operations over the past month and is attached to this report.

#### Water and Wastewater Operations RFP

On May 6, 2024, the Committee-of-the-Whole directed staff to initiate the Request for Proposal (RFP) process for the procurement of water and wastewater services effective Jan. 1, 2025. Our current contract with Veolia Canada expires on Dec. 31, 2024.

The RFP was issued on Oct. 1, 2024 and was sent to potential proponents. The deadline for proposal submission is Oct. 30, 2024. Staff are expecting to have a selected preferred proponent for Council approval by Nov. 18, 2024.

#### William St. North Water Service Replacements

In the past few years, the Township has had to replace multiple water services for houses on the west side of William St. N in Ripley. This summer we observed two locations where the water services appeared to be leaking.

As we developed plans to replace the two water service with a directional drill, Staff determined that there would be one service left that has not been replaced. Since we had the drilling equipment on site, we decided to go ahead and replace the last service to prevent an issue in the future.

The water services were replaced on Sept. 9-10, 2024.

# **Discussion/Analysis/Overview:**

# Water and Wastewater Operations RFP

The timeline for awarding the RFP and entering into a five year contract is much shorter than Township staff would prefer. This is a result of the RFP preparation process taking longer than we were expecting.

The RFP states that the contractor is to begin the transition process on Dec. 16, 2024 and will assume full duties as Operating Authority effective Jan. 1, 2025. We won't know how realistic this timeline is until we review submitted proposals.

Meanwhile, Township staff are in the process of discussing the transition process with our current Operating Authority, Veolia Canada to determine if there is any flexibility on the current contract end date of Dec. 31, 2024.

# William St. North Water Service Replacements

The watermain was installed in the 1970's and polyethylene tubing was used for the water services which was unusual as that time. From the 1940's through to the 1990's, copper was the most common material used for water services in Ontario. It appears that the polyethylene used originally was of lower quality than the polyethylene that is used now, which explains the consistent failures that we have seen in this area.

# **Financial Impacts:**

The cost of preparing the RFP documents and repairing water services are covered by the 2024 Operating Budget.

#### **Performance Measurement:**

N/A

# Strategic Area:

□ Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle⋈ Enhance Municipal Service Delivery⋈ Prepare for Inclusive Growth⋈ Ensure Financial Stability

## Strategic Goal: Manage assets and infrastructure

# **Respectfully Submitted By:**

John Yungblut, Director of Public Works

#### **Report Approved By:**

Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer

Date: September, 2024

Prepared by: Sarah Telford

#### **WATER**

#### **Lakeshore**

Adverse Samples: No adverse bacteriological sample results

Non-Compliances: None.

**Equipment Issues:** 

- Blairs Grove(BG):
  - Nothing to report
- Huronville(HV):
  - o Generator is on order
- Murdoch Glen(MG):
  - Nothing to report
- Point Clark (PC):
  - o Sommers repaired the standby generator

#### **General Information:**

Working on all required Work Orders and all samples were taken including Lead

1 of 2 blow offs at Victoria and Lighthouse needs to be removed as 1 has been abandoned

#### Alarms:

- Huronville Chlorine pump fail (8th)
- Point Clark -Chlorine pump 3 and 4 fail (9th)
- Blairs Grove -none
- Murdoch Glen -none

#### **Main Breaks and Leaks:**

- None

#### **Power Outages:**

None

#### Inquiries and Complaints:

**Locates:** (see Township master list)

#### <u>Lucknow</u>

#### **Adverse Samples:**

- None

#### **Non-Compliances:**

- None



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#### **Equipment Issues:**

- L4
- None
- L5
- None

#### **Water Tower:**

Nothing to report

#### **General Information:**

Working on Work Orders and all samples were taken including Lead

West and East Watermain has been connected at the Wheeler St Watermain Project.

#### Alarms:

- None

#### Main breaks and Leaks:

None to Report

#### **Power Outages:**

None to Report

#### **Inquiries and Complaints:**

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**Locates:** (see Township master list)

- a new software program has been initiated for locates

#### **Ripley**

Adverse Samples: None.

Non-Compliances: None.

Equipment Issues: None.

**Alarms: None** 

- Ripley Well:
  - Well #2 MCC replacement to be completed by Belwood
- Elevated Tower:
  - John requests that Veolia adds the Tower generator to our monthly testing schedule

#### **General Information:**

Working on Work Orders and all samples were taken including Lead

- AAlarms:
  - None reported

#### Main breaks and Leaks:

None



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Prepared by: Sarah Telford

#### **Power Outages:**

- None

**Inquiries and Complaints:** None reported.

**Locates:** (see Township master list)

#### **Whitechurch**

Adverse Samples: No adverse bacteriological sample results

# **Non-Compliances:**

None.

#### **Equipment Issues:**

None to report.

#### **General Information:**

Working on Work Orders and all samples were taken including Lead

Fuel tank has been inspected, waiting for report-keep calling for report and update, waiting to hear back

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Alarms: None

#### Main breaks and Leaks:

- None reported.

#### **Power Outages:**

None to report

**Inquiries and Complaints:** (see Township master list)

None to report

**Locates:** (see Township master list)

#### WASTEWATER

#### **Lucknow WW**

Certificate of Approval = 750m3/day

Exceedances: flows

Flows:

- August flows: 673 m<sup>3</sup> max daily flow; 315 m<sup>3</sup> avg daily flow (42% capacity)

# Non-Compliances: None

#### **Equipment Issues:**

- Check valve for pump #1 at LLS has been installed by Caldecott
- Investigating effluent pump floats at the Lucknow Lagoon (probable replacement needed)



Date: September, 2024

Prepared by: Sarah Telford

- Aerator #3 burnt out and was replaced but started to smoke when put in service -Marcus is Investigating further to find the issue.

#### **General information:**

- The grass needs to be cut down around the winter storage

Sewer Main Breaks and Leaks: None reported.

**Power Outages:** 

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**Complaints:** (see Township master list) **Total Locates:** (see Township master list)

#### **RIPLEY WW**

Certificate of Approval = 600m3/day

Exceedances: None

Flows:

- May flows: 307 m<sup>3</sup> max daily flow; 231 avg daily flow (38.50% capacity).

Non-Compliances: None

**Equipment Issues:** 

- The air release at RLS was replaced

#### General information:

- We are keeping the alum treatment higher to avoid the large dosing prior to discharges
- BMRoss looking at dumping station options to limit chances of spills and danger to operators-John to line up Kemptons to do construction once approved

#### Alarms:

- None

Sewer Main Breaks and Leaks: None reported

Power Outages:
- None

**Complaints**: (see Township master list) **Total Locates**: (see Township master list)

# **Ongoing Issues/Recommendations:**

#### WATER:

Crane/ hoist /harness Inspections booked for September Flow meters rescheduled and analyzer calibrations completed Valve turning has started

#### Flushing:

- Zone 2 has been completed
- Request to have weeds/tree growth cleared around the well heads/buildings also the fire hydrants on Lake range



Date: September, 2024

Prepared by: Sarah Telford

- John to have the GIS mapping updated as there are duplicates
- There are appr. 24 Hydrants/blow offs that need to be pumped out before winter Hydrant markers will be changed out with each seasons' flushing (on for winter, off for summer)

## **WASTEWATER**:

**Lucknow**: Need to get grass cut around Lagoons

**Ripley**: Nothing new to report.





# Staff Report

**Report Title: Hiring Report October 2024** 

Date: Oct. 7, 2024 Report Number: CAO-2024-10-31

**Department: CAO**File Number: C11-CAO24

**Prepared By: Leanne Scott, Human Resources Generalist** 

**Attachments: None** 

#### **Recommendation:**

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CAO2024-10-31 prepared by Leanne Scott, Human Resources Generalist.

# **Background:**

The current Hiring Policy, By-Law 2022-173, Selection and Promotions states Senior Managers have discretion to hire casual and student employees and further that the Municipal Council will be kept informed of all hiring and staffing decisions that are made by the Chief Administrative Officer and Senior Managers.

## Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

The Community Service department has hired their Ripley Arena Attendants to fill the seasonal vacancy. This position was advertised through local newspapers, our corporate website and social media. We received 11 applications and have selected 6 candidates who demonstrated volunteer experience, cleaning experience and knowledge of the job. The successful candidates are Reed Dewar, Travis Vaughn, Ewan Scott, Austin VanHardeveld, Jackson Lush and Sheldon Courtney. There are 3 returning students this season.

The Public Works department has hired their seasonal Snowplow Operator and Winter Patroller positions. These positions were advertised through local newspapers, corporate website, social media and Indeed. There was 24 applications received, and 5 people hired. The successful candidates are Barry McDonald & Wyatt Wilken as Winter Patrollers, Jeff Olson & Jacob Riley as Snowplow Operators and Darren Towns as a Relief Snowplow Operator. Due to a leave of absence in the Public Works department the Director of Public Works will advertise for 2 more snowplow operators.

## **Financial Impacts:**

Included in the 2024 Operating Budget

## **Performance Measurement:**

Strategic Area:				
☐ Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle ☐ Prepare for Inclusive Growth	<ul><li>☑ Enhance Municipal Service Delivery</li><li>☐ Ensure Financial Stability</li></ul>			
Strategic Goal: Support employee red	ruitment and retention			
Respectfully Submitted By: Leanne Scott, Human Resources Generalist				
Report Approved By: Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer				



# Staff Report

**Report Title: E-file Registration Ontario Land Tribunal** 

Date: Oct. 7, 2024 Report Number: CLK-2024-10-38

**Department: Legislative Services** File Number: C11 CLK 24 **Prepared By: Jennifer White, Manager of Legislative Services/Clerk** 

Attachments: correspondence OLT, E-file Portal Overview

#### **Recommendation:**

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receive Report 2024-10-38 prepared by Jennifer White, Manager of Legislative Services/Clerk;

AND FURTHER THAT Staff be directed to proceed with registering for the E-File portal to submit appeals to the Ontario Land Tribunal;

AND FURTHER THAT the Clerk be authorized as the Level-1 Administrator for the E-file portal.

# **Background:**

The Township has received correspondence from the Ontario Land Tribunal with respect to a municipality's ability to submit appeals electronically using an e-file portal.

Staff are recommending that the Township of Huron-Kinloss approve the use of efile to forward appeals to the Tribunal and authorize the Clerk as the Level-1 administrator.

#### **Discussion/Analysis/Overview:**

Correspondence was received from the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) noting a public consultation period on proposed updates to the Tribunal's Rules of Practice and Procedure. The full suite of proposed changes and revisions can be found on the website <a href="https://olt.gov.on.ca/wp-content/uploads/OLT\_Rules-of-Practice-and-Procedure\_2024-07-25-redline.pdf">https://olt.gov.on.ca/wp-content/uploads/OLT\_Rules-of-Practice-and-Procedure\_2024-07-25-redline.pdf</a>.

A key change is the Tribunal introducing a mandatory requirement for municipalities and other approval authorities to forward appeals through the E-file portal, an online platform that simplifies the appeal filing process.

It is expected that following the commenting period, which ended September 27<sup>th</sup>, the Province will move forward with submitting appeals via the e-file portal becoming mandatory for all municipalities.

Municipalities are being encouraged to register early for E-File to avoid delays which may occur following the requirement becoming mandatory.

#### Benefits of E-File

E-file is an electronic alternative to the current manual appeal process and offers an accessible, efficient and user-friendly method to submit appeals to various planning decisions.

# E-file allows an applicant to:

- File on their own behalf or the behalf of someone else (for example, a family member, a business or organization, or a client)
- File multiple related appeals
- Upload required documentation
- accurately complete appeal forms by only showing required information or documentation
- Pre-populates data where applicable, minimizing time to complete forms
- Pay filing fees online
- Print or save a PDF of the completed application

#### E-file benefits to Staff

- Digital Submission of appeal documentation, reducing mail/courier costs
- Ability for related appeals to be easily and quickly be grouped together
- Facilitates accurate completion of mandatory information
- Minimizes data entry for both appellants/applicants and municipal staff
- Streamlines payment
- Reduces time spent scanning documents and preparing appeal packages and payments to forward to the Tribunal
- Use generated checklists to ensure all required documents are included with the Townships submission

Overall, the e-file process will allow the Township to serve the public more effectively, efficiently and quickly.

Staff have participated in a demonstration of the e-file process from both the appellant and approval authority standpoints. Staff are satisfied that ease and efficiency will be improved for appellants and for staff in processing any appeals.

Note: Case updates are not provided via efile, as it is intended to direct the submission process of appeals only.

# Next steps

For the Township to begin using e-file a registration process is required, and updates to notices of decision or other communications must be completed. Updates would include how to file an appeal, pay the appeal fee, submit alternatively if the e-file portal is down, and provide more clear detail on timing of the expiry period for appeals.

The E-file Registration form must be completed and sent to the Ontario Land Tribunal with sample copies/templates of the updated notices/communications. The registration process includes the designation of a Level One administrator who will manage the portal process on behalf of the municipality.

The Registration and authorisation of a Level One administrator(s) must be approved by the Ontario Land Tribunal. Once registered, level-1 administrators are responsible for granting access to other staff in their office as needed. There is no limit to the number of users an approval authority can have.

It is the recommendation of Staff that the Clerk as the staff member legislated to receive appeals be authorized as the Level-1 administrator and that Staff be directed to register and use the e-file process to submit appeals to the OLT.

## **Financial Impacts:**

There are no costs associated with registering for the e-file portal. It is anticipated that using e-file will minimize the costs associated with staff time to receive, prepare and submit appeal packages.

#### **Performance Measurement:**

Reduction in time required to submit appeal packages to the Ontario Land Tribunal

# **Strategic Area:**

☐Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle	⋈ Enhance Municipal Service Delivery
☐ Prepare for Inclusive Growth	☐ Ensure Financial Stability

#### Strategic Goal: Strive for continuous improvement and increased efficiency

# **Respectfully Submitted By:**

Jennifer White, Manager of Legislative Services/Clerk

# **Report Approved By:**

Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer

#### **Jennifer White**

From: OLT CLO <OLT.CLO@ontario.ca>
Sent: August 20, 2024 12:59 PM

Cc: OLT CLO

Subject: Updated Ontario Land Tribunal Rules Related to New E-file Portal / Mise à jour des règles du Tribunal

ontarien de l'aménagement du territoire relatives au nouveau portail de dépôt électronique

**Attachments:** E-file Information Sheet.pdf; E-file Information Sheet-French.pdf

## \*Sent on behalf of Euken Lui, Registrar\*

#### Version français

Dear municipal partner,

The Ontario Land Tribunal is hosting a public consultation until September 27, 2024, on <u>proposed updates</u> to the Tribunal's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

A key change is <u>Rule 5.4</u> – a new mandatory requirement for municipalities and other approval authorities to register for and use the Tribunal's <u>new e-file portal</u> to forward appeals to the Tribunal.

To take full advantage of all the features of e-file, municipalities are strongly encouraged to offer appellants the option to submit their appeals using e-file. This will require a few administrative changes, including updating your notices of decision to refer to e-file.

#### Benefits of e-file

E-file is a user-friendly, efficient and accessible alternative to the current manual appeal process and offers many benefits:

- Allows for the digital submission of appeals, including required documentation, to municipalities with the ability for related appeals to be grouped together
- Facilitates the accurate completion of mandatory information
- Streamlines payment appellants and applicants can pay online or send cheques directly to the Tribunal
- Minimizes data entry for both appellants/applicants and municipal staff
- Reduces time spent scanning documents and using mail or couriers to forward appeal packages and cheques to the Tribunal

#### **Next Steps**

- Please <u>register for e-file</u> to begin using it.
- For more information on e-file, see the attached information sheet.

If you need support in registering for e-file, please reach out to us at: <a href="OLT.CLO@ontario.ca">OLT.CLO@ontario.ca</a>. We will provide further updates in the coming weeks.

Sincerely,

"Euken Lui"

#### Euken Lui

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À notre partenaire municipal,

Le Tribunal ontarien de l'aménagement du territoire organise une consultation publique jusqu'au 27 septembre 2024 sur <u>les mises à jour proposées aux règles de pratique et de procédure du Tribunal.</u>

L'un des principaux changements concerne la <u>règle 5.4</u> — une nouvelle exigence pour les municipalités et autres autorités approbatrices de s'inscrire au portail de dépôt électronique du Tribunal et de l'utiliser pour lui transmettre les appels.

Pour profiter pleinement de toutes les fonctionnalités du dépôt électronique, les municipalités sont vivement encouragées à offrir aux appelants la possibilité de soumettre leurs appels au moyen du dépôt électronique. Cela nécessitera quelques changements administratifs, notamment la mise à jour de vos avis de décision de manière à faire référence au dépôt électronique.

## Avantages du dépôt électronique

Le dépôt électronique est une alternative conviviale, efficace et accessible à la procédure manuelle de présentation des appels et offre de nombreux avantages :

- Permet de transmettre aux municipalités les appels par voie numérique, incluant la documentation requise, avec la possibilité de regrouper des appels connexes.
- Facilite la production des bons renseignements obligatoires.
- Simplifie le processus de paiement les appelants et les demandeurs peuvent payer en ligne ou envoyer des chèques directement au Tribunal.
- Minimise la saisie de données pour les appelants/demandeurs et le personnel municipal.
- Réduit le temps passé à numériser des documents et limite le recours à la poste ou aux services de messagerie pour envoyer les dossiers d'appel et les chèques au Tribunal.

#### **Prochaines étapes**

- Veuillez vous inscrire au dépôt électronique avant de commencer à l'utiliser.
- Pour plus d'information sur le dépôt électronique, voir la fiche d'information ci-jointe.

Si vous avez besoin d'aide pour vous inscrire au dépôt électronique, veuillez nous contacter à : OLT.CLO@ontario.ca. Nous vous fournirons de plus amples renseignements dans les semaines à venir.

Cordialement,

"Euken Lui"

Euken Lui

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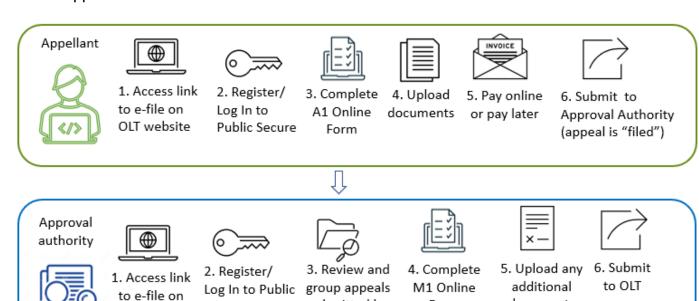
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# **E-file Portal**

# **Overview**

With the Ontario Land Tribunal's (OLT) e-file portal for the submission and remittance of appeals:

- Appellants can submit and manage their appeals online, including all supporting documentation and fee payment.
- Municipalities and other approval authorities can receive, manage and forward appeals to the Tribunal.



submitted by

appellants

Form

documents

The portal replicates the legislated manual appeal filing process in use previously, but with the automation and functional improvements that digitization offers including:

Secure

OLT website

• **Smart Form technology:** applies logic based on different appeal types to keep the digital versions of the A1 and M1 forms simple and focused.

- **CCPay Online Payment Service:** facilitates real-time, secure payments via credit cards and debit-credit cards, which reduces the handling of cheques.
- **User-friendly dashboard:** allows approval authorities to review and group appeals, as needed, to create case appeal packages and forward them to the Tribunal.

# **Benefits**

# **Improves Accuracy and Reduces Errors**

Smart Form technology improves accuracy, completeness and reduces errors by:

- Enforcing mandatory fields and using logic that will assist the user in providing accurate information
- Pre-populating data, where applicable, enabling users (appellants and approval authorities) to submit accurate information and minimizing the time to complete and submit the forms
- Ensuring users are always using the correct and most up-to-date form and therefore less likely to omit information that the Tribunal needs to process the appeal submission

Registered profiles in the e-file portal:

- Function as a central repository for approval authorities, making it easier to refer back to previous case packages, build a knowledge base, and keep everything in one place
- Help maintain consistency where municipalities have high staff turnover or multiple staff working on the same file or for smaller municipalities that don't get a lot of cases and need more reference support

# **Saves Time and Simplifies Processes**

- Electronic payment saves approval authorities time dealing with cheques (safeguarding, transporting and logging physical cheques).
- Receiving appeals digitally eliminates the need to scan paper documents into digital format or send through surface mail/courier.
- Built-in intelligence speeds up the grouping of appeals into cases.
- With improved accuracy and completeness of appeal packages, the Tribunal will spend less time gathering missing information.

# **Consultation Process**

The e-file portal was developed in consultation with legal representatives, municipal and ministry partners representing the most frequent users of the Ontario Land Tribunal. Focus groups were held in March 2023 and February 2024 with 28 participants across 5 municipalities of Ontario, spanning 7 legal firms and 3 ministries. They were invited to provide feedback and suggest features they'd like to see that would address any pain points in the current manual process.

Further <u>consultation on changes to the Tribunal's Rules of Practice and Procedure</u> to introduce a mandatory requirement for municipalities to forward appeals through the efile portal is taking place until September 27, 2024.

# **How to Register for E-file**

There are three steps to becoming a registered e-file service provider:

- 1. Update the templates for your notices of decision or other communications to include the following information:
  - information on how to file an appeal and pay the appeal fee through e-file
  - an email that can be used if the e-file portal is down
  - a date and a time for the expiry of the period for appeals to be filed (e.g., "December 13 at 4:30 p.m.", not just "December 13")
  - instructions for payment of any municipal administrative fees (if applicable)
- 2. Complete the <u>E-file Registration Form</u> and send to the Ontario Land Tribunal along with sample copies/templates of your updated notices/communications.
- 3. Once we have approved your request, we will email you a link to register as an e-file service provider.

# **More Information**

If you have any questions, please reach out to us at: olt efile admin@ontario.ca



# Staff Report

**Report Title: Point Clark Boat Club Dredging Request** 

Date: Oct. 7, 2024 Report Number: CLK-2024-10-39

**Department: Legislative Services** File Number: C11 CLK 24 **Prepared By: Jennifer White, Manager of Legislative Services/Clerk** 

Attachments: None.

#### **Recommendation:**

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CLK-2024-10-39 as prepared by Jennifer White, Clerk;

AND FURTHER confirms there are no concerns with the Point Clark Boat Club request for dredging of the Point Clark Harbour basin, channel and mouth of the harbour during 2025 and 2026;

AND FURTHER THAT the Clerk be directed to sign all necessary documentation to support this request.

#### **Background:**

The Point Clark Boat Club has requested that the Township of Huron-Kinloss provide a letter of support to the club to conduct routine maintenance (dredging) at the Point Clark Harbour basin, channel and mouth of the habour to support boat access to the lake. The Boat Club has applied for the required permits and are requesting that no timing window requirement be applied to the Township's approval of the request.

#### **Discussion/Analysis/Overview:**

Township staff have reviewed the request, and no concerns have been noted. Dredging is expected to take place in March and July, and between March 1 and September 30 on an as-needed basis.

The Point Clark Boat Club is encouraged to ensure that timing for the work does not have a detrimental environmental impact.

Staff is recommending that Council provide a letter of support for the dredging activity as required for a two-year period, to accompany the Point Clark Boat Club's request to the appropriate approval authority.

## **Financial Impacts:**

There are no additional Township costs associated with this report.

#### **Performance Measurement:**

Strategic Area:

⊠Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle ☐ Enhance Municipal Service Delivery
☐ Prepare for Inclusive Growth ☐ Ensure Financial Stability

Strategic Goal: Protect, promote and restore our natural environment

Respectfully Submitted By:
Jennifer White, Manager of Legislative Services/Clerk

Report Approved By:
Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer

Letter of response provided to the Point Clark Boat Club



### The Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss

# Staff Report

**Report Title: Resolutions for Consideration October 2024** 

Date: Oct. 7, 2024 Report Number: CLK-2024-10-40

**Department: Legislative Services** File Number: C11 CLK24

**Prepared By: Kelly Lush, Deputy Clerk** 

Attachments: a. Temiskaming Shores Alcohol Sales and Provincial Alcohol Strategy b. Tillsonburg Cellular Coverage c. Toronto and Stratford Support for Family Physicians d. Waterloo Humanitarian Crisis e. South Bruce Peninsula

**Bruce County Official Plan** 

#### **Recommendation:**

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CLK-2024-10-40 prepared by Kelly Lush, Deputy Clerk;

AND FURTHER THAT the Committee of the Whole support the following resolutions:

AND FURTHER direct Staff to distribute as they see fit.

#### **Background:**

These resolutions were received from other Ontario Municipalities for consideration.

#### **Discussion/Analysis/Overview:**

- a) The City of Temiskaming Shores is requesting that the Government of Ontario reverse their decision to allow alcohol to be sold in more locations and implement the following recommendations;
  - 1. Permit municipalities to opt out of retail alcohol expansion;
  - 2. Grant municipalities the powers to use zoning to determine where new alcohol retail locations are acceptable;
  - 3. Not permit alcohol sales within 150 m of schools, daycares, or substance use facilities;
  - 4. Prohibit the sale of Alcohol at gas stations;
  - 5. Require health warning labels on all alcohol containers;
  - 6. Dedicate a portion of provincial alcohol revenue to addressing alcohol related harms; and
  - 7. Develop and implement a comprehensive provincial alcohol strategy, in partnership with municipalities, that prioritizes health and safety and considers the costs associated with alcohol consumption.
- b) The Town of Tillsonburg suggest that the residents of their community do not have reliable telecommunications infrastructure and are requesting that the Page 109 of 289

Federal Government and the Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED) make it their priority to push forward their commitment to provide this crucial infrastructure.

- c) The City of Toronto with the support of the City of Stratford is requesting that the Minister of Health take immediate action to:
  - 1. properly compensate family physicians with appropriate fee increases; and
  - 2. reduce the administrative burden that the Province places on family doctors so they have more time to see their patients.
- d) The Region of Waterloo supports the "Solve the Crisis Campaign" and is calling on the Provincial and Federal Governments to solve the Humanitarian Crisis that Ontario is facing as the numbers of unhoused individuals and those suffering from mental health and additions grows exponentially.
- e) The Town of South Bruce Peninsula is asking all lower tier municipalities in Bruce County to reach out to County Council and request that the new Bruce County Official Plan is not more restrictive than the Provincial Planning Statement and not to use the Bruce County Official Plan to create additional red tape by regulating items that are or can be regulated by current codes, act, plans etc.

#### **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial implications with this report.

Performance Measurement:	
N/A	
Strategic Area:	
☐Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle ☐Prepare for Inclusive Growth	<ul><li>□ Enhance Municipal Service Delivery</li><li>□ Ensure Financial Stability</li></ul>
Strategic Goal: Not applicable	
<b>Respectfully Submitted By:</b> Kelly Lush, Deputy Clerk	

#### **Report Approved By:**

Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer



# The Corporation of the City of Temiskaming Shores Regular Council Meeting Tuesday, September 17, 2024

#### Resolution

Provincial decision regarding alcohol sales in convenience stores and locations that sell fuel to drivers, and the development of a comprehensive provincial alcohol strategy

Resolution No. 2024-332

Moved by: Councillor Whalen Seconded by: Councillor Wilson

Whereas excessive consumption of alcohol has a negative impact on many communities because of detrimental health effects, road safety, and other harms; and

Whereas the number of cases of individuals driving under the influence are increasing in Ontario, and the Timiskaming District has recently seen its highest rate ever for impaired driving infractions with 10 in April of 2024; and

Whereas jurisdictions with broader access to alcohol have higher rates of driving under the influence and crashes associated with alcohol; and

Whereas alcohol causes at least seven types of cancer and is a risk factor for, disease, disability and premature death, and is a direct cause of 4,300 deaths and 195,000 emergency department visits per year in Ontario; and

Whereas alcohol related emergency department visits increased 18 percent after the introduction of alcohol sales in grocery stores in Ontario; and

Whereas 35 percent of youth in grades 10 and 11 in the Timiskaming District have indicated that they consumed alcohol at 13 years or younger; and

Whereas 49 percent of youth in grades 10 and 11 in the Timiskaming District have been drunk at least once in their life; and

Whereas alcohol related harms cost the Ontario economy 7 billion dollars a year; and

Whereas alcohol is a factor in many domestic, sexual and physical assaults in Ontario; and

Whereas most tax revenue generated by the sale of alcohol goes to the province yet the costs and harms that are alcohol related are borne by the municipalities in the form of policing and social services and public health costs.

Therefore be it resolved that Council for the City of Temiskaming Shores requests the Government of Ontario reverse their decision to allow alcohol to be sold in more locations and implement the following recommendations:

- 1. Permit municipalities to opt out of retail alcohol expansion;
- 2. Grant municipalities the powers to use zoning to determine where new alcohol retail locations are acceptable;
- 3. Not permit alcohol sales within 150 m of schools, daycares, or substance use facilities;
- 4. Prohibit the sale of Alcohol at gas stations;
- 5. Require health warning labels on all alcohol containers;
- 6. Dedicate a portion of provincial alcohol revenue to addressing alcohol related harms; and
- 7. Develop and implement a comprehensive provincial alcohol strategy, in partnership with municipalities, that prioritizes health and safety and considers the costs associated with alcohol consumption.

Further that a copy of this resolution be provided to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health; the Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General; the Honourable Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation; John Vanthof, MPP Timiskaming Cochrane; AMO; FONOM; ROMA; Temiskaming Municipal Association (TMA); Timiskaming Health Unit (Planet Youth Timiskaming); Temiskaming Shores OPP Detachment Board; and all Ontario Municipalities.

Carried

Certified True Copy
City of Temiskaming Shores

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Logan Belanger Municipal Clerk



# Town of Tillsonburg Office of the Clerk

10 Lisgar Avenue, Tillsonburg, ON N4G 5A5

Tel: (519) 688-3009 Fax: (519) 842-9431

September 17, 2024

Hon. Francois-Phillip Champagne, Minister of Innovation, Science and Industry of Canada, Government of Canada Hon. Mary Ng, Minister of Export Promotion, International Trade and Economic Development, Government of Canada Arpan Khanna, MP Ernie Hardeman, MPP

#### To Whom It May Concern:

Please be advised that the Council of the Town of Tillsonburg, at its meeting on September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024 passed the following resolution:

- A. THAT report EDM 24-029 titled "Cellular Coverage Concerns" be received;
- B. THAT Council of the Town of Tillsonburg endorses the following:
  - a. Whereas the residents of our community are not able to have reliability and confidence in our telecommunications infrastructure for our commercial establishments and economic growth, employment, school, virtual medical appointments, mental health, welfare and emergency services:
  - Whereas many areas in and around the Town of Tillsonburg are considered "Dead Zones" causing rural and urban communities to incur prohibitive costs which include roaming and overage fees and/or alternative resources in order to gain basic and limited communication functionality;
  - c. Whereas the Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED) has committed to have a reliable Network and states that, "Reliable telecommunications networks have never been more



crucial. They support not only a wide range of economic and social activities but also other critical infrastructure sectors and government services, andthey are crucial for emergency services and public safety. They are fundamental to the safety, prosperity and well-being of Canadians."

- d. THAT the top priority of the ISED as stated in the Telecommunications Reliability Agenda is, "Robust Networks and Systems This means there is robust architecture for telecommunications networks with appropriate redundancy, diversity, and hardening against hazards, with particular care for emergency services. There are systems with controls and monitoring and the telecommunications supply chain including supplier equipment is trusted and secure. Investments are made to support these activities including in rural and remote areas or to address coverage gaps."
- C. THAT the Council of the Town of Tillsonburg requests that the Federal Government and ISED make it their priority to push forward with their commitment to provide this crucial infrastructure in a meaningful and time manner and provide action and enforcement on the regulations that mandate timely installation of approved cell tower installations; and
- D. THAT a copy of this resolution be also sent to all Ontario municipalities, SWIFT, local telecommunications providers, the local MP and MPP.

Sincerely,

Laura Pickersgill Executive Assistant Town of Tillsonburg

Loura Pickersgill

Cc: All Ontario Municipalities, SWIFT, Bell Canada



## **City Council**

#### **Member Motions - Meeting 19**

MM19.5	ON	Adopted		Ward: All
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# Requesting the Province to Support Family Physicians - by Councillor Dianne Saxe, seconded by Councillor Mike Colle

#### **City Council Decision**

City Council on June 26 and 27, 2024, adopted the following:

- 1. City Council request the Minister of Health to take immediate action to:
  - a. properly compensate family physicians with appropriate fee increases; and
  - b. reduce the administrative burden that the Province places on family doctors so they have more time to see their patients.
- 2. City Council forward City Council's decision to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Health, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and the municipal Clerks of Ontario's municipalities.
- 3. City Council request a direct response from the Minister of Health within 30 days.

#### Summary

On May 13, 2024, the City of Belleville set a good example by passing a resolution calling upon the provincial government to improve compensation and reduce administrative burden for Ontario's family physicians. Toronto should do the same.

The Province of Ontario is responsible for providing quality health care to all residents of Ontario. Family medicine is the backbone of the healthcare system and providing timely access to a primary health care provider for everyone in Ontario, is essential and should be a top Provincial Government priority. Instead, the shortage of family physicians has reached a crisis point.

Millions of Ontario residents, and hundreds of thousands of Torontonians, do not have a family doctor. Studies show that patients without a primary care provider have poorer health outcomes while costing the health care system more. Meanwhile, hospitals, emergency rooms and clinics are overloaded by residents' unmet health care needs.

The Province of Ontario could address this issue quickly and efficiently by paying fair wages to family physicians and by lessening the undue administrative burden this provincial government imposes on family doctors.

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### **City of Stratford, Corporate Services Department**

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September 13, 2024

Sent via email – councilmeeting@toronto.ca

John D. Elvidge, City Clerk City of Toronto

# Re: Resolution Regarding Requesting the Province to Support Family Physicians

We acknowledge receipt of your correspondence dated July 31, 2024, regarding the above-mentioned matter.

The said correspondence was provided to Stratford City Council for their information as part of the September 9, 2024, Council meeting Consent Agenda (CA-2024-140). Council adopted the following resolution:

# THAT CA-2024-140, being a resolution from The City of Toronto regarding Provincial Support for Family Physicians, be endorsed.

Sincerely,

T. Dafoe

Tatiana Dafoe Clerk

/mf

cc: Hon. Mark Holland, Minister of Health

Association of Municipalities of Ontario

All Ontario municipalities

#### REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF WATERLOO



#### OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL CLERK

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September 26, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada

Dear Prime Minister:

Re: Solve the Crisis

Please be advised that the Council of the Regional Municipality of Waterloo at their regular meeting held on September 25, 2024, approved the following motion:

Whereas there is a humanitarian crisis in cities, large and small, urban and rural, across Ontario. We need immediate action at all levels of government, starting with the Province; and

Whereas the homelessness, mental health and addictions crisis continues to grow with 3432 drug related deaths in Ontario in 2023 as well as with an estimated 234,000 Ontarians experiencing homelessness and over 1400 homeless encampments across Ontario communities in 2023; and

Whereas the province has provided additional funding for mental health, addictions and homelessness programs, including the recently announced Homelessness and Addiction Recovery Treatment (HART) Hubs, it does not adequately address the growing crisis and the financial and social impact on municipalities and regions across the province; and

Whereas municipalities and regions are stepping up and working with community partners to put in place community-specific solutions to address this crisis, but municipalities and regions lack the expertise, capacity, or resources to address these increasingly complex health care and housing issues alone; and

Whereas this is primarily a health issue that falls under provincial jurisdiction and municipalities and regions should not be using the property tax base to fund these programs; and

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Whereas there is no provincial Minister focused on this crisis leading to unanswered questions that span over a dozen ministries, and a lack of support to manage the increasing needs of those who are unhoused.

Now Therefore be it resolved that the Region of Waterloo supports the Solve the Crisis Campaign;

And calls on provincial and federal governments to commit to immediate action to solve the Humanitarian Crisis that Ontario is facing as the numbers of unhoused individuals and those suffering with mental health & addictions grows exponentially;

AND that the province officially makes Homelessness a Health Priority;

AND appoints a responsible Minister and Ministry with the appropriate funding and powers as a single point of contact to address the full spectrum of housing needs as well as mental health, addictions and wrap around supports;

AND request that the provincial government strike a task force with broad sector representatives including municipalities, regions, healthcare, first responders, community services, the business community and the tourism industry to develop a *Made in Ontario Action Plan*:

AND that this provincial task force reviews current programs developed by municipalities, regions and community partners that have proven successful in our communities, to ensure that solutions can be implemented quickly and effectively to tackle this crisis.

AND provides the adequate, sufficient and sustainable funding to ensure that municipalities have the tools and resources to support individuals suffering with mental health and addictions, including unhoused people and those from vulnerable populations that may be disproportionately impacted;

And that this Council calls on the residents across the Region of Waterloo to join us in appealing to the provincial and federal governments for support by visiting SolveTheCrisis.ca and showing your support;

And further that a copy of this motion be sent to:

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- The Honourable Sean Fraser, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities of Canada
- The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
- The Honourable Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health
- The Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
- The Honourable Michael Parsa, Minister of Children, Community and Social Services
- The Honourable Michael Tibollo, Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addictions
- Local and area MPs, MPPs and Heads of Council
- The Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Ontario's Big City Mayors and Mayors and Regional Chairs of Ontario

Please accept this letter for information purposes only. If you have any questions please contact Regional Councillor Dorothy McCabe Dorothy.McCabe@waterloo.ca

Please forward any written responses to this letter to William Short, Director, Council & Administrative Services/Regional Clerk <a href="mailto:regionalclerk@regionofwaterloo.ca">regionalclerk@regionofwaterloo.ca</a>

Yours sincerely,

William Short, Director Council and Administrative Services/Regional Clerk

cc: Region of Waterloo Councillor Dorothy McCabe <u>Dorothy.McCabe@waterloo.ca</u>



September 17, 2024

Via email

Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula Municipality of Arran-Elderslie Municipality of Brockton Municipality of South Bruce Municipality of Kincardine Township of Huron-Kinloss Town of Saugeen Shores

**Dear Municipal Councils:** 

Re: Proposed Bruce County Official Plan

At their regular meeting held today, Council adopted the resolution which is below.

It was Moved by J. Kirkland, Seconded by C. Hull and Carried

That the County of Bruce is undertaking a comprehensive review of it's Official Plan and has now presented the draft for public comments;

And that South Bruce Peninsula Council and staff, in reviewing the proposed Official Plan wish to advise Bruce County and the municipalities in Bruce County that South Bruce Peninsula believes that the lower tier municipalities would be better served by the County Official Plan if it more closely mirrored the Provincial Planning Statement, meaning that it provides only high-level policy and does not become overly technical and prohibitive as the document governs all municipalities in Bruce County, each of which have separate and distinct ideologies relating to planning matters;

And that with a more generalized County Official Plan, each municipality in Bruce County would be afforded the opportunity to include more detailed planning policies in each local Official Plan, allowing the municipalities to shape their own futures, tailor development as each municipality sees fit and to accept the liability for planning decisions at the local level without upper tier restrictions while still depending on County planning staff to provide planning services for the lower tier municipalities;

And that municipalities in Bruce County have identified areas of the proposed County Official Plan which prove or will prove to be problematic for any type of growth with an example being the requirement for nitrate studies which are not specifically required in the Provincial Planning Statement and would stifle growth in any areas not serviced by municipal sewer and water, including rural, hamlet and shoreline areas;

And that the Town of South Bruce Peninsula hereby asks all Bruce County municipalities to thoroughly review the proposed new provisions in the Bruce County Official Plan with a local lens to











gauge the impacts the proposed new Official Plan will have on future development in in each municipality;

And further that the lower tier municipalities in Bruce County reach out to County Council and request that the new Bruce County Official Plan is not more restrictive than Provincial Planning Statement requires and secondly, to not use the new Bruce Official Plan to create additional red tape by regulating items that are or can be regulated by current codes, acts, plans, etc.

The Council for the Town of South Bruce Peninsula is formally asking each municipal Council to thoroughly review the proposed new Official Plan and join South Bruce Peninsula in insisting that the County Official Plan mirrors the Provincial Planning Statement, meaning that the document is a high-level planning tool without unnecessary red tape and regulation.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours very truly

Jay Kirkland Mayor

jay.kirkland@southbrucepeninsula.com

519-534-1400 ext 201

Cc: Bruce County Council



### The Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss

# Staff Report

**Report Title: Committee and Commissioner Vacancies** 

Date: Oct. 7, 2024 Report Number: CLK-2024-10-41

**Department: Legislative Services** File Number: C11 CLK24

**Prepared By: Kelly Lush, Deputy Clerk** 

Attachments: n/a

#### **Recommendation:**

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CLK-2024-10-41 prepared by Kelly Lush, Deputy Clerk.

#### **Background:**

#### Marriage Commissioner

The Township of Huron-Kinloss Council passed By-law No. 2006-103 deeming it desirable to have civil marriage solemnization services provided as a service in the Township of Huron-Kinloss and surrounding area. The Township has been providing this service ever since.

The role of a Marriage Commissioner is to perform civil (non-religious) marriage ceremonies in accordance with the Marriage Act ensuring that the dignity and solemnity of the occasion is maintained. The Marriage Commissioner completes legal documents and provides customer service to accommodate a couple's wishes for their wedding ceremony.

### **Property Standards Committee Member**

The purpose of the Property Standards Committee is, on an appeal of a property standards order, the Committee has all the powers and functions of the Officer who made the order, and the Committee may do any of the following things, if the Committee's opinion, doing so would maintain the general intent and purpose of the Property Standards By-law and of the Official Plan and Policy Statement:

- 1. Confirm, modify or rescind the order to demolish or repair.
- 2. Extend the time for complying with the order.

By-law No. 2013-05 governs the proceedings of the Property Standards Committee and the conduct of its members and the calling of meetings. Section 2.04 Committee Composition states that the Committee will be composed of five (5) persons who are citizens volunteers who reside and/or own property within the municipality.

#### Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

### Marriage Commissioner

The Township currently has four (4) Marriage Commissioners that are authorized to solemnize marriages in the Township of Huron-Kinloss as set out under Ontario Regulation 285/04 and the Marriage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter M 3.

Marilynne Gilchrist has provided notice that she will be resigning as a Marriage Commissioner for the Township of Huron-Kinloss effective December 31, 2024.

Each year the Commissioners perform approximately 50 ceremonies. Staff would like to continue to offer this level of service and have begun the process to replace Marilynne. Details on the application process can be found at: https://www.huronkinloss.com/news/posts/huron-kinloss-marriage-commissioner-opening/

Once the process is complete and the vacancy is filled the Clerk will delegate the authority to provide civil marriage solemnization services and the new Marriage Commissioner will be recognized in the Consolidated Council and Committee Appointment By-law.

#### Property Standards Committee Member

The Committee currently has one vacancy, and staff are requesting applications be submitted to fill the vacancy. The application period closes on Friday October 18<sup>th</sup>. Information can be found on the Township website regarding how to apply: https://www.huronkinloss.com/news/posts/property-standards-committee-member/.

Section 2.04 of By-law No. 2013-05 states that all vacancies will be advertised, and all names received will be brought forward for Council's consideration. The successful candidate will be appointed by Council on the Consolidated Council and Committee Appointment By-law.

The term of the members of the Committee shall be four years, coinciding with the term of the Council and is renewable thereafter based on acceptance by Council in the Committee Appointment By-law. The successful candidate will be appointed for the duration of this term of Council.

#### **Financial Impacts:**

Marriage Commissioners for the Township of Huron-Kinloss solemnize approximately 50 marriages per year with a Township fee of \$100 for administration of the service.

#### **Performance Measurement:**

Marriage Commissioner bookings Property Standards Committee Composition

Strategic Area:										
☐Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle ☐Prepare for Inclusive Growth	<ul><li>☑ Enhance Municipal Service Delivery</li><li>☐ Ensure Financial Stability</li></ul>									
Strategic Goal: Facilitate Community Well Being										
Respectfully Submitted By:										
Kelly Lush, Deputy Clerk										
Report Approved By:	G agu									
Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Of	licei									

Site ID	Sample Time	Flow/Wave Height	Water Clarity	Animal Type/Number/Obs.	Flowing Tile/Ditch	Other Observations (surroundings/field status, rain, colours, odours, algae)
PR1	9:50	Slow	Clear	-	YN/YN	
PR3	8:50	Slow	Clear	-	YN/YN	Algae blooms throughout stream
PR4	9:00	Slow	Clear	-	YN/YN	Algae blooms throughout stream
PR5	9:10	Slow	Clear	-	YN/YN	
PR6	11:45	Slow	Clear	-	YN/YN	
PR7	11:50	Slow	Clear	-	YN/YN	
PR8	12:20	Slow	Clear	-	YN/YN	
PR9	12:30	Slow	Clear	-	YN/YN	Algae blooms throughout stream
PR10	12:40	Slow	Clear	-	YN/YN	Possible recently stagnant
PR11	Dry	-		-	YN/YN	Dry - No Sample
PR12	13:00	Slow	Clear	-	YN/YN	Possible recently stagnant
PR13	13:10	Slow	Clear	-	YN/YN	
PR17	11:35	Slow	Clear	-	YN/YN	
PR18	11:30	Slow	Clear	-	YN/YN	
PR19	11:20	Slow	Clear	-	YN/YN	
PR20	11:00	1.0m	Turbid	-	YN/YN	Sparse live/dead algae up and down shore
PR21	10:40	0.5m	Turbid	-	YN/YN	Sparse live/dead algae up and down shore
PR22	10:10	1m	Turbid	-	YN/YN	
PR23	9:40	0.75m	Turbid	-	YN/YN	
PR24	9:30	0.8m	Turbid	-	YN/YN	
PR25	9:25	0.8m	Turbid	-	YN/YN	
PR26	9:20	1.0m	Turbid	-	YN/YN	
PR27	8:40	Very Slow	Semi-Turbid	-	YN/YN	Possible recently stagnant, algae blooms
PR29	12:00	Slow	Clear	-	YN/YN	
PR30	8:30	Slow	Clear	-	YN/YN	
PR32	12:10	Slow	Clear	-	YN/YN	
B4	10:05	Fast	Clear	-	YN/YN	
5	Dry	-		-	YN/YN	Dry - No Sample
6	10:00	Very Slow	Clear	-	YN/YN	
8	10:30	Very Slow	Clear	-	YN/YN	Likely recently stagnant
9	Dry	-		-	YN/YN	Dry - No Sample
12	10:55	Very Slow	Semi-Turbid	-	YN/YN	Thick vegetation throughout, low water level
13	Dry	-		-	YN/YN	Unable to obtain clear sample
17	10:50	Slow	Clear	-	YN/YN	

General Weather Conditions								
Sampling Date:	September 9, 2024							
Present:	20.3C, Some sun, no rain, 39km/h gusts							
24 Hours:	19.1C, some sun, no rain, 46km/h gusts							
48 Hours:	14.0C, clouds, 28.3mm rain, 53km/h gusts							
72 Hours:	20.5C, some sun, 8.2mm rain, 39km/h gusts							
General Obs.:								
	David 400 at 000							

# Municipality of Huron-Kinloss Pine River Water Quality Monitoring Program 2024 Sampling Results

GREEN Below Guideline

RED => 100 cfu/100mL

GREY No Data

E. Coli (cfu/100mL)
Sample Date

SAMPLE ID	LOCATION	March 25	April 29	May 21	June 17	July 15		Sept. 9	Column7	Columna
PR1	Pine River-'Bridge on Lake Range Road, south of Lurgan Road	36	420	54	61	62	42	40	Columni	Columno
PR3	South Pine River-Bridge on Hwy. 21 at 6th Conc.	38	112	40	22	76	112	54		
PR4	Pine River Tributary-Bridge on Hwy. 21 North of 6th Conc.	24	250	66	18	62	44	2		
PR5	Pine River Tributary-Bridge on Hwy. 21 North of 8th Conc.	54	1120	86	60	50	12	9		
PR6	South Pine River-Bridge on Sideroad 25 North of 6th Conc.	4	112	78	84	48	102	50		
PR7 - Upstream	Clark Creek-Culvert on Sideroad 25 South of 4th Conc.	55	12	198	70	96	28	80		
PR8	South Pine River-Culvert on the 15th North of 6th Conc.	10	78	132	76	130	84	144		
PR9	Pine River-Bridge on the 15th South of 10th Conc.	20	196	96	4	60	272	22		
PR10	Royal Oak Creek-Bridge on the 15th North of the 12th Conc.	286	198	100	106	104	242	84		
PR11	Royal Oak Creek-Cuvlert on Sideroad 5 north Huron-Kincardine East	1160	378	800	88	110	520	Dry		ĺ
PR12	Pine River-Bridge on Huron Twp./Kinloss Twp. Boundary South of 12th Conc.	4	74	680	720	1120	160	86		
PR13	South Pine River-Bridge on Huron Twp./Kinloss Twp. Boundary South of 8th Conc.	26	23	230	800	188	1160	126		
PR17 - Upstream	Pine River Tributary-Southern Culvert on South Baseline Road North of 4th Conc.	182	*Overgrown	194	112	88	18	112		
PR18 - Upstream	Pine River Tributary- Middle Culvert on South Baseline Road North of 4th Conc.	10	172	118	68	89	540	182		
PR19 - Upstream	Clark Creek-Southern Culvert on South Baseline Road North of 2nd Conc.	14	38	140	42	52	60	8		
PR20	Beach at Hwy. 86 -Amberely Road.	< 2	2	< 2	98	62	32	44		
PR21	Beach off of Attawandron Road-Public Walkway	< 2	34	112	480	86	66	2		
PR22	Beach-Point Clark Swimming Area	4	6	4	34	68	28	4		
PR23	Lurgan Beach-Public Walkway	2	58	4	46	106	2	4		
PR24	Beach at 6th Conc.	< 2	54	36	132	64	8	2		
PR25	Beach at 8th Conc.	< 2	4	4	30	74	18	4		
PR26	Beach at 10th Conc.	< 2	8	2	24	48	22	2		
PR27	Boyd Creek at Hwy. 21 before Amberely	20	24	104	48	62	16	16		
PR29	Boyd Creek on Sideroad 20 North of 6th Conc.	2	34	82	198	128	140	32		
PR30	Eighteen Mile Creek at Hwy. 21 before Amberely	10	42	74	68	44	159	72		i
PR32	Eighteen Mile Creek on the 15th North of 2nd Conc.	2	28	100	92	36	154	84		
B4	Clark Creek at the Lake	14	36	100	50	162	86	86		
5	Ditch at field drain outlet, Lake Range Road	206	72	31	72	2440	Dry	Dry		
6	New outlet to Clark Creek across from 3491 2nd Conc.	10	52	100	64	122	170	152		ĺ
8	Jardine Creek at Abenaki St.	202	230	70	76	164	74	128		i
9	Jardine Creek at Seneca	Dry	202	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry		
12	Halfway to lake from Road	42	32	100	80	98	62	22		
13	CSP where creek crosses Huron Rd.	40	108	160	960	1120	Dry	Dry		
17	Outlet in Jardine Creek between sites 11 & 12	144	382	82	98	166	68	120		

<sup>\*</sup>Overgrown - No Data: Overgrown with E.coli

# Municipality of Huron-Kinloss Pine River Water Quality Monitoring Program 2024 Sampling Results

Below Guideline => 3 mg/L No Data

### Nitrate as N (mg/L) Sample Date

SAMPLE ID	LOCATION	March 25	April 20	May 21	June 17	July 15	Aug. 12	Sept. 9	Column7	Columno
PR1		_							Columni	Columno
	Pine River-Bridge on Lake Range Road, south of Lurgan Road	4.80	5.20	2.35	1.11	5.61	1.19	0.06		
PR3	South Pine River-Bridge on Hwy. 21 at 6th Conc.	4.62	4.13	1.82	0.38	9.52	1.70	0.06		
PR4	Pine River Tributary-Bridge on Hwy. 21 North of 6th Conc.	3.80	4.32	0.90	0.23	0.15	0.06	0.06		
PR5	Pine River Tributary-Bridge on Hwy. 21 North of 8th Conc.	4.85	5.58	2.22	0.97	8.17	0.06	0.06		
PR6	South Pine River-Bridge on Sideroad 25 North of 6th Conc.	4.59	3.82	1.88	0.47	9.93	1.02	0.06		
PR7 - Upstream	Clark Creek-Culvert on Sideroad 25 South of 4th Conc.	6.06	6.52	3.11	0.32	5.95	0.06	14.20		
PR8	South Pine River-Culvert on the 15th North of 6th Conc.	4.92	4.06	2.59	1.15	6.77	0.92	0.51		
PR9	Pine River-Bridge on the 15th South of 10th Conc.	3.22	2.75	0.80	0.06	4.22	0.06	0.06		
PR10	Royal Oak Creek-Bridge on the 15th North of the 12th Conc.	4.24	4.93	1.68	0.33	4.68	0.20	0.42		
PR11	Royal Oak Creek-Cuvlert on Sideroad 5 north Huron-Kincardine East	6.08	5.90	7.70	3.34	11.30	0.06	Dry		
PR12	Pine River-Bridge on Huron Twp./Kinloss Twp. Boundary South of 12th Conc.	2.12	1.19	1.13	0.79	4.46	0.70	0.06		
PR13	South Pine River-Bridge on Huron Twp./Kinloss Twp. Boundary South of 8th Conc.	4.24	3.74	3.74	2.50	7.20	2.52	0.16		
PR17 - Upstream	Pine River Tributary-Southern Culvert on South Baseline Road North of 4th Conc.	9.84	10.30	7.44	5.00	5.24	0.06	0.80		
PR18 - Upstream	Pine River Tributary- Middle Culvert on South Baseline Road North of 4th Conc.	8.51	9.75	4.98	1.98	3.52	0.06	0.06		
	Clark Creek-Southern Culvert on South Baseline Road North of 2nd Conc.	7.22	8.32	4.74	1.32	6.31	0.10	0.06		
PR20	Beach at Hwy. 86 -Amberely Road.	0.91	1.66	0.90	0.48	0.79	0.26	0.22		
PR21	Beach off of Attawandron Road-Public Walkway	1.17	1.83	0.54	0.36	0.73	0.26	0.20		
PR22	Beach-Point Clark Swimming Area	0.97	3.17	0.46	0.35	0.78	0.26	0.22		
PR23	Lurgan Beach-Public Walkway	0.50	1.32	0.46	0.34	0.91	0.24	0.22		
PR24	Beach at 6th Conc.	0.52	1.06	0.41	0.42	1.04	0.24	0.22		
PR25	Beach at 8th Conc.	0.49	0.67	0.42	0.36	0.54	0.25	0.22		
PR26	Beach at 10th Conc.	4.90	0.40	0.43	0.35	0.42	0.24	0.20		
PR27	Boyd Creek at Hwy. 21 before Amberely	6.79	7.38	4.19	1.75	8.70	0.06	0.06		
PR29	Boyd Creek on Sideroad 20 North of 6th Conc.	6.41	7.21	5.05	0.76	8.11	0.11	0.25		
PR30	Eighteen Mile Creek at Hwy. 21 before Amberely	4.65	4.25	2.70	1.14	13.40	2.45	0.24		
PR32	Eighteen Mile Creek on the 15th North of 2nd Conc.	4.24	3.90	2.50	0.90	9.30	2.04	0.12		
B4	Clark Creek at the Lake	6.79	7.54	5.01	2.39	6.16	1.07	1.15		
5	Ditch at field drain outlet, Lake Range Road	9.25	11.00	11.00	10.30	4.41	Dry	Dry		
6	New outlet to Clark Creek across from 3491 2nd Conc.	6.86	7.91	5.19	2.01	6.22	0.82	0.93		
8	Jardine Creek at Abenaki St.	2.83	1.80	2.08	1.17	1.22	0.06	0.06		
9	Jardine Creek at Seneca	Dry	0.49	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry		
12	Halfway to lake from Road	2.84	1.17	1.38	0.23	0.09	0.06	0.06		
13	CSP where creek crosses Huron Rd.	3.10	2.03	2.06	1.86	1.68	Dry	Dry		
17	Outlet in Jardine Creek between sites 11 & 12	3.95	3.36	3.17	3.59	2.65	3.24	2.90		
11	Catiot in Gardino Croek between sites 11 & 12	0.00	0.00	0.17	0.00	2.00	J.ZT	2.00		

# Municipality of Huron-Kinloss Pine River Water Quality Monitoring Program 2024 Sampling Results

=> 0.02 mg/L

Streams => 0.03 mg/L
No Data

# Total Phosphorus (mg/L) Sample Date

SAMPLE ID	LOCATION	March 25	April 29	May 21	June 17	July 15	Aug. 12	Sept. 9	Column7	Column8
PR1	Pine River-'Bridge on Lake Range Road, south of Lurgan Road	0.022	0.226	0.024	0.028	0.033	0.043	0.032		
PR3	South Pine River-Bridge on Hwy. 21 at 6th Conc.	0.029	0.017	0.026	0.025	0.029	0.041	0.025		
PR4	Pine River Tributary-Bridge on Hwy. 21 North of 6th Conc.	0.023	0.038	0.020	0.046	0.050	0.029	0.026		
PR5	Pine River Tributary-Bridge on Hwy. 21 North of 8th Conc.	0.035	0.153	0.019	0.033	0.035	0.077	0.086		
PR6	South Pine River-Bridge on Sideroad 25 North of 6th Conc.	0.023	< 0.003	0.021	0.028	0.036	0.043	0.076		
PR7 - Upstream	Clark Creek-Culvert on Sideroad 25 South of 4th Conc.	0.027	0.009	0.020	0.051	0.047	0.109	0.734		
PR8	South Pine River-Culvert on the 15th North of 6th Conc.	0.027	< 0.003	0.021	0.023	0.020	0.032	0.026		
PR9	Pine River-Bridge on the 15th South of 10th Conc.	0.029	0.022	0.038	0.089	0.026	0.026	0.074		
PR10	Royal Oak Creek-Bridge on the 15th North of the 12th Conc.	0.128	0.159	0.049	0.085	0.095	0.184	0.222		
PR11	Royal Oak Creek-Cuvlert on Sideroad 5 north Huron-Kincardine East	0.158	0.295	0.173	0.230	0.170	1.290	Dry		
PR12	Pine River-Bridge on Huron Twp./Kinloss Twp. Boundary South of 12th Conc.	0.013	0.013	0.043	0.063	0.03	0.054	0.117		
PR13	South Pine River-Bridge on Huron Twp./Kinloss Twp. Boundary South of 8th Conc.	0.031	0.028	0.024	0.058	0.052	0.09	0.075		
PR17 - Upstream	Pine River Tributary-Southern Culvert on South Baseline Road North of 4th Conc.	0.051	0.089	0.228	0.117	0.169	0.823	0.310		
	Pine River Tributary- Middle Culvert on South Baseline Road North of 4th Conc.	0.016	0.008	0.021	0.037	0.042	0.266	0.188		
PR19 - Upstream	Clark Creek-Southern Culvert on South Baseline Road North of 2nd Conc.	0.032	0.019	0.040	0.037	0.029	0.151	0.164		
PR20	Beach at Hwy. 86 -Amberely Road.	0.011	0.009	0.015	0.008	0.020	0.028	0.021		
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September 24, 2024

Don Murray Mayor Township of Huron-Kinloss info@huronkinloss.com

#### Dear Mayor Murray:

I am pleased to share that the governments of Canada and Ontario are investing up to \$1.5 million in our new Agricultural Workforce Equity and Diversity Initiative (AWEDI) to help minority groups start and grow businesses in the agri-food sector.

Funded through the Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership (Sustainable CAP), AWEDI provides grants of up to \$100,000 to support agribusiness ventures led by underrepresented groups, including Indigenous peoples, 2SLGBTQI+ people, persons with disabilities, youth, women or members of French linguistic minority communities.

AWEDI is open to applications from organizations, research bodies, municipalities or Indigenous communities. Successful projects will support underrepresented groups in accessing spaces and equipment to grow or process agri-food products, as well as resources to help with financing.

Applications will open on October 8, 2024, and will be open until December 3, 2024.

Our government is committed to increasing the entrepreneurial diversity of our agricultural sector through our Grow Ontario Strategy. AWEDI will reinforce additional efforts our government has taken to cultivate agri-food talent, while enabling more Ontarians to share in the success of our growing agri-food industry. Should you have any questions about this or any other Ministry programs, please call 1-877-424-1300.

Sincerely,



Minister of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness



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#### Le 24 septembre 2024

#### Bonjour,

Je suis heureux de vous annoncer que les gouvernements du Canada et de l'Ontario investissent jusqu'à 1,5 million de dollars dans notre nouvelle Initiative pour l'équité et la diversité dans le secteur agricole (IEDSA) afin d'aider les groupes minoritaires à lancer et à faire croître des entreprises dans le secteur agroalimentaire.

Financée dans le cadre du Partenariat canadien pour une agriculture durable (PCA durable), l'IEDSA offre des subventions pouvant atteindre 100 000 \$ pour appuyer les agroentreprises dirigées par groupes sous-représentés, y compris des Autochtones, des personnes 2SLGBTQI+, des personnes handicapées, des jeunes, des femmes ou des membres de collectivités francophones minoritaires.

L'IEDSA accepte les demandes d'organismes, d'organismes de recherche, de municipalité ou de collectivités autochtones. Les projets retenus appuieront des groupes sous-représentés dans l'accès à des lieux et à du matériel pour cultiver ou transformer des produits agroalimentaires, ainsi qu'à des ressources pour les aider avec le financement.

La période de réception des demandes s'amorce le 8 octobre 2024 et se poursuivra jusqu'au 3 décembre 2024.

Notre gouvernement est déterminé à accroître la diversité entrepreneuriale de notre secteur agricole grâce à notre stratégie Cultiver l'Ontario. L'IEDSA renforcera les efforts additionnels consentis par notre gouvernement pour cultiver le talent agroalimentaire, tout en permettant à une part plus importante de la population ontarienne de participer au succès de notre industrie. Si vous avez des questions concernant ce programme ou d'autres programmes du ministère, veuillez composer le 1 877 424-1300.

Veuillez recevoir mes plus cordiales salutations.

Le ministre de l'Agriculture, de l'Alimentation et de l'Agroentreprise,

Rob Flack



Good things grow in Ontario À bonne terre, bons produits

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#### **Kelly Lush**

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#### **NEWS RELEASE**

# Governments Investing in Innovation to Strengthen Ontario's Agri-Food Sector

Research and innovation projects will reinforce long-term resilience and economic growth

#### **September 09, 2024**

Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness

TORONTO – The governments of Canada and Ontario are investing an additional \$3.5 million in the Ontario Agri-Food Research Initiative (OAFRI) to support the development and adoption of new technologies for farmers, food processors and agri-businesses that will enhance their competitiveness and growth. Funded through the Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership (Sustainable CAP) between Ontario and Canada, this additional intake will support investments in the applied research, pilot and demonstration, and knowledge translation and transfer streams. The Grow Ontario Accelerator Hub (GOAH), which provides advisory services to agri-food companies, will continue to be available.

"Ontario's agri-food sector plays a vital role in bringing innovative, top-quality food to Canadians," said the Honourable Lawrence MacAulay, federal Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food. "With support under Sustainable CAP, research projects funded through the Ontario Agri-Food Research Initiative will help the sector stay on the cutting-edge, access the resources they need, and gain new market opportunities for their products."



"Our farmers and food processors must continue to innovate to compete. Our investment in OAFRI will supercharge their innovation efforts," said Rob Flack, Ontario Minister of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness. "The return on investment from these research projects will ensure our agrifood sector reaches its full potential through new growth, new jobs and new economic opportunities."

Over 100 research and innovation projects and activities have received funding through the latest intake, which includes <u>67 applied research and pilot and demonstration projects and 10 commercialization projects</u>. More than 30 businesses are also receiving specialized expert mentoring through the Grow Ontario Accelerator Hub.

Examples of projects funded under the last OAFRI intake include:

- A digital animal biosecurity product for swine and poultry farmers
- Developing solutions to detect contamination at food processing plants and large farms
- Improving data management and communication for Ontario dairy farmers with a digital platform to boost efficiency.

"Innovation is a key driver for long-term competitiveness of a sector. For agriculture, the development and adoption of new technologies and processes will result in greater productivity, lower production costs and increased efficiencies," said Dave Smardon, President and CEO of Bioenterprise Canada Corporation. "OMAFA has recognized the need to proactively support the adoption of innovation across the value chain. These two initiatives, OAFRI and GOAH, are designed to accelerate the adoption of innovation and propel Ontario's global competitiveness in agriculture and food production."

The Sustainable CAP is a five-year, \$3.5-billion investment by federal, provincial and territorial governments to strengthen competitiveness, innovation, and resiliency of Canada's agriculture, agri-food and agri-based products sector. This includes \$1 billion in federal programs and activities and a \$2.5-billion commitment that is cost-shared 60 per cent federally and 40 per cent provincially/territorially for programs that are designed and delivered by provinces and territories.

## **Quick Facts**

- The next OAFRI applied research, pilot and demonstration and knowledge translation and transfer (KTT) streams will open on October 15, 2024. The applied research and pilot and demonstration streams are expected to be further targeted compared to the earlier intake. More information will be available on the OAFRI website.
- <u>Bioenterprise Canada Corporation</u> delivers the Commercialization stream and the Grow Ontario Accelerator Hub. The <u>Grow Ontario Accelerator Hub</u> is open on a continuous basis until all spots are filled. The next Commercialization stream intake will open on October 2, 2024; more information is available online.



- Agricultural Research and Innovation Ontario (ARIO) provides strategic advice on research and innovation activities that contribute to a prosperous, competitive and sustainable agricultural and food sector.
- Sustainable CAP is a five-year (2023-2028), \$3.5-billion investment by federal-provincial and territorial governments to strengthen the agriculture, agri-food and agri-based products sectors. Ontario's total share will be \$569 million. It will help achieve the goals outlined in Ontario's Grow Ontario Strategy, which includes growing the market for Ontario-led innovative technologies domestically and globally and enabling more than 250 patents and licenses are granted through the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness-funded research by 2032.

## **Additional Resources**

Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – SEPTEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup>, 2024

Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority Launches 2024 Mapping Resource

#### SAUGEEN WATERSHED, ONTARIO (Bruce, Grey, Huron, Dufferin and Wellington Counties) -

Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority (SVCA) is pleased to announce the launch of the 2024 Regulatory Mapping Resource, a new online platform dedicated to providing clear, accessible, and up-to-date information about ongoing updates to SVCA's regulatory mapping.

This platform offers insights into Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority regulatory and screening maps, highlighting where these maps previously stood and how they are evolving. It's important to note that the areas shown on this resource are approximate and subject to refinement based on upcoming guidelines from Conservation Ontario. As such, the information provided is meant to guide and inform, but final determinations will depend on further analysis.

"Our primary commitment is to enhance community and environmental protection. The proposed updates to our mapping are crucial for reflecting current data on natural hazards, including flood risks and changes to regulation around shorelines and wetlands. This work is grounded in rigorous independent scientific analysis, on site verification, and peer-reviewed modeling, helping us support safer and more resilient communities."

Erik Downing, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer, SVCA

The 2024 Mapping Resource offers immediate access to the latest information while SVCA prepares for an in-person public meeting before the end of 2024. All community members are encouraged to share their thoughts and concerns through the feedback mechanisms provided on the platform. The data presented will continue to be refined.

When using SVCA's online GIS mapping tool, users can view SVCA's Regulation and screening areas. Please note, the areas depicted are approximate and represent the best available natural hazard information proposed for reflection in Regulation mapping when guidelines are available. If your project falls within an approximate regulated or screening area, you will likely need SVCA's permission before starting certain works. This requirement applies to developments or alterations near hazardous lands such as floodplains, erosion-prone lands, unstable soils, watercourses, wetlands, valleys, steep slopes, or along the Lake Huron Shoreline, in accordance with Ontario Regulation 41/24 and the *Conservation Authorities Act*.

To find out more, provide your input, or sign up for the Regulatory Mapping Email List, please visit: www.saugeenconservation.ca/2024map

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- Careers.

#### **AMO Matters**

Thank-you to everyone who made AMO125 a success! To a record number of delegates, exhibitors, sponsors, and media, thank-you for participating in the 2024 AMO Conference. To our outstanding speakers and panelists, thank-you for bringing your experience and your voice to important public policy discussions. To our partners at the province and TVO, thank-you for your remarkable contributions to the event. To our facilities, suppliers and production partners, thank-you for your professionalism and service. Thank-you for supporting AMO in its work on behalf of municipalities in every part of Ontario.

AMO encourages you to read AMO's Workforce Development <u>Project Roadmap</u> which identifies priority areas and future actions for AMO and its partners to support municipal employee recruitment and retention.

#### **Provincial Matters**

The Ontario government is launching a <u>call for proposals</u> for new community-based projects that prevent and address gender-based violence. The deadline for proposals is October 11, 2024 at 5pm.

The Ontario government is accepting applications for its new \$200-million Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund that will revitalize existing infrastructure and support new construction across the province. Apply now!

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#### LAS

Today, more than ever, there is a growing need to make the built environment more accessible for people with disabilities. Register now for our webinar on September 12 with RothIAMS to learn more about eliminating barriers in municipal facilities. RothIAMS is an approved supplier through the Canoe Procurement Group.

The LAS-endorsed Sewer and Water Line Warranty Program through SLWC came in handy for a Windsor homeowner who was challenged with a damaged sewer on her property. <u>Learn more about the warranty coverage</u> for the expensive repair and her experience.

For public sector owners, the traditional approach to engaging contractors is an extensive process. With public funds at stake, the sector could consider "Job Order Contracting". Read our <u>latest blog</u> to learn more.

Do you want to enhance your understanding of municipal investments? <u>This new on-demand training</u>, which is perfect for municipal finance staff, will review the *Municipal Act* investment regulation, discuss current municipal finance challenges, and overview investment options available to the municipal sector.

#### **Municipal Wire\***

If you have knowledge of full-time, ongoing roles in municipal work that might be relevant to students considering their career options, you are invited to participate in this <u>survey</u>. Click <u>here</u> for more information on the project.

From September 5-7, the <u>Canadian Centre on Substance Use and Addiction</u> and the City of Timmins are hosting a summit for elected officials on the substance use crisis in small Canadian communities. To attend, please RSVP at <a href="mailto:rsvp@ccsa.ca">rsvp@ccsa.ca</a>.

Circular Materials and Waste to Resource Ontario invite municipal waste staff to meet on the transition. Register here for the September 26 10am-12pm event at the Toronto Fairmont Royal York.

Pollution Probe and QUEST Canada aim to talk for one hour with Ontario communities for an OEB-funded project to address your innovative energy needs. Register at <a href="mailto:rkiro@pollutionprobe.org">rkiro@pollutionprobe.org</a> until September 16.

#### Careers

Director of Human Resources - City of Woodstock. Closing date: September 20, 2024.

HR Business Analyst - Niagara Region. Closing date: September 4, 2024.

Environmental Compliance/QMS Coordinator - City of Orillia. Closing date: September 6, 2024.

Economic Development Officer - Municipality of Redlake. Closing date: September 27, 2024.

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Our Business Development Intern's term has come to an end. Juan Park writes about his experience working with LAS and what opportunities await him in the future.

#### **Municipal Wire\***

Foster collaboration, transfer knowledge, and discover innovative solutions at the Canadian Emergency Preparedness and Climate Adaptation Convention (CEPCA). Use code AMO895 to receive exclusive All Access Pass municipal rates. Register here!

Mediation is a powerful and efficient way to resolve freedom of information appeals. <u>This episode</u> explores the value-add of mediation and how building trust, active listening, and education can lead to win-win settlements for both parties. IPC Commissioner Kosseim speaks with Shaun Sanderson, a mediator at the IPC, about how mediation works, what parties should do to prepare, and what they can expect to get out of the process.

Sewer Safety Week will take place September 16-20. A reminder to always call Ontario One Call at 1-800-400-2255 for a free sewer safety inspection. To learn more, visit enbridgegas.com/sewersafety.

Join the Ontario Municipal Social Services Association (OMSSA) virtually on September 24-25 to learn about current issues that are impacting community safety and well-being. Hear about successes and how to evaluate the impact of this work. Register today.

Circular Materials and Waste to Resource Ontario invite municipal waste staff to meet on the transition. Register here for the September 26 10am-12pm event at the Toronto Fairmont Royal York.

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#### **Careers**

Manager, People & Inclusivity - County of Simcoe. Closing Date: September 20, 2024.

Deputy Fire Chief - City of Orillia. Closing Date: September 23, 2024.

Contracts Manager, Operations - Peel Regional Police. Closing Date: September 17, 2024.

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Event



# AMO Policy Update – Energy Procurements, AMO Community and Supportive Housing Event

## **Ontario Launches Next Round of Energy Procurements**

On August 28, 2024, the province announced the next round of long-term energy procurements (called "LT2") under which Ontario will see 5,000 megawatts of additional energy added to the electrical grid – crucial to power houses and businesses as our province grows. AMO President Robin Jones attended the announcement, thanking the province for investing in clean, reliable, and affordable energy.

The ministry <u>has asked</u> the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) to report back on the design of the LT2 procurement by September 20, 2024, and to include the following considerations:

- Only moving forward with projects where municipalities have indicated they are willing hosts through a municipal support resolution
- Adopting a technology-agnostic approach that includes all types of generation and storage, including natural gas
- Incentivizing projects in Northern Ontario and those that avoid prime agricultural lands
- Creating a plan to "unlock Crown lands" for renewable energy
- Finalizing the completion of LT2 procurements by February 28, 2026

This approach <u>responds</u> to AMO <u>advocacy</u> regarding the need to protect agricultural lands by: 1) banning ground-mounted solar projects in specialty

crop areas and 2) requiring companies proposing projects on prime farmland to prepare and secure municipal approval on an agricultural impact assessment (AIA).

AMO has been working with municipalities, IESO and the province to ensure that the lessons learned from previous long-term energy procurements are incorporated into LT2 and future procurement processes. AMO is working with IESO and the Ministry of Energy to put new supports in place for municipal governments to help them make informed energy decisions that benefit their communities. AMO is urging the IESO and the Ministry to put new supports are in place by winter 2025 to maximize their usefulness to municipalities.

As energy partners pursue new projects, clear provincial guidelines and municipal-specific resources are essential to enable municipalities to play their leadership role in shaping the future of energy in Ontario.

# AMO Knowledge Exchange on Community and Supportive Housing – Program Now Available

#### October 1-2, 2024

AMO is excited to convene elected officials, municipal staff, federal and provincial representatives, academics, Indigenous partners, and other sector partners for networking, knowledge sharing, and collaboration on how we can collectively advance community and supportive housing solutions in communities across Ontario. The event will showcase what municipalities are and could be doing to find solutions to the housing and homelessness challenges in our communities, including innovative financing solutions, how to engage with community members to overcome NIMBYism, and other tangible take-aways.

Register today and look forward to discussions on the following topics and others:

- How municipal governments are using solutions across the housing spectrum to address homelessness
- Innovative approaches to funding and financing community and social housing outside the traditional government grant and loan programs
- How to leverage municipal tools to encourage and enable affordable housing development in your community
- Overcoming barriers, including NIMBYism, to expand supportive housing

### Please see the AMO website for the full program, location information, and to register.

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- Funding is now available for flood hazard mapping.
- Call for proposals on gender-based violence.
- Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund.
- New Housing-Enabling Core Servicing Fund webinar.
- Housing-Enabling Water Systems Fund webinar.
- Municipal Codes of Conduct virtual workshop September 19.
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- Managing Communications through Crisis October virtual workshop.
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- Our bright idea for your 2025 Budget.
- Transitioning to Net Zero Buildings with LAS.
- Blog: Harnessing the Power of Al to Redefine Public Engagement.
- Policing Board discussion groups.
- Learn about food waste reduction by businesses.
- Blue Box Transition engagement session.
- Opportunity to help project researching future municipal energy needs.
- Careers.

#### **AMO Matters**

During the AMO Conference in Ottawa, *Municipal World* interviewed leaders across the municipal landscape to discuss key issues that have the most significant impact on municipalities across Ontario. You can access AMO Podcasts Series here.

#### **Provincial Matters**

The Ministry of Natural Resources is now accepting applications for funding under the Flood Hazard Identification and Mapping Program. Visit flood hazard identification and mapping for more information.

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#### **Education Opportunities**

The <u>Municipal Codes of Conduct</u> workshop is for municipal leaders who are looking to guide and strengthen their council and corporation's conduct, behaviour, and practices.

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#### LAS

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Al has emerged as a groundbreaking technology with vast potential to change long-standing practices in your municipality. Read our latest blog to help you understand how Al is reshaping how organizations operate and deliver services.

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<u>Director of Council Services - City of Orillia</u>. Closing date: September 25, 2024.

Director of Housing Services - Wellington County. Closing date: September 20, 2024.

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- Understanding Competing Human Rights September 26 workshop.
- Indigenous Community Awareness training.
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As an elected municipal official, we know the pressure you deal with is real and we are here to support you. AMO has developed <u>Advanced Councillor Training</u> focused on core elements of leadership.

Register for the <u>September 25 Strategic Thinking, Planning and Leading workshop</u>, and the <u>October 2 Community Engagement Strategic Approaches workshop</u>.

AMO and Hicks Morley have developed training to support municipal elected officials and council in understanding their obligations related to human rights and understanding how to manage seemingly competing human rights. Register for this important <u>Competing Rights September 26 workshop</u>.

OFIFC and AMO are offering training to build indigenous cultural competency in municipal government. Through a self-paced learning module and live virtual component, this training will provide knowledge and tools to utilize in moving improved and stronger Indigenous-municipal relations forward in Ontario. Register today for the October 8 workshop.

#### LAS

If you're not already using Citylogix Software for your road budgetting, you'll want to check it out. <u>Contact Tanner</u> to find out how LAS' <u>Road and Sidewalk Assessment Service</u> can help you easily plan your maintenance activities and maximize your public works dollars.

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#### Careers

<u>Water Resources Engineer, Natural Hazards - Rideau Valley Conservation Authority</u>. Closing date: October 11.

Municipal Planner - Municipality of Red Lake. Closing date: October 12.

Hearing Officer - City of Vaughan. Closing date: September 30.

Planning and Regulations Supervisor - Kettle Creek Conservation Authority. Closing date: October 17.

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# AMO Policy Update – AMO Response to BILD Report

A recent <u>report</u> released by Building Industry and Land Development Association (BILD) cited municipal approval timelines and development charges as key issues in explaining declining housing starts.

AMO Executive Director Brian Rosborough responded with the following statement:

- Ontario's housing market is complex and under pressure from unanticipated population growth, interest rates, labour shortages and inflation that has outstripped wages.
- Legislative changes in 2022, introduced at the request of lobbyists for the development industry, reduced development charges which cover costs for infrastructure for new houses, destabilized the system and brought development to a standstill in many communities.
- To its credit, the province recognized the mistake and Minister
  Calandra has worked with municipalities and the industry to reverse the
  worst elements of the 2022 legislation and restore stability and
  predictability to the system.
- The province has made substantial investments in infrastructure to support additional housing starts. AMO and the Ministry have also been working together to help the Government of Canada to avoid similar, disastrous mistakes and to better understand the realities of Ontario's complex housing market.
- The solution to the housing affordability crisis will be found through collaboration between the province, municipalities and the development industry, and through industry innovation.

 Ontario has an extraordinarily capable and prosperous development industry. Pointing fingers at municipalities and lobbying the province for taxpayer subsidies is not the solution to the headwinds it is facing today.

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- Lighting upgrades for 2025 we've got you covered!
- From energy treasure hunt to real energy savings!
- What municipal staff need to know about cyber risk.
- Blog: The Countdown to Accessibility has Started, Is Your Website Ready?
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#### **Education Opportunities**

The AMO Knowledge Exchange Symposium is a forum convened by AMO to advance collective

collaboration on solutions for Ontario's housing crisis. **Register on-site** at the Delta Hotels Toronto Convention Center on October 1.

The October 2 Community Engagement Strategic Approaches workshop builds your understanding on the importance of a proactive approach to enhance community understanding and involvement in the important priorities of your council work. Understanding can be the bridge to positive change and growth. Join AMO to enhance your skills in community engagement to vitalize your leadership role and health of your community.

The OFIFC and AMO workshop provides historical and current insight and knowledge into the damage brought to Indigenous communities. This workshop builds your understanding and insight that is critical to building strong, productive and meaningful relationships between municipalities and Indigenous leaders and communities. Through a self-paced learning module and live virtual component, this training will provide knowledge and tools to utilize in moving improved and stronger Indigenous-municipal relations forward in Ontario. Register today for the October 8 workshop.

Your community elected you to provide sound and confident leadership in the best interest of your community. During a crisis, this approach to leadership is critical. AMO's workshop on <a href="Managing Communications through Crisis"><u>Managing Communications through Crisis</u></a> provides insight and tools to support in being this leader.

Municipal leadership is often a pin cushion for our culture's broader issues. Conflict and misunderstanding is a big part of many municipal leaders current realities. This workshop provides an opportunity to transform conflict into collaboration. The <a href="Navigating Conflict Relationships as an Elected Official October workshop">Navigating Conflict Relationships as an Elected Official October workshop</a> teaches skills in building collaborative relationships and negotiating difficult ones in your role as an elected municipal official.

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#### LAS

The <u>LAS Facility Lighting Service</u> provides a complete turn-key solution for your lighting upgrades, both indoors and out. <u>Contact us</u> today for a free budget proposal for your 2025 budget.

The Town of Hanover's staff identified significant energy savings opportunities through an <a href="Energy Workshop and Treasure Hunt"><u>Energy Workshop and Treasure Hunt</u></a> at their P&H Centre. They are now putting this into practice by upgrading their lights with the <a href="LAS Facility Lighting Service"><u>LAS Facility Lighting Service</u></a>. Want to see these savings at your municipal facility?
<a href="Contact Christian"><u>Contact Christian</u></a> for details about our ET workshops.

No cyber risk experience required! Join us for a half-day webinar <u>Cyber Risk Management for Municipalities</u>, on October 23 for a four-module training session designed to support your understanding of cyber risk.

Digital interactions are increasingly becoming the preferred means of communication between residents and their local governments. As reliance on digital solutions becomes more prevalent, the need for accessible websites becomes more crucial. Read more <a href="https://example.com/here/">here</a>.

The LAS-endorsed Sewer and Water Line Warranty program, offered by SLWC, came in handy for a City of Windsor homeowner, whose warranty protected against the financial hit of a huge plumbing bill. Read more here.

#### **Municipal Wire\***

The Independent Electricity System Operator is <u>hosting a webinar</u> for municipalities and Indigenous communities on October 10 to discuss details of the upcoming "LT2" procurement that will open this winter.

#### Careers

Senior Financial Analyst - Town of Georgina. Closing Date: October 20, 2024.

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#### August 29, 2024

Bruce County is a hiker's paradise, with many trails for all experience levels throughout the County. Wearing proper footwear, having snacks and water with you, and letting someone know your plans are all good pieces of advice when heading out on one of the region's beautiful trails. Did you know that there is also an App that you can download to help keep you safe?

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It's the easiest way to find and share exact locations.

So, if you get turned around while exploring one of Bruce County's extensive trail systems, or twist your ankle while enjoying the view, having the What3Words app on your phone can bring you peace of mind. It will provide your exact location to emergency responders so they can guide you or locate you and bring you to a safe location.

"In an emergency, identifying exactly where help is needed is critical to getting resources there quickly. This can be difficult if you're in a remote area with no street address, no obvious landmarks, or on an unnamed trail. With the What3Words app, you can provide first responders with a unique set of three words that will exactly pinpoint your location, helping them get to you more efficiently," said Ray Lux, Bruce County Emergency Management Coordinator.

Get out and enjoy Bruce County's endless beauty safely! Download the What3Words app!

Discover more about <u>What3Words</u>.

Download now on the <u>App Store</u> or <u>Google Play</u>

Discover more about Emergency Preparedness at <a href="https://www.brucecounty.on.ca/getprepared">www.brucecounty.on.ca/getprepared</a>

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### Council Meeting Highlights - Thursday, September 5, 2024

Bruce County Council met on September 5, 2024 beginning at 9:30 AM in the Council Chambers and virtually through Teams. Video recordings of the meeting can be reviewed at www.brucecounty.on.ca/government/agendas-and-minutes



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### **Bruce County Council Meeting**

Council recognized the contributions of the Strategic Plan Implementation Cross-functional Team. Report

Council recognized the Contributions of the Reconciliation Steering Committee. Report

Council heard a presentation from Thorsten Arnold regarding Complex Water Contamination Threat. Presentation

Council received the Paramedic Services 2024 Deployment Review Update. Report

Council received the Community Development Office 2024 Summer Company Program Update. Report

Council received the Government Relations 2024 Q2 Business Plan Update. Report

Council received the Human Services Q2 2024 Income and Support Services Update. Report

Council received the Long-Term Care report on Physician After Hours and On-Call Coverage. Report

Council received the Museum September 2024 pformation Report & port

Council received the Planning & Development report on the Bruce County Official Plan Growth Management Amendment Approval. Report

Council approved changes to the 2025 Council meeting schedule: January 16 meeting be cancelled and rescheduled to January 23, July 3 meeting be cancelled and rescheduled to July 10, August 21 meeting be cancelled, and a budget meeting will be scheduled for October 9, 2025. Report

Council denied a proposal to change the term of the Warden and Deputy Warden's positions from a one-year term to a two-year term. Report

Council approved that a by-law be introduced to amend the Procedural By-law as follows:

That Section 22.15 be amended to appoint the Clerk as Returning Officer, and the CAO and Deputy CAO be appointed as scrutineers for elections held during the inaugural sessions.

That a nomination period for the election of Warden and Deputy Warden be added.

That Section 21.1 be amended to allow any three members of Council to be appointed to the Grey Bruce Board of Health.

That Section 21.2 be amended to allow any four members of Council to be appointed to the Bruce County Library Board, one of which may be the Warden or Deputy Warden, serving for the duration of the term of the position. Report

Council endorsed comments on the Bruce C Initial Project Description and directed staff to submit the County's Comments to the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada. Report

Council approved that the Planning and Development Department be directed to begin public engagement on the New Bruce County Official Plan, including scheduling three regional open houses, and that staff be directed to bring forward a final draft of the Official Plan for Council's consideration prior to adoption. Report

Council approved By-law 2024-051, a by-law to appoint a Municipal Law Enforcement Officer to enforce the By-laws of Bruce County. <u>By-law</u>

Council approved By-law 2024-052, a by-law to adopt the Emergency Response Plan for Bruce County. By-law

Council approved By-law 2024-053, a by-law to adopt a Debt Management Policy for Bruce County. By-law

Council received communication from the Bruce C Nuclear Project on Participant Funding Available. Communication

Council received communication from the Township of Huron-Kinloss with a Letter of Support for Bruce County Request to Pause Healthcare Service Level Reductions. Communication

This publication identifies highlights from recent Bruce County Council and Committee meetings. Bruce County's Office of the CAO maintains complete agendas and minutes from all Council and Committee meetings, which can be reviewed at <a href="https://www.brucecounty.on.ca/government/agendas-and-minutes">www.brucecounty.on.ca/government/agendas-and-minutes</a>

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## Free Welcoming Week Tours at the Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre September 13

In celebration of Welcoming Week (September 13 to 22), the Museum invites newcomers to participate in two free guided tours that explore the rich history and diverse cultural heritage of Bruce County.



#### September 05, 2024

In celebration of Welcoming Week (September 13 to 22), the Museum invites newcomers to participate in two free guided tours that explore the rich history and diverse cultural heritage of Bruce County.

Tours will take place on September 13 with timeslots at 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM. Each guided tour will run for about 45 minutes. During the tour, participants will learn more about the history, stories, and incredible contributions of the local Anishinaabe Peoples, and Bruce County's first settlers, gaining insight into their immigration journeys and experiences.

Complimentary coffee, tea, and refreshments will be offered after the tour in a relaxed space where guests are encouraged to meet and connect with one another.

#### **About Welcoming Week**

Welcoming Week (September 13 to 22) is an annual campaign led by organizations and communities to bring neighbors of all backgrounds together, building strong connections and affirming the importance of welcoming and inclusive places in achieving collective prosperity.

#### About the Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre

The Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre offers adult and children's programming, special events, and is home to the Bruce County Archives and Research Room. Our mandate is to preserve and make available the documentary heritage of Bruce County.

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## Explore Historic Bruce County Sites at Doors Open Brockton on September 28

On Saturday, September 28, 2024, from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM, the Brockton Heritage Committee will feature 12 local historic sites, including two Bruce County managed locations, at the exciting Doors Open Brockton event. Bruce County eagerly invites the public to explore these fantastic historic locations in Brockton free of charge.



#### September 09, 2024

Every year, as part of Doors Open Ontario, communities across the Province open their doors to hundreds of historic buildings, places of worship, museums, private homes, industrial areas, green buildings, heritage gardens, and other interesting venues, some of which are rarely accessible to the public. On Saturday, September 28, 2024, from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM, the Brockton Heritage Committee will feature 12 local historic sites, including two Bruce County managed locations, at the exciting <a href="Doors Open Brockton">Doors Open Brockton</a> event. Bruce County eagerly invites the public to explore these fantastic historic locations in Brockton free of charge.

#### Bruce County Walkerton Patrol Shop - 94 Bruce Road 2, Walkerton, ON

Built in 1960, Bruce County's Walkerton Patrol Shop ensures the safety and maintenance of roads throughout the community. The original part of the building is used for vehicle storage by night and vehicle maintenance by day. The two-bay addition houses a welding/fabrication shop. Place ide7 (no possible part of the building) and storage area also houses a sign shop

and vehicle parts storage.

Walkerton Jail - 209 Cayley Street, Walkerton, ON - \*Open from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM\*

Built in 1867, the Walkerton Jail operated for almost 144 years, closing in 2011. The former jail is part of a complex owned by Bruce County that includes the courthouse and ServiceOntario office. The jail held prisoners from Grey, Bruce, and Huron counties. There are several thrilling stories of hangings and escapes. The Jail has also been featured on one of the Historic Cargill/Greenock Swamp tours!

#### Additional historic sites to explore in Brockton:

**Brockton Heritage Committee Archives** 

**Bruce County Bookstore** 

Cargill Museum

Flach Family Homestead

Hammond Power Solutions Inc.

Saugeen Masonic Lodge

St. Paul's United Church

Walkerton Agricultural Society

Walkerton Clean Water Centre

Victoria Jubilee Hall

Doors Open Brockton brochures will be available at the Municipal Office, the Walkerton Community Centre, Bruce County Public Library Cargill and Walkerton Branches, and at each Doors Open site.

Discover more about **Doors Open Brockton**. Discover more about Bruce County Culture. #BruceCountyCulture

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## Spark Program Offers Grants and Mentorships to "Spark" New Sustainable Tourism Ideas for Bruce County

A sixth round of the "Spark" Mentorship & Grants Program has been launched to encourage Bruce County entrepreneurs, small businesses and non-profit organizations to create new sustainable tourism ideas for the region.



#### September 09, 2024

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The Bruce County "Spark" Mentorship & Grants Program is a partnership between <u>Bruce County</u>, <u>Bruce Power</u>, <u>Bruce Grey Simcoe Regional Tourism Organization (RTO7)</u>, Government of Ontario and the <u>Tourism Innovation Lab</u>.

"Bruce County is honoured to be able to provide grants and mentorship via the "Spark" program to help inspire and support entrepreneurs with the development of sustainable tourism experiences" says Bruce County Warden, Chris Peabody. "We are excited to join forces with Tourism Innovation Lab, Bruce Power, Government of Ontario and Bruce Grey Simcoe Regional Tourism Organization to offer this program again in 2024."

The program provides selected applicants with a \$3,000 grant, mentorship and additional partner support to help get them started. In 2023, three Bruce County entrepreneurs were selected to develop new offerings for the region including farm stay accommodations, culinary getaway package, and an arts & culture program.

"Since 2019, we have been inspired by the creativity, passion, and innovative spirit of our Bruce County "Spark" Program winners. It has been a pleasure to work with our past recipients, and we look forward to seeing the new sustainable tourism ideas that come forward this year," said Justin Lafontaine, Program Lead at the Tourism Innovation Lab.

Organizers are looking for sustainable tourism ideas that will enhance Bruce County's current tourism offerings, create high-quality, low impact tourism experiences, address gaps in tourism products and services, motivate longer stays and repeat visits, and increase shoulder season visits and tourism spending.

"The Spark Mentorship and Grants Program is an excellent way for local entrepreneurs to turn tourism ideas into realities under the guidance of a business mentor," said John Peevers, Bruce Power's Director of Community and Media Relations, and Economic Development. "Innovation and mentorship aligns strongly with the Bruce Power culture and we are excited to support this project to foster collaboration and economic growth in our community."

"RTO7 is pleased to continue to partner on the launch of the 6th Edition of the Bruce County Innovation Lab. We feel that this program creates a fantastic support system for people with new and innovative ideas that help build a sustainable tourism industry" said Bill Sullivan, CEO, RTO7.

Applications will be accepted from September 9th to October 24th, 2024. Following a juried review process, finalists will be invited to a Pitch Session where three winners will be selected.

For more information on the Bruce County "Spark" Program and to register for an upcoming info session visit www.tourisminnovation.ca/bruce.

**About Bruce Grey Simcoe (RTO7):** Regional Tourism Organization (RTO) 7 is a non-profit organization overseen by a board of directors and fully funded by the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Gaming. They are one of 11 RTO's in Ontario supporting tourism growth in Bruce Grey and Simcoe Counties.

**About Tourism Innovation Lab:** The Tourism Innovation Lab is a non-profit initiative created to find, foster and support new tourism ideas, experiences and partnerships, to cultivate and propel collaborations between the tourism and tech sectors, and to build a community of tourism innovators, idea makers and entrepreneurs in Canada. First launched in 2018, the Lab and its "Spark" Mentorships & Grants Program are now offered across British Columbia and Ontario. The Tourism Innovation Lab is a program of Hackforge and is based in Windsor, ON. <a href="https://www.tourisminnovation.ca">www.tourisminnovation.ca</a>

About Bruce Power: Bruce Power is an electricity company based in Bruce County, Ontario. We are powered by our people. Our 4,200 employees are the foundation of our accomplishments and are proud of the role they play in safely delivering clean, reliable nuclear power to families and businesses across the province and life-saving medical isotopes around the world. Bruce Power has worked hard to build strong roots in Ontario and is committed to protecting the environment and supporting the communities in which we live. Formed in 2001, Bruce Power is a Canadian-owned partnership of TC Energy, OMERS, the Power Workers' Union and The Society of United Professionals. Learn more at <a href="https://www.brucepower.com">www.brucepower.com</a> and follow us on <a href="facebook">Facebook</a>, <a href="https://www.brucepower.com">www.brucepower.com</a> and follow us on <a href="facebook">Facebook</a>, <a href="https://www.brucepower.com">www.brucepower.com</a> and follow

**About Bruce County:** Bruce County is an upper-tier municipality in Southwestern Ontario, Canada, made up of eight lower-tier municipalities and 73,396 residents. The explorers who visit, live, and work here are the dreamers who take roads less travelled and see tried and true as an invitation to try something new. Be an Explorer and call Bruce County home.

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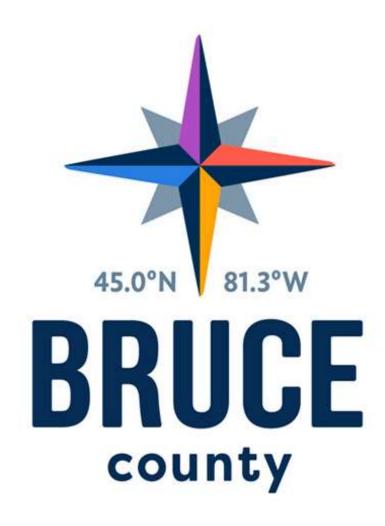
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## NOTICE: Temporary Closure of Bruce Road 15 at Donnelly Crescent, Pinkerton

Please take notice that on Wednesday, September 11, 2024, from 6:30 AM until approximately 5:00 PM, a portion of Bruce Road 15 at Donnelly Crescent will be closed for ditch work. A detour will be in place along Donnelly Crescent.



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Please take notice that on Wednesday, September 11, 2024, from 6:30 AM until approximately 5:00 PM, a portion of Bruce Road 15 at Donnelly Crescent will be closed for ditch work. A detour will be in place along Donnelly Crescent.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we complete this important infrastructure work in Bruce County.

Learn more about Road Construction in Bruce County.

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# Bruce County Recruiting Plow Drivers and Road Patrollers for the 24/25 Winter Season!

Bruce County is now recruiting experienced Plow Drivers and Road Patrollers for the 2024/2025 winter patrol in Lucknow, Walkerton, and Paisley.



#### September 09, 2024

Bruce County is now recruiting experienced Plow Drivers and Road Patrollers for the 2024/2025 winter patrol in Lucknow, Walkerton, and Paisley.

Bruce County's seasonal patrol staff work to maintain the safety and efficiency of our communities and road networks. Available jobs will involve operating snow plows/sanders, patrolling County roads, and coordinating road maintenance throughout the winter months.

These are great opportunities for motivated, local residents looking for independent, seasonal work and competitive wages. Positions will get started on November 1, 2024 and go until mid-April 2025.

Explore Winter Patrol opportunities at www.brucecounty.on.ca/jobs.

#### Important Information:

DZ or AZ license, a clean driving record, and experience driving in winter conditions are required.

Applicants must also be able to report to their local patrol shop within thirty minutes of call-ins.

Weekday-guaranteed hours in some roles.

Weekend-only hours in some roles.

Inquire by phone: Call Tanya in Human Resources at 226-909-3184

Apply online: www.brucecounty.on.ca/jobs

Apply via email: Send your resume to <a href="mailto:employment@brucecounty.on.ca">employment@brucecounty.on.ca</a>

#### Join our Team! Your adventure with Bruce County starts here!

Bruce County, a welcoming, innovative, thriving community, committed to the well-being of current and future generations.

Join our team powered by innovation and shared values where explorers turn obstacles into opportunities and individual challenges into shared solutions. You will discover a lifestyle that provides endless opportunity for exploration at work and after. Your adventure with Bruce County starts here.

The Bruce County Transportation and Environmental Services Department has approximately 650 km of road and approximately 148 bridges under its jurisdiction. The department administers a road system composed of 'collector and arterial' roads, and this system provides a consistent level of service between local urban, industrial, commercial, and recreational centres.

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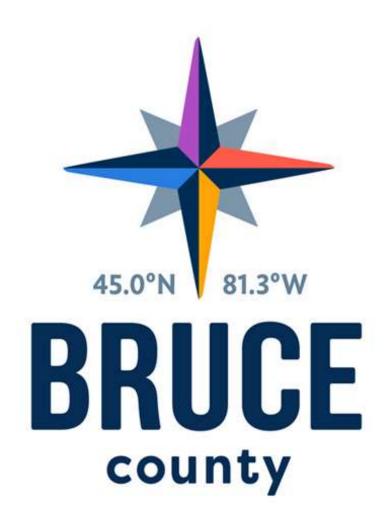
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## Bruce County Releases Draft of New Official Plan for 2024-2046

On September 5, 2024, Bruce County Council directed staff to begin engagement on a draft of the new Official Plan that includes draft policies and mapping schedules which are now available for public review.



#### September 09, 2024

On September 5, 2024, Bruce County Council directed staff to begin engagement on a draft of the new Official Plan that includes draft policies and mapping schedules which are now available for public review.

The new Official Plan will set out broadly the land use planning direction for the County to the year 2046. It also functions as the detailed land use plan in areas not covered by a local Official Plan, such as Hamlets, Rural, and Agricultural areas outside of settlement areas.

<u>Plan the Bruce</u> was started in 2018 by Bruce County's Planning and Development department, with the goal of creating a new Official Plan for the County. The current Bruce County Official Plan was adopted in 1997, and its last comprehensive update was in 2010.

The Plan the Bruce project has been a coordinated effort to establish a new community vision and develop a new Official Plan for Bruce County. Over 1,800 community mer page 185 go go go the Plan the Bruce GPS project which

resulted in 8 Guiding Principles with the vision "To Navigate Bruce County towards a healthy, diverse, and thriving future."

The eight Guiding Principles developed in consultation with community members are:

Good Growth: Put growth in the right locations with the right services.

Homes: Increase the supply and mix of homes.

Agriculture: Support our key economies, including a thriving agriculture community.

Business: Create opportunities for a diversity of businesses, jobs and employers.

Connecting: Improve our ability to move people, goods, and information between communities.

Communities: Create wellbeing through access to complete and healthy communities.

Heritage: Identify and manage cultural heritage resources.

Natural Legacy: Manage natural resources wisely for future generations.

Several of these policy directions have already been implemented through amendments to the current Official Plan previously approved by council and are carried over to the <u>draft new Official Plan</u>; these include:

Additional Residential Units policies to allow individual property owners, including farmers, to add additional housing on their property.

Agricultural policy updates to better support the agricultural system.

Vision, Guiding Principles, and Growth Forecasts.

Section 5 - General Implementation policies.

The draft of the new Official Plan, now available for public review, builds on this previous work to provide a complete Plan that implements the eight guiding principles.

"Staff and our consulting team put in a great effort to prepare a plan that supports complete communities in a thriving region, and we look forward to engaging with the public on the draft plan," says Jack Van Drop, Director of Planning and Development.

To learn more and view a copy of the draft plan, mapping schedules and <u>public open houses schedule</u> visit <u>planthebruce.ca</u>.

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# New exhibits for fall launch at the BCM&CC on September 16

The Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre (BCM&CC) invites local communities across Bruce County to view two new fall exhibitions that will be open to the public from September 16 to November 30, 2024.



#### September 10, 2024

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Indian Day Schools: The National and Local Story is presented in partnership with the Legacy of Hope Foundation, Saugeen First Nation, and Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation. Over 200,000 Indigenous children attended Indian Day Schools where the trauma experienced was just as severe as what was reported in Residential Schools, with the only difference being that Day School students went home at night. This exhibit also provides a local perspective on the issue, with historical insights on the seven schools that operated in Bruce County.

An accompanying programme of community conversations is scheduled for select dates from October through November for more insights about the exhibit and deeper awareness into local and personal experiences. Limited to small groups; Preregistration is required.

Proudly sponsored by Enbridge.

WARNING: This exhibition contains subject matter that may be disturbing to some visitors and may be triggering. Please call 1-866-925-4419 or your local crisis line for counselling and support.

Play Hard Fight Hard: Sport in the Canadian Military examines the significant role that sports have played within the Canadian Armed Forces. Produced by Canada's Sports Hall of Fame and The Military Museum (Calgary), this exhibit traces the history of athletic programs in the military, demonstrating how sports have been used to build camaraderie, boost morale, and prepare soldiers for the physical demands of combat.

In addition, the BCM&CC has curated local Bruce County stories focused on the role sport played while Bruce County soldiers were overseas.

Proudly sponsored by Veterans Affairs Canada.

For more information on these exhibits and upcoming events, visit brucemuseum.ca.

#### About the Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre

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## Application for Fencing along the Bruce County Rail Trail Available Now

Please take notice that the Bruce County Rail Trail Fencing Sub-Committee will be setting priorities for the installation of fence along the former CNR corridor for 2025. This corridor starts at the Huron County boundary north of Clifford and extends through Mildmay, Walkerton, and Paisley to Port Elgin and southerly to the Bruce Nuclear Power Development.



#### September 11, 2024

Please take notice that the Bruce County Rail Trail Fencing Sub-Committee will be setting priorities for the installation of fence along the former CNR corridor for 2025. This corridor starts at the Huron County boundary north of Clifford and extends through Mildmay, Walkerton, and Paisley to Port Elgin and southerly to the Bruce Nuclear Power Development.

By way of this notification, the Sub-Committee will gain information to set priorities where, and if, new fence is to be installed. The Sub-committee will review landowner's requests and set priorities to install new fencing based on the following criteria:

Significantly deteriorated existing fence Current livestock use on adjacent lands Areas of impending trail use Deadline for applying is Wednesday, October 25, 2024

Previous applicants will be considered for 2025 and need not apply.

Application forms are available at:

Bruce County Transportation & Environmental Services Department Walkerton Administration Centre 30 Park Street, Walkerton, ON 519-881-2400

www.brucecounty.on.ca/trails

Discover more about <u>Bruce County Trails</u>.

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# TIFF Film series continues at the Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre September 19

This month marks the return of the Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre's 2024 Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF) series, aimed at bringing a diverse array of international cinema to Bruce County. On September 19 from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM, the Museum invites visitors to a special screening of the award-winning Canadian musical drama Les Filles Du Roi (2023), directed by Corey Payette.



#### September 12, 2024

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Set in 17th century Quebec, the film follows a young French fille du roi as she forms bonds with Mohawk sister and brother in the fur trade. The film features dialogue and songs in English, French, and Mohawk and offers unique Indigenous and feminist perspectives on the colonization of Canada, along with a stunning musical score adapted from the 2018 stage musical of the same name.

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The film premiered at the 2023 Vancouver International Film Festival and has garnered international recognition with awards and nominations from the Leo Awards, Flathead Lake International Cinemafest, Hamilton New York International Film Festival, and Bridges International Film Festival.

Members FREE; General Admission applies. Due to limited seating, registration is encouraged.

TIFF film screenings continue at the BCM&CC this fall with Riceboy Sleeps (2022) on October 28 and Perfect Days (2023) on November 21. Registration and full film details can be found online at <a href="mailto:brucemuseum.ca">brucemuseum.ca</a>.

#### **About the Director**

Corey Payette is a member of the Mattagami First Nations and a theatre, TV, and film composer, writer, producer, and director. Known for his large-scale original musical creations, Payette inserts Indigenous narratives and perspectives to ignite conversations, inspire social change, and challenge the mainstream idea of what musicals can be. Payette is the current artistic director of Urban Ink Productions and the founding artistic director of Vancouver's Raven Theatre. Some of Payette's other works include musicals Children of God, Sedna, and Starwalker.

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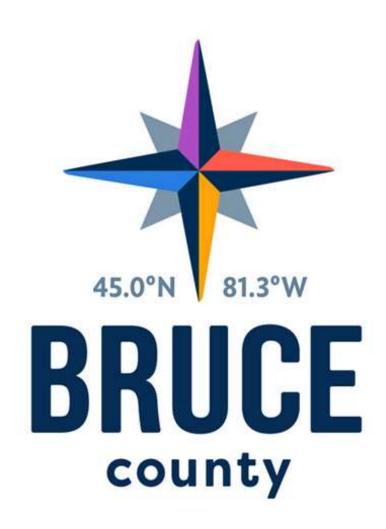
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# Additional Residential Unit Funding Pilot for Bruce County Homeowners: Up to \$50,000 to Build Affordable Rental Units (ARU's)

Bruce County is excited to launch a new \$100,000 pilot program that offers up to \$50,000 to homeowners who wish to build an affordable Additional Residential Unit (ARU) on their property. This new pilot program creates the opportunity to help build two new affordable Additional Residential Units in Bruce County.



#### September 12, 2024

Bruce County is excited to launch a new \$100,000 pilot program that offers up to \$50,000 to homeowners who wish to build an affordable <u>Additional Residential Unit (ARU)</u> on their property. This new pilot program creates the opportunity to help build two new affordable Additional Residential Units in Bruce County.

This initiative is designed to help address the growing need for affordable rental housing as part of the County's initiative to 'Build in Bruce' and is one of the actions identified in the recently released Housing Action Plan. By providing financial support to homeowners, the pilot program aims to increase the number of affordable rental units, while also giving homeowners a chance to earn income from their property.

#### Key Details of the Program:

**Funding:** Up to \$50,000 in financial assistance is available to eligible homeowners for the construction of an Additional Residential Unit (ARU).

**Eligibility:** Homeowners who own a single-detached property in Bruce County are eligible to apply. Additional criteria is available on the website here.

**Affordability Commitment:** The newly constructed unit must be rented at an affordable rate for 15 years, as defined by the <u>program guidelines</u>.

**Quick Turnaround:** The program is designed to speed up the creation of rental units, ensuring that new ARU's can be brought online as quickly as possible to meet the pressing demand for inclusive and affordable housing.

"We are excited to offer this new funding opportunity to our residents," said Tina Metcalfe, Director of Human Services.

"This program supports homeowners to enhance the usage of their properties while advancing the County's broader goal of increasing affordable rental options in our communities."

#### How to Apply:

Interested homeowners can apply by visiting our website <u>here</u> or contacting Bruce County's Housing Concierge Service at 1-800-265-3005 or <u>housingconcierge@brucecounty.on.ca</u>. Applications must be submitted on-line by October 11, 2024.

For more information about the program, eligibility criteria, and the application process, please visit: <a href="https://www.brucecounty.on.ca/buildinbruce/arufunding.">https://www.brucecounty.on.ca/buildinbruce/arufunding.</a>

**Background:** It is broadly accepted that housing is affordable when a household is not spending more than 30% of its income on housing costs. The province has also defined affordable housing thresholds for households of low and moderate income. For ownership housing, the affordable housing threshold is housing that is affordable to households with incomes at the 60th percentile. For renter households, the affordable housing threshold is 100% of average market rent as published by Canada Mortgage Housing Corporation (CMHC). In Bruce County, the affordable housing thresholds for 2023/2024 were rents below \$1,383 per month and ownership costs below \$377,300.

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# Bruce County Rail Trail Restricted Access on Concession 6 in Saugeen Shores

The Town of Saugeen Shores will be conducting bridge maintenance work on Concession 6 between Highway 21 and Sideroad 13/14 for approximately four weeks beginning on September 16, 2024. This work will impede off-road motor vehicle access along the designated bypass on Concession 6.



#### September 12, 2024

The Town of Saugeen Shores will be conducting bridge maintenance work on Concession 6 between Highway 21 and Sideroad 13/14 for approximately four weeks beginning on September 16, 2024. This work will impede off-road motor vehicle access along the designated bypass on Concession 6.

Off-road vehicle traffic be re-routed from the Bruce County Rail Trail using a temporary bypass on Sideroad 18/19 and Concession 2. There will be no ATV access using Concession 6.

Thank you for your patience and understanding. Bruce County apologizes for any inconveniences that these restrictions may have.

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# Upcoming Long Term Care Family and Friends Education Sessions in Bruce and Grey

Bruce County Long Term Care and Senior Services has partnered with Grey County Long Term Care to host four FREE Family and Friends Education Sessions on important topics such as Power of Attorney Rights and Responsibilities and Long-Term Care Homes Rights and Responsibilities.





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Please register now and join us for one of the following education sessions:

Monday, September 30, 2024 - Sydenham Campus (Owen Sound) - 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

Wednesday, October 2, 2024 - Gateway Haven Auditorium (Wiarton) - 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

Monday, October 7, 2024 - Rockwood Terrace Auditorium (Durham) - 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

Wednesday, October 9, 2024 - Brucelea Haven Auditorium (Walkerton) - 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

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Register now to Raelynn Aljoe at raljoe@brucecounty.on.ca.

"Family and friends play such an important role in the provision of long term care and senior services for residents across the region. We are eager to bring family, friends, and professionals together for educational opportunities and resource sharing that will enhance care and well-being. Together we make a difference!" said Megan Garland, Bruce County Director of Long Term Care and Senior Services.

Discover more about Long Term Care in Bruce County.

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# BCPL Hosts Resume and Interview Essentials Workshops

Bruce County Public Library is hosting a series of three essential job preparation workshops at four of their Branches this fall, with support from VPI Working Solution This initiative is designed to help community members enhance their job search skil and increase their employment perspectives.

The workshops will cover the following topics:

**Resume Writing** – Learn how to craft a professional resume highlighting your qualifications and experience.

**Creating a Cover Letter** – Discover how to write a compelling cover letter that complements your resume.

**Interview Preparation** – Gain insights and tips to prepare for job interviews effectively.

A professional resume is a vital tool in the job-seeking process. It serves as your first introduction to potential employers, effectively communicating your qualifications and experiences, and sets you apart from other candidates.

These workshops are free of charge and open to all Bruce County Residents. They will be hosted at the Walkerton, Wiarton, Teeswater, and Lucknow Branches. Registration is required and can be done by contacting the Branch directly. For more information visit the <u>Bruce County Public Library website</u>.

Bruce County Public Library is committed to its role as a trusted community connector, digital community facilitator, and community sharing place. Consisting of 17 Branches

and a Bookmobile, BCPL provides access to information, resources, and programs throughout Bruce County.





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# So what is there to discover?

Bruce County Public Library is a vibrant hub and pillar of the community. From eBoot to fishing rods, video games to educational workshops, Bruce County Public Librar offers something for everyone.

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### Seven Youth Entrepreneurs Launch Bruce County Businesses

Bruce County is proud to celebrate youth entrepreneurship with the launch of seven new successful student-run businesses through the Summer Company program. The Summer Company program provides young people, aged 15 to 29, an incredible opportunity to start their own summer business.



#### September 13, 2024

Bruce County is proud to celebrate youth entrepreneurship with the launch of seven new successful student-run businesses through the <a href="Summer Company program">Summer Company program</a>.

The Summer Company program provides young people, aged 15 to 29, an incredible opportunity to start their own summer business. Each Summer Company entrepreneur receives:

\$3,000 grant to start their new business.

Business training on a variety of topics including sales, marketing, bookkeeping, and more.

Mentorship opportunities from local business leaders.

"We are pleased to provide aspiring young entrepreneurs with the tools and support to start their own small businesses through this years Summer Company Program," says Jeffrey Loney, Manager of Economic Development at Bruce County. "Congratulations to all the entrepreneurs who took on business ownership this year."

Primarily Funded by the Province of Ontario, and under the mentorship of Bruce County Economic Development, the Summer Company program serves as a catalyst for young people to start their entrepreneurial journey and provides them with the necessary tools for success.

Congratulations to the seven grant recipients of the 2024 Summer Company program!

Abetti Botterell - <u>Saugeen Sizzle and Shine</u> - Southampton

Charles Nuhn - EditorTCRD - Walkerton

Daxton Brunet - Dax's Cleaning Services - Wiarton

Jack Westbury - <u>Jackstream Mobile Washing</u> - Southampton

Kasen Beitz - Clean N Cruise Detailing - Chesley

Lincoln Bui - Kincardine Student Lawn Care - Kincardine

Vikki Ernest - Horsin' Around Honey Co. - Chesley

The Summer Company program has played an important role in supporting the growth of young entrepreneurship in Bruce County since its inception in 2017. Over the years, the program has helped 35 local youth embrace their passions, gain handson business experience, and make an impact on the entrepreneurial community in Bruce County.

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# Bruce County Preparing Launch of 2024 Starter Company Plus Program with Information Sessions

The Starter Company Plus program is preparing for the launch of the 2024 program by hosting three information sessions for entrepreneurs to learn about the program.



#### September 18, 2024

The <u>Starter Company Plus program</u> is preparing for the launch of the 2024 program by hosting three <u>information sessions</u> for entrepreneurs to learn about the program.

Through the Starter Company Plus Program, aspiring or established business owners 18 years or older are provided with support to launch or expand a business. This program is funded by the <u>Government of Ontario</u> and administered by <u>Business to Bruce</u>.

The Starter Company Plus Program offers grants of up to \$5,000, along with business training and mentoring, to eligible participants in Bruce County who are looking to start a new business or expand an existing one.

If you are interested in learning more about the program and the application process, it is encouraged that you register here for one of three virtual information sessions.

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Tuesday, October 1, 2024 - 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Thursday, October 3, 2024 - 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Saturday, October 5, 2024 - 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM
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Following the information sessions, the Starter Company Plus program will launch, and entrepreneurs are encouraged to apply. To participate in the program, each entrepreneur needs to successfully:

Complete a training program, including mentorship and workshops.

Complete a business plan.

Present a business pitch to the Grant Review Committee.

"We are so excited to be offering three information sessions to local aspiring or experienced entrepreneurs to learn about our Starter Company Plus Program" states Jeffrey Loney, Bruce County's manager of economic development. "These information sessions provide a great opportunity for local budding entrepreneurs to learn about the program, application process and understand how Starter Company Plus Program can help not only their business but the larger economic community" nurtures collaboration among budding entrepreneurs and provides invaluable access to funding, local business experts, resources and services."

Delivered through Bruce County's Business to Bruce program, this program has provided grant funding to sixty-two entrepreneurs since 2017.

To register for a Starter Company Plus information session, click here.

Learn more about Business to Bruce programs, workshops and sign up for emails here.

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# Bruce County's Annual Bridges to Better Business Networking Event Empowering Teams for Success Through Enhanced Customer Experiences

Bruce County entrepreneurs and business owners are invited to Bruce County's annual Bridges to Better Business networking event. This year the theme is Empowering Your Team for Success: Enhancing the Customer Experience.



## September 18, 2024

Bruce County entrepreneurs and business owners are invited to Bruce County's annual Bridges to Better Business networking event. This year the theme is Empowering Your Team for Success: Enhancing the Customer Experience.

<u>Bridges to Better Business</u> networking event is designed to inspire growth and build connections between businesses and entrepreneurs within Bruce County. This event has been curated to go beyond traditional networking with interactive speakers, including local Chef Alexandre Lussier and award-winning speaker Daniel Lewis, who understand the importance of creating authentic customer experiences.

Date: Thursday, October 17, 2024

Time: 4:30 PM - 8:15 PM (Networking at 4:30 PM; program starting at 5:30 PM)

Venue: Powerlink-Office, 1020 Goderich Street, Port Elgin

**Tickets:** \$40/person (Includes complimentary non-alcoholic beverages, plated dinner and interactive experience) **Speakers:** We are excited to welcome award-winning entrepreneur, author and public speaker <u>Daniel Lewis</u>. Daniel will

inspire attendees to elevate their customer service and take their team's performance to new heights.

We're also thrilled to feature the award-winning local culinary talent, Chef Alexandre Lussier, brainchild of West Coast Catering and George's on Harbour in Kincardine. Chef Alex will share insights into his team's exceptional customer service while guiding you through the creation and plating of your very own appetizer.

"Bruce County's economic development team is excited to host our annual Bridges to Better Business event, providing opportunities for networking with like-minded entrepreneurs and businesses," says Jeff Loney, manager of economic development at Bruce County. "These events foster new connections, which create a sense of community and generate ideas for co-creation, which is at the heart of entrepreneurship."

Bridges to Better Business is an annual event run through Bruce County's Business to Bruce Program, bringing entrepreneurs together to learn and network. Not just another networking event, this is a unique convergence of business minds keen on fostering genuine, long-term connections.

Register Now: Discover how to enhance the customer experience. Learn more about the event and secure your spot.

This project is funded in part by the Government of Canada through the Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario (FedDev Ontario). Business to Bruce is supported by the Government of Ontario.

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# Brucelea Haven Staff and Residents Walk and Roll to support The Terry Fox Foundation

On Thursday, September 12, 2024, residents of Brucelea Haven long term care home in Walkerton laced up to walk and roll in honour of Terry Fox and to raise money and awareness for cancer research for The Terry Fox Foundation.



#### September 18, 2024

On Thursday, September 12, 2024, residents of Brucelea Haven long term care home in Walkerton laced up to walk and roll in honour of Terry Fox and to raise money and awareness for cancer research for The Terry Fox Foundation. Brucelea Haven's Resident Council Team has raised \$330 so far through donations from friends, family, and team members. Thank you to everyone that has supported this initiative.

"This year, Brucelea Haven residents and staff have taken inspiration from Terry Fox's example of determination, perseverance, and compassion and are raising important funds for cancer research. Please sponsor our team and make a difference in the lives of cancer patients and their families. Together we make a difference...#nomatterwhat!" said Megan Garland, Bruce County Director of Long Term Care and Senior Services.

Discover more about Long Term Care in Bruce County.

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## Council Meeting Highlights - Thursday, September 19, 2024

Bruce County Council met on September 19, 2024 beginning at 9:30 AM in the Council Chambers and virtually through Teams. Video recordings of the meeting can be reviewed at www.brucecounty.on.ca/government/agendas-and-minutes



September 19, 2024

## **Bruce County Council Meeting**

Council received from Corporate Services the 2025 Pre-Budget Report. Report

Council received from Human Services the Early Learning and Child Care Service System Plan 2024-2028 Report. Report

Council received from Human Services the Housing and Homelessness Plan Strategic Pillars and Objectives. Report

Council received from Human Services the New Child Care Funding Approach Report. Report

Council deferred the Museum Expansion Report and directed staff to explore options for partnerships and alternative location opportunities. Report

Council approved By-law 2024-055, a by-law to govern the proceedings of the Counci and Committees of the Corporation of the County of Bruce. <u>By-law</u>

Council received communication from Eastern and Western Ontario Wardens' Caucuses (EOWC and WOWC) and Eastern Ontario Mayors' Caucus (EOMC) with Acade 200 AM 280 Social and Economic Prosperity Review.

#### Communication

Council received a Letter from Bruce County to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing requesting an Update on the Status of Local Housing and Homelessness Plans. <u>Communication</u>

Council received communication from Bruce Power expressing Appreciation for Bruce County's Support of the Nuclear Industry and the Proposed Development of Bruce C. <u>Communication</u>

Council received communication from Bruce Power with Notification of Extension to Commenting Deadline - Planning Phase of the Bruce C Project Impact Assessment. <u>Communication</u>

Council received communication on the July 26 and July 31 Grey Bruce Public Health Board Minutes. Communication

This publication identifies highlights from recent Bruce County Council and Committee meetings. Bruce County's Office of the CAO maintains complete agendas and minutes from all Council and Committee meetings, which can be reviewed at <a href="https://www.brucecounty.on.ca/government/agendas-and-minutes">www.brucecounty.on.ca/government/agendas-and-minutes</a>

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## Local Supports and Services Highlighted at Bruce County Outreach Events

Bruce County's Human Services department will be hosting Bruce County Outreach drop-in events throughout October that will provide people with knowledge and awareness of services and supports in their communities and will connect people to supports and services that will enhance their quality of life.



## September 24, 2024

Bruce County's Human Services department will be hosting Bruce County Outreach drop-in events throughout October that will provide people with knowledge and awareness of services and supports in their communities and will connect people to supports and services that will enhance their quality of life.

If you have questions or seek more information on what supports are available to you, please join us at the Bruce County Outreach event in your community. Service providers will be present to meet with people and help will be offered for setting up supports and making referrals to other community services.

Walkerton – Every Tuesday in October Big Door (2 Durham St. East, Walkerton, ON) 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM Some of the Service Providers that may be on site to speak with you are: Bruce County Housing, YMCA Housing Services, Bruce County Paramedic Services, Grey Bruce Public Health, CMHA Grey Bruce, VPI Employment Solutions, Bruce County Ontario Works, United Way of Grey Bruce, Salvation Army Owen Sound - Saugeen Shores

Wiarton - October 9, 2024 (2nd Wednesday of the month)
The Green House (527 Bedford St., Wiarton, ON)
10:00 AM - Noon

Some of the Service Providers that may be on site to speak with you are: Bruce County Housing, YMCA Housing Services, Bruce County Paramedic Services, Grey Bruce Legal Clinic, Grey Bruce Public Health, CMHA Grey Bruce, VPI Employment Solutions, Bruce County Ontario Works, United Way of Grey Bruce, Salvation Army Wiarton

Port Elgin - October 17, 2024 (3rd Thursday of the month) Living Hope Centre (515 Goderich St., Port Elgin, ON) Noon - 2:00 PM

Some of the Service Providers that may be on site to speak with you are: Bruce County Housing, YMCA Housing Services, Bruce County Paramedic Services, Grey Bruce Public Health, CMHA Grey Bruce, VPI Employment Solutions, Bruce County Ontario Works, United Way of Grey Bruce, Salvation Army Owen Sound - Saugeen Shores

Kincardine - October 24, 2024 (4th Thursday of the month) Knox Presbyterian Church (345 Durham St., Kincardine, ON) 10:00 AM - Noon

Some of the Service Providers that may be on site to speak with you are: Bruce County Housing, YMCA Housing Services, Bruce County Paramedic Services, Grey Bruce Public Health, CMHA Grey Bruce, VPI Employment Solutions, Bruce County Ontario Works, United Way of Grey Bruce, Salvation Army Owen Sound - Saugeen Shores

"Bruce County Human Services, and our valuable partners, embrace an equitable and person-centred approach in the delivery of services, like early learning programs and supports for licensed child care, financial and stability supports, housing and homelessness solutions, and strategic community initiatives," said Tina Metcalfe, Director of Human Services. "Our priority is to ensure everyone feels valued and included in our community."

## Bruce County Human Services can be reached by calling 1-800-265-3022.

To access additional community services and supports, please call 211. 211 is a 24/7 service and multilingual interpretation is available.

Discover more about <u>Human Services in Bruce County</u>.

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# **BCPL Now Offering Biblioboard Library**

Bruce County Public Library (BCPL) is proud to announce a new online selection of services for writers and readers that are now available through BiblioBoard Library. This suite of resources encourages local writers and readers to create, share, and discover unique digital content.

The **BiblioBoard Library** mobile and web platform provides access to local eBook collections, a historical database, and unique local content and collections. Patrons Bruce County can access BiblioBoard Library on their preferred browser, tablet, or mobile device with no login or library card number required. All content on BiblioBoa Library is also available with no holds, waits, or checkouts, making it perfect for classroom use, book clubs, and community reads. We are launching Biblioboard Creator in connection with Culture Days and invite patrons to submit their favourite recipes as we create our first curated collection.

The Indie Author Project invites local authors and writers to share their eBooks with participating libraries throughout Ontario in the Indie collection on BiblioBoard Library, with the potential for inclusion in the royalty-paying Indie Author Project Select collections available at libraries across the U.S. and Canada. Also available for indie authors is Pressbooks Public, a self-publishing tool, which allows patrons to create professional-quality print-ready and eBook files with ease. Pressbooks is available to all BCPL patrons with unlimited access and requires no previous design or tech knowledge.

"We are excited to offer this new platform to our community. With Biblioboard, we are helping local authors and patrons discover and create content in a new way that helps Page 236 of 289

foster connection. We are proud to be a part of this step forward in digital library services," said Library Director Brooke McLean.

For more information and to explore Biblioboard visit <u>library.brucecounty.on.ca.</u>

Bruce County Public Library is committed to its role as a trusted community connector, digital community facilitator and community sharing place. Consisting of 17 Branches and a Bookmobile BCPL provides access to information, resources, and programs throughout Bruce County.





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# So what is there to discover?

Bruce County Public Library is a vibrant hub and pillar of the community. From eBoot to fishing rods, video games to educational workshops, Bruce County Public Librar offers something for everyone.

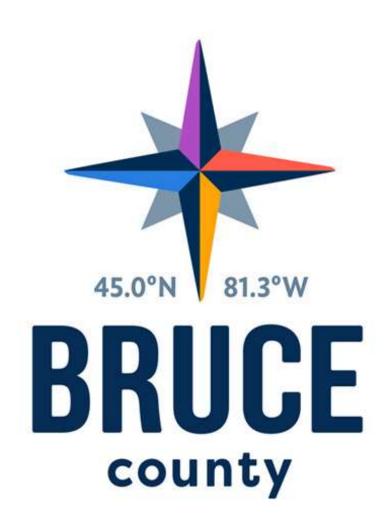
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## Walk for Wenjack Events in Wiarton and Southampton

Bruce County, along with their valuable community partners, invite you to participate in Walk for Wenjack events on Friday, October 18, 2024 at Bluewater Park in Wiarton (1:00 PM) and on Monday, October 21, 2024 at the Fairy Lake Pavilion in Southampton (1:00 PM).



## October 01, 2024

Everybody has their own reason to "Walk for Wenjack" during Secret Path Week (October 17 to October 22). For some, it may be a moment to honour Chanie Wenjack and the many others like him. For others, it may be an opportunity to raise awareness of the true history of residential schools.

Beginning in 2016, the <u>Gord Downie & Chanie Wenjack Fund</u> has been challenging all people in Canada to "Do Something" meaningful. Bruce County, along with their valuable community partners, invite you to participate in Walk for Wenjack events on Friday, October 18, 2024 at Bluewater Park in Wiarton (1:00 PM) and on Monday, October 21, 2024 at the Fairy Lake Pavilion in Southampton (1:00 PM). These events offer an opportunity to come together as a community, in the spirit of reconciliACTION, to walk, learn, and reflect on the more than 600 kilometers Chanie Wenjack needed to get home.

Please also join Secret Path Screenings at the Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre on Monday, October 21, 2024 at 10:30 AM and 6:00 PM. The Secret Path is an animage and Elements of Secret Path is

novel. Working with Downie's poetry and music, Lemire has created a powerful visual representation of the life of Chanie Wenjack.

These are free admission events and refreshments are provided. Donations to the Nawash food bank will be accepted and the first 20 donations at each event will receive a prize from the Downie Wenjack Foundation.

In 1966, Chanie Wenjack ran away from Cecilia Jeffrey Residential School in Kenora, Ontario. He walked for 36 hours along the train tracks before dying of exposure on October 22. He was just 12 years old. His death sparked the first inquest into the treatment of Indigenous children in the residential school system. Chanie's story, tragically, is like so many stories of Indigenous children in this country.

Walk for Wenjack events in Bruce County are hosted in partnership with Cape Croker Park, Kitaamgwedaagwad Gindasswin Adult Learning Centre, Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation Chief & Council, Bruce County, Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre, Nuclear Waste Management Organization, and Bruce Power.

For more information and event updates, please visit <a href="https://www.brucemuseum.ca/event/walk-for-wenjack/">https://www.brucemuseum.ca/event/walk-for-wenjack/</a>

Discover more about Chanie Wenjack:

<u>Heritage Minutes: Chanie Wenjack</u> <u>Chanie's Life Journey</u> (Story Map)

Gord Downie's "The Secret Path"

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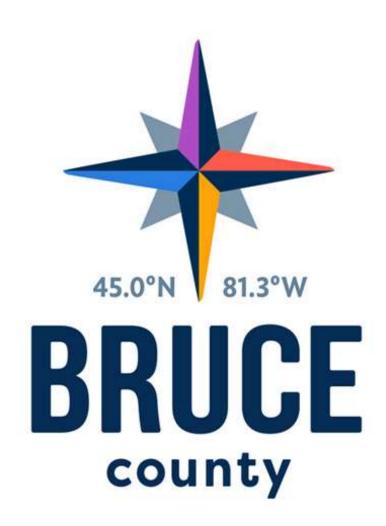
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# Bruce County Updates Emergency Response Plan

The Bruce County Emergency Management Program is pleased to announce the launch of the updated Bruce County Emergency Response Plan. While Bruce County is a safe place to live, work and play, emergencies can happen anywhere and at any time. Bruce County, through its Emergency Management Program, is responsible for ensuring County response to an emergency is effectively coordinated.



## October 01, 2024

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Emergencies threaten public safety, public health, the environment, property, continuity of government operations, critical infrastructure, and economic stability. It is not a matter of "if" there will be an emergency, it is a matter of "when" there will be an emergency.

Effective emergency management in Bruce County requires a coordinated response between many different types of organizations, including:

Lower-tier municipalities;

First Nation communities:

Emergency Response organizations (i.e., police, fire, etc.);

Other public sector organizations (i.e., school boards, hospitals);

Private industry including critical infrastructure owners and operators;

Neighbouring Counties; and

Non-governmental organizations

Building from the newly updated Emergency Response Plan, the Emergency Management team has a robust training and exercise program for identified County Staff. Training and exercises are legislated pieces of Emergency Management and are an important part of developing skills, knowledge, and resources to deal with an emergency. The Bruce County Emergency Management Program runs an exercise for staff yearly at minimum and provides ongoing training throughout the year.

"The Bruce County Emergency Response Plan outlines how Bruce County will coordinate not only a County-level response to an emergency, but it also outlines how we will work to prevent, mitigate, and prepare for many types of emergencies. The plan also addresses how the County will assist in the recovery efforts post-emergency," said Ray Lux, Bruce County Emergency Management Coordinator. "Our goal is to ensure that Bruce County is safe, practiced, and prepared for an emergency and that we can respond in a coordinated and proactive manner ensuring a successful recovery. The newly updated Bruce County Emergency Response Plan lays a foundation for that work."

Discover more about Emergency Preparedness at <a href="https://www.brucecounty.on.ca/getprepared">www.brucecounty.on.ca/getprepared</a>

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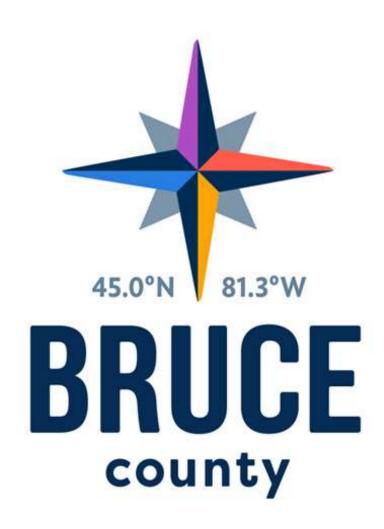
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## Bruce County Highlights National Seniors Day

Every year on October 1, Canadians pay tribute to all seniors who have helped shape our country and who continue to enrich our lives every day. This day serves as a reminder of the invaluable contributions older individuals make at home, in communities, and within the workforce.



## October 01, 2024

Every year on October 1, Canadians pay tribute to all seniors who have helped shape our country and who continue to enrich our lives every day. This day serves as a reminder of the invaluable contributions older individuals make at home, in communities, and within the workforce.

Seniors represent a significant segment of our population, and we can all think of someone who has made a difference in our lives - whether it's a mentor, teacher, grandparent, or friend. They serve as volunteers and role models, dedicating their time and wisdom to build strong families, communities, and workplaces.

"National Seniors Day is a wonderful opportunity to show appreciation. Bruce County would like to thank all seniors for their contribution to the community," said Megan Garland, Director of Long Term Care and Senior Services.

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## Important updates

## New temporary subclass for aggregate extraction properties



MPAC has commenced a review of the aggregate extraction property inventory in light of the Minister of Finance filing O. Reg. 295/24 under the Assessment Act and O. Reg. **296/24** under the *Education Act* on July 5, 2024. These regulations

introduce a new industrial subclass for eligible land used for aggregate extraction (e.g., gravel pits) and prescribe a one-time reduced education tax rate for such eligible land specifically for the 2024 tax year.

We have identified eligible properties for this new subclass and provided the information to municipalities through Special Amended Notices (SANs) earlier this month. An additional SAN listing will be provided in mid-September. Municipalities will also be able to access eligible properties through Municipal Connect under My Products.

We are committed to keeping you informed about the implementation of these new regulations. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this change or any other matter, please do not hesitate to contact your local Municipal and Stakeholder Relations Account Manager.

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## Connecting with our partners at AMO 2024

MPAC was pleased to join the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) as a presenter and exhibitor for their annual conference and 125th anniversary celebration in Ottawa this year.

Throughout the three-day event, our team actively engaged in discussions with municipal and provincial leaders. Members of our Municipal and Stakeholder Relations team welcomed delegates to our booth, where we showcased our latest products and services, gained a deeper understanding of our partners' key concerns, and addressed their most pressing questions.

"Attending the conference and connecting with our partners face-to-face is invaluable," says Mary Dawson-Cole, Director, Municipal and Stakeholder Relations. "These interactions strengthen our relationships and provide us with crucial insights into their needs and priorities. Through these meaningful connections, we can collaboratively drive innovation and achieve our shared goals."

MPAC Board Chair Alan Spacek, President and Chief Administrative Officer Nicole McNeill, and Vice-President and Chief Operating Officer, Carmelo Lipsi, delivered our annual update to municipalities. They highlighted priorities and recent operational developments over the last year and shared our latest tools, property insights, and market trends.

A key part of the session focused on our Data Strategy. We shared how MPAC data can be leveraged for informed municipal decision-making and included examples of how municipalities use our data to build stronger communities.

"Data is the cornerstone of effective decision-making and strategic planning," says Jamie Bishop, MPAC's Vice-President, Public Affairs and Customer Experience. "In today's rapidly evolving property landscape, having accurate and timely data is crucial for understanding trends, making informed choices, and driving meaningful progress. At MPAC, we are committed to harnessing the power of data to empower our partners and enhance community outcomes."

We look forward to sharing more data examples, along with our collaborative work to support municipalities and their communities in future issues on InTouch and across our channels.

If you missed attending our session or if you'd like to join us again, Nicole McNeill, Carmelo Lipsi, and Jamie Bishop will present MPAC's municipal update at our next webinar on September 11. Registration information is below.









Clockwise beginning left (from left to right): Municipal and Stakeholder Relations (MSR) Regional Managers Tracy McIntyre, Lynne Cunningham and Anne Haines with MSR Director, Mary Dawson-Cole (second from left); MSR Regional Manager Lynne Cunningham with Mike Burkett, Mayor of Severn Township; MSR Regional Managers Anne Haines and Lynne Cunningham with Graydon Smith, Minister of Natural Resources and MPP for Parry Sound-Muskoka; Presenting MPAC's Annual Update at AMO.



# MPAC Property Insights and Meeting the Evolving Needs of Our Partners – A Municipal Update

Join MPAC's President and CAO, Nicole McNeill, Vice-President and COO, Carmelo Lipsi, and Vice-President, Public Affairs and Customer Experience, Jamie Bishop, for our annual municipal update and learn more about:

- Our work to keep Ontario's property database current.
- How we continue to enhance the municipal and property owner experience.
- MPAC's Data Strategy and leveraging MPAC data for informed decisionmaking.
- Recent operational highlights, property insights, and market trends.

There will be time provided for questions.

Date: Wednesday, September 11, 2024

**Time:** 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. EDT

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To view recordings of all past webinars, visit **mpac.ca** or our **YouTube Channel**.

#### MPAC on the move

Just a friendly reminder that we'll be at the following September and October conferences:

- September 11 13 Ontario East Municipal Conference (OEMC) in Ottawa.
- September 15 18 Ontario Municipal Tax and Revenue Association (OMTRA) Conference in Orillia.
- September 17 20 Municipal Finance Officers' Association (MFOA)
   Conference in Muskoka.
- September 26 28 Association française des municipalités de l'Ontario (AFMO) Conference in Clarence-Rockland.

- September 29 October 2 Ontario Building Officials Association (OBOA)
   Conference in London.
- October 1 5 International Plowing Match in Lindsay.
- October 16 18 Ontario Municipal Administrators Association (OMAA)
   Fall Workshop in Huntsville.
- October 25 Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus in Chatham-Kent.

If you're attending these conferences, stop by the MPAC booth! Our team is ready to showcase our latest products and services, answer your questions, and discuss ways to collaborate.



# 2024 Q2 New Assessment Forecast update now available

As part of our Service Level Agreement, MPAC provided municipalities with the 2024 Q2 New Assessment Forecast at the end of



July. We are projecting nearly \$41 billion, a slight increase from the Q1 forecast shared at the end of April. If you haven't done so, head to MyProducts on Municipal Connect and view your customized report now.



# Time for a Municipal Connect refresh?

In the June/July issue of InTouch, we shared some exciting product updates in Municipal Connect, like the MFIPPA-compliant notification

list and the new MPAC Data Report. To keep your team up to date with the latest enhancements and ensure they have the knowledge to leverage the platform successfully, schedule a virtual tutorial session. Your <u>local Municipal and</u>

<u>Stakeholder Relations Account Manager</u> can customize each session to meet your needs. Reach out to learn more!

#### We're better together!

MPAC is dedicated to building stronger partnerships with municipalities across Ontario, and your local Municipal and Stakeholder Relations team is here to support you.

Want more information about who we are and how we can work with your municipality? Reach out to your <u>local Municipal and Stakeholder</u>

<u>Relations Account Manager</u> to book an information session for your staff or municipal council. Need Municipal Connect training? We can help with that, too.

Have you been working closely with our Municipal and Stakeholder Relations team on a unique initiative? Share your experience! Ask your Account Manager how your municipality can be featured in our next Partnerships in Action story.



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#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – September 6, 2024

Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority Appoints Erik Downing as General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer

**ALL SAUGEEN WATERSHED MUNICIPALITIES** – Municipality of Arran-Elderslie, Municipality of Brockton, Township of Chatsworth, Municipality of Grey Highlands, Town of Hanover, Township of Howick, Municipality of Morris-Turnberry, Municipality of South Bruce, Township of Huron-Kinloss, Municipality of Kincardine, Town of Minto, Township of Wellington-North, Town of Saugeen Shores, Township of Southgate, Municipality of West Grey.

Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority (SVCA) is pleased to announce the appointment of Erik Downing as General Manager and Secretary-Treasurer (GM/S-T), effective September 9th, 2024. Erik's appointment follows a comprehensive internal and external recruitment process, solidifying his leadership after having served in the Acting GM/S-T role over the past year.

With more than 20 years of experience in environmental management, natural hazard protection, conservation enforcement, and watershed governance Erik brings a wealth of knowledge and expertise to this position. His extensive career across multiple Conservation Authorities, including 17 years with SVCA, has equipped him with a broad skill set and a profound understanding of the challenges and opportunities in the Saugeen, Teeswater, Pine, and Penetangore watersheds.

"Erik has provided strong leadership during this past year as Acting General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer. With his deep understanding of the watershed and the organization, we are confident that he will continue to guide SVCA with stability and vision as we move forward."

- Barbara Dobreen, Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority Board Chair

As a Provincial Offences Officer and a graduate of York University with a Bachelor of Environmental Studies (BES), Erik has committed his career thus far to balancing safe and sustainable development with environmental protection. As SVCA looks to the future, Erik is committed to collaborating with the Board, stakeholders, and the broader community to strengthen the organization's role in environmental conservation.

Erik is eager to lead SVCA in continuing its mission to protect and manage the natural resources of the Watershed for future generations. His personal connection to the Saugeen watershed, where he resides with his family, bolsters his passion for conserving the local natural environment.

Erik's appointment marks a pivotal moment for SVCA, and his leadership is expected to bring stability and progress as the organization navigates evolving provincial mandates and growing environmental challenges.



Photo credit: Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority. Photo 1: Headshot, Erik Downing. Photo 2: Erik Downing standing beside a 'Virgin Pine' tree in the Greenock Swamp.

#### For more information, please contact:

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#### **Kelly Lush**

From: Community Living Kincardine & District <aswan@clkd.ca>

**Sent:** September 5, 2024 10:00 AM

To: Kelly Lush

**Subject:** CLKD's September 2024 newsletter is here!





September 2024 Newsletter

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Collaborating to Bring Sensory Space to Ripley Fall Fair



Pictured above are members from the Ripley Agricultural Society, NWMO and CLKD with a big cheque from NWMO to support the Sensory Space at this year's Ripley Fall Fair.

To make the Ripley Fall Fair even more inclusive for people of all abilities and to support families/caregivers with young children, the Ripley Agricultural Society and Community Living Kincardine and District worked together to create a space with quiet sensory experiences where people of all ages and abilities can find calm.

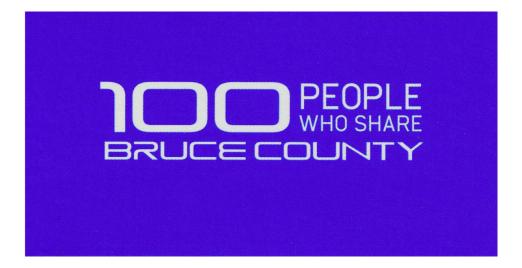
This space can act as a redirection tool for parents and caregivers and/or a quiet place for people who are feeling overwhelmed but are not yet ready to leave the fair. This space also features a changing and feeding space for babies and their families.

With support from sponsors, NWMO & Trillium Mutual Insurance, sensory activities such as bins with kinetic sand and toys, mats, blankets, fidgets etc. will be provided for use. Noise cancelling headphones can be signed out and used while a person enjoys the fair to support people with sensitivities to sound.

The Fair is a highlight of fall for many and we are excited to help make it even more accessible for all!

The space, named Harmony Haven, will be located in the arena, outside of the exhibit hall in the first changeroom.

# 100 People Who Share Kicks off Fundraising Initiatives for Senior Supports



With the Support of 100 People who share, CLKD will facilitate the establishment of *intentional* community-based networks of people that will address mental and physical health, isolation, loneliness, and offer support for people age 55+.

CLKD will be building on research gathered during a previous grant that recognized relationships and sense of community are critical to actively aging and do not 'just happen.'

Through local research and feedback collected, we determined CLKD is well positioned to provide education, facilitated activities and mentorship that could assist the re-establishment of a culture of "neighbour supporting neighbour". This cost-efficient approach will assist community members and their caregivers in creating Networks with Purpose to maintain independence, well-being, and connection among people 55+, and their caregivers.

CLKD will be facilitating workshops, activities and promoting conversations on a grassroots approach to build on what already exists, while expanding community awareness beyond the agreed challenges of transportation and housing. The benefits and outcomes of such efforts

will increase community connections, strengthen a person's sense of belonging, and allow people to have options as they age in the Municipality if Kincardine and Township of Huron-Kinloss.

We would like to thank 100 People Who Share for investing in services and supports for those 55+ and their caregivers.

### **Summer Camp Leader in Training**







In the photo collage, Bethany proudly wears her orange Leader in Training shirt (L.I.T). She is featured on the cover of the week 8 brochure as the L.I.T Volunteer of the week and giving a high 5 to a coworker.

I have been working at the Davidson Centre as a L.I.T (Leader in Training) for the kid's summer camp every Friday. I worked there last year and really liked it so I decided to do it again this year.

I work with kids in the summer camp program creating and helping with activities. We colour, play games, like peekaboo, and eat pizza.

I enjoy my role as a L.I.T and hope to do it again next year. I enjoy spending the day with the kids doing fun things and it is something I look forward to every week. When I get home, I like telling everyone about my day.

#### **Music in The Fields**









Pictured above is Randy enjoying the outdoor concert, Music in the Fields.

Music in the Fields was great for another year.

It's something I look forward to every summer. I got to see people I know and say "hey". I like country music so this was my kind of concert; I like the entertainment. The Recklaws were my favourite band I saw and sang along with. We went to the food truck for dinner and I got poutine - one of my favourite meals.

Lots of people stopped by to say "hey" at our picnic table. They were happy to see me and  $\rm I$  was happy to see them. I got a glow bracelet from folks we were next to.

The concert was so packed it felt like a maze to get out of there. I sat by some people who were rowdy. As the night went on people were drinking a lot. I would like to go again, but maybe not around people that were so hammered, haha.

- Randy Smith

#### **Youth Connections Wraps Up for 2024**









Youth are featured throughout the photo collage in the kitchen cooking and preparing food, outside around a campfire and feeding and watering chickens.

This summer, Youth Connections was nothing short of amazing!

We tackled a wide range of learning experiences while having an absolute blast. We embarked on regular visits to Allies for Alley Cats, the Kincardine Trails, and PAWS, where we built valuable volunteer skills and fostered community connections. The youth thoroughly enjoyed their time outdoors, especially interacting with animals. They learned to care for chickens, ducks, rabbits, goats, and cats, all while socializing with these adorable creatures. Additionally, we took pride in maintaining the trails we often walk, ensuring they were safe and tidy for everyone to enjoy. The cat shelter was a highlight as we witnesses three new kittens grow bigger each week!

Our day trips this summer were equally memorable. At Camp Kintail, the youth had the opportunity to try archery, rock climbing, disc golf, geocaching, fire building, and more! Many faced their fear of heights, conquering the rock wall and high ropes. We also visited MacGregor Point Provincial Park, where we engaged in pond dipping and observed various species in swampy areas. A wildlife show at the park allowed us to learn about snakes, raccoons, and birds.

Our final day trip took us to the Grey Roots Museum where we explored the fascinating ways animals have inspired technology and delved into the history of Grey County. The Moreston Village, with its antique-style buildings, offered a glimpse into 19<sup>th</sup>-century life, complete with demonstrations by a woodworker, blacksmith and an old-fashioned mechanic.

Beyond our day excursions, we enjoyed several other summer highlights. At Family Funland,

youth raced around the go-cart track and scored impressive results in mini golf. Our visit to Prance inspired many to volunteer with excitement brewing about future visits. We also engaged in recreational activities such as yoga, lawn bowling, cooking, art classes, and board games where youth discovered they enjoyed some activities they weren't sure of originally. Life skills were developed throughout all of these experiences and some our engaging lessons even sparked conversations about budgeting!

Overall, this summer was an extraordinary experience. Youth Connections continues to grow and improve each year. My time working with Community Living Kincardine & District has been nothing short of wonderful! I wish the best to all the youth throughout the school year!

-YC Team Leader, Abby

#### **Bethany and Catherine Take on the Track!**



Above is a group photo of the Kincardine Special Olympic Athletes in the parking lot at their meet in Midland

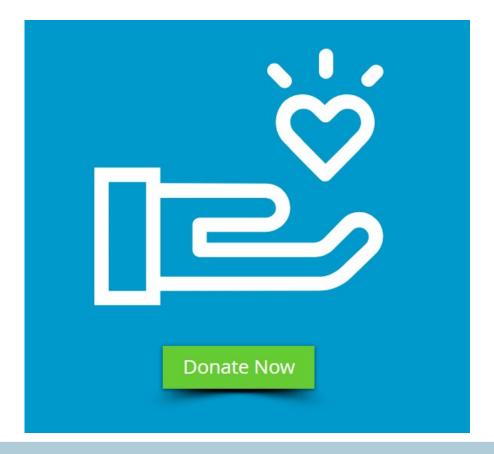
I did so much running yesterday [at the track meet]... I ran a pile! It was a great time. It was so fun to cheer on my friends. [I am] so happy that we did it! All our practices paid off. We've been working so hard.

- Catherine Benjamin

My favorite event running. I liked spending time with friend and the food!

- Bethany Collins (Translated)

#### **Generator Fundraiser**



As we begin to rely more heavily on electricity in our 24 hour supported homes for personal lifts, CPAP (continuous positive airway pressure) machines, recharging electric wheelchairs, and the safety and security of residents, we, Community Living Kincardine & District and the Families of people supported, are seeking support in the purchase of a generator to ensure an uninterrupted power supply during outages.

In the recent years we have experienced longer outages due to more extreme weather occurrences, highlighting the need for a generator. With a goal of uninterrupted support for residents living with a developmental disability and specific physical support needs at the Saratoga home, we are raising \$75,000 for the purchase of a commercial generator.

If you wish to support this initiative, you may **donate online**, drop off cash or a cheque to the Community Living Kincardine & District office at 286 Lambton Street or e-transfer to **donations@clkd.ca** with a note indicating the donation is in support of a generator. We thank you in advance for your support.

# **Upcoming Events & Activities**



# Baby & Me Groups Running Every Thursday of the Month!

Baby & Me programs will rotate each week through Baby & Me Music, Baby & Me Messy Art, Baby & Me Sensory Play, Baby & Me Early Literacy and Baby & Me Gross Motor and Movement.

Please visit our **website** and/or follow us on **Facebook** or **Instagram** to stay up-to-date!



#### **National Disability Employment Awareness Month**

October

The purpose of Disability Employment Awareness Month is to promote employment inclusion for people who experience disability and to celebrate the many and varied contributions of workers with disabilities.

To learn more about CLKD's services and events, visit our website!







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#### **Kelly Lush**

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September 5, 2024

# Welcome to the September Edition of RTO7's Industry E-Newsletter!



As the end of the vibrant summer season approaches and we transition into fall, we are excited to bring you the latest updates and opportunities to enhance and grow tourism in our beautiful region.

#### In This Newsletter:

- What's Going On...at RTO7
  - ExploreDreamDisover Social Media Feature
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#### What's Going On...at RTO7

#### **Explore, Dream, Discover Social Media Feature**

Introducing **ExploreDreamDiscover**, a weekly social media feature designed to inspire and help visitors plan their next BruceGreySimcoe adventure. We spotlight 2 to 3 of the region's best local operators, attractions, events, and experiences each week, offering you a *FREE* advertising opportunity to showcase your business. The boosted social media post, paid by RTO7, will help you reach thousands of potential visitors across BruceGreySimcoe's highly engaged social media platforms. Whether you're looking to boost your fall or winter visibility, attract more visitors, or share something new, this is a simple and effective way to get noticed.

To request a feature in **ExploreDreamDiscover**, please reach out to **Allison Davies**, Communications Assistant and inquire about availability in our social media calendar. Here's what we need from you: after determining availability, simply provide Allison with 3 to 5 high-resolution images along with information about what you'd like to showcase. It's that easy! Don't miss the chance to be featured in this highly popular advertising opportunity!

## **Destination Ontario Updates**

The 'Always ON' Content Intake Form is an excellent way to engage with Destination Ontario. Your submissions help fuel Destination Ontario's content marketing efforts and may be used in any of the following marketing initiatives:

- Ongoing organic and/or paid media efforts
- Media relations and broadcast activities
- Trade itineraries
- Business development training
- Educating their travel counsellors and contact centre staff to include in their recommendations

DMOs and sector associations can share content through the Always ON Partner Content Intake Form linked HERE.

For Tourism Businesses & Events, Destination Ontario has created a separate Content Intake Form linked HERE.

# **Funding & Business Support**

#### **Tourism Growth Program**

The Tourism Growth Program (TGP) provides \$108 million over 3 years (2023-2026) to support communities, small and medium-sized businesses and not-for-

profit organizations in developing local tourism products and experiences. The current intake period is open until September 17, 2024, at 4:59 pm EST.

To benefit as many tourism operators as possible, FedDev Ontario is focusing this intake on new applicants only. Guides on how to apply and the application links can be found on the FedDev ON TGP website here.

### Webinars, Workshops & Events

September 10, Collingwood Tourism Master Plan Open House, 12:30
 pm to 3:30 pm

Save the date and join fellow tourism stakeholders at the Collingwood Public Library for an Open House where the draft Tourism Master Plan will be presented for public awareness and discussion. Learn more at Engage Collingwood here.

September 12, Online - Destination Dialogues Webinar: Rethinking
 Experience Development in Canada's Rural Destinations, 11:30 am to
 1 pm

Destination Canada is hosting their webinar series to explore how destinations, organizations, businesses and individuals can craft and offer unique storytelling-based experiences in RURAL areas. Join us for a free 90-minute webinar designed to inspire, inform, and empower destination development. Register now!

 September 12, Online - Equity, Diversity & Inclusion: Hiring & Retention, 12 to 1 pm

Rainbow Registered is hosting an impactful webinar series with diversity champion Ren Navarro. This session will look into the details of hiring and retention and answer your questions about how DEI concepts can (and should) impact your hiring processes. Click here to register for this free online event.

 September 17, Online - Four County Labour Market Planning Board AGM, 6 to 7 pm This virtual meeting will include a message from the board chair and a presentation of the annual report of activities with the Executive Director. To register for the event, email executivedirector@planningboard.ca.

September 17, Online - Business Basics 101: Writing a Business Plan,
 12 to 1 pm

Hosted by Nottawasaga Futures, this essential workshop is designed to help you get started on your business journey. Learn the key sections and requirements necessary to create a comprehensive plan. Register for this free online session here.

 September 17, XcelerateHER Entrepreneurial Lessons for Small Business Owners, 1 to 3 pm

Join the South Georgian Bay Small Business Enterprise Centre for the next XcelerateHER speaker event at the Blue Mountains Public Library in Thornbury. The session will be packed with insights and actionable education for new and seasoned business owners. Register for free today.

 September 17, Online - Web Presence 101: Ensuring Your Foundation is Set, 10 to 11 am

Having a strategy for your online presence allows you to market your small business online so customers can easily find you. Join the Digital Main Street squad and learn how to build the foundation for your business's web presence. Register to attend the free webinar here.

- September 18, Loss Prevention for your Business, 1 to 4 pm
   Jointly hosted by the Orillia Area CDC, City of Orillia, Experience Simcoe
   County and Orillia & Lake Country, this hands-on workshop has been
   designed to empower your business with essential loss prevention and
   security strategies. Register your attendance for this event at Rama
   Community Hall here. Tickets are \$65 pp + HST.
- September 25, Welcoming the World: A Diversity & Belongingness Conference, 8:30 am to 4 pm

Hosted by the Grey Bruce Local Immigration Partnership, this one-day event will include engaging activities to explore how to embrace diversity and foster inclusion in Grey Bruce. The in-person event is \$27 pp and will

be at the Harry Lumley Bayshore Community Centre in Owen Sound. Join us and register today!

- September 26, Business Model Canvas Workshop, 1 to 3:30 pm Hosted by the Town of Wasaga Beach and the South Georgian Bay Small Business Enterprise Centre, this in-person event will dive into the art of crafting a successful business model canvas. Perfect for aspiring entrepreneurs and business owners looking to enhance their understanding of their business model. Sign up for the free workshop now.
- October 3, Grey County Rural Communications Summit, 8:45 am to 4
   pm

At this one-day conference event, participants will have the opportunity to hear first-hand accounts from other public sector communicators, hear from industry experts, and make connections through organized networking. Registration is \$152 pp and the event is taking place at the Best Western Inn on the Bay in Owen Sound. Don't miss out on this great event by registering here now.

October 10, Orillia Area CDC Lunch N' Learn - Adaptive Innovation,
 8:30 am to 3:30 pm

Join the Orillia Area CDC at Casino Rama for a day of networking, inspiring stories, education and delicious food! This annual event will explore the transformative power of adaptive intelligence, innovation, and the future. Early bird prices are available until September 13. Don't wait - get your tickets today!

- October 22 to 23, 2024 Ontario Tourism Summit
   Join TIAO and its members for their annual 2-day conference in Hamilton.
   This year's summit is about Awareness, Collaboration, and Making it
   Happen. Register at the Advanced Member Pricing rate until September 2 on the TIAO website here.
- November 5, Hire & Keep Apprentices, 8:15 to 10:30 am
   Join the Four County Labour Market Planning Board for breakfast followed by a workshop at Trillium Mutual Insurance in Listowel. The workshop will provide small and mid-sized employers with the knowledge and resources needed to attract, train, and retain apprentices. Reserve your spot here.

November 19, Tourism Simcoe County Partner Meeting, 9:30 am to 1
 pm

Simcoe County tourism stakeholders are invited to attend the 2024 partner meeting at Fern Resort. The meeting will include a presentation of their draft 2024 work plan, provide an update on the Craft Beverage Development project, and share their latest visitor statistics from the County. Register here for this free meeting including a networking lunch and optional tour of the Resort!



Correction: The July edition of our Industry Newsletter was published with an error.

**Andrea Hamlin** provides stunning imagery that showcases the natural beauty and vibrant culture of our region, creating compelling visual content that resonates with our audience.

Investing in professional video and image development through these partners will provide consistent, high-quality visuals and maintain a cohesive brand image, making our region easily recognizable.

For more information and examples of her work, visit **AndreaHamlinPhotography.com**.













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#### **RTO7 Programs and Resources**

Our programs and resources aim to support business growth, foster collaboration, promote sustainability, provide market insights, attract more visitors, and improve tourism experiences in BruceGreySimcoe. Click on the links below for more info:

- Programs
  - o Partnership Programs
  - GoEV Funding Program
  - BruceGreySimcoe Free Training
  - T3 Accelerator
  - Tech Compass
  - T3 Accelerator Podcast
    - Tourism Biz Bites from the 7
  - Implementation Programs
    - Operations Implementation Program (OIP)
    - Recruitment Implementation Program (RIP)
    - Sustainability Inclusivity Program (SIP)
- Resources
  - Careers in Tourism
  - o Resource Guide
  - o RTO7 Connection Blog
- Are You Listed?
  - FREE Tourism Operator Listings on BruceGreySimcoe.com
- Need Help Pushing Out a Promotion?

- FREE Promotions Listings on BruceGreySimcoe.com (complete and up-to-date operator profile required)
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#### YMCA Peace Medal Nominations are Now Open!!

The prestigious YMCA Peace Medal honours people of all ages from coast to coast who are helping to build better communities by exemplifying the values of PEACE.

Owen Sound, ON —The YMCA of Owen Sound Grey Bruce is calling on our community to nominate a Peacemaker for our annual YMCA Peace Medal. This award honours an individual or group who, without any special resources, status, wealth, or position, has demonstrated a commitment to building peace within our community or globally.

Participation, Empathy, Advocacy, Community and Empowerment: these are the values the YMCA of Owen Sound Grey Bruce is looking for in the next recipient of the YMCA Peace Medal. Residents are invited to visit ymcaowensound.on.ca/peace-week and nominate a deserving person or group for this award before Friday, October 18. Hard copies of the nomination package are available at our YMCA Health, Fitness & Aquatics facility.

The YMCA Peace Medal was developed in 1987 by the International Committee at the YMCA of Fredericton. Here at our YMCA, we have honoured 26 individuals and 13 groups from our community, who inspire us with their actions. A list of those recipients can be found on the YMCA website.

The 2023 YMCA Peace Medal was awarded posthumously to Sharif Rahman for his exceptional contributions to peace-building within the community and beyond. Despite his passing in August 2023, Sharif's legacy continues to resonate with those who knew him and shines in our community every day.

From November 16-23, during YMCA Peace Week, the YMCA of Owen Sound Grey Bruce, together with YMCAs across Canada, celebrate the presence of peace in our communities, and reflect on the peace-building work that happens all year both inside and outside the YMCA. Peacebuilding is core to the YMCA's commitment to strengthening the foundation of healthy communities and part of the YMCA of Owen Sound Grey Bruce's year-round programs.

YMCA Peace Week invites people of all ages to reflect on peace, to talk, and to take action, individually and with others. It is during this week that the 2023 YMCA Peace Medal recipient will be announced and awarded the prestigious medal.

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#### For more information, please contact:

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#### **About YMCA of Owen Sound Grey Bruce**

The YMCA of Owen Sound Grey Bruce is a charity dedicated to building a caring, healthy community by creating opportunities for all people to achieve personal growth in spirit, mind and body. We offer opportunities for personal development in many program areas: Health, Fitness, Aquatics and Recreation, Child Care, Community and Justice Programs, Settlement Services, Housing Support and Employment Services. Learn more on our website: <a href="https://www.ymcaowensound.on.ca">www.ymcaowensound.on.ca</a>

#### **Kelly Lush**

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#### **Press Release**

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# Regional Tourism Organization 7 Secures Federal Funding to Propel the Tech Compass Program in Bruce, Grey and Simcoe Counties

September 18, 2024 - Thornbury, Ontario – The Regional Tourism Organization 7 (RTO7) is pleased to announce that it has been awarded crucial Government of Canada funding through the Tourism Growth Program, delivered in the region by the <u>Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario</u> (FedDev Ontario). This funding will support the implementation of the Tech Compass program, designed to empower tourism businesses in Bruce, Grey,

and Simcoe Counties through their technological advancements.

The Tech Compass program is a collaboration of efforts between RTO7, Community Futures South Georgian Bay and Rappid Software Design. It aims to accelerate digital transformation in the tourism sector by providing businesses with the tools and knowledge needed to thrive in an increasingly digital landscape. This funding will provide up to 70 participating businesses across the region with access to expert guidance and resources to implement cutting-edge technologies that will improve operational efficiency and enhance guest experiences.

William Sullivan, CEO of RTO7, expressed his gratitude for the funding, stating: "This investment is a game-changer for the tourism industry in our region. The Tech Compass program will empower local businesses to embrace new technologies, enhance visitor experiences, and remain competitive in a rapidly evolving market. We are thrilled to see the federal government recognizing the importance of technological innovation in driving the future of tourism."

The Government of Canada continues to demonstrate its dedication to revitalizing and expanding the tourism sector through targeted support initiatives. Highlighting this commitment, the Honourable Filomena Tassi, Minister responsible for the Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario, stated: "The Tech Compass program is an exciting addition to the tourism ecosystem of Bruce, Grey and Simcoe Counties, bringing together key stakeholders and partners, like Community Futures South Georgian Bay, to help this key sector in the region reach new heights. Congratulations to Regional Tourism Organization 7 on this wonderful new tool, the Government of Canada is pleased to support initiatives like this through the Tourism Growth Program."

By fostering innovation and digital adoption, the Tech Compass program will help create and maintain jobs, attract new visitors, and strengthen the region's economy. Tourism businesses in Bruce, Grey, and Simcoe Counties are encouraged to apply for the Tech Compass program. Successful applicants will receive support in assessing their digital needs, developing implementation plans, and executing technological upgrades.

For more information about the Tech Compass program and how businesses can apply, please visit <u>techcompass.ca</u>.

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#### **About RT07**

Regional Tourism Organization 7 (RTO7) provides strategic and collaborative leadership to build, sustain and grow tourism in <u>BruceGreySimcoe</u>. We are one of 13 RTOs – independent, not-for-profit corporations - to which the Ontario government provides annual funding to lead tourism planning, marketing and development in their respective regions. Follow the RTO7 industry social media platforms for relevant tourism industry news and information on <u>Instagram</u>, <u>Facebook</u>, X and <u>LinkedIn</u>.

#### **About FedDev Ontario**

For 15 years, the Government of Canada, through FedDev Ontario, has worked to advance and diversify the southern Ontario economy through funding opportunities and business services that support innovation, growth and job creation in Canada's most populous region. The Agency has delivered impressive results, which can be seen in southern Ontario businesses that are creating innovative technologies, improving productivity, growing revenues, creating jobs, and in the economic advancement of communities across the region. Learn more about the impacts the Agency is having in southern Ontario by exploring our investment profiles, our Southern Ontario Spotlight, and FedDev Ontario's X, Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn.

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Hello everyone,

On September 19, 2024, Fisheries and Oceans Canada posted the **Management plan for the Silver Lamprey** (*Ichthyomyzon unicuspis*), **Great Lakes-Upper St. Lawrence populations, in Canada** on the Species at Risk Public Registry.

You can access the document at the following links:

- English: Management plan for the Silver Lamprey (Ichthyomyzon unicuspis), Great Lakes-Upper St. Lawrence populations, in Canada Document search Species at risk registry
- Français: Plan de gestion de la lamproie argentée (Ichthyomyzon unicuspis), populations des Grands
   Lacs et du haut Saint-Laurent, au Canada Recherche de documents Registre public des espèces en péril

For any questions or further information regarding the Silver Lamprey, please reach out to Colin Illes at Colin.Illes@dfo-mpo.gc.ca.

Kind regards,

#### **Colin Illes**

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#### CSWBP STAR Reducing Risk in Grey and Bruce Communities

The CSWBP Situation Table for Acutely Elevated Risk (STAR), is an evidence-informed initiative that involves over 35 partners from police services, human services, and other community agencies who work together to reduce the chance of imminent harm or victimization in situations where there is a combination of elevated risk factors.



#### September 27, 2024

The CSWBP Situation Table for Acutely Elevated Risk (STAR), is an evidence-informed initiative that involves over 35 partners from police services, human services, and other community agencies who work together to reduce the chance of imminent harm or victimization in situations where there is a combination of elevated risk factors.

The table works collaboratively to provide immediate interventions to individuals, families, neighborhoods, dwellings, and environments. The multidisciplinary partners use their combined expertise and experience to determine the threshold of Acutely Elevated Risk, to ensure risk is not only examined through one service provider's lens but all service representatives at the table.

STAR follows a 4-filter approach developed by the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario and the Ministry of the Solicitor General to ensure the highest standards of privacy and confidentiality.

#### What is Acutely Elevated Risk (AER)?

Acutely Elevated Risk (AER), is a situation that negatively affects the health and/or safety of an individual, family, group, or place where there is a high probability that there will be imminent and significant harm to self or others. The risk factors of these situations span across multiple human service disciplines.

#### 2023 STAR Example

In 2023, STAR was able to support an individual with immediate wrap around support to provide them with the health and social services they required to improve their overall wellbeing and reduce their imminent risk of harm.

The intervention also reduced the individuals 911 calls from 53 in 2.5 months to 6 in the 2.5 months following the intervention, seeing an 89% reduction in 911 calls and over \$15,000 in cost reduction to police and EMS services. This was just 1 of 25 situations the table reduced the Acutely Elevated Risk in during 2023.

#### What is the Community Safety and Well-Being Plan (CSWBP) Grey-Bruce?

Community Safety and Well Being Planning helps organizations improve the things that keep us healthy, happy, and safe. Together, we use research to create solutions focused on education, health care, food, housing, income, crime, and belonging. It is important that we create a welcoming community where problems are solved before they happen and where different professionals and community members come together to help people now and in the future.

The ongoing work of <u>CSWBP</u> is supported by an advisory committee representing over 78 partners from across Bruce and Grey who are working together to address crime prevention by investing in social development, prevention, and risk interventions. This upstream preventative model focuses on creating protective factors that make individuals less vulnerable to crime and victimization.

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