

1. **C-2024-301**  
Correspondence dated June 21, 2024 from Northumberland County to various Federal and Provincial representatives respecting a resolution of support for the Municipality of St. Charles correspondence regarding 'Catch and Release Justice'.
2. **C-2024-302**  
Correspondence dated June 21, 2024 from Northumberland County to various Provincial representatives respecting a resolution of support for the Municipality of St. Charles correspondence regarding 'Social and Economic Prosperity Review'.
3. **C-2024-303**  
Correspondence dated June 21, 2024 from Northumberland County to various Federal and Provincial representatives respecting a resolution of support for the Hastings County correspondence regarding 'Sustainable Infrastructure Funding for Small Rural Municipalities'.
4. **C-2024-304**  
Correspondence dated June 24, 2024 from the Town of New Tecumseth respecting a request that the Province of Ontario reconsider and ultimately decide against the proposed phasing-out of free private drinking water testing services.
5. **C-2024-305**  
Correspondence dated June 24, 2024 from the Township of Bonnechere Valley respecting a call on the Ontario and Federal Government to implement sustainable infrastructure funding for small rural municipalities.
6. **C-2024-306**  
Correspondence dated June 24, 2024 from the Township of North Glengarry respecting Infrastructure in Small Municipalities.
7. **C-2024-307**  
Correspondence received June 25, 2024 from the Niagara SPCA respecting Wainfleet Monthly Statistics.
8. **C-2024-308**  
Correspondence dated June 26, 2024 from the Town of Cobalt respecting a resolution of support for correspondence received from Township of Harley, Coleman Township, Township of Larder Lake, Township of Casey, Township of Hudson & Township of Kerns respecting Asset Retirement Obligations.



# Northumberland County Council Resolution

**SENT VIA EMAIL**

**June 21, 2024**

Hon. Justin Trudeau (Prime Minister of Canada)  
Hon. Arif Virani (Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada)  
Hon. Doug Ford (Premier of Ontario)  
Hon. Doug Downey (Attorney General of Ontario)  
Hon. Michael Kerzner (Ontario Solicitor General)  
Hon. Phillip Lawrence (Member of Parliament for Northumberland–Peterborough South)  
Hon. David Piccini (Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development and  
MPP for Northumberland-Peterborough South)  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
Northumberland County's Member Municipalities  
All Ontario Municipalities

**Re: Correspondence, Municipality of St. Charles 'Catch and Release Justice'**

At a meeting held on June 19, 2024 Northumberland County Council approved Council Resolution # 2024-06-19-438 adopting the below recommendation from the June 4, 2024 Finance and Audit Committee meeting:

**Moved by:** Councillor John Logel  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Mandy Martin

"**That** the Finance and Audit Committee, having considered correspondence from the Municipality of St. Charles regarding 'Catch and Release Justice', recommend that County Council support the correspondence and direct staff to send a copy of this resolution to key stakeholders, including Northumberland County's 7 Member Municipalities."

**Council Resolution # 2024-06-19-438**

**Carried**

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at [matherm@northumberland.ca](mailto:matherm@northumberland.ca) or by telephone at 905-372-3329 ext. 2238.

Sincerely,  
Maddison Mather



Manager of Legislative Services / Clerk  
Northumberland County

# Council Resolution

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Moved By J. Lloyd  
 Seconded By M. Martin

Agenda Item 10 Resolution Number 2024-06-19- 438


Council Date: June 19, 2024

"That Council adopt all recommendations from the six Standing Committees, as contained within the Committee Minutes (meetings held June 3, 4 and 5, 2024), with the exception of the following items (referenced from the Standing Committee Minutes), that will be held for discussion:

- Public Works Committee, Item 9.a, 'Radio Communications Tower Project' - Verbal Update – **Held by Councilor Jibb**

**And Further That** the items listed above and held for separate discussion each require a separate resolution."

Recorded Vote Requested by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Councillor's Name

  
 Carried \_\_\_\_\_  
 Warden's Signature

Deferred \_\_\_\_\_  
 Warden's Signature

Defeated \_\_\_\_\_  
 Warden's Signature

## Finance & Audit Committee Resolution

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**Committee Meeting Date:** June 4, 2024

**Agenda Item:** 7.c

**Resolution Number:** 2024-06-04- 383

**Moved by:** Martin

**Seconded by:** Ostrander

**Council Meeting Date:** June 19, 2024

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"That the Finance and Audit Committee, having considered correspondence from the Municipality of St. Charles regarding 'Catch and Release Justice', recommend that County Council support the correspondence and direct staff to send a copy of this resolution to key stakeholders, including Northumberland County's 7 Member Municipalities."

**Carried**



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Committee Chair's Signature

**Defeated**

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Committee Chair's Signature

**Deferred**

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Committee Chair's Signature

The Corporation of the Municipality of St. Charles  
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Regular Meeting of Council

**Agenda Number:** 8.6.

**Resolution Number** 2024-074

**Title:** Resolution stemming from February 21, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council - Item 10.1 - Correspondence #23

**Date:** March 20, 2024

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**Moved by:** Councillor Laframboise

**Seconded by:** Councillor Pothier

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of St.-Charles hereby supports the Resolution passed by the Corporation of the City of Cambridge on February 13, 2024, regarding catch and release justice;**

**AND BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this Resolution be sent to Prime Minister, Justin Trudeau; Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada, Arif Virani; Attorney General of Ontario, Doug Downey; Ontario Solicitor General, Michael Kerner; Premier Doug Ford; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); our local Member of Parliament (MP); our local Member of Provincial Parliament (MPP); and all Ontario Municipalities.**

**CARRIED**

  
MAYOR

**The Corporation of the City of Cambridge**  
**Corporate Services Department**  
**Clerk's Division**  
**Tel: (519) 740-4680 ext. 4585**  
[mantond@cambridge.ca](mailto:mantond@cambridge.ca)

February 14, 2024

**Re: Catch and Release**

At its Council Meeting of February 13, 2024, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cambridge passed the following Motion:

**WHEREAS** this council believes that the safety of our community and its protection from crime in all its forms is of utmost importance.

**WHEREAS** our taxpayer-funded judicial system exists to protect the public, who in return for their tax dollars are entitled to a system that works.

**WHEREAS** the number of charges laid for failure to comply with court orders – primarily failure to comply with the terms of a promise to appear, undertaking, recognizance, probation order, or peace bond – are steadily on the rise in the province of Ontario.

**WHEREAS** there has been a notable increase in the number of violent offences committed in the province of Ontario by individuals who are concurrently subject to release orders.

**WHEREAS** the Ontario justice system is backlogged, court systems under strain, and police and prosecutors overwhelmed by their caseloads.

**WHEREAS** we have seen a dramatic lowering of the threshold for release, resulting in violent, serious, or repeat offenders who should by rights have been reasonably detained in custody, released on supervision plans that are increasingly deficient.

**WHEREAS** the general sense among the criminal population is that breaching bail conditions will not result in much by way of consequence for the offender, as evidenced by a clear pattern province-wide of unjustifiable release, a pattern which is bound to continue given insufficient resources to conduct Crown bail reviews, surety bond estreatment hearings, and ensure the subsequent collection of surety bond funds after judgment.

**WHEREAS** a 'catch and release' system constitutes a failure of government to perform a core function of its existence, that being the protection of public safety and that this failure constitutes a clear and present danger to the public.



**WHEREAS** the current hard drug crisis has contributed to a desperate criminal element that is exacting a significant financial and emotional toll on communities across Canada including Cambridge.

**WHEREAS** our police services are being demoralized by expending precious time and resources having to manage the repeated arrests of these habitual criminal offenders within a system that limits their ability to effectively protect the public.

**AND WHEREAS** this ineffective follow-through by our judicial system unfairly erodes the public's trust in our police services, who consequently become the target of frustrated and angry residents who feel they are no longer being protected from crime.

**AND WHEREAS** the increasing erosion of public faith and trust in our judicial system ultimately brings the administration of justice in the province of Ontario into disrepute and leads to a growing feeling amongst residents that they are no longer protected by a system perceived to prioritize the rights and freedoms of the criminal over the rights and safety of themselves and their families.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City Clerk for the City of Cambridge send a letter to the Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada, the Honourable Arif Virani, Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada, Attorney General of Ontario Doug Downey, Ontario Solicitor General Michael Kerzner, the Honourable Doug Ford Premier of Ontario, MP Bryan May, MP Valerie Bradford, MPP Jess Dixon, MPP Bryan Riddell, Police Chief Mark Crowell, Waterloo Regional Police Service, all Ontario Police Associations and Police Departments, Ontario Provincial Police, all Ontario MPPs and MPs, and all municipalities throughout Ontario for their endorsement consideration, requesting additional funding in Ontario's legal system to support a meaningful resistance to the current "catch and release" practice, including hiring sufficient court staff, with a specific focus on additional assistant Crown Attorneys.

Should you have any questions related to the approved resolution, please contact me.

Yours Truly,



Danielle Manton  
City Clerk

Cc: (via email)

Hon. Prime Minister Trudeau

Hon. Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada

Attorney General of Ontario

Ontario Solicitor General

Hon. Premier Ford

Ontario Police Associations

Ontario Police Departments

Ontario MPPs and MPs

All Ontario Municipalities





# Northumberland County Council Resolution

Received June 21, 2024  
C-2024-302

**SENT VIA EMAIL**

**June 21, 2024**

Hon. Doug Ford (Premier of Ontario)  
Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy (Minister of Finance)  
Hon. Paul Calandra (Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing)  
Hon. David Piccini (Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development  
and MPP for Northumberland-Peterborough South)  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
All Ontario Municipalities

**Re: Correspondence, Municipality of St. Charles 'Social and Economic Prosperity  
Review'**

At a meeting held on June 19, 2024 Northumberland County Council approved Council Resolution # 2024-06-19-438 adopting the below recommendation from the June 4, 2024 Finance and Audit Committee meeting:

**Moved by:** Councillor John Logel  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Mandy Martin

"That the Finance and Audit Committee, having considered the correspondence from the Municipality of St. Charles regarding 'Social and Economic Prosperity Review', recommend that County Council support the correspondence and direct staff to send a copy of this resolution to key stakeholders."

**Council Resolution # 2024-06-19-438**

**Carried**

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at [matherm@northumberland.ca](mailto:matherm@northumberland.ca) or by telephone at 905-372-3329 ext. 2238.

Sincerely,  
Maddison Mather



Manager of Legislative Services / Clerk  
Northumberland County

# Council Resolution

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Moved By J. Lloyd  
 Seconded By M. Martin

Agenda Item 10 Resolution Number 2024-06-19- 438


Council Date: June 19, 2024

"That Council adopt all recommendations from the six Standing Committees, as contained within the Committee Minutes (meetings held June 3, 4 and 5, 2024), with the exception of the following items (referenced from the Standing Committee Minutes), that will be held for discussion:

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**And Further That** the items listed above and held for separate discussion each require a separate resolution."

Recorded Vote Requested by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Councillor's Name

  
 Carried \_\_\_\_\_  
 Warden's Signature

Deferred \_\_\_\_\_  
 Warden's Signature

Defeated \_\_\_\_\_  
 Warden's Signature

## Finance & Audit Committee Resolution

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Committee Meeting Date: June 4, 2024

Agenda Item: 7.d

Resolution Number: 2024-06-04- 384.

Moved by: Ostrander

Seconded by: Marth

Council Meeting Date: June 19, 2024

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"That the Finance and Audit Committee, having considered the correspondence from the Municipality of St. Charles regarding 'Social and Economic Prosperity Review', recommend that County Council support the correspondence and direct staff to send a copy of this resolution to key stakeholders."

Carried   
Committee Chair's Signature

Defeated \_\_\_\_\_  
Committee Chair's Signature

Deferred \_\_\_\_\_  
Committee Chair's Signature

The Corporation of the Municipality of St. Charles  
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Regular Meeting of Council

**Agenda Number:** 8.4.  
**Resolution Number** 2024-072  
**Title:** Resolution stemming from February 21, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council - Item 10.1 - Correspondence #10 and 20  
**Date:** March 20, 2024

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**Moved by:** Councillor Loftus  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Pothier

WHEREAS current provincial - municipal fiscal arrangements are undermining Ontario's economic prosperity and quality of life;  
AND WHEREAS nearly a third of municipal spending in Ontario is for services in areas of provincial responsibility and expenditures are outpacing provincial contributions by nearly \$4 Billion a year;  
AND WHEREAS municipal revenues, such as property taxes, do not grow with the economy or inflation;  
AND WHEREAS unprecedented population and housing growth will require significant investments in municipal infrastructure;  
AND WHEREAS municipalities are being asked to take on complex health and social challenges – like homelessness, supporting asylum seekers and addressing the mental health and addictions crises;  
AND WHEREAS inflation, rising interest rates, and provincial policy decisions are sharply constraining municipal fiscal capacity;  
AND WHEREAS property taxpayers – including people on fixed incomes and small businesses – can not afford to subsidize income re-distribution programs for those most in need;  
AND WHEREAS the province can, and should, invest more in the prosperity of communities;  
AND WHEREAS municipalities and the provincial government have a strong history of collaboration; BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT the Corporation of the Municipality of St.-Charles requests that the Province of Ontario commit to undertaking with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario a comprehensive social and economic prosperity review to promote the stability and sustainability of municipal finances across Ontario;  
AND BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this Resolution be sent to Premier Doug Ford; Minister of Finance, Peter Bethlenfalvy; Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Paul Calandra; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM); our local Member of Provincial Parliament (MPP); and all Ontario Municipalities.

CARRIED

*Paul Brancaccio*  
MAYOR



Received June 21, 2024  
C-2024-303



# Northumberland County Council Resolution

**SENT VIA EMAIL**

**June 21, 2024**

Hon. Justin Trudeau (Prime Minister of Canada)  
Hon. Sean Fraser (Federal Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities)  
Hon. Doug Ford (Premier of Ontario)  
Hon. Kinga Surma (Ontario Minister of Infrastructure)  
Hon. Paul Calandra (Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing)  
Hon. David Piccini (Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development and MPP for Northumberland-Peterborough South)  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA)  
Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)  
Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus (EOWC)  
Michel Tremblay Acting President and CEO, Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation  
All Ontario Municipalities

**Re: Correspondence, Hastings County 'Sustainable Infrastructure Funding for Small Rural Municipalities'**

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At a meeting held on June 19, 2024 Northumberland County Council approved the following Council Resolution # 2024-06-19-438 adopting the below recommendation from the June 3, 2024 Public Works Committee meeting:

**Moved by:** Councillor John Logel

**Seconded by:** Councillor Mandy Martin

"**That** the Public Works Committee, having considered the correspondence from Hastings County regarding 'Sustainable Infrastructure Funding for Small Rural Municipalities', recommend that County Council support the correspondence and direct staff to send a copy of this resolution to key stakeholders."

**Council Resolution # 2024-06-19-438**

**Carried**





**The Corporation of the  
County of Northumberland**

555 Courthouse Road  
Cobourg, ON, K9A 5J6

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at [matherm@northumberland.ca](mailto:matherm@northumberland.ca) or by telephone at 905-372-3329 ext. 2238.

Sincerely,  
Maddison Mather

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "M. Mather".

Manager of Legislative Services / Clerk  
Northumberland County

# Council Resolution

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Moved By J. Lloyd  
 Seconded By M. Martin

Agenda Item 10 Resolution Number 2024-06-19- 438


Council Date: June 19, 2024

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Recorded Vote Requested by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Councillor's Name

  
 Carried \_\_\_\_\_  
 Warden's Signature

Deferred \_\_\_\_\_  
 Warden's Signature

Defeated \_\_\_\_\_  
 Warden's Signature



**Public Work Committee Resolution**

**Committee Meeting Date: June 3, 2024**

**Agenda Item: 7.b**

**Resolution Number: 2024-06-03- 365**

**Moved by: B. Ostrander**

**Seconded by: J. Logel**

**Council Meeting date: June 19, 2024**

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"**That** the Public Works Committee, having considered the correspondence from Hastings County regarding 'Sustainable Infrastructure Funding for Small Rural Municipalities', recommend that County Council support the correspondence and direct staff to send a copy of this resolution to key stakeholders."

**Carried** \_\_\_\_\_  
Committee Chair's Signature

**Defeated** \_\_\_\_\_  
Committee Chair's Signature

**Deferred** \_\_\_\_\_  
Committee Chair's Signature



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April 17, 2024

Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
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RE: Hastings County Motion regarding sustainable infrastructure funding for small rural municipalities

Please be advised that Hastings County Council, at its meeting held on March 28, 2024, passed the following resolution:

**WHEREAS** Ontario's small rural municipalities face insurmountable challenges to fund both upfront investments and ongoing maintenance of their capital assets including roads and bridges and water wastewater and municipally owned buildings including recreational facilities and libraries;

**WHEREAS** in 2018, the Ontario government mandated all Ontario municipalities to develop capital asset management plans with the stipulation that they be considered in the development of the annual budget;

**WHEREAS** small rural municipalities (of 10,000 people or less) are facing monumental infrastructure deficits that cannot be adequately addressed through property tax revenue alone;

**WHEREAS** the only application approved through the recently awarded Housing Accelerator Fund to a small rural municipality was to Marathon Ontario, who received an allocation of \$1.9 million dollars while over \$1.369 billion going to Ontario's large urban centres, resulting in a 0.2% investment in rural Ontario;

**WHEREAS** the Ontario Government has committed \$9.1 billion to Toronto alone to assist with operating deficits and the repatriation of the Don Valley and Gardner Expressway;

**WHEREAS** small rural Ontario cannot keep pace with the capital investments required over the next 20 years unless both the Provincial and Federal Governments come forward with new sustainable infrastructure funding;

**WHEREAS** it is apparent that both the Federal and Ontario Governments have neglected to recognize the needs of small rural Ontario;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Hastings County call on the Ontario and Federal Government to implement sustainable infrastructure funding for small rural municipalities;

**AND THAT** small rural municipalities are not overlooked and disregarded on future applications for funding;

**AND THAT** both the Federal and Ontario Governments begin by acknowledging that there is an insurmountable debt facing small rural municipalities;

**AND THAT** both the Federal and Ontario Governments immediately commission a Working Group that includes a member of the Eastern Ontario Wardens Caucus, to develop a plan on how to deal with the impending debt dilemma;

**AND FINALLY THAT** this resolution be forwarded to The Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada, The Honourable Sean Fraser, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities of Canada; Michel Tremblay Acting President and CEO, Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation; The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; The Honourable Kinga Surma, Ontario Minister of Infrastructure; The Honourable Paul Calandra, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; MP Shelby Kramp-Neuman, Hastings-Lennox Addington; MPP Ric Bresee Hastings-Lennox Addington, AMO, ROMA, FCM, Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus and all Municipalities in Ontario.

If you have any questions regarding the above motion, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Sincerely,



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Director of Legislative Services

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June 24, 2024

VIA EMAIL

Dear Sir/Madam:

Re: Public Health Ontario – Phasing Out Free Water Testing for Private Wells

Please be advised that the Town of New Tecumseth Council passed the following resolution at their meeting of June 17, 2024:

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

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

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

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

**Now Therefore Be It Resolved That** the Town of New Tecumseth hereby requests that the Province reconsider and ultimately decide against the proposed phasing-out of free private drinking water testing services;

**And Further That** this resolution be sent to all Ontario municipalities, Andrea Khanjin, Minister of Environment Conservation and Parks, Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit, and Brian Saunderson, MPP Simcoe -Grey.



Yours truly,

*Pam Slowleigh*

Pamela Slowleigh  
Deputy Clerk

cc. [andrea.khanjin@pc.ola.org](mailto:andrea.khanjin@pc.ola.org) - Honourable Andrea Khanjin, Minister of the  
Environment, Conservation and Parks  
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All Ontario Municipalities

# *The Corporation of the Township of Bonnechere Valley*

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Received June 24, 2024  
C-2024-305

June 24, 2024

Re: Resolution to Support Increase to Infrastructure Funding

At its regular council meeting of June 5, 2024, the Council of the Township of Bonnechere Valley reviewed correspondence

This letter is to advise that Council voted in support of this correspondence with the following resolution:

**24.094 MOVED BY**                      **Tracey Sanderson**  
**SECONDED BY**                        **Brent Patrick**

**WHEREAS** Ontario's small rural municipalities face insurmountable challenges to fund both upfront investments and ongoing maintenance of their capital assets including roads and bridges and water wastewater and municipally owned buildings including recreational facilities and libraries; and

**WHEREAS** in 2018, the Ontario government mandated all Ontario municipalities to develop capital asset management plans with the stipulation that they be considered in the development of the annual budget; and

**WHEREAS** small rural municipalities (of 10,000 people or less) are facing monumental infrastructure deficits that cannot be adequately addressed through property tax revenue alone; and

**WHEREAS** the Ontario Government has committed \$9.1 billion to Toronto alone to assist with operating deficits and the repatriation of the Don Valley and Gardner Expressway; and

**WHEREAS** small rural Ontario cannot keep pace with the capital investments required over the next 20 years unless both the Provincial and Federal Governments come forward with new sustainable infrastructure funding; and

**WHEREAS** it is apparent that both the Federal and Ontario Governments have neglected to recognize the needs of small rural Ontario; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Bonnechere Valley call on the Ontario and Federal Government to implement sustainable infrastructure funding for small rural municipalities;

**AND THAT** small rural municipalities are not overlooked and disregarded on future applications for funding;

**AND THAT** both the Federal and Ontario Governments begin by acknowledging that there is an insurmountable debt facing small rural municipalities;

**AND THAT** both the Federal and Ontario Governments immediately commission a Working Group that includes a member of the Eastern Ontario Wardens Caucus, to develop a plan on how to deal with the impending debt dilemma;

**AND FINALLY THAT** this resolution be forwarded to The Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada, The Honourable Sean Fraser, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities of Canada; Michel Tremblay Acting President and CEO, Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation; The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; The Honourable Kinga Surma, Ontario Minister of Infrastructure; The Honourable Paul Calandra, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; MP Cheryl Gallant; MPP John Yakabuski, AMO, ROMA, FCM, Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus and all Municipalities in Ontario.

Carried

I trust you will find this satisfactory, but if you have any questions or comments please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

Annette Gilchrist, CMO., AOMC  
CAO/Clerk/Treasurer  
Township of Bonnechere Valley

cc.

**CORPORATION OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF NORTH GLENGARRY**

**Council Meeting**

**Resolution #** 13

**Date:** Monday, June 24, 2024

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**Moved by:** Jamie MacDonald

**Seconded by:** Carma Williams

**WHEREAS** Ontario's small rural municipalities face insurmountable challenges to fund both upfront investments and ongoing maintenance of their capital assets including roads and bridges and water wastewater and municipally owned buildings including recreational facilities and libraries ; and

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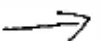
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Carried

Deferred

Defeated

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor / Deputy Mayor







# THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COBALT

June 26, 2024

Received June 26, 2024  
C-2024-308

The Corporation of the Township of Harley  
903303 Hanbury Rd  
New Liskeard, ON P0J 1P0

Please be advised that at the Regular Meeting of Council on June 25, 2024, the Town of Cobalt adopted the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION No. 2024-125**

**MOVED BY:** Councillor Wilcox  
**SECONDED BY:** Councillor Starchuk

**WHEREAS** the Public Sector Accounting Board (PSAB) establishes accounting standards for the public sector which must be followed by all Ontario municipalities;

**AND WHEREAS** the Municipal Act, 2001, section 294.1 states that a municipality shall, for each fiscal year, prepare annual financial statements for the municipality in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for local governments as recommended, from time to time, by the Public Sector Accounting Board of the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada;

**AND WHEREAS** PS3280 is a new accounting standard covering asset retirement obligations (ARO) that was approved by PSAB in March 2018;

**AND WHEREAS** the standard must be applied by all public sector entities who prepare their financial statements under PSAB, including all Canadian municipalities;

**AND WHEREAS** many small municipalities do not have accountants or engineers on staff to complete the ARO obligations and this major accounting changes will force small municipalities to hire consultants to complete this work and cause a significant financial burden to municipalities;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Cobalt supports the resolutions from the Township of Harley, Coleman Township, Township of Larder Lake, Township of Casey, Township of Hudson & Township of Kerns and hereby calls upon the province of Ontario to provide financial assistance to municipalities to complete the ARO;

**AND FURTHER THAT** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Association of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO), the Timiskaming Municipal Association (TMA), the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) and all municipalities within the District of Timiskaming.

CARRIED

Kind Regards,

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