THE CORPORATION OF THE
Township Of Pelee

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

AGENDA

Tuesday June 10, 2025, 6:00 pm

Electronic Meeting
Via Zoom

1. **Call to Order**
   Chair to call the Meeting to order as soon after the hour fixed for the meeting as a quorum is present. Stating meeting type, date and time.

2. **Amendments to the Agenda**
   Any changes, additions or deletions from the agenda shall be mentioned at this time.

3. **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**
   It is the responsibility of each Member at a Meeting to identify any conflict of interest/pecuniary interest, as set out in the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, in any matter that is the subject of consideration at the Meeting.

4. **Confirmation of Previous Minutes**
   Confirmation of the previous minutes of council. Motion shall be made to approve Minutes.

   A. **Regular Meeting of Council** – May 13th, 2025

5. **Matters Subject to Notice**
   Items such as Official Plan and Zoning By-law amendments, Court of Revision, etc.

6. **Delegations**
   Any person, group, corporation or organization, not a Member of Council or Staff, that wishes to appear before Council to present general information or to make a request of Council shall submit a written request to the Clerk. General items = 5 minutes. Matters subject to notice = 10 minutes.

7. **Consent Agenda**
   Items listed in the "Consent Agenda" may include Staff information reports which do not require a decision, Staff reports with recommendations which are considered minor or non-controversial, minutes of committees, adoption of accounts, and/or communications.

   If a Member wishes to speak to an item on the Consent Agenda, or wishes to amend a recommendation of any item(s) on the Consent Agenda, the Member shall request the item(s) be removed for subsequent consideration.

   One resolution will encompass all of the above consent agenda items.

   A. **Disbursements –** May 5th to May 23rd, 2025
   B. **MTO-OSTC –** May 21, 2025 minutes

8. **Reports**
Items that require a decision and/or may be cause for debate to some extent.

   A. **Treasurer Michelle Feltz.**
      i. Report No. 2025 – 33 MF: Financial Summary at May 31 2025

9. **Correspondence**
Items such as resolutions from external organizations.

   A. **Chatham-Kent motion –** Bill 5 opposition
   B. **City of Windsor** – Strong Mayor Powers
   C. **Dist. of Parry Sound – Supporting municipalities through access and education**
   D. **Min od Environment, Conservation and Park Notification Letter –** Endangered Species Act
   E. **Ontario-** Investing in Modern New Policing Facilities to protect communities
   F. **Min of Municipal Affairs** – notification letter, Bill 5 changes
   G. **MNR –** notification letter reintroduction of carbon storage
   H. **OMAFRA letter –** Agricultural system
   I. **Town of Kingsville –** resolution re: Essex County OPP Detachment Board South
   J. **Town of Blue Mountain –** reduce provincial tax rate on Ontario Made Cider
   K. **Town of Goderich –** rejection of annexation and trade tariffs
   L. **Township of Springwater –** redistribution of land transfer tax

10. **Notices of Motion**
Notices of Motion shall be given in writing to the Clerk not later than 7 days prior to the next regular meeting so that the matter may be included in the Council agenda package for consideration and debate at the upcoming Council meeting.

Notices of Motion introduced during a Meeting will be read out to the Members, and recorded in the Minutes, but will be placed on the agenda for the next Meeting unless time sensitive or in an emergency.

11. **Recognitions and Announcements**
Opportunity for any Township or community recognitions or announcements to be made.

12. **By-laws**
No By-law, except a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council, shall be presented to Council unless the subject matter thereof has been considered and approved by Council.

   A. **By-law 2025 – 41;** Being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the June 10th Regular Meeting of Council.

13. **Closed Session**
List of any items to be discussed in Closed Session, including general item and section of Municipal Act approving the discussion.

14. **Adjournment**
Chair shall adjourn Meeting.

THE CORPORATION OF THE Township Of Pelee

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

MINUTES

Tuesday, May 13, 2025 6:00 p.m.
Virtual meeting via Zoom

Members of Council:	Mayor Cathy Miller Deputy Mayor Dayne Malloch Councillor Dave DeLellis Councillor Michelle Taylor
Absent:	Councillor Stephanie Briggs-Crawford
Members of Administration:	Township Administrator & Clerk Kristine Horst Treasurer Michelle Feltz Community Services Manager, Danielle Truax Interim Clerk Mary Masse

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1. Call to Order

Mayor Miller called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Amendments to the Agenda

The Mayor acknowledged the amended agenda released on May 9, 2025 which includes item 13a) Closed Session - Pursuant to Section 239 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, Council will enter into Closed Session to address the following item:

A. Employee Performance Review
Closed to the public under Section 239 (2)(b) Personnel matters.

The order of business was also adjusted in order to receive the presentation from Integrity Commissioner Elman (item 7a) prior to the scheduled public meeting (item 5a) as listed on the agenda.

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

There were no disclosures of Pecuniary Interest.

4. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

A. Regular Meeting of Council Minutes – April 22, 2025

Resolution 2025 –82
Moved By: Councillor Dave DeLellis

Seconded By: Councillor Michelle Taylor

That Council confirm the minutes from April 22, 2025, Regular Meeting of Council.

CARRIED

5. Delegations

Item 7a) from the agenda was moved forward in order to receive the presentation of the report from the appointed Integrity Commissioner Bruce Elman.

A. . Integrity Commissioner Bruce P. Elman LL.D.

i. Report No. 2025 – 30 BE: Report on Activities: 1 July 2023 to 31 December 2024

Dr Elman presented the report and recommendation to Council.
Councillor DeLellis questioned whether a fee for inquiries could be established in order to defray some of the costs involved with investigations.
Dr. Elman confirmed that an initial application fee could be established and noted other municipalities have implemented same.

Members of Council thanked Dr Elman for his review and recommendations.

Mayor Miller vacated her seat as Chair to bring forward a motion regarding this report and recommendations.

Deputy Mayor Malloch presided as Chair.

Resolution 2025 – 83
Moved By: Mayor Miller
Seconded By: Councillor Michelle Taylor

That the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby receive the report from the Integrity Commissioner regarding his Report on Activities: 1 July 2023 to 31 December 2024., and further that the policies recommended in the report be developed

CARRIED

B. Public Meeting – Proposed Zoning By-law Amendment Application ZBA 02-2025, 84 East West Road (Pelee Masonic Temple Association)

i. Report No. 2025 – 29 DT: Zoning By-law Amendment Application ZBA 02-2025

The Community Services Manager presented the application for zoning by-law amendment ZBA 02-2025 to Council and introduced Janet Chesterfield Authorized Agent for ZBA 02-2025 and Don Pardo, Authorized Representative of Owner Pelee Masonic

Temple Association. The representatives indicated they had no further information to present on the application and were available for any questions.

There were no comments received from the public.

Councillor DeLellis asked what the designation would be on the property and questioned the wide array of options available, the Community Services Manager responded that the property would remain designated Agricultural in the Official Plan and would be site specifically zoned Agricultural (A-9) under the Zoning By-law. The three proposed uses requested in the application are appropriate, as they are similar in nature to the current non-conforming use and can be considered in accordance with the policy direction of Sections 4.2.3 and 8.5 of the Official Plan.

Councillor Taylor questioned what process would be required should the applicant choose one use over the other. The Community Services Manager indicated any change in use within the allowed zoning would require additional approvals i.e. Building permits, any uses or expansions outside of what is being proposed for the zoning by-law amendment will require further Council approval.

Mayor Miller questioned how the change in zoning would affect taxation. The Treasurer advised that taxation would be based on the use not zoning.

Resolution 2025 – 84
Moved By: Deputy Mayor Malloch
Seconded By: Councillor Michelle Taylor

That the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby receive the report from the Community Services Manager regarding zoning By-law Amendment Application ZBA 02- 2025 84 East West Road, and further that Council approve Zoning By-law Amendment Application ZBA 02-2025 to amend the zoning of the property at 84 East West Road to establish new uses, including the corresponding site-specific provisions, as detailed in By-law 2025-32

CARRIED

C. Rebecca Pepper – Proposed Regulation of STRs on Pelee Island

Ms. Pepper presented a written submission regarding STR's and did not provide any further comment during the meeting.

Mayor Miller vacated her seat as Chair to bring forward a motion regarding this matter.

Deputy Mayor Malloch presided as Chair.

Resolution 2025 – 85
Moved By: Mayor Cathy Miller
Seconded By: Councillor Michelle Taylor

That the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby receive the delegation from Rebecca Pepper on behalf of PRFCOSTRA and that the matter contained in the

delegation be referred to staff for consideration

CARRIED

6. **Consent Agenda**
   - **A. Disbursements –** April 16th to May 7th, 2025
   - **B. Committee of Adjustment Meeting Minutes –** January 22nd, 2025

Resolution 2025 – 86
Moved By: Councillor Michelle Taylor
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dayne Malloch

That the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby receive Consent Agenda items A. to B.

CARRIED

7. **Reports**

A. Acting Fire Chief Kevin Long

i. Report No. 2025 – 31 KL: Deputy Fire Chief Appointment

Resolution 2025 - 87
Moved By: Councillor Dave DeLellis
Seconded By: Councillor Michelle Taylor

That the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby receive the report from the Acting Fire Chief regarding the appoint of a Deputy Fire Chief, and approve the appointment of John Hansen-Brevetti as Deputy Fire Chief

CARRIED

B. Community Services Manager Danielle Truax

i. Report No. 2025 – 32 DT: Building Permit Report – 1st Quarter, January to March 2025

Resolution 2025 - 88
Moved By: Councillor Dave DeLellis
Seconded By: Councillor Michelle Taylor

That the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby receive the report from the Community Services Manager regarding the 2025 1st Quarter Building Permits as information.

CARRIED

1. **Correspondence**

   A. **Essex Region Conservation Authority –** 2024 Annual Progress Reports on the implementation of the Essex Region Source Protection Plan
   B. **Windsor/Essex POA Department –** Windsor/Essex Provincial Offences (POA) Annual Report
   C. **Town of Essex –** Opposition to Strong Mayor Powers: Proposed Amendments to O. Reg. 530/22

2. **Notices of Motion**

   There were no notices of motion.

3. **Recognitions and Announcements**

4. **By-laws**

   A. **By-law 2025 – 32**

   Resolution 2025 – 89
   Moved By: Deputy Mayor Dayne Malloch
   Seconded By: Councillor Michelle Taylor

   That the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby adopt By-law 2025 – 32; Being a by-law to amend the Comprehensive Zoning By-law No. 2012-24, as amended.

   CARRIED

   B. **By-law 2025 – 33**

   Resolution 2025 –90
   Moved By: Councillor Michelle Taylor
   Seconded By: Councillor Dave DeLellis

   That the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby adopt By-law 2025 –33; Being a by-law to enter into a Lease Agreement with Pelee Island Winery & Vineyards Inc. for the 2025 Pelee Island Winery Half Marathon.

   CARRIED

   C. **By-law 2025 – 34**

   Resolution 2025 – 91
   Moved By: Councillor Michelle Taylor

Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dayne Malloch

That the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby adopt By-law 2025 – 34; Being a by-law to enter into an Agreement with the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks for services at Fish Point Provincial Park.

CARRIED

D. By-law 2025 – 35

Resolution 2025 – 92
Moved By: Councillor Dave DeLellis
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dayne Malloch

That the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby adopt By-law 2025 – 35; Being a by-law to repeal the Discharge of Firearms By-law 2018 – 36.
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CARRIED

E. By-law 2025 – 36

Resolution 2025 – 93
Moved By: Councillor Michelle Taylor
Seconded By: Councillor Dave DeLellis

That the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby adopt By-law 2025 – 36; Being a By-law to appoint Provincial Offences Officers for the Township of Pelee.

CARRIED

F. By-law 2025 – 37; Being a By-law to appoint Weed Inspectors for the Township of Pelee.

Resolution 2025 – 94
Moved By: Councillor Dave DeLellis
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dayne Malloch

That the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby adopt By-law 2025 – 37; Being a By-law to appoint Weed Inspectors for the Township of Pelee.

G. By-law 2025 – 38; Being a By-law to appoint a Fire Chief for the Township of Pelee.

Resolution 2025 – 95
Moved By: Councillor Dave DeLellis
Seconded By: Councillor Michelle Taylor

That the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby adopt By-law 2025 – 38; Being a By-law to appoint a Fire Chief for the Township of Pelee.

H. **By-law 2025 – 39;** Being a By-law to appoint a Deputy Fire Chief for the Township of Pelee.

Resolution 2025 – 96
Moved By: Councillor Dave DeLellis
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dayne Malloch

That the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby adopt By-law 2025 – 39; Being a By-law to appoint a Deputy Fire Chief for the Township of Pelee.

I. **By-law 2025 – 40;** Being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the May 13th Regular Meeting of Council.

Resolution 2025 – 97
Moved By: Deputy Mayor Dayne Malloch
Seconded By: Councillor Michelle Taylor

That the Council of the Township of Pelee hereby adopt By-law 2025 – 40; Being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the May 13th Regular Meeting of Council.

5. Closed Session

Prior to entering into a closed session, Mayor Miller called for a brief recess at 7:17 p.m. and the following motion was passed:

Resolution 2025 – 98
Moved By: Councillor Michelle Taylor
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Dayne Malloch

That Council hereby enter into closed session at 7:20 p.m. pursuant to Section 239 of the *Municipal act*, 2001 to discuss the following items:

A. **Employee Performance Review**

Closed to the public under Section 239 (2) (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual.

CARRIED

Mayor Miller called the meeting back to order and entered a closed session at 7:20 p.m.

to discuss the above noted matters.

Council rose from the closed session and entered into open session at 8:34 p.m.

6. Adjournment

Mayor Miller adjourned the meeting at 8:34 p.m.

MAYOR,
Catherine Miller

INTERIM CLERK,
Mary Masse

Date Printed
06/05/2025 10:37 AM

Township of Pelee
List of Accounts for Approval
Batch: 2025-00041 to 2025-00046

Bank Code - General - General Bank Account

COMPUTER CHEQUE

Payment #	Date	Vendor Name / Invoice #	Reference	Invoice Amount	Payment Amount
6878	**05/08/2025**	**Bell Canada Public Access**			
		175537	Airport Phone	56.50	56.50
6879	**05/08/2025**	**WM Maxey**			
		1236	Maintenance, Signage, Misc.	2,034.00	2,034.00
6880	**05/08/2025**	**H.R. Desa Enterprises Ltd.**			
		029933	Bait (100)	237.30	237.30
6881	**05/08/2025**	**JBJ Trucking**			
		84700	Water Testing	28.25	28.25
6882	**05/08/2025**	**Owen Sound Transportation**			
		300004545	Fleet Maintenace	87.74	
		300004532	Fleet Mainteance	30.18	
		300004518	Freight/Building	112.82	230.74
6883	**05/08/2025**	**Xerox Canada Ltd.**			
		F64045336	Alta C8145	116.51	
		F64007038	B405DN Printer	22.61	139.12
6884	**05/20/2025**	**Delage Landen Financial Serv.**			
		10165679	Copier/Lease	75.65	
	10165680		Back Copier/Printer Lease	233.44	309.09
6885	05/20/2025	**Property Owner**			
		2025-01	Reimbursement	1,111.57	1,111.57
6886	05/20/2025	JBJ Trucking			
		85108	Water Testing	61.30	61.30
6887	05/20/2025	Pitney Works			
		119010G5	Postage	568.65	568.65
6888	05/20/2025	Purolator Courier Ltd.			
		570193649	Shipping-Roads	47.18	47.18
6889	05/20/2025	WPCI Bentworth			
		NYORKIN205165	Emerg Cell Phone	358.21	358.21
6890	05/23/2025	Minister of Finance			
		72639	MNRF Land Permit	3,186.60	3,186.60
6891	05/23/2025	TD Canada Trust			
		2025-01	Payment received in error	743.00	743.00
				Total Computer Cheque:	9,111.51

OTHER

Payment #	Date	Vendor Name / Invoice #	Reference	Invoice Amount	Payment Amount
2025-267	**05/20/2025**	**Collabria VISA**			
		2025-05.1MF	Various Depts	600.06	600.06
2025240	**05/07/2025**	**Pelee Island Co-Op**			
		454357	Fuel Delivery Fee	25.00	
		454889	Fuel/Supplies	499.52	
		454887	Fuel	226.00	
		1593	Furnace Fuel	1,119.33	1,869.85
2025241	**05/07/2025**	**Sun Life Financial**			
		2025-04	Sun Life Monthly Bill	2,049.91	2,049.91
2025242	**05/05/2025**	**Collabria VISA**			
		2025-05MF	Various Depts.	763.80	763.80

OTHER

Payment #	Date	Vendor Name / Invoice #	Reference	Invoice Amount	Payment Amount
2025243	05/06/2025	**EmployeeReimbursement**			
		2025-02	Supplies/Concessions	664.26	664.26
2025244	05/06/2025	**Employee Reimbursement**			
		2025-03	Concessions	220.86	220.86
2025245	05/06/2025	**Employee Reimbursement**			
		2025-02	Safety Vests & Supplies	218.28	218.28
2025246	05/06/2025	**Employee Reimbursement**			
		2025-01	Safety Shoe Allowance	282.44	282.44
2025247	05/07/2025	Grand & Toy			
		V693385	Supplies	1,942.94	1,942.94
2025248	05/07/2025	Grand & Toy			
		V706699	Supplies	110.18	110.18
2025249	05/07/2025	Bell Mobility			
		2025-04	Cellphones/Wifi	196.89	196.89
2025250	05/08/2025	Hydro One Networks Inc.			
		20208808/25-04	Clinic/Ems	1,055.26	1,055.26
2025251	05/08/2025	Hydro One Networks Inc.			
		83434620/25-04	TS	52.50	52.50
2025252	05/08/2025	Hydro One Networks Inc.			
		15610196/25-04	Office	192.74	192.74
2025253	05/08/2025	Hydro One Networks Inc.			
		77827919/25-04	WWS	1,632.57	1,632.57
2025254	05/08/2025	Hydro One Networks Inc.			
		44044132/25-04	Roads	231.36	231.36
2025255	05/08/2025	Hydro One Networks Inc.			
		80314452/25-04	Airport	362.53	362.53
2025256	05/08/2025	Hydro One Networks Inc.			
		52014502/25-04	Marina Docks	40.64	40.64
2025257	05/08/2025	Hydro One Networks Inc.			
		78222686/25-04	Marina Office	67.71	67.71
2025258	05/08/2025	Hydro One Networks Inc.			
		24303346/25-04	Bonnett Building	126.38	126.38
2025259	05/08/2025	Hydro One Networks Inc.			
		03357410/25-04	CM	392.25	392.25
2025260	05/08/2025	Hydro One Networks Inc.			
		92357408/25-04	Farm	127.31	127.31
2025261	05/08/2025	Hydro One Networks Inc.			
		62688802/25-04	West Washroom	309.41	309.41
2025262	05/08/2025	Hydro One Networks Inc.			
		92398228/25-04	BM(N)	114.60	114.60
2025263	05/08/2025	Hydro One Networks Inc.			
		05280434/25-04	EWS	310.33	310.33
2025264	05/08/2025	Hydro One Networks Inc.			
		05283161/25-04	BM(W)	1,195.98	1,195.98
2025265	05/13/2025	Hydro One Networks Inc.			
		03311435/25-04	Campground	181.81	181.81
2025266	05/13/2025	Hydro One Networks Inc.			
		28439559/25-04	Street Lights	276.10	276.10
2025268	05/20/2025	Collabria VISA			
		2025-05KH	Various Depts	1,614.84	1,614.84
2025269	05/20/2025	Reliance Home Comfort			

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		2025-02	Water Heater	141.85	141.85
2025270	**05/21/2025**	**EmployeeReimbursement**			
		2025-01	Keys	52.75	52.75
2025271	**05/21/2025**	**Software N Systems Computing**			
		00029916	Spatial	67.80	67.80
2025272	**05/21/2025**	**Software N Systems Computing**			
		00029830	Fixing Office Computer	610.20	610.20
2025273	**05/21/2025**	**Software N Systems Computing**			
		00029813	Fixing Office Computer	497.20	497.20
2025274	**05/21/2025**	**Software N Systems Computing**			
		00029936	Microsoft Office Software	361.60	361.60
2025275	**05/21/2025**	**Southwestern Sales Corporation**			
		22041192	Dolomite	510.45	510.45
2025276	**05/21/2025**	**Southwestern Sales Corporation**			
		22041466	Dolomite	520.13	520.13
2025277	**05/21/2025**	**Southwestern Sales Corporation**			
		22042053	Dolomite	537.33	537.33
2025278	**05/21/2025**	**Southwestern Sales Corporation**			
		2204346	Cold Patch	2,247.57	2,247.57
2025279	**05/21/2025**	**Speedprint**			
		61968	Hunt Licenses	667.72	667.72
2025280	**05/21/2025**	**R & R Electrical Services**			
		2025-074	Electrical Repair	62.15	62.15
2025281	**05/22/2025**	**GFL Environmental Inc.**			
		GW0001227002	T/S Bin Rental	1,186.19	1,186.19
2025282	**05/22/2025**	**GFL Environmental Inc.**			
		GW0001230557	Bin Rental/Removal	9,903.37	9,903.37
2025283	**05/23/2025**	**Grand & Toy**			
		V732088	Supplies	287.11	287.11
2025284	**05/23/2025**	**EmployeeReimbursement**			
		2025-01	Paint	164.21	164.21
2025285	**05/23/2025**	**EmployeeReimbursement**			
		2025-02	Supplies	224.79	224.79
2025286	**05/23/2025**	**EmployeeReimbursement**			
		2025-03	Supplies	277.41	277.41
2025287	**05/23/2025**	**EmployeeReimbursement**			
		2025-04	Concessions	79.97	79.97
2025288	**05/23/2025**	**EmployeeReimbursement**			
		2025-05	Supplies	474.57	474.57
2025289	**05/23/2025**	**EmployeeReimbursement**			
		2025-06	Travel	40.82	40.82
				Total Other:	36,118.98

Total General: 45,230.49

Certified Correct This June 5, 2025

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Mayor, Catherine Miller Treasurer, Michelle Feltz

MTO / OSTC / Pelee Meeting Minutes

May 21, 2025

ATTENDEES

Township of Pelee: Mayor Cathy Miller, Deputy Mayor Dayne Malloch and Interim Clerk Mary Masse
MTO: Zsolt Katzirz
OSTC: n/a

DISCUSSIONS

1. **PITSAC meeting**
   An in person PITSAC meeting is scheduled for July 3rd in Leamington, another in person meeting will be scheduled for the fall.

2. **Kingsville Dredging**
   a. Working through approvals with DFO and MECP
   b. Dredging should commence in July if not so

3. **Leamington Marina improvements**
   a. On going communication with the Municipality of Leamington to ensure access for the ferries are not impacted by the improvements at the marina/waterfront

4. **Additional Ferry**
   CPCS , a consulting, engineering firm contracted by MTO continues to undertake the survey and needs assessment for an additional ferry. A survey is currently available for ferry users to complete. More data required to support the vessel need.
   Focus is on Leamington and Kingsville routes
   Cathy – Pelee can share the survey as well .

5. **Dangerous Goods runs**
   Runs are going well, overall positive, no negative feedback received.
   This is a pilot project so can modify if deemed necessary

6. **Leamington Dredging**
   Currently under review
   May take place later in the fall

THE CORPORATION OF THE Township Of Pelee

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PELEE
REPORT NO. 2025 33 MF

Author's Name: Michelle Feltz	**Report Date: June 5, 2025**
Resolution #:	**Date to Council: June 10, 2025**

To: **Mayor and Members of Council**

Subject: **Financial Summary at May 31, 2025**

1. RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that:

1. The report from the Treasurer dated June 5, 2025 regarding the Financial Summary at May 31, 2025 **BE RECEIVED** as information.

2. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Bank Balance and Interest

	Balance at May 31, 2024	Balance at May 31, 2025
General bank account balance	$1,116,331	$1,931,632
Operating loan	$0	$0
Year to date interest revenue	$2,557	$5,138
Temporary borrowing expense	$0	$0

Current Loan Balances

Loan	Interest Rate	Monthly Payments	Balance at May 31, 2025	Maturity Date
Commercial Term Loan - Grader and Capital Projects	4.65%	$2,215	$109,655	December, 2028
Commercial Term Loan - Marina Docks	2.84%	$1,946	$112,151	July, 2025
Commercial Term Loan - Water Treatment Plant Upgrade	2.49%	$1,349	$84,183	December, 2025
Commercial Term Loan - Equipment: Tractor and Mower	3.58%	$1,192	$88,277	May, 2027
			$394,266	

Michelle Feltz
Treasurer

MF/

Attachments:
None

DEPARTMENTS/OTHERS CONSULTED: Administration
Name:
Title: **Email:**

Darrin Canniff
Mayor/CEO
P 519-436-3219
ckmayor@chatham-kent.ca

Regular Meeting of Council
Tuesday June 10, 2025
Item No. 9. A.

May 13, 2025

To all Ontario Municipalities, AMO, ROMA and FCM:

Re: Bill 5 - Risks to your communities and support requested

As Mayor of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent, I am sharing this motion to bring to your attention the potential risks to your communities and ask for your support to oppose this approach. The following motion was approved yesterday, May 12, 2025:

"Whereas 29831 Irish School Road in the Municipality of Chatham-Kent is a property approximately 800 metres from the Town of Dresden;

And Whereas the property contain small fill areas used for historic local landfill purposes, and the property has never been properly studied or zoned for any significant landfilling use;

And Whereas the current property owners are attempting to create a new recycling and landfill facility for millions of tonnes of waste, which would result in hundreds of trucks travelling through towns and communities in the area;

And Whereas this approach has been strongly opposed by Council, the Community, neighbouring Indigenous Nations and many other voices, due to impacts to the environment, our homes, the safety of our families and children, and the fabric of our communities;

And Whereas the Provincial government has proposed Bill 5, which includes a section removing the obligation for a full Environmental Assessment for this new landfill and recycling facility;

And Whereas if this limited, historic local landfill use on the edge of Dresden can be expanded into a massive landfill and recycling facility, then this can happen anywhere;

And Whereas there are likely hundreds of properties across the Province that may have had limited, historic waste uses, which could also face this threat;

And Whereas Bill197 established a veto for Municipalities within 3.5 kms of a new landfill, which reflected the need for local government and community approval of landfill sites;

And Whereas the approach being taken for this property disregards the importance of our rural communities, and local voices, in determining appropriate landfill sites within their communities:

Cont'd...

Now Therefore to ensure that other Municipal Councils and communities know about what is happening in Dresden, and the potential risk to their community if this approach is taken by the Province, Council requests that the Mayor's Office write a letter to all other Ontario Municipalities, AMO, ROMA and FCM:

1. Advising them of this issue and the risks to their community if a similar approach is taken for other historic landfill properties; the possibility of the Ontario government setting a precedence and

2. Requesting their support in opposing this approach and ensuring that full Environmental Assessments are required for all landfills and that municipalities have a strong voice in determining appropriate locations for landfills in their communities."

Thank you for your time and attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

Darrin Canniff, Mayor/CEO
Municipality of Chatham-Kent

THE CITY OF WINDSOR
ONTARIO, CANADA

COUNCIL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

*IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO OUR FILE NO.*_____

May 29, 2025

Regular Meeting of Council Tuesday June 10, 2025 Item No. 9. B.

Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
Premier's Office
Room 281, Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier Ford,

Windsor City Council, at its meeting held April 28, 2025 adopted the following resolution:

Decision Number: CR182/2025
WHEREAS the Province of Ontario, through O. Reg. 530/22 under the *Municipal Act*, 2001, designated the City of Windsor as a "Strong Mayor" community, granting enhanced powers to the Mayor effective July 1, 2023; and,

WHEREAS the Strong Mayor powers significantly alter the balance of governance at the municipal level, undermining the role of Council in decision-making and weakening the fundamental democratic principle of majority rule; and,

WHEREAS the City of Windsor has a long history of collaborative, transparent, and accountable local governance built upon a foundation of Council-debate and shared decision-making; and,

WHEREAS several members of Windsor City Council, as well as municipally elected officials across the province and members of the public have expressed significant concern regarding the imposition of these powers; and,

WHEREAS the City of Windsor did not formally request or express a desire to be designated under the Strong Mayor framework; and,

WHEREAS a growing number of municipalities and elected officials across Ontario are questioning the appropriateness of the Strong Mayor system and are calling for its reconsideration or repeal; and therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that Windsor City Council **FORMALLY REQUEST** that the Premier of Ontario and the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing immediately **REMOVE** the City of Windsor from the list of municipalities designated under the Strong Mayor legislation; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution **BE SENT** to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, all regional Members of Provincial Parliament, all Ontario municipalities, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their awareness and support.
Carried.

Your consideration to Windsor City Council's resolution would be most appreciated.

Sincerely,

Steve Vlachodimos
City Clerk/Licence Commissioner
SV/wf

cc: Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Mr. Andrew Dowie, Member of Provincial Parliament, Windsor-Tecumseh
Ms. Lisa Gretzky, Member of Provincial Parliament, Windsor West
Mr. Anthony Leardi, Member of Provincial Parliament, Essex
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
All Ontario Municipalities

District of Parry Sound Municipal Association
c/o Township of McKellar, 701 Hwy 124 McKellar, ON P0G 1C0
President: Lynda Carleton **Secretary-Treasurer:** Karlee Britton

RE: Supporting Municipal Ethics Through Access and Education

The District of Parry Sound Municipal Association (DPSMA), representing the twenty-three Municipalities within the District of Parry Sound, held its Spring 2025 meeting on May 23, 2025, in the Municipality of Callander. At this meeting, the following resolution was carried:

Moved by: Kathy Hamer (Municipality of McDougall)

Seconded by: Daniel O'Halloran (Township of McMurrich Monteith)

Whereas democracy is an open process – one that requires ongoing engagement between citizens and their elected officials; and

Whereas ethics and integrity are at the core of public confidence in government and in the political process; and

Whereas proper policies and procedures protect the democratic process; and

Whereas sections 223.2 and 223.3, Municipal Act, 2001 state all municipalities are required to adopt a Code of Conduct for members of Council and to appoint an Integrity Commissioner; and

Whereas it is the role of the Integrity Commissioner to educate member of Council on the Councillor Code of Conduct policy as well as to investigate alleged breaches of the Code of Conduct, at the municipality's expense; and

Whereas there are many new elected officials each term of Council who need access to information and proper training in order to do the work effectively and responsibility; and

Whereas Municipal Affairs and the Ombudsman's Office are hesitant to give information, so there is nowhere to ask questions and learn; and

Whereas the only source of information is to pay for fee-for-service on a case-by-case basis from the Integrity Commissioner which is very cost-prohibitive for small municipalities; and

Whereas Council is expected to oversee the management of taxpayers money and taxpayers deserve to know where their tax dollars are being spent;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved That the District of Parry Sound Municipal Association calls upon the Ontario government to provide free access to information so that Councils can be effective in their role in our democratic system; and

Further That the DPSMA hereby requests that Municipal Affairs and/or the Ombudsman's Office and/or the Integrity Commissioner provide, if requested by a municipality, sufficient particulars of each investigation to permit the municipality to fully understand and address the subject matter of each investigation.

Further That this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Graydon Smith, MPP Parry Sound-Muskoka and to all Ontario Municipalities for support.

Forwarded on behalf of the District of Parry Sound Municipal Association; For questions and/or inquires, please contact:

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clerk@mckellar.ca
(705) 389-2842 x4

cc:

Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Honourable Graydon Smith, MPP Parry Sound-Muskoka
Municipalities within the District of Parry Sound
All Ontario Municipalities

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Ontario

Dear Client,

I would like to inform you of proposed legislation that would change the legislative framework for the protection and conservation of species at risk in the province of Ontario.

On April 17, 2025 the government introduced Bill 5, the *Protect Ontario by Unleashing our Economy Act, 2025*, which would, if passed, result in phased changes to legislation in respect of species at risk.

- Schedule 2 of Bill 5 would amend the *Endangered Species Act, 2007* (ESA) upon Royal Assent of Bill 5.

- Schedule 10 of the Bill would create the *Species Conservation Act, 2025* (SCA) and repeal the ESA when the SCA is proclaimed into force. (This is anticipated to happen once enabling regulations have been developed.)

The proposed amendments to the ESA include the following:

- A revised purpose provision that references social and economic considerations in addition to species protection and conservation.
- A new scoped habitat definition that includes clear parameters, focuses on preserving core elements of habitat such as breeding, rearing, staging, wintering, and hibernation areas to provide greater clarity to proponents when taking required protection steps.
- Changes to the legislative requirements for the issuing of permits.
- Winding down of the Species Conservation Action Agency including immediate removal of the option to pay contributions into the Species at Risk Conservation Fund as part of permitting or conditional exemption registrations. Persons required to pay a species conservation charge under an existing permit or registration may still do so.
- Expanded ability to fund classified species conservation efforts through a new Species Conservation Program.
- A strengthened ability to enforce species conservation laws – including new, stronger powers for enforcement officers that will allow them to inspect project sites without a warrant and issue a compliance order. The ministry will also be able to issue mitigation orders.
- The continued role of the Committee on the Status of Species at Risk in Ontario (COSSARO) in assessing and classifying species based on the best available science and information.

- The Government will have the discretion to add or remove species classified by COSSARO from the Species at Risk in Ontario List.

Over time, the government will work to develop regulations that would enable the coming into force of the SCA. In addition to the changes described above, the SCA would include:

- Government discretion on whether to add a classified species to the list of protected species.
- Reduced duplication with federal legislation by not listing aquatic species or migratory birds listed as extirpated, engaged, or threatened under the federal *Species at Risk Act*.
- Establishment of a registration-first approach in place of the current permitting framework that will allow businesses to drive their timelines for their projects based on clear, consistent rules.

Additional information on Bill 5 can be found in the Environmental Registry of Ontario proposal notice that you can view and provide comments on at https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/025-0380. This posting will be open for 30 days and closes on May 17, 2025. A copy of Bill 5 and its legislative status can be found at https://www.ola.org/en/legislative-business/bills/current.

We are providing you with this information so that you may make an informed decision on the best course of action for your project. Until Bill 5 receives Royal Assent, the ESA continues to apply in its unmodified form and any applications and information shared with the ministry at this time will be assessed under the current legislative requirements.

Please also be aware that all requirements of any agreement, permit, or registration that takes effect before Bill 5 receives Royal Assent will continue to apply under the amended ESA. In addition, the definition of “habitat” currently found in the ESA will continue to apply to these agreements, permits, and registrations (despite the change to the definition of habitat mentioned above).

We remain committed to working with you.

Thank you,

C. Whittaw

Manager, Permissions Section
Species at Risk Branch
Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Park

NEWS RELEASE

Ontario Investing in Modern New Policing Facilities to Protect Communities

Province building 12 new OPP detachments and regional HQ in Thunder Bay

May 23, 2025
Ministry of the Solicitor General

TORONTO — As part of its plan to protect Ontario and keep communities safe, the government is building 12 new Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) detachments and a regional headquarters in Thunder Bay.

“Our government is making record investments to fight crime and protect Ontario communities,” said Solicitor General Michael Kerzner. “Once built, these new state-of-the-art facilities will respond to the demands of modern police operations and ensure the OPP have the tools and facilities they need to crack down on crime and protect our communities.”

In addition to building a new regional headquarters in Thunder Bay, the government is also building new OPP detachments in Ignace, Niagara, Bracebridge, New Liskeard, Burlington, Kenora, Lancaster, Red Lake, Sioux Lookout, Killaloe, Espanola/McKerrow and Wawa.

“This project demonstrates a shared commitment with our government to ensure the OPP is as effective as possible at keeping communities safe,” said OPP Commissioner Thomas Carrique. “Providing our officers, civilian and volunteer members with these modern new facilities will better position the OPP to evolve as we strive to be our very best at delivering on our public safety mandate.”

In partnership with Infrastructure Ontario, the province is launching a competitive process to find qualified teams to help design, build, and finance the new detachments. Interested parties can visit www.merx.com to download the Request for Qualifications (RFQ).

Additional Resources

Infrastructure Ontario Project Page

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Ontario

234-2025-2204

May 13, 2025

Dear Head of Council,

On May 12, 2025 I introduced the *Protect Ontario by Building Faster and Smarter Act, 2025* (Bill 17). Through this legislation, and other changes, we are responding to recommendations and requests from municipal leaders to make it easier and faster to build new homes and infrastructure Ontario needs like transit, roads, water, and wastewater systems.

The bill contains bold actions to protect Ontario from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Ministry of Infrastructure and the Ministry of Transportation. Details about the range of measures can be found in the news release.

Building Code Act – Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Schedule 1 of the Bill proposes changes to the *Building Code Act* which include:

- Adding a provision to clarify that municipalities do not have the authority to create or enforce their own construction standards.
- Eliminating the requirement for a secondary provincial approval of innovative construction products for products that have already undergone a "Canadian Code Compliance Evaluation" by the federal Canadian Construction Materials Centre (25-MMAH0042). Comments can be made through the Regulatory Registry of Ontario (RR) from May 12, 2025, to June 11, 2025.

Development Charges Act – Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Schedule 4 of the Bill proposes changes to the *Development Charges Act, 1997,* to standardize the development charge (DC) methodology and framework and improve predictability of costs, include:

- Creating a regulation-making authority to merge service categories for DC credits.
- Creating a regulation-making authority to specify what constitutes a "local service."
- Expanding the DC deferral to non-rental residential developments. Related changes include:

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    - Providing municipalities authority, in circumstances set out in regulation, to require financial security for payment of deferred DCs for non-rental residential developments; and
    - Removing authority for municipalities to charge interest on any legislated DC deferral amounts.
- Enabling municipalities to make any changes to their DC by-laws for the sole purpose of reducing DCs or removing indexing without undertaking certain procedural requirements.
- Creating a regulation-making authority to prescribe exceptions, including conditional exceptions, to capital costs that are eligible to be recovered from DCs.
- Providing that the frozen DC rates on a development would not be applicable if the current DC rates in effect would result in a lower payment.
- Exempting long-term care homes within the meaning of subsection 2 (1) of the *Fixing Long-Term Care Act, 2021* from municipal DCs.

We are interested in receiving your comments on these proposed measures. Comments can be made through the Regulatory Registry of Ontario (RR) from May 12, 2025, to June 11, 2025:

- RR 25-MMAH003: Changes to the *Development Charges Act, 1997,* to Simplify and Standardize the Development Charge (DC) Framework.

Planning Act – Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Schedules 3 and 7 of the Bill propose changes to the *Planning Act* and the *City of Toronto Act, 2006* that would help streamline and standardize municipal development processes. If passed, the proposed changes would:

- Provide authority for regulations to limit municipal complete application studies and provide greater recognition of planning reports prepared by prescribed certified professionals,
- Remove the need for certain minor variances,
- Give the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing the authority to impose conditions on a use permitted by a Minister's zoning order, and
- Streamline planning approvals for publicly funded kindergarten to grade 12 schools.

We are interested in receiving your comments on these proposed measures. Comments can be made through the Environmental Registry of Ontario from May 12, 2025, to June 11, 2025:

- ERO 025-0461: Proposed Planning Act and City of Toronto Act, 2006 Changes (Schedules 3 and 7 of Bill 17- Protect Ontario by Building Faster and Smarter Act, 2025).

We are also interested in receiving any comments you may have on associated regulatory changes. The government is undertaking 45-day consultations on the following proposals from May 12, 2025, to June 26, 2025:

- ERO 025-0462: Proposed Regulations – Complete Application (seeking feedback on proposed regulations to address complete application requirements (study/report requirements) and submissions from certified professionals)
- ERO 025-0463: Proposed Regulation – As-of-right Variations from Setback Requirements (seeking feedback on a proposed regulation that would allow variations to be permitted "as-of-right" if a proposal is within 10% of requirements for setbacks from property lines applicable to specified lands)

The Environmental Registry postings provide additional details regarding the proposed changes.

Ministry of Infrastructure Act – Ministry of Infrastructure

Schedule 6 of the Bill proposes changes to the *Ministry of Infrastructure Act, 2011* (MOIA), to provide the Minister of Infrastructure with the authority to request information and data from municipalities and municipal agencies, where needed to support provincially funded infrastructure projects. This would help speed up the delivery of critical infrastructure that our growing communities need, while also supporting jobs and economic growth. Comments can be made through the Regulatory Registry of Ontario (RR-25MOI003) from May 12, 2025, to June 11, 2025.

Transit-Oriented Communities Act – Ministry of Infrastructure

Proposed changes to the *Transit-Oriented Communities (TOC) Act*, 2020, would reduce barriers to implementing the Transit Oriented Communities (TOC) by:

- Amending the definition of a "Transit Oriented Communities project" to include projects along the GO and LRT network more efficiently,
- Removing OIC approval requirements for any agreements between the Minister (or an entity with delegated powers) and a municipality, and
- Enabling the Minister to delegate certain responsibilities to Infrastructure Ontario for the purpose of developing TOCs.

We are interested in receiving your comments on these proposed changes. Comments can be made through the Environmental Registry of Ontario from May 12, 2025, to June 11, 2025:

- ERO 025-0504: Proposed *Transit-Oriented Communities Act, 2020*, changes to reduce barriers to implementing municipal agreements.

Ministry of Transportation

Schedule 2 of the bill proposes a change to the *Building Transit Faster Act, 2020* (BTFA) that, if passed, would extend the use of the BTFA measures to all provincial transit projects. This change would remove barriers to building transit faster and get shovels in the ground quicker to build major provincial transit projects that connect communities.

A proposed amendment to the *Metrolinx Act, 2006,* permits the Minister of Transportation to request certain information and data from municipalities or municipal agencies necessary to support the development of provincial transit projects or Transit-Oriented Communities projects.

You may provide your comments on the proposed change to the BTFA through the Environmental Registry of Ontario (ERO) notice ERO 025-0450 and the Ontario Regulatory Registry notice (RR 25-MTO005) and the Metrolinx Act (RR 25-MTO006) from May 12, 2025 to June 11, 2025.

The government invites you to review the Environmental Registry of Ontario and Regulatory Registry of Ontario posting links provided above and share any feedback you may have. If you have any questions, please reach out to my Director of Stakeholder and Caucus Relations, Tanner Zelenko, at Tanner.Zelenko@ontario.ca.

In the face of economic uncertainty, we must protect Ontario by speeding up construction so we can lower housing costs and keep workers on the job. I look forward to continued collaboration with you, our municipal partners, to create the homes that Ontario need today, tomorrow, and in the decades to come.

Sincerely,

Hon. Robert J. Flack
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

c. The Honourable Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure
The Honourable Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation
The Honourable Graydon Smith, Associate Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Robert Dodd, Chief of Staff, Minister's Office
Matthew Rae, Parliamentary Assistant, Municipal Affairs and Housing
Laura Smith, Parliamentary Assistant, Municipal Affairs and Housing
Brian Saunderson, Parliamentary Assistant, Municipal Affairs and Housing
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Municipal Chief Administrative Officers

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Ministry of Natural Resources

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Ministère des Richesses naturelles

Direction de la politique d'exploitation des ressources et des risques naturels.
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May 27, 2025

Subject: Reintroduction of the *Geologic Carbon Storage Act*

Hello,

Over the past three years, the Ministry of Natural Resources has been taking a measured and phased approach to enabling and regulating geologic carbon storage in Ontario. Carbon storage is new to the province, and developing a comprehensive framework to regulate this activity would help ensure that it is done responsibly, with measures in place to safeguard people and the environment.

Geologic carbon storage (further referred to as carbon storage) involves injecting captured carbon dioxide (CO2) into deep geological formations for permanent storage. This technology could provide industries in Ontario with a critical tool for managing their emissions and contributing to the achievement of Ontario's emissions reduction targets.

On November 25, 2024, the Resource Management and Safety Act, 2024 was introduced in the Ontario legislature. This Act included a proposed *Geologic Carbon Storage Act.* The legislature was dissolved on January 28, 2025, and all incomplete business was terminated.

We are writing to notify you that today, the Bill was reintroduced in the legislature. The suite of proposed changes remains the same as what was introduced in November 2024, aside from a small number of administrative updates made to provide clarity.

The original proposal can be accessed through the Environmental Registry/Regulatory Registry: https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/019-9299.

If you would like more information or have any questions, please contact Andrew Ogilvie, Manager of Resources Development Section, at 705-761-5815 or through email: Resources.Development@ontario.ca.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Keyes

Jennifer Keyes
Director, Development and Hazard Policy Branch

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Ontario

Policy Division
Food Safety and Environmental Policy Branch

April 15, 2025

To: All municipalities in Ontario (Planning Department and/or Clerk's Office)

Re: Agricultural System Implementation

Dear municipal partners,

The Provincial Planning Statement (PPS, 2024) came into effect on October 20, 2024. To help foster a thriving agri-food sector, the PPS (2024) requires an Agricultural System approach province-wide, which strives to protect the agricultural land base and strengthen the viability of the agri-food network. Implementing an Agricultural System approach can help support agri-food businesses, farm operations, related employment and economic opportunities, and protect Ontario's highest quality farmland.

The PPS, 2024 Agricultural System approach includes two components: 1. the identification of the agricultural land base; and 2. the consideration of the agri-food network – which may include infrastructure, services and assets that the agri-food sector relies on.

To support municipalities in their implementation of an Agricultural System approach, the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness (OMAFA) has the following resources:

1: Agricultural Land Base Resources

To implement the agricultural land base, municipalities are required to identify and designate prime agricultural areas and consider if there are rural lands that could also be identified as part of an agricultural land base. Inclusion of rural lands within the agricultural land base is left to municipal discretion.

To support this work, OMAFA has data and information available upon request that can help municipalities identify where prime agricultural areas and rural lands are present. While there is no requirement to utilize this data and information in identifying municipal designations, it can help to provide a basis that municipalities can then refine based on

local information, such as municipally-designated prime agricultural areas and settlement area boundaries.

The existing OMAFA Implementation Procedures for the Agricultural System (2020) continue to provide helpful guidance with respect to what/how municipalities can address Agricultural System policies in their respective official plans. It is important to note that given section 5.3 of the Greenbelt Plan, 2017 has not been modified, the 2018 provincial agricultural land base mapping and implementation procedures remains in effect for the Protected Countryside of the Greenbelt. OMAFA staff are developing updated Implementation Procedures for the Agricultural System to align with the PPS (2024) and will provide notice once these updates have been finalized.

2: Agri-food Network Resources

The second component of the Agricultural System is the agri-food network. It complements and supports the agricultural land base. The agri-food network includes the regional infrastructure and transportation networks, agricultural operations, services, and other agri-food assets that are needed to sustain and enhance agriculture and the prosperity and viability of the broader agri-food sector.

The OMAFA Agricultural System Portal maps elements of the agri-food network, however, unlike prime agricultural areas, the agri-food network is not a land use designation within an official plan. Rather, awareness of, and support for the agri-food network is documented in an official plan for economic development purposes and can be achieved in several ways. This could include reference to local elements identified in asset mapping reports, or an inventory of components of the agri-food network in an official plan appendix. Other supportive approaches include policy cross-references to mapping and data tools, including OMAFA's Agricultural System Portal, the development of Agricultural Advisory Committees, supportive economic development policies for the agri-food network, and cross-references to Economic Development staff/programs.

Moving Forward

OMAFA staff will continue to work with municipalities to support implementation of the PPS 2024 Agricultural System policies. As such, we are pleased to share that as part of broader modernization efforts, the Ministry is embracing an 'evergreen' approach for maintaining and enhancing Ontario's digital soil mapping data.

As an example, improved topography/slope information available through new technology will be incorporated in a forthcoming digital update of the existing Canada Land Inventory (CLI) mapping for agricultural soil. As it becomes available, this new information is being applied to CLI ratings across Ontario. OMAFA is committed to making ongoing improvements to ensure CLI data is as accurate as possible. The work currently underway is anticipated to be completed in 2026/27. Until any future release of updated data, municipalities can continue using existing agricultural capability mapping (i.e., CLI ratings).

When you embark on implementing an Agricultural System approach or updating/refining existing official plan mapping, please contact OMAFA staff to discuss the data that may be available to support your project. You can locate OMAFA land use planning staff on OMAFA's website. Below you will find a summary list of the additional resources related to Agricultural System planning and implementation.

Please share this correspondence with the appropriate planning and economic development department staff in your municipality.

Sincerely,

Andrea Martin
Director
Food Safety and Environmental Policy Branch

Resources

Provincial Planning Statement, 2024
Implementation Procedures of the Agricultural System
A Place to Grow: Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, 2019
Agricultural Systems Portal
OMAFA Agricultural land use planning staff
Economic tools
Canada Land Inventory information for Agricultural Land Use Planning in Ontario
Soil Capability for Agriculture in Ontario
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June 2, 2025

Essex County OPP Detachment Board - South
c/o The Town of Kingsville
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Kingsville, Ontario N9Y 2Y9

Re: Essex County O.P.P Detachment Board – South 2025 Budget and Remuneration

Please be advised that at its Regular Meeting held Monday, April 28, 2025, the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kingsville passed the following resolution respecting the matter referenced in the above subject line:

85-04282025
Moved By Councillor Patterson
Seconded By Deputy Mayor DeYong

That Council **approve** the Essex County O.P.P. Detachment Board – South's 2025 Budget, as set out in Appendix A of this report;

And that Council **approve** remuneration in an annual amount of $2094.24 to be paid to the Town of Kingsville's Community Representative appointed to the Board;

And that Council **approve** remuneration in an annual amount of $698.08 to be paid to the Community Representative jointly appointed to the Board by the Town of Kingsville, Municipality of Leamington, and Township of Pelee;

And that Council **approve** remuneration in an annual amount of $523.50 to be paid to Board Members appointed by the Minister;

And that Council **approve** that no remuneration be paid to the Town of Kingsville's Council Representative appointed to the Board, which is in accordance with past practice and a prior Council decision on total compensation paid to Council members.

Carried

Please accept this correspondence as an official confirmation of Council's decision with respect to the same. Any questions may be directed to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Natalie Sharp
Deputy Clerk

cc: Township of Pelee
Municipality of Leamington
Caldwell First Nation

The Town of The Blue Mountains, Special Meeting of Council
Special Meeting of Council

Date: Wednesday, May 14, 2025

Time: 4:28 PM

Moved by: Councillor Ardiel

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

WHEREAS the Town of The Blue Mountains boasts a robust agricultural sector and a thriving agritourism industry, with numerous local cideries contributing significantly to the local economy, employment, and tourism;

AND WHEREAS Ontario's craft cider industry is experiencing substantial growth, with over 60 craft cideries across the province, many of which are situated in rural communities and utilize 100% Ontario-grown apples and are 100% made in Ontario, thereby supporting local agriculture and local economies;

AND WHEREAS under the current provincial tax structure, cider is officially classified and taxed at the same rate as imported wine which results in higher markups and taxes compared to craft beer, despite cider's comparable production processes and market positioning;

AND WHEREAS this tax disparity places Ontario's craft cider producers at a competitive disadvantage compared to craft brewers, despite the fact that Ontario cider utilize 100% Ontario-grown apples and is 100% made in Ontario;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Craft Cider Association (OCCA) has been actively advocating for a tax structure that levels the playing field between craft cider and craft beer, recognizing the potential for job creation, economic growth, and the promotion of local agriculture;

AND WHEREAS the Town acknowledges and appreciates the Province's investment in marketing and promotional support for the craft cider industry, but maintains that long-term sustainability and competitiveness for Ontario cider producers requires an adjustment to the underlying tax framework;

AND WHEREAS this motion is meant to support, not oppose, initiatives for fair taxation of the Ontario Craft Cider industry the Province of Ontario may be considering.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains:

1. Supports the efforts of the Ontario Craft Cider Association in advocating for a fair and equitable tax structure for Ontario-made craft cider.
2. Urges the Province of Ontario to review and amend the current tax regulations to align the tax rate of craft cider with that of craft beer, thereby fostering a more balanced and supportive environment for local cider producers.
3. Acknowledges the Province of Ontario's recent investment in marketing initiatives for the cider sector, while calling for complementary reform of the tax and markup structure that continues to disadvantage cider producers relative to other craft alcohol categories;

4. Directs the Mayor to forward this resolution to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, MPP Brian Saunderson, MPP Paul Vickers and MPP Nina Tangri and the County of Grey requesting their consideration and support.

5. Directs the Mayor to forward this resolution to all municipalities in Ontario, encourages other municipalities with vested interests in agriculture and agri-tourism to adopt similar resolutions, amplifying the collective voice advocating for the prosperity of Ontario's craft cider industry.

YES: 5 **NO: 0** **ABSENT: 2**

The motion is Carried

YES: 5

Deputy Mayor Bordignon Councillor Ardiel Councillor Hope Councillor Maxwell
Councillor Porter

NO: 0

ABSENT: 2

Mayor Matrosovs Councillor McKinlay

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Friday, May 9, 2025

Regular Meeting of Council
Tuesday June 10, 2025
Item No. 9. K.

RE: Notice of Motion – Town of Goderich Rejection of President Trump's Rhetoric Regarding the Annexation of Canada and Trade Tariffs

To Whom It May Concern;

Please be advised of the following motion passed at the Monday, March 17, 2025, Goderich Town Council Meeting:

Moved By: Councillor Petrie
Seconded By: Councillor Kelly

WHEREAS President Trump's rhetoric about the annexation of Canada is both offensive and unacceptable, undermining Canada's sovereignty and the respectful relationship between our two nations;

WHEREAS the Government of the United States, under President Trump, intends to impose unjustified trade tariffs on Canada that will cause harm to both nations' economies, local businesses, and workers;

WHEREAS the above noted actions contradict the principles of diplomatic dialogue and fair trade that Canada has long championed in our international relations;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Goderich has a responsibility to defend the values of peace, cooperation, and mutual respect, and safeguard the interests of our community;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Goderich condemns divisive and harmful rhetoric regarding the potential annexation of Canada, and categorically rejects trade tariffs imposed by President Trump;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town of Goderich send the attached letter to American municipal and business leaders that the town has had longstanding friendly relationships with expressing our concerns and

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advocating for the return of a constructive and positive relationship between our countries:

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town of Goderich encourages other Ontario municipalities to adopt similar resolutions, advocate to their municipal and business partners in the United States and join us in a collective voice to preserve the dignity and sovereignty of our nation.

CARRIED

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 519-524-8344 ext. 210 or afisher@goderich.ca.

Yours truly,

Andrea Fisher

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Director of Legislative Services/Clerk
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We are writing today to advise of the Town of Goderich's deep concern regarding recent rhetoric from the American federal government including threats to annex Canada, and American tariffs on Canadian goods. As a community that values the long-standing cooperation between our nations, we appeal to you as leaders in your community to advocate for the end of such damaging rhetoric and policies.

Canada is a proud nation with our own democratic system, values, and identity. As Canadians, we hold a deep commitment to our sovereignty and independence, and we are overwhelmingly opposed to President Trump's annexation rhetoric. American threats to annex Canada disregard the liberty, democracy, and self-determination that both of our nations hold in high esteem. They undermine the peace and respect that have long defined the relationship between our two countries, they are an affront to Canadian values and destabilize our cooperative future.

American tariffs on Canadian goods present significant economic problems for both our countries. Canada is the United States' largest trading partner with over $700 billion in goods and services exchanged annually (*Government of Canada*, 2024). American and Canadian businesses rely on our integrated supply chains to thrive. Tariffs will disrupt this flow of goods, raise prices for consumers, and hurt local businesses on both sides of the border. In fact, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce has estimated that American tariffs on Canadian goods could result in up to $40 billion in losses for American businesses and consumers (*U.S. Chamber of Commerce*, 2023).

Like many other municipalities in Canada, the Town of Goderich shares strong ties with the United States through trade, tourism, and business. These connections have fostered economic development, supported jobs, and created a robust relationship that benefits communities on both sides of the border. We ask that you, as local leaders, urge your federal government to end the rhetoric of annexation and any other threats or economic actions that disrupt our strong, peaceful, and mutually beneficial relationship. The economic and social consequences of continued tensions are felt in all communities that depend on cross-border trade, tourism, and cooperation.

We urge you to advocate for policies that foster collaboration and mutual respect. As community leaders, we have a unique role to play in building bridges between our nations. We are at our best when we work together, and it is crucial that we continue to nurture the strong, cooperative relationship we have built to foster peace and prosperity between our countries.

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Yours truly,

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Item No. 9. L.

May 8, 2025

Dear Right Honourable Mark Carney

At its Regular meeting on May 7, 2025, the Township of Springwater's Council passed resolution C196-2025 Redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding.

Resolution C196-2025
Moved by: Cabral
Seconded by: Fisher

Whereas municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development; and

Whereas the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment; and

Whereas the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and

Whereas the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and

Whereas redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and

Whereas a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved That the Township of Springwater formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and

Further Be It Resolved That Township of Springwater calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and

Further Be It Resolved That this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and

Further Be It Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Right Honourable Prime Minister Mark Carney, the Right Honourable Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, MP Doug Shipley and MPP Doug Downey; and

Further Be It Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

Carried

The Clerk's Department can be reached via email at clerks@springwater.ca or by phone at 705-728-4784, Ext. 2304.

Regards,

Cayla Reimer
Deputy Clerk,
Township of Springwater

cc: Hon. Doug Ford, Premier
Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Ontario Minister of Finance
Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Hon. MP Doug Shipley
Hon. MPP Doug Downey
All Ontario Municipalities
Association of Municipalities of Ontario

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PELEE

BY-LAW: 2025 – 41

"CONFIRMATION OF PROCEEDINGS"

(June 10, 2025)

A By-law to confirm the proceedings of the June 10th Meeting of Council.

WHEREAS the Municipal Act 2001, as amended, states that the powers of a municipal corporation are to be exercised by by-law;

AND WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Pelee wishes to confirm the proceedings and business conducted by Council;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Pelee does hereby enact as follows:

1. That the action of the Council at its Council meeting held on the 10th day of June, 2025 in respect to each motion, resolution and other action passed and taken by Council is hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed; save and except resolutions resulting from closed meetings.

2. That the Mayor and the proper Officers are hereby authorized and directed to execute all documents as may be necessary and the Clerk is authorized and directed to affix the Corporate Seal to all such documents.

3. That this by-law shall be cited as the "Confirmation of Proceedings By-law" (June 10th, 2025).

4. That this by-law shall come into force and take effect on the date of passing thereof.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED THIS 10TH DAY OF JUNE, 2025.

MAYOR, CATHERINE MILLER

INTERIM CLERK, MARY MASSE