



**The Corporation of the Township of Malahide
CORRESPONDENCE AGENDA
August 3, 2023 – 7:30 p.m.**

(G) Correspondence:

1. Association of Municipalities of Ontario - WatchFile – July 20, 2023
2. AMO Policy Update: Property Tax Reassessment
3. Elgin County – Council Highlights – July 25, 2023

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From: AMO Communications <Communicate@amo.on.ca>
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July 20, 2023

In This Issue

- ROMA encourages rural municipalities to apply for Housing Accelerator Fund.
- Municipal Information & Data Analysis System (MIDAS) upgrade.
- Provide your feedback on AMO's digital communications.
- MPAC Board positions - Call for expressions of interest.
- AMO 2023 is just over a month away - Register today!
- Take advantage of Land Use Planning Training at the AMO Conference.
- LAS & IPE 2023 Risk Symposium - Are you safe?
- Registration for the one of a kind AMO-LAS Energy Symposium is open!
- Blog: LAS Goes on a Road Trip.
- Careers.

AMO Matters

The Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) wants to make sure that rural, small and northern communities consider applying for the Housing Accelerator Fund by August 18. Don't miss this opportunity! Questions, call CMHA 1-800-668-2642 or email. ROMA is interested in hearing from members who will be and are considering submitting an application.

AMO is pleased to, in the coming weeks, launch a refresh of the Municipal Information & Data Analysis System (MIDAS). For current users, login will remain the same, however, you will need to save any reports you have saved in the current system as they will not be migrated to the new MIDAS.

Please complete this six-minute survey on AMO's brand and digital communications. Help AMO shape our future brand and member engagement!

AMO has issued a call for expression of interests for building the AMO 2024 list of nominees for the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) Board of Directors. Application deadline has been extended - apply now.

Eye on Events

AMO is excited about this year's Conference hosted by the City of London at RBC Place London and DoubleTree by Hilton, August 20-23. View the preliminary [program](#) and [register](#) now for this important event.

We are offering a number of training opportunities focused on both the fundamentals of land use planning and strategic decision making at this years conference, Saturday, August 19 and Sunday, August 20. [Register today](#) for one of the limited spots.

Join Local Authority Services (LAS) and Intact Public Entities (IPE) in discussion on Navigating the Road to Resilience in examination of critical municipal risk issues such as climate resiliency, cyber security, risk data management and more. [Register today](#) for all you need to know on municipal risk management - deadline: September 27.

AMO and Local Authority Services (LAS) are pleased to be hosting the 2023 Municipal Energy Symposium on November 2-3 at the Novotel Centre Toronto. [Registration](#) is now open. Space is limited.

LAS

LAS' Municipal Program Specialist writes about his spring outreach road trip visiting many scenic municipalities in Ontario. Read more [here](#).

Careers

[Program Manager - Local Authority Services \(LAS\)](#). Responsible for the overall administration, marketing, and growth of programs (ONE Investment, Natural Gas, Electricity), and management of customer relationships. Apply to careers@amo.on.ca by August 4.

[Strategic Initiatives Manager - Niagara Region](#). Responsible for providing quality business, policy and strategic analysis and consultation to advance corporate priorities. [Apply online](#) by July 26.

[Director of Planning - Township of Georgian Bay](#). Involved in departmental goal setting and budget preparation and monitoring, Council report creation and presentation. Apply to jobs@gbtownship.ca by August 6.

[Chief Administrative Officer - Township of Russell](#). Responsible for providing strategic leadership and direction in the development and execution of administrative and operational policies, procedures and initiatives. Apply to jobs.emplois@russell.ca by August 4.

[Chief Administrative Officer - Town of Fort Frances](#). Responsible for the strategic planning, development, coordination, and leadership in the delivery of services. Apply to jobs@fortfrances.ca by August 20.

[Commissioner, Community and Operations Services - City of Oshawa](#). Responsible for providing innovative vision and strategic direction to the Community and Operations Services Department. [Apply online](#) by August 18.

Supervisor, Stores - Town of Oakville. Supervises all activities of the Central Stores functions. Apply online by July 29.

Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk - County of Haliburton. Perform all duties pursuant to the provisions of the *Municipal Act*, the Procedural Bylaw and Delegation of Authority By-law. Apply to shume@haliburtoncounty.ca by August 17.

Director, Business Intelligence & System Planning - County of Simcoe. Responsible for leading the strategic policy development, service planning, data and quality assurance, and risk management. Apply online by July 26.

Engineering Technician II - County of Simcoe. Conduct engineering reviews including, but not limited to, environmental assessments, traffic control, storm water management, road design and more. Apply online by August 1.

About AMO

AMO is a non-profit organization representing almost all of Ontario's 444 municipal governments. AMO supports strong and effective municipal government in Ontario and promotes the value of municipal government as a vital and essential component of Ontario's and Canada's political system. Follow [@AMOPolicy](https://twitter.com/AMOPolicy) on Twitter!

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POLICY UPDATE

July 17, 2023

AMO Policy Update – Property Tax Reassessment

Updated Advocacy on Property Tax Reassessment

Last week AMO collaborated with industry partners to put forward a [call to the Premier to make a prompt return to the assessment cycle](#). The letter highlights the pause on reassessment as the last COVID-19 restriction and presents the province with the opportunity to partner with the private and public sectors to successfully transition back to stabilize and make taxes more predictable. For both municipalities and businesses, a well-functioning and up-to-date assessment system supports strong communities and makes Ontario an attractive place to invest.

AMO encourages members to engage their MPPs in advance of the AMO Conference to urge the government to formally commit to a reassessment date.

Key Messages to Share with your MPPs

- A well-functioning and up-to-date assessment system supports strong communities and makes Ontario an attractive place to invest.
- The ongoing delay in reassessment is compromising the province's economic competitiveness.
- Leadership from the government on reassessment is critical to supporting the resilient and continued growth of the provincial economy we all rely on.



COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

TUESDAY,
JULY 25, 2023

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County Council Approves
Innovative Official Plan
Amendment for Vibrant
Growth in Aylmer

A Transparent Approach:
Understanding Elgin County's
Fee Changes

Community Safety in Focus: Elgin
County and OPP to Extend
Policing Agreement

Revitalizing Health:
Strengthening SWPH
Amidst Covid-19 Challenge

Fueling Safety: Elgin to
Collaborate with Municipal
Partners to Tackle Legacy Oil &
Gas Hazards

Elgin County Backs Bayham in
Storm Water Infrastructure
Funding



COUNTY COUNCIL APPROVES INNOVATIVE OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT FOR VIBRANT GROWTH IN AYLMER

The Acting Manager of Planning for Elgin presented County Council with Official Plan Amendment (OPA) No. 23 for the Town of Aylmer's Official Plan.

This amendment adds a Special Policy Area to re-designate the subject lands from "Low Density Residential" to "Special Policy Area Medium Density Residential 3". This change will allow for a general commercial (office) use on the ground floor of the building and permit up to six residential dwelling units in the rest of the building.

County Council approved this amendment as staff confirmed that it meets all policy and regulatory requirements.



*Please note that this is not an actual rendering of the changes proposed to the subject lands.

A TRANSPARENT APPROACH: UNDERSTANDING ELGIN COUNTY'S FEE CHANGES

Every year, Elgin's Management Team and County staff evaluate the fees and charges for administrative activities in each department to ensure that they reflect the cost of materials, activities, and services. County Council has approved the following list of fee changes from the previous year:

- Additional charge for lost and damaged Yoto players at Elgin County Library Branches
- An increase to the fees associated with room rentals at the County Administration Building, and an increase to the Single Move Overweight Permit Fee to reflect cost recovery
- A rate change for services provided by the Barber/Hairdresser at Terrace Lodge (one of Elgin's three (3) Long Term Care Homes)
- A change to research fees from \$50.00/hour to a cost recovery basis to align with the provisions of the shared services agreement.
- A reimbursement for additional costs incurred for professional services related to technical studies/reports determined necessary by the Manager of Planning
- Tourism Membership fees have been eliminated as the fees are now contained within the department budget.
- Provincial Offences fees have increased to recover costs associated with the preparation of transcripts.

COMMUNITY SAFETY IN FOCUS: ELGIN COUNTY AND OPP TO EXTEND POLICING AGREEMENT



The agreement between Elgin County and the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) concerning policing services for six Municipalities will come to an end on December 31, 2023.

County Council has granted approval for the Elgin Group Policing Agreement to be sent to the local Councils in Bayham, Malahide, Central Elgin, Southwold, Dutton-Dunwich, and West Elgin to approve the agreement for an additional two years.

REVITALIZING HEALTH: STRENGTHENING SWPH AMIDST COVID-19 CHALLENGE

The Southwestern Public Health (SWPH) catchment area has been experiencing a decline in population health due to Covid-19. As a result, SWPH's Board of Health has approved additional investments by the Ministry of Health and its Municipalities, as outlined in their Further Investments in Public Health Priorities Report.

The County of Elgin is required to provide SWPH with an extra levy of \$61,254. In response, Council has agreed to allocate \$15,313.50 per month, effective September 1, 2023.

FUELING SAFETY: ELGIN TO COLLABORATE WITH MUNICIPAL PARTNERS TO TACKLE LEGACY OIL & GAS HAZARDS

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry has allocated \$7.5 million in funding to municipalities to manage the hazards caused by legacy oil and gas wells and subsurface gas mitigation. County Council has instructed staff to collaborate with Local Municipal Partners in order to create a submission package for funding through the Legacy Oil & Gas Wells Municipal Transfer Payment Program.



*Map of Abandoned Oil Wells

ELGIN COUNTY BACKS BAYHAM IN STORM WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING

The Municipality of Bayham requested a letter of support from Elgin County to accompany their application to the Disaster Mitigation Adaption Fund. County Council directed staff to generate a letter of support to assist the Municipality of Bayham's efforts in attaining funding to help offset the costs of replacing storm water infrastructure in Port Burwell.

For the complete July 25, 2023, County Council Agenda Package, please visit the Elgin County [website](#).