



The Corporation of the Township of Malahide

CORRESPONDENCE AGENDA June 1, 2023 – 7:30 p.m.

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AMO Matters

AMO is responding to Bill 97. Recently AMO made a <u>submission</u> responding to Schedules 4 and 6 and delivered <u>remarks</u> and a <u>written submission</u> to Standing Committee. More to come.

AMO <u>submitted</u> comments to the Ministry of Energy on IESO's Pathway to Decarbonization Study, supporting IESO's no regret actions, the role of municipal governments and Indigenous communities, and strengthening connections. The <u>PJ Marshall Award</u> recognizes municipal governments demonstrating excellence in the use of innovative approaches in the areas of capital, service delivery show casing examples where Ontario municipalities have implemented and can point to tangible outcomes from new, more cost-effective ways of providing public services and facilities. The deadline to submit is May 26.

Provincial Matters

Please review the Ontario Community Environment Fund program <u>application guide</u> for guidance on applying to the program. The deadline to submit through <u>Transfer</u> <u>Payment Ontario</u> is May 30 at 5pm. Contact <u>OCEF@ontario.ca</u> for more details.

The Ontario government is providing up to \$1.5 million through the 2023-2024 <u>EnAbling Change Program</u> for accessibility projects. Applications for this funding are open through to June 29th.

The Ministry of Health and Ontario Health released an <u>Expression of Interest</u> for funding opportunities for primary care. On May 18, <u>two webinar sessions</u> will provide guidance on applications.

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The LAS IPE Risk Management Symposium will discuss critical municipal risk issues such as climate resiliency and the Natural Assets Initiative, cyber security, risk data management and more. <u>Registration</u> is now open.

AMO and eScribe are pleased to be joined by Becky Jamieson, Director of Corporate Services and Municipal Clerk for the Township of Scugog, to explore the benefits of meeting management platforms. <u>See first-hand how eScribe helps</u> governments leverage technology to make their public meetings easier and engage with their constituents better.

LAS

The <u>LAS Energy Planning Tool</u> takes the stress out of reporting annual consumption under O.Reg 25/23 (formerly 507/18). <u>Get your data ready today</u> and beat the July 1 deadline. While you're at it, update your conservation measures and you'll be that much closer to your 5-year CDM plan.

Looking to add some outdoor washrooms to your public spaces this summer? The <u>Canoe Procurement Group</u> has you covered. Niu Toliet offers smart mobile and permanent washroom solutions to blend in with your public community spaces and special events. <u>Contact Sarah</u> to learn more.

Municipal Wire*

Attend Niagara West Emergency Management's B*uilding Linkages in Emergency Management Symposium,* October 17-18, at the Holiday Inn & Suites St. Catharines Conference Centre, to hear best practices and lessons learned from real disasters and help your community to be more resilient. Details and to register <u>here</u>.

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<u>Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Specialist - Brantford Police Service</u>. Coordinate policy, programs, and evaluation development, and work to identify, address and prevent systemic racism in policy, practices, programs and services. <u>Apply online</u> by May 24.

<u>Manager, Finance - Town of Wasaga Beach</u>. Responsible for the administration and oversight of analytical accounting activities. <u>Apply online</u> by June 2.

<u>Corporate Project Manager - County of Hastings</u>. The position will oversee all aspects of orporate projects to ensure that scope, quality, schedule, budget resources and risks are managed during each project phase. Apply to <u>careers@hastingscounty.com</u> by May 31.

<u>Senior Financial Planning Analyst - City of Orillia</u>. Participate in the development and implementation of policies / procedures and internal control processes reflecting industry best practice. <u>Apply online</u> by May 28.

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- Careers: Township of South Glengarry and County of Simcoe.

AMO Matters

As part of consultations on Bill 97, AMO has <u>submitted comments</u> on tenant protection proposals. AMO and ROMA have also submitted a letter to Minister Clark on site plan control.

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LAS

AMO has long been involved with housing and homelessness advocacy and is working to help municipal leaders find solutions that are appropriate for their communities. <u>Read more</u> about the Homelessness Symposium.

Looking for some new uniforms? We're pleased to welcome <u>UniFirst Corporation</u> to the Canoe Procurement Group. Keep your staff looking great with on-site analysis and fittings, laundering, deliveries, repairs, and inventory controls. <u>Contact Sarah</u> to learn more.

Municipal Wire*

FCM's free, *Gender-Based Analysis (GBA) Plus as an Equity Lens for the Municipal Sector* online course is an opportunity for municipalities to gain information and insight into supporting your own GBA and equity goals. Click <u>English</u> or <u>French</u> to register for the first cohort starting in June.

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May 9, 2023

Hon. Doug Ford Legislative Building 1 Queen's Park Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Hon. Doug Ford:

Re: Motion in Support of Bill 5 – Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act

This is to confirm that at its May 9, 2023 meeting of County Council, the following resolution was adopted with respect to the above noted matter:

WHEREAS Bill 5 - *Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act*, 2022 was introduced in the Ontario Legislature by MPP Stephen Blais through a Private Member's Bill on August 10, 2022; and

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WHEREAS over 40 municipalities have formally endorsed and communicated public support for Bill 5; and

WHEREAS the County of Elgin and Council are committed to demonstrating good governance and greater accountability to its Code of Conduct and workplace policies; and

WHEREAS Bill 5 would both hold accountable and protect all municipal officials; and

WHEREAS Bill 5, the *Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act, 2022* would require the Code of Conduct for municipal Councillors and members of local boards to include a requirement to comply with workplace violence and harassment policies and permit municipalities to direct the Integrity Commissioner to apply to the court to vacate a member's seat if the Commissioner's Inquiry determines that the member has contravened this requirement;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Elgin County Council express its support for Bill 5, *Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act;* and

FURTHER that this resolution be sent to the Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and the local Member of Provincial Parliament, MPP Rob Flack, and Elgin County constituent municipalities.

If any further information is required, please contact the undersigned at 519-631-1460.

Yours Truly,

Stephen Gibson Acting Chief Administrative Officer

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COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

TUESDAY, MAY 23, 2023

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COMMEMORATING ONEIDA HERITAGE THROUGH MURAL COLLABORATION

Elgin County Council has given the green light for a mural to be placed on the west-facing external wall of the Elgin County Heritage Centre. The mural is set to showcase the 1840 journey of the Oneida Nation of the Thames, which saw them travelling from upstate New York, across Lake Erie, and through present-day Elgin County before settling on lands near the Thames River.

Elain's Community and Cultural **Services** Department has forged a strong partnership with the Oneida Language & Cultural Centre in recent years. This has led to discussions on ways neighbouring communities the two can collaborate more closelv on Indiaenous programming and historical research.

This mural project will be painted on-site at the Oneida Language & Cultural Centre. These panels will be mounted together at the Heritage Centre to create a cumulative mural size of 8 feet by 16 feet. The project is set to be finished and installed by the end of 2023, with an unveiling ceremony planned for either fall 2023 or spring 2024.



ADVOCATING FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING TO SUPPORT TERRACE LODGE'S REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT

The Ministry of Long-Term Care announced a Construction Funding Subsidy (CFS) Top-Up in November 2022 to aid in developing or redeveloping longterm care homes in Ontario. The funding was intended to speed up the creation of new long-term care beds before August 31, 2023, by providing eligible homes with an additional \$35 per bed per day.

Unfortunately, the redevelopment of Terrace Lodge (one of Elgin's three long-term care homes) is not eligible for the CFS Top-Up, as the development agreement was signed in March 2022. However, receiving the additional funding of \$35 per bed per day for 25 years would have been a significant boost for the project, as it could have supported most, if not all, of the debt repayment related to the capital loan taken out to rebuild Terrace Lodge. Moreover, this funding would benefit all residents of the County of Elgin by reducing the burden of debt repayment on the levy, particularly for Phases 2 and 3 of the project.

Council members have been actively trying to secure additional funding from the Ministry of Long-Term Care through delegations and meetings with Provincial officials. Staff have also discovered two other potential advocacy opportunities to support and advance Council's efforts to fund the Terrace Lodge Redevelopment Project.

CHEVRON SIGNS TO BE ADDED TO IMPERIAL ROAD IN PORT BRUCE TO ADDRESS SAFETY CONCERNS



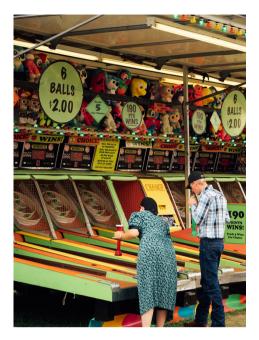
The Township of Malahide requested the installation of guard rails on Imperial Road in the Village of Port Bruce. In response, Council instructed staff to install Chevron alignment signs on the road instead, based on the Ontario Traffic Manual, along the horizontal roadway curve immediately north of Rush Creek Line.

Even though it's not required at this location, the installation of Chevron signs is a reasonable solution to address the safety concerns raised by the Township of Malahide. Elgin County staff will monitor the area to ensure these signs are effective.

12 LOCAL FESTIVALS, EVENTS, AND SERVICES TO BE STRENGTHENED THROUGH COUNCIL'S COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM

In 2020, the Rural Initiatives and Planning Advisory Committee established the (CGP) Community Grant Program to determine how the Council's grant budget should be distributed. Every year, community organizations have the opportunity to apply either the Community Services or for Festivals and Events streams

During the May 23rd County Council Meeting, 13 grant requests were approved for a total of \$72,900, equivalent to \$3.68 per household. Additionally, the County will provide \$500 towards Fanshawe College's Personal Support Work Program.



ON THE ROAD TO PROGRESS: EVALUATING TRAFFIC CONCERNS IN VIENNA

In response to a request received from the Municipality of Bayham, Council directed staff to complete the following:

- Conduct a traffic and speed study on Plank Road located at Chute Line in Vienna;
- Review the 50 km/h speed limit zone on Plank Road situated at Light Line in Vienna; and
- Provide a report on their findings during an upcoming Council meeting.

UNANIMOUS SUPPORT FOR ADDRESSING CONCERNS OVER CHANGES TO EAST ELGIN SECONDARY SCHOOL'S POTENTIAL BOUNDARY CHANGES

The Town of Aylmer has expressed their concerns to the County Council regarding the proposed changes that would affect the East Elgin Secondary School catchment area. Elgin County Council unanimously supported the matter and requested the Warden to write a letter to the Thames Valley District School Board outlining their concerns about these changes.

> For the complete May 23, 2023, County Council Agenda Package, please visit the Elgin County <u>website.</u>





May 24, 2023

Township of Malahide c/o Allison Adams, Manager of Legislative Services/Clerk via email: <u>aadams@malahide.ca</u>

Re: Request for Guard Rail on Imperial Road

Dear Ms. Adams,

At its meeting on May 23, 2023 Elgin County Council considered a staff report that addressed the Township of Malahide's request for the installation of guard rails on Imperial Road within the Village of Port Bruce, and passed the following resolution:

"Moved by: Councillor Sloan Seconded by: Councillor Widner

RESOLVED THAT the report titled "Imperial Road (Port Bruce) – Request for Guard Rail" dated May 15, 2023 from the Manager of Transportation Services be received and filed; and

THAT staff be directed to install Chevron alignment signs on Imperial Road as per the Ontario Traffic Manual along the horizontal roadway curve immediately north of Rush Creek Line.

Carried."

A copy of the staff report is included for your information.

If you have any questions, please contact Peter Dutchak, Manager of Transportation Services at pdutchak@elgin.ca.

Yours truly,

Jerra Gentie

Jenna Fentie Manager of Administrative Services/Deputy Clerk <u>ifentie@elgin.ca</u>

cc Peter Dutchak, Manager of Transportation Services



REPORT TO COUNTY COUNCIL

FROM: Peter Dutchak, Manager of Transportation Services

DATE: May 15, 2023

SUBJECT: Imperial Road (Port Bruce) – Request for Guard Rail

RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT the report titled, "Imperial Road (Port Bruce) – Request for Guard Rail" from the Manager of Transportation, dated May 15th, 2023 be received and filed; and,

THAT staff be directed to install Chevron alignment signs on Imperial Road as per the Ontario Traffic Manual along the horizontal roadway curve immediately north of Rush Creek Line.

INTRODUCTION:

The County of Elgin has received a request from the Township of Malahide to consider the installation of guard rail on Imperial Road within the Village of Port Bruce. This report considers the request and measures it against existing conditions and technical warrant criteria.

DISCUSSION:

Imperial Road (CR73) within the Village of Port Bruce has an annual daily traffic volume of approximately 1,800 and a posted speed limit of 50 km/h. A horizontal curve exists north of Rush Creek Line within the 50 km/h speed zone, with an advance curve warning sign, reflective markers and white roadway edge lines to delineate the curve. Imperial Road in this location has recently been reconstructed as part of the Port Bruce Bridge construction and the roadway shoulders have been paved. Roadside slopes are at a 2:1 gradient and the roadway is elevated approximately 2 m from the adjacent lands on the outside of the curve. A review of available police collision reports has identified one collision at this location over the past 5 years, however, staff is aware of at least one additional recent collision incident where a vehicle failed to negotiate the curve.

A review of the applicable technical manuals in respect to guide rails suggests that they are only warranted where the combination of the height and slope of the embankment is

a more severe hazard than the barrier system itself. Warrant criteria also states that a guide rail is typically not warranted protecting slopes less than 3m in height nor are they typically installed in low speed, urban environments. This location on Imperial Road is posted at 50 km/h, does not have a historic pattern of collisions, and has an embankment height of only 2 m. These roadway characteristics suggest a guard rail barrier system is not warranted. For Council's information, the cost of installing steel beam guard rail with appropriate end treatments would be approximately \$30,000.

In order to provide drivers with additional visual guidance to changes in the horizonal road alignment, Chevron alignment signs may be installed. Although technically not warranted at this location, the installation of Chevron signs provides a reasonable response to the safety concerns expressed by the Township of Malahide. Staff therefore recommends to install Chevron alignment signs along the horizonal curve north of Rush Creek Line and to continue to monitor the location for their effectiveness.

Serving Elgin	Growing Elgin	Investing in Elgin
Ensuring alignment of current programs and services with community need.	Planning for and facilitating commercial, industrial, residential, and agricultural growth.	☐ Ensuring we have the necessary tools, resources, and infrastructure to deliver programs and services
☑ Exploring different ways of addressing community need.	□ Fostering a healthy environment.	now and in the future. ⊠ Delivering mandated
Engaging with our community and other stakeholders.	□ Enhancing quality of place.	programs and services efficiently and effectively.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:

LOCAL MUNICIPAL PARTNER IMPACT:

The Township of Malahide staff will be requested to install the Chevron alignment warning signage at the County's expense.

COMMUNICATION REQUIREMENTS:

A copy of this report will be provided to the Township of Malahide in response to their request to consider the installation of guard rail at this location.

CONCLUSION:

The County of Elgin received a request from the Township of Malahide to consider the installation of guard rail along a section of Imperial Road entering the Village of Port Bruce.

Staff has reviewed this location in context of applicable technical manuals and have determined that a guard rail is not warranted. However, to provide additional guidance to drivers, staff is recommending to install Chevron alignment signage at this location.

All of which is Respectfully Submitted

Approved for Submission

Peter Dutchak Manager of Transportation Services Stephen Gibson Chief Administrative Officer (Acting)

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April 21, 2023

Elgin County Council (sent via email: <u>jfentie@ELGIN.ca</u>) County of Elgin 450 Sunset Drive, St. Thomas, Ontario N5R 5V1

RE: Safety Concerns - Request for guardrails on Imperial Road, Port Bruce

At its regular meeting held on April 20 2023, Malahide Township Council considered and passed the following:

No. 23-194 Moved By: Scott Lewis Seconded By: John H. Wilson

THAT Township of Malahide Council request Elgin County Council to consider requirements for guiderail placement on the Northwest side of Imperial Road at Rush Creek Line.

Carried

The Township respectfully requests your co-operation with respect to this matter and thanks you for your consideration.

Please do not hesitate to contact this office if you require any further information.

Respectfully,

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Allison Adams, Manager of Legislative Services/Clerk



Mark Fisher, Director of Education and Secretary

2023 May 29

Dominique Giguère Mayor, Township of Malahide 87 John Street South Alymer ON N5H 2C3

Via email: dgiguere@malahide.ca

Dear Dominique,

Thank you for your correspondence regarding the secondary school attendance area review. While there are no changes to programming planned at schools as a result of the potential changes being explored, we welcome all feedback and would like to thank you for raising the concerns included in your letter.

A final attendance area review report, that takes into consideration the final subcommittee reports and public input, will be presented to Trustees at the May 30th Special Board Meeting. There will be an opportunity for further public input on June 13th prior to final Trustee deliberations scheduled to take place at the June 27th Board meeting.

Upon reviewing Administrations report, their recommendation is to maintain East Elgin's boundary as it currently exists today and to continue on with a split secondary attendance area for the new Belmont elementary school. The full report and recommendations are linked below (starting on page 94).

https://calendar.tvdsb.ca/board/Detail/2023-05-30-1800-Special-Board-Meeting/14a81859-882c-4bf9-b1fe-b00d013d0783

On behalf of our Board of Trustees, thank you again for your letter.

Respectfully,

L. Pizzolato

Lori-Ann Pizzolato Chair of the Board Thames Valley District School Board

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May 15, 2023

RE: RESOLUTION IN RESPONSE TO THE OPIOID CRISIS

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting on May 8th, 2023 the Town of Fort Frances Council considered and adopted the following Resolution:

Resolution No. 195

Moved By: Mandi Olson Seconded By: Steven Maki

WHEREAS Fort Frances recognizes that challenges of mental health, addictions, specifically opioids, and homelessness are complex issues that have a significant and detrimental impact on the residents of Fort Frances;

WHEREAS addressing and responding to these issues has placed extreme stress on all levels of municipal and non-municipal programs and services, including various not-for-profit organizations and provincially funded health services within Fort Frances and surrounding communities;

WHEREAS mental health, opioids and homelessness trends are, in recent years, at an all-time high and such prevalence is impacting the overall wellbeing of the people of Fort Frances and the surrounding communities;

WHEREAS Fort Frances Council acknowledges that approaches to addressing and responding must include diverse and inclusive approaches to these issues, and should not be viewed as a single solution response;

WHEREAS addressing and responding will require strategies and practices specific and uniquely designed for Fort Frances and surrounding communities;

WHEREAS Fort Frances Council accepts that the responsibility to address these challenges rests with community stakeholders, partners, residents, as well as federal and provincial government and agencies;

WHEREAS challenges of mental health, addictions and homelessness are not unique to Fort Frances; Fort Frances and surrounding communities hold the greatest prevalence of opioid crisis within Ontario;

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WHEREAS Fort Frances Council recognizes that municipal emergencies in Ontario are declared by the head of council as per the process detailed in the Emergency Management and Civil Protections Act; and

WHEREAS Fort Frances Council acknowledges that a declaration of emergency does not immediately result in a municipality receiving any additional funds or resources from a senior government level.

THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT Council of the Town of Fort Frances ("**Council**") conveys the following comments as submissions to the Commission:

1. THAT **Council** directs staff to send a letter to all municipalities in Ontario, surrounding First Nation communities, MPs and MPPs, requesting letters of support advocating for additional resources to combat the opioid crisis;

And FURTHER THAT these letters be forwarded to Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA), Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA) the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and the federal and provincial government advocating the need for additional resources and support towards the current opioid crisis in Northwestern Ontario.

2. THAT **Council** recommend and support the Northwestern Health Unit establish a north or northwest regional coalition of public health, relevant community agencies, and others as appropriate, in order to amplify regional concerns and investigate potential strategies and resources."

CARRIED

Sincerely,

Gabrielle Lecuyer, AOMC Clerk

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