Township of Chapleau

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AGENDA



REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL Monday, October 21st, 2024 at 6:30 PM IN THE CIVIC CENTRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Members of Council and the public may access the meeting, electronically, as follows:

<u>Dial: 1-800-974-5902</u> <u>Conference ID: 9076440</u>

KINDLY TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES FOR THE DURATION OF THE MEETING

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

6:00 p.m.

INDIGENOUS LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Municipality of Chapleau is situated on the ancestral treaty and title lands of the Anishinabe and Cree peoples in the Treaty 9 area, and recognizes the neighbouring First Nations of Brunswick House, Chapleau Cree, Chapleau Ojibwe, Michipicoten and Missanabi Cree.

We acknowledge the long history of First Nations and Metis People in Ontario and show respect to them today.

- 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- 3. <u>DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST</u>
- 4. **DELEGATIONS**
- **5. COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT** None
- 6. CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine and will be enacted in one motion. A member of Council may request one or more items to be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion and/or Action.

- 6.1 Council and Committee Meeting Minutes
 - 6.1.1 Regular Council Meeting Minutes for Monday, October 7, 2024

7. BUSINESS

- 7.1 Tax Adjustments for 2025
- 7.2 Scope Change Form for Generator's Engineering Costs
- 7.3 Fire Chief's Report
- 7.4 Royal Canadian Legion request for advertisement renewal in Military Service Recognition Book
- 7.5 Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish request for Construction Inspection

8. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

9. **RESOLUTIONS** - None

10. CORRESPONDENCE

- A. Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury letter regarding the Ontario Deposit Return Program dated September 20, 2024.
- B. Township of Springwater resolution regarding AMO and OMA Joint Health Resolution Campaign dated October 4, 2024.
- C. Township of Nairn and Hyman and the Township of Baldwin Resolution regarding Formally Opposing Radioactive Material being Transported to the Township of Nairn and Hyman dated October 11, 2024.
- D 2024-25 Provincial Budget Submission for the Ontario Forest Industries Association dated January 8th, 2024.

11. IN CAMERA

Matters Arising from In Camera Session

12. <u>CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW</u>

13. ADJOURNMENT

CONSENT AGENDA



REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2024 at 6:00 PM IN THE CIVIC CENTRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Attendance:

Council: Mayor Ryan Bignucolo

Deputy Mayor Lisi Bernier Councillor Cathy Ansara Councillor Alex Lambruschini

Councillor Paul Bernier

Staff: Judith Meyntz, CAO

Réjean Raymond, Operations Director

Guests: 0
Attendees: 6

1. <u>CALL MEETING TO ORDER</u>

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chapleau does hereby call the Regular Council Meeting of Monday, October 7, 2024 to order at 6:00 p.m.

INDIGENOUS LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Municipality of Chapleau is situated on the ancestral treaty and title lands of the Anishinabe and Cree peoples in the Treaty 9 area, and recognizes the neighbouring First Nations of Brunswick House, Chapleau Cree, Chapleau Ojibwe, Michipicoten and Missanabi Cree.

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2. <u>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</u> <u>RESOLUTION 16-239:</u> P. BERNIER – C. ANSARA

WHEREAS the Members of Council have been presented with an Agenda for the Regular Council Meeting of Monday, October 7, 2024;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda be adopted as amended:

1) Business Item 7.1 Deferred for further discussion;

2) Addition of Business Item 7.9 Regular Council Meetings – Start time

Carried.

3. <u>DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST</u>

Mayor Bignucolo requested that any pecuniary interest be declared for the record. None Declared.

- 4. **DELEGATIONS:** None
- **5. COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT** None
- 6. <u>CONSENT AGENDA</u> RESOLUTION 16-240:

L. BERNIER – A. LAMBRUSCHINI

WHEREAS the Council of the Township of Chapleau has reviewed the Consent Agenda consisting of:

Council and Committee Meeting MinutesRegular Council Meeting Minutes for Monday, September 23, 2024

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Chapleau does hereby approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes for Monday, September 23, 2024.

Carried.

7. **BUSINESS**

7.1 Rental Income from Hydro One Office Space Report **Deferred**

RESOLUTION 16-241:

P. BERNIER - A. LAMBRUSCHINI

7.2 Chapleau Minor Hockey Jersey Sponsorship

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chapleau does hereby approve the purchase of 2 Jerseys for the price of \$300.00 for the Chapleau Minor Hockey Jersey Sponsorship.

Carried.

RESOLUTION 16-242:

L. BERNIER – A. LAMBRUSCHINI

7.3 Chapleau Cannabis Store Parking Request

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chapleau is aware of the parking issues in the downtown core and the limited amount of street parking that is available;

AND THAT Council accepts the review by the CAO Meyntz visiting the location during the weekday and the busiest time on Saturday to determine that there are parking spaces available during these times;

AND FURTHERMORE, Council's concern about all businesses requesting special parking spaces would make the flow of traffic in the downtown core much more cumbersome as many visitors are only parked in their spot for a short period of time;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council will not approve business-specific parking spaces in the downtown core.

Carried.

RESOLUTION 16-243:

A. LAMBRUSCHINI – P. BERNIER

7.4 Gala Room Rental Request from Annie Gilbert

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chapleau is very supportive of the Gala Event in raising funds for the community of Chapleau;

AND THAT Council must be fiscally responsible in ensuring that the workings of the Community Hall in the recreation facility are viable and rentals help to cover the costs of staffing, heat and hydro;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council wishes the Gala much success with the event, however, a reduction in the cost of the rental space will not be granted.

Carried.

7.5 Chapleau Cross Country Meet **Information Only – No Resolution**

RESOLUTION 16-244:

L. BERNIER – P. BERNIER

7.6 Homeowners on Golf Course Road Concern

THAT the Council of the Township of Chapleau thanks the homeowners of Golf Course Road in bringing these matters to the attention of Council;

AND THAT Council understands the frustration of errant golf balls around the properties that lie next to the Golf Course property and the dangers that this can cause and Council recommend that the Homeowners on Golf Course Road reach out to the Golf Course Executive about netting to control errant golf balls;

AND FURTHERMORE, THAT Council is concerned about speeding vehicles within the Township limits and is currently working on an affordable solution to make drivers more aware of their speeds;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township will place "Children at Play" signage to help slow down patrons of the Golf Course.

Carried.

RESOLUTION 16-245: P. BERNIER – L. BERNIER

7.7 Voluntary Opportunity – Chapleau Regional Economic Development Corporation

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chapleau would like to thank Gretchen Theakston with coming forward with questions regarding the advertisement for Board of Director positions in the New Chapleau Regional Economic Development Corporation;

AND THAT Council directs the CAO to share with Ms. Theakston a copy of the report and this resolution that was prepared for Council to clarify the volunteer positions that are currently being advertised;

AND FURTHERMORE, Council encourages all members of the community to read the Minutes of the Meetings of the Board of Directors of the Economic Development Corporation which will be shared in the monthly Agendas that are circulated on the Township's website.

Carried.

RESOLUTION 16-246: P. BERNIER – C. ANSARA

7.8a 2025 Conference Schedule ROMA Conference

THAT the Council of the Township of Chapleau does hereby approved the following attendance at the ROMA Conference on Sunday, January 19 to Tuesday, January 21, 2025 in Toronto;

Ryan Bignucolo Judith Meyntz

Carried.

RESOLUTION 16-247:

P. BERNIER – A. LAMBRUSCHINI

7.8b Good Roads Conference

THAT the Council of the Township of Chapleau does hereby approved the following attendance at the Good Roads Conference on March 30 to April 2, 2025 in Toronto;

Ryan Bignucolo Rejean Raymond

Carried.

RESOLUTION 16-248:

P. BERNIER – A. LAMBRUSCHINI

7.8c FONOM Conference

THAT the Council of the Township of Chapleau does hereby approved the following attendance at the FONOM Conference on May 5 to 7, 2025 in North Bay;

Ryan Bignucolo Judith Meyntz Rejean Raymond

Carried.

RESOLUTION 16-249: P. BERNIER – C. ANSARA

7.8d AMO Conference

THAT the Council of the Township of Chapleau does hereby approved the following attendance at the AMO Conference on August 17 to 20, 2025 in Ottawa;

Ryan Bignucolo Lisi Bernier

Carried.

RESOLUTION 16-250:

P. BERNIER – C. ANSARA

7.9 Regular Council Meetings – start time

THAT the Council of the Township of Chapleau does hereby approve that Regular Council meetings will return to a start time of 6:30 p.m. and council will re-evaluate

in the spring.

Carried.

8. <u>ACCOUNTS PAYABLE</u> RESOLUTION 16-251:

L. BERNIER – A. LAMBRUSCHINI

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chapleau does hereby receive for information the Accounts Payable listing in the amount of \$226,252.49 for the period ending October 1, 2024.

Carried.

9. **RESOLUTIONS:**

RESOLUTION 16-252:

C. ANSARA – L. BERNIER

9.1 By-law 2024-35, being a By-law for the Control and/or Regulation of Temporary Signs or other Advertising Devices, and the Posting of Notices

THAT By-law Number 2024-35, Being a By-Law for the Control and/or Regulation of Temporary Signs or other Advertising Devices, and the Posting of Notices be read a first and second time on this day 7th of October, 2024;

AND FURTHER be Read a third time, passed and properly signed and sealed this 7th day of October, 2024.

Carried.

RESOLUTION 16-253: P. BERNIER – C. ANSARA

9.2 By-law 2024-36, being a By-law to authorize the CAO to execute an Agreement between the Corporation and the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) for the Provision of Primary Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) Services

THAT By-law Number 2024-36, Being a By-Law to authorize the CAO to execute an Agreement between the Corporation and the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) for the Provision of Primary Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) Services be read a first and second time on this day 7th of October, 2024;

AND FURTHER be Read a third time, passed and properly signed and sealed this 7th day of October, 2024.

Carried.

10. CORRESPONDENCE:

RESOLUTION 16-254:

L. BERNIER – C. ANSARA

THAT the Council of the Township of Chapleau receives the Correspondence from the October 1st, 2024 Council Agenda with no items extracted for discussion.

Carried.

11. IN CAMERA:

RESOLUTION 16-255:

P. BERNIER - A. LAMBRUSCHIINI

Adjourn to In Camera Session

THAT the Corporation of the Council of the Township of Chapleau move into In Camera Session on Monday, October 7, 2024 at 6:22 p.m. for the following matters:

- 11.1 In Camera Session Meeting Minutes for the Regular Council Meeting of September 23, 2024. *
- 11.2 Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees, pursuant to *Ontario Municipal Act, Section 239(2)(b)*
 - Human Resources
 - o Fire Fighter Recruitment *
- 11.3 A Proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the Municipality or Local Board, pursuant to *Ontario Municipal Act, Section 239(2)(c)*
 - o Update on HONI Receivables

Reconvene to Regular Meeting

RESOLUTION 16-256:

P. BERNIER - A. LAMBRUSCHIN

THAT this meeting be reconvened to a Regular Meeting at 7:04 p.m.

Matters Arising from In Camera Session

RESOLUTION 16-257:

L. BERNIER – C. ANSARA

11.1 In Camera Session Meeting Minutes for the Regular Council Meeting of September 23, 2024.

THAT the Council of the Township of Chapleau does hereby approve the In-Camera Minutes for September 23, 2024 as presented.

Carried.

RESOLUTION 16-258:

P. BERNIER – A. LAMBRUSCHINI

Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees, pursuant to *Ontario Municipal Act, Section 239(2)(b)*

- Human Resources
 - o Firefighter Recruitment *

THAT the Council of the Township of Chapleau does hereby approve the appointment of the following firefighters to active duty to the Auxiliary Force of the Chapleau Fire Department upon this date of October 7, 2024:

Anthony Sarrazin

AND THAT Council would like to thank the new recruit for their interest in our volunteer services.

Carried.

RESOLUTION 16-259: P. BERNIER – C. ANSARA

11.3 Rental Income from Hydro One Office Space Report

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Chapleau does hereby approve the transfer of the ownership from 110 Lorne Street to the Chapleau Regional Economic Development Corporation with the Township of Chapleau as the only shareholder;

AND THAT the current lease of the Hydro One building go to the CRDC to help fund the Economic Development Corporation;

AND THAT the CAO move forward in engaging the services of Commerce Group for our Economic Development services;

AND FURTHERMORE, THAT the Council will support a contribution from the Township of Chapleau in the amount of \$60,000.00 per year for the next 3 years with a signed shareholder agreement in place.

Carried.

12. <u>CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW</u> <u>RESOLUTION 16-260:</u> P. BERNIER – A. LAMBRUSCHINI

THAT By-law No. 2024-37, being a confirmatory by-law for the Regular Council Meeting of Monday, October 7, 2024 be given a First, Second, Third and final reading and is passed as of this date.

Carried.

13. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u> <u>RESOLUTION 16-261:</u> C. ANSARA – L. BERNIER

NOW THERI until the Regul of the Chair.	EFORE BE IT RESOLVED The council meeting of Monday	THAT this meeting be adjour y, October 21st, 2024 at 6:30	ned at 7:15 p.m. p.m. or the call
or the Chair.			Carried.
Ryan Bignucolo	Mayor	Judith Meyntz	CAO

WHEREAS the business of the Meeting has concluded:

BUSINESS

TOWNSHIP OF CHAPLEAU ASSESSMENT REDUCTIONS

October 7th, 2024

ASSESSMENT CHANGES

	ACCESSIMENT CHARGES			_						
			REVISED	TYPE OF	TAX	EFFECTIVE		MUN.TAX		
PROPERTY	OWNER	CVA	CVA	DECISION	YEAR	DATE	REASON FOR CHANGE	ADJ.	ADJ.	TOTAL
003-00501	Township of Chapleau	\$747,000.00		Section 357	2024	March 30th-Oct.30th/2024	Curling Club lease lapses seasonally, commercial assessment reverts to exempt for the vacant period. Reclassification of tax class for portion of property from commercial to residential.	\$20,323.63	\$3,875.35	\$24,198.98
004-08703	V. Collins	\$ 93,000.00	\$ 91,000.00	Minutes of Settlement	2024	January 1st, 2024	Reclassification of tax class for portion of property from commercial to residential.	\$1,342.82	\$674.81	\$2,017.63
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DCS

Scope Change Authorization

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Project Name:		u Emergency Backup Powe		2
AECOM Project No.:	AECOM Project No.: 60672834		Date:	9-Oct-24
Client/Sub Name:	Townshi	p of Chapleau	Contract Reference No.:	
Subject:	Chaplea	u Emergency Backup Powe	er Supply	
Pursuant to the Agreen	nent, the f	ollowing change to the Scop	pe of Work for the above pro	oject is advised:
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-			ncreased, □ decreased by	See below (calendar days
		Summary		ges Summary
Original Contract Valu	е	\$31,600.00	Original Contract Completion Date	31-Jul-22
Net value of changes previously authorized		\$16,900.00	Net Change Previously Authorized (calendar days)	
This change		\$6,000.00	This Change (calendar day	s) See below
New Contract Value		\$54,500.00	New Contract Completion Date	31-Mar-26
Scope Change A Rick Talvitie, P.Eng.	pprova		ecological de la company de la	9-Oct-24
AECOM Project Manager		Signature		Date
David Humphreys, Vice Pr		_		
Operations, Water, Wester	n Canada a	and Ontario		9-Oct-24
AECOM Authorized Signa	atory	Signature		Date
Township of Chapleau		Signature		Date
Township of Chapleau (if	required)	Signature		Date

REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date:	October 6, 2024		
Subject:	Chapleau Fire Department Quarterly Report		
Prepared by:	Jon McEachren, Fire Chief		

Background:

As requested by Council, this report was prepared to give a current status report on the overall operation of the municipal fire department. The report consists of completed, scheduled and ongoing tasks that we are working on to achieve a safe, reliable and compliant fire department to be operated in our community.

To further clarify, this report will consist of actions that I am responsible for working on or have completed and will not reflect on prior administration of the department. I am aware that there are outstanding issues that have or will be addressed moving forward.

CALLS FOR SERVICE

The Chapleau Fire Department has the following statistics logged since June 24, 2024

Fire Calls Dispatched	- 18
Fire Calls Not Dispatched	- 16
Calls to Assist Other Agencies	- 4
Training Sessions	- 7
Work Sessions	- 5
General/Association Meetings	- 3

Total Occurrences - 53

TRAINING

As the fire department continues to grow, so do the requirements for training. We hold 2 to 3 training sessions a month where the members are able to hone their skills and knowledge. Some of the training that has been completed consists of pumper operations, hydrant hook ups and water flow, SCBA (Self Contained Breathing Apparatus) training and interior search and rescue. I would also like to add that I was able to secure live fire training for some of our members that happened in Wawa Ontario during the week of September 9th. Although not all members were able to attend, the ones that did say it was worth the trip. I will be looking into this training to see if I can get it locally next year.

PERSONNEL

On June 24, 2024 I signed an employment agreement which provided the opportunity for the growth of the fire department. Once appointed, the need to fill vacancies was a high priority on my list.

With the support of the CAO, I was able to post, hold interviews and promote for the captain's position that I vacated when I assumed the roll of Fire Chief. We had 5 applications for the position and I am pleased to announce that Chad Byce was successful in the interview process. Chad has over 20 years of service to the fire department where he brings leadership and management experience to help guide and shape our team. Chad filled a lieutenant's position prior to his promotion. I have deemed the lieutenant's position unnecessary as a rank needed in our fire department and have removed it accordingly.

I have also promoted Lisa Lay and David O'Hearn to Assistant Fire Prevention Officers. They will be mentored by our current FPO James Apsey. The reasoning for this is to have people in place for succession planning. I will be working on getting them certified through the OFM and look at having them start online courses starting in October.

Over the past few years there have been a number of vacancies for firefighter membership. We have been short 6 members for a while and I am happy to report that as of today we have filled 3 of the positions and are awaiting the completion of some paperwork to onboard 2 additional members. This will leave 1 additional position to be filled which will be posted and filled hopefully in the new year.

I would like to take the time to introduce our new and upcoming members Kyle Besnier, Gagandeep Singh, Anthony Sarrazin (will be appointed at next council meeting), Mya Prusky (waiting on medical) and Hayden Bazinet (waiting on medical and CRC). Please take the time to welcome our new members at your earliest convenience.

HR

1. As the dynamics of a fire department are complex, so is managing the people and personalities of a volunteer organization.

I have the unfortunate duty to report that since I have taken office, I have had one (1) formal public complaint of breach of confidentiality and one (1) informal breach of confidentiality.

I have conducted and completed an internal investigation for both incidents and have come to a conclusion for both. These two incidents can be discussed during an in-camera session or private meeting should it be requested by council.

Both matters have been or will be addressed and I have taken the time to re-educate and stress the importance of confidentiality within our fire department.

2. I will also be dismissing a member for attendance issues as of November 1, 2024. This member has only attended 6 out of 88 combined occurrences for this calendar year which leaves them at 6.81% for attendance. I believe that this member now lacks the training and education on policy and procedure. I took the time on June 27th, 2024 to express my concerns about their attendance and was clear on my expectations. They had communicated that they would make an improvement and start showing up. Since that conversation I have not seen or heard from the individual.

I will be drafting a letter of dismissal in good standing as I believe that they may just not have had the proper work life balance and be able to commit the time required to be a member in good standing.

EQUIPMENT

Over the course of 3 months there have been a number of improvements to some of the equipment used by our department. As most of you may know, the equipment that we currently have in service is dated and includes everything from hand tools to pumping apparatus.

With the assistance of the CAO, we have been able to not only upgrade but also replace a number of pieces of equipment needed to do our jobs. Some of these items include a new SCBA compressor, a new paging system, hose tester, 2 gas detectors, portable radios and pagers, power tools, annual testing of pumping apparatus, hydro static testing of SCBA bottles, various PPE items and training aids.

We are also moving forward with obtaining the information on acquiring not only 1 but 2 new fire apparatus. With the help of grants, monies from the sale of Chapleau PUC and the support of our First Nations Partners, I am building a case to support such demands. I think these goals are vary reasonable and obtainable.

I am currently looking at a new 6-seater, 2000-2500 gallon tanker fully equipped to provide fire and rescue services to our community and surrounding area. This truck will have a small pumping unit on board as well as new extrication tools and support equipment.

The next apparatus I am looking at getting is a support vehicle. It will be a combination unit built on a F-450 chassis which will be able to perform and operate as a command vehicle, rehab centre and decontamination station. It will be outfitted with an onboard generator, scene lighting, ondemand hot water system, work station for accountability and on-scene management and communications devices and resources. It will also have storage for additional equipment and tools.

I am justifying this by eventually having our Salvage unit and Pumper 2 going to surplus.

I will be working on completing 2024 budget items in the next couple months and starting to put together my budget requirements for the 2025 budget year. I will most likely be requesting more funding to be able to meet compliance issues.

ASSET RECOVERY

Over a number of years there have been a number of resources/assets not returned or recovered from members that have moved on. I have already recovered a number of items and will continue to recover as much as reasonably possible.

Report respectfully submitted:

Jon McEachren Fire Chief

CAO

From: Bill Hubbard <bhubbard@campaign-office.com>

Sent: Wednesday, October 9, 2024 10:21 AM

To: CAO

Subject: The Royal Canadian Legion Ontario Command- 12th Annual Military Service Recognition Book

Attachments: Rates.pdf

Hello, Judi

I would like to thank the Township of Chapleau for their wonderful support over the last seven years with the business card size Ad for \$395.00 tax included it is greatly appreciated. We would be honored to have their continued support for our veterans.



Please find attached information outlining the Command Legion's important remembrance project this year on behalf of our Veterans.

This unique remembrance publication includes past and present-day Veterans biographies and photographs. With the help of our Veterans, their families and friends, submissions are collected at local legion branches and our next edition is scheduled for release in **October 2025**, in advance of our Annual Remembrance Day Ceremonies.

Proceeds raised from this annual project are used to support the **Veterans Transition Programs** that help Veterans who suffer from PTSD, Mental Illness and other such challenges. These programs assist them in transitioning from military life to civilian life.

It is available for all to see at local legion branches and online at the Ontario Command Legion's website: http://www.on.legion.ca/remembrance/military-service-recognition-book. It helps us, and our younger generations, appreciate and never forget the Sacrifices made by our Veterans for the freedoms we enjoy today.

We would sincerely appreciate **TOWNSHIP OF CHAPLEAU** support and appreciation for our Veterans by purchasing an advertisement in our next edition.

If you require any additional information, please reply to this email or phone me at our toll-free number below. I will follow up with you in the near future.

Thank you for your consideration and/or support.

Sincerely,

Bill Hubbard

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The Royal Canadian Legion Ontario Command

"Military Service Recognition Book"

Dear Sir/Madam:

Thank you for your interest in **The Royal Canadian Legion Ontario Command**, representing **Ontario's Veterans**. Please accept this written request for your support, as per our recent telephone conversation.

The Royal Canadian Legion Ontario Command is very proud to be once again printing over 10,000 copies of our 12TH annual "Military Service Recognition Book", scheduled for release by October 2025. This unique remembrance publication recognizes and honours our Province's Veterans and helps us fulfill the Legion's role as the "Keepers of Remembrance". Proceeds raised from this annual appeal are also used to support Veterans Transition Programs to help modern day Veterans that suffer from PTSD and other challenges.

The Legion is recognized as one of Canada's largest Veterans Support Organizations and we are an integral part of the communities we serve. This project helps ensure the Legion's continued success. We would like to have your organization's support for this Remembrance project by sponsoring an advertisement space in our "Military Service Recognition Book."

Please find enclosed a rate sheet for your review. Whatever you are able to contribute to this worthwhile endeavor would be greatly appreciated. For further information please contact **Ontario Command Campaign Office** toll free at **1-855-241-6967**.

Thank you for your consideration and/or support.

Sincerely,

Derek Moore President

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The Royal Canadian Legion Ontario Command

"Military Service Recognition Book"

Advertising Prices

Ad Size	Cost		<u>HST</u>		<u>Total</u>	
Full Colour Outside Back Cover	\$2,579.65	+	\$335.35	=	\$2,915.00	
Inside Front/Back Cover (Full Colour)	\$2,243.36	+	\$291.64	=	\$2,535.00	
2 Page Spread (Full Colour)	\$3,588.50	+	\$466.50	=	\$4,055.00	
Full Page (Full Colour) 7" X 9.735"	\$1,765.49	+	\$229.51	=	\$1,995.00	
1/2 Page (Full Colour) 7" X 4.735"	\$969.03	+	\$125.97	=	\$1,095.00	
1/4 Page (Full Colour) 3.375" X 4.735"	\$575.22	+	\$74.78	=	\$650.00	
1/10 Page (Full Colour b/card) 3.375" X 1.735"	\$349.56	+	\$45.44	=	\$395.00	

H.S.T. Registration # 10686 2824 RT0001

All typesetting and layout charges are included in the above prices.

A complimentary copy of this year's publication will be received by all advertisers purchasing space of 1/10 page and up, along with a Certificate of Appreciation from the Ontario Command.



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Ontario Command
(RCL ON)
(Campaign Office)
P O Box 8055, Station T CSC
Ottawa, ON K1G 3H6





THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION ONTARIO COMMAND

DEAR VALUED SUPPORTER

Thank you for your pledge to the "Military Service Recognition Book", a project of The Royal Canadian Legion, Ontario Command.

This annual publication helps identify and recognize many of the Veterans of Ontario who served their country. As "Keepers of Remembrance", The Royal Canadian Legion strives to perpetuate the sacrifices that our soldiers and their families made for our freedom. The Military Service Recognition Book serves as a reminder for generations to come, of the contributions our veterans made to the creation of our nation and the continuance of Canada as a protector of freedom.

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There will be over 10,000 hard copies of this book printed and distributed free of charge in our communities throughout Ontario. Copies will be given by branches to public schools and libraries which can be used as a teaching tool. An electronic version of our publication will also be posted on our website www.on.legion.ca.

Again thank you for your sponsorship and support of this very worthwhile project.

Yours sincerely,

Serck Hoon

Derek Moore President

Ontario Command



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Merci pour votre contribution au « Livret de reconnaissance du service militaire », un projet de la Légion royale canadienne, Direction de l'Ontario.

Cette publication annuelle permet d'identifier et de reconnaître de nombreux vétérans de l'Ontario qui ont servi leur pays. En tant que « Gardiens du Souvenir », la Légion royale canadienne s'efforce de perpétuer les sacrifices que nos soldats et leurs familles ont fait pour notre liberté. Le Livret de reconnaissance du service militaire sert comme un rappel pour les générations à venir, des contributions de nos anciens combattants à la création de notre nation et le maintien du Canada en tant que protecteur de la liberté.

Notre organisation est la plus grande organisation d'anciens combattants au Canada dédiée à les servir par le biais de la défense des droits, assistance d'urgence et assistance gratuite pour les demandes de pension. Nous ne sommes pas affiliés à aucun palier de gouvernement, et nous ne recevons de financement d'aucun palier de gouvernement. Les filiales comptent sur les cotisations des membres, les activités de collecte de fonds et les dons. En Ontario, nous avons plus de 390 filiales avec plus de 200 auxiliaires féminins composés de plus de 91 000 hommes et femmes. Ensemble, ils soutiennent leur communautés grâce à d'innombrables heures de travail bénévole pour soutenir le parrainage d'activités pour les jeunes telles que l'athlétisme, soccer, hockey, cadets, scouts et guides. Les filiales accordent plus de 815 000 \$ chaque année sous forme de subventions des fonds du coquelicot aux anciens militaires et aux militaires encore en service et/ou à leurs personnes à charge.

Avec le soutien de nos filiales et de nos auxiliaires féminins, notre direction débourse plus de 620 000 \$ chaque année par le biais de notre fondation caritative aux hôpitaux, aux foyers de soins de longue durée et aux services de pompiers volontaires pour l'équipement médical indispensable et plus de 200 000 \$ en bourses aux étudiants méritants.

Votre soutien à ce projet aide à soutenir les programmes de transition des vétérans de la Légion royale canadienne, Direction de l'Ontario.

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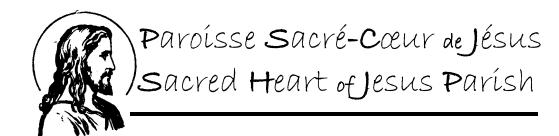
Encore merci pour votre parrainage et votre soutien à ce projet très intéressant.

Sincèrement vôtres,

Derek Moore Président

Direction de l'Ontario

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October 16, 2024

Township of Chapleau c/o Chief Administrative Officer PO Box 129 Chapleau ON POM 1K0

RE: Request to be included in next Council meeting agenda

Dear Madam C.A.O.:

This letter is to request that the following issue be included on the next Agenda of the Council's meeting scheduled for October 21, 2024.

The issue concerns work our church undertook to have new concrete steps installed at the front of the church. An existing ramp was removed as well. These were much needed repairs due to the steps' state of deterioration.

However when the contractor, Missinaibi Headwaters Inc, approached the Town to obtain a work permit they were told a permit was not necessary as it entailed 'minor work'. So the job went ahead without a municipal permit.

This being said <u>we would like this work to be inspected</u> by the Township as it involves public use by our parishioners and anyone else having access to and from our church building. The matter of safety and insurance liability is our primary concern.

In closing we thank you for placing this item on Council's agenda.

A representative from our church plans to be in attendance to provide further information if needed

Thank you in advance for your attention to this request,

Fr. Benedictus 'Ben' Nshikita, p.p. Pastor

BN/hp

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

TOWNSHIP OF CHAPLEAU

COUNCIL CHEQUE REGISTER

Ck No.	Ck Date Vendor Name	Invoice Description	Amount
12979	3-Oct-24 ADB SAFEGATE CANADA INC.	PRIMARY CONNECTOR	379.85
12980	3-Oct-24 A.M.S TOWING AND RECOVERY	TOW/REPAIR FOR 2024 F-150	282.44
12980	3-Oct-24 A.M.S TOWING AND RECOVERY	F-55 WINDOW/HEAT REPAIRS	282.44
12981	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU AUTO PARTS	BATTERY SILV OXIDE	5.41
12981	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU AUTO PARTS	WASHER FLUID	6.09
12981	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU AUTO PARTS	1- WATER BOTTLE REFILL	9.95
12981	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU AUTO PARTS	QUEEN/ASH ST. WATER LOCATES	13.5
12981	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU AUTO PARTS	SQUEEGEE	14.9
12981	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU AUTO PARTS	MARKING DRAIN BOXES QUEEN/ASH	15.76
12981	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU AUTO PARTS	WIPERS	16.6
12981	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU AUTO PARTS	BROOM HEAD	17.84
12981	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU AUTO PARTS	FOAM SEALANT AROUND DOORS	21.47
12981	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU AUTO PARTS	TRAFFIC VEST CROSSING GUARD	22.54
12981	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU AUTO PARTS	FUEL FILTER	23.3
12981	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU AUTO PARTS	ANTI-VIBRATION GLOVES	24.8
12981	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU AUTO PARTS	BLUE & GREEN PAINT	27.01
12981	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU AUTO PARTS	STEEL PIPE WRENCH	31.29
12981	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU AUTO PARTS	BACKUP ALARM RESCUE 2	37.13
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12981	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU AUTO PARTS	SILICONE FUILD	50.38
12981	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU AUTO PARTS		62.53
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12981	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU AUTO PARTS	ROTELLA T6 5W40 OIL	63.27
12981	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU AUTO PARTS	GLOVES FOR WATER TESTING QUEEN ST.	65.88
12981	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU AUTO PARTS	LUBE FILTER	85.24
12981	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU AUTO PARTS	BARN SHOVEL	106.88
12981	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU AUTO PARTS	HYDRAULIC HOSE AIRPORT LOADER	115.35
12981	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU AUTO PARTS	LED WORK LAMP	124.92
12981	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU AUTO PARTS	BALL VALVE - ICE MAKING	146.89
12981	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU AUTO PARTS	EMERGENCY BEACON LIGHT	173.76
12981	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU AUTO PARTS	EXHAUST FLUID	314.67
12981	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU AUTO PARTS	REFUSE TRUCK OIL CHANGE	386.36
12981	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU AUTO PARTS	2 - SPLASH PAD - DECHLORINATION PUCKS	779.59
12981	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU AUTO PARTS	4 TIRES ZAMBONI	1172.71
12981	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU AUTO PARTS	6 - TIRES TRANSIT BUS	1589.91
12982	3-Oct-24 CHAPLEAU EXPRESS	NEWS FUNDING CHALEAU TOURISM	33.9
12983	3-Oct-24 CHARLES W COLLINS STORES LIMITED	ADAPTER & CLAMP	3.86
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12983	3-Oct-24 CHARLES W COLLINS STORES LIMITED	BATTERY	12.33
12983	3-Oct-24 CHARLES W COLLINS STORES LIMITED	FOIL PAN	12.85
12983	3-Oct-24 CHARLES W COLLINS STORES LIMITED	FOAM SEALANT	14.66
12983	3-Oct-24 CHARLES W COLLINS STORES LIMITED	SEALANT FOAM SPRAY	14.66
12983	3-Oct-24 CHARLES W COLLINS STORES LIMITED	10 TEAK ST. SERVICE LINE SWABBING	17.42
12983	3-Oct-24 CHARLES W COLLINS STORES LIMITED	LIGHT BULK WASHROOMS CIVICE CENTRE	17.85
12983	3-Oct-24 CHARLES W COLLINS STORES LIMITED	PRESSURE GAUGE	17.85
12983	3-Oct-24 CHARLES W COLLINS STORES LIMITED	COOLANT	20.74
12983	3-Oct-24 CHARLES W COLLINS STORES LIMITED	SEAL GUTTER/SCREWS	23.82
12983	3-Oct-24 CHARLES W COLLINS STORES LIMITED	LED BULBS AIRPORT	26.26
12983	3-Oct-24 CHARLES W COLLINS STORES LIMITED	FURNACE FILTERS	26.42
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12983	3-Oct-24 CHARLES W COLLINS STORES LIMITED	SAW/FOIL PAN	35.43
12983	3-Oct-24 CHARLES W COLLINS STORES LIMITED	GRASS 10 TEAK ST	40.66
12983	3-Oct-24 CHARLES W COLLINS STORES LIMITED	WATERFRONT WALKWAY - CHANNEL	55.69
12983	3-Oct-24 CHARLES W COLLINS STORES LIMITED	GARBAGE BAGS/BROOM/FRESHNER/BOWL CLEANER	62.53
12983	3-Oct-24 CHARLES W COLLINS STORES LIMITED	REPLACE TAP FIRE HALL	63.04
12983	3-Oct-24 CHARLES W COLLINS STORES LIMITED	DOOR MAT	70.83
12983	3-Oct-24 CHARLES W COLLINS STORES LIMITED	PAPER TOWELS	71.91
12983	3-Oct-24 CHARLES W COLLINS STORES LIMITED	ROAD LINE PAINT	79.3

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12983	3-Oct-24	CHARLES W COLLINS STORES LIMITED	WATERFRONT WALKAY REPAIRS		118.03
12983	3-Oct-24	CHARLES W COLLINS STORES LIMITED	REPLACEMENT GARBAGE CAN FOR RESIDENT		139.54
12984	3-Oct-24	COMPASS MINERALS	38.16MT SALT		6262.87
12984	3-Oct-24	COMPASS MINERALS	77.88 TM SALT		12781.76
12985	3-Oct-24	CYR, JENNIFER	CPUC - ACCOUNTING SUPPORT		1650
12986	3-Oct-24	DUCHESNE MECHANICAL LTD.	MEHCANIC SERIVCES		3010.77
12987	3-Oct-24	FIRECHECK PROTECTION SERVICES	HYDRO-STATIC TEST SCBA BOTTLES		416.97
12988	3-Oct-24	FIRE MARSHAL'S PUBLIC SAFETY COUNCIL	FIRE PREVENTION WEEK		94.68
12989	3-Oct-24	LOCAL AUTHORITY SERVICES LTD	STAPLES - OFFICE SUPPLIES		273.45
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12990		MANITOULIN SUDBURY DSSAB	DSSAB & LAND AMBULANCE OCTOBER		17874.51
12991		MCDOUGALL ENERGY INC.	1,800.1L DIESEL AIRPORT		2487.74
12992		MINISTRY OF FINANCE	OPP SERVICES AUGUST		42123
12993		MNISTRY OF FINANCE - MTO	MTO-PARKING TICKET/FINE ADMIN FEE SEPTEMBER		8.25
12994		MISSINAIBI HEADWATERS INCORPORATED	BRUSHING		4873.13
12994		MISSINAIBI HEADWATERS INCORPORATED			8168.58
		MUNICIPAL PROPERTY ASSESSMENT CORP.	INSTALL & INSULATE 3/4 WATER LINE TEAK ST.		6515.8
12995			4TH QTR MPAC INVOICING		
12996		NEW NORTH FUELS INC.	CARD LOCK FUEL SEPTEMBER		1356.1
12997		NORTHERN COMMUNICATION SERVICE	FIRE DISPATCH OCTOBER		449.68
12998		PUBLIC HEALTH SUDBURY & DISTRICTS	MUNICIPAL LEVY OCTOBER		10656.41
12999		RBC ROYAL BANK VISA	AMAZON - LIBRARY SCISSORS LH		11.23
12999		RBC ROYAL BANK VISA	VALU-MART - WATER BOTTLE REFILLS		14.98
12999		RBC ROYAL BANK VISA	AMAZON - LIBRARY CRAYONS		28.24
12999		RBC ROYAL BANK VISA	AMAZON - MAP DESKTOP CLEAR PROTECTOR		49.71
12999		RBC ROYAL BANK VISA	AMAZON - SMALLER GARBAGE BAGS		53.2
12999		RBC ROYAL BANK VISA	VALU-MART - COFFEE SUPPLIES		79.74
12999	3-Oct-24	RBC ROYAL BANK VISA	AMAZON - LIBRARY BOOKS		105.9
12999	3-Oct-24	RBC ROYAL BANK VISA	AMAZON - LIBRARY GUILLOTINE TRIMMER		142.32
12999	3-Oct-24	RBC ROYAL BANK VISA	STARLINK - AIRPORT LANDFILL SEPTEMBER		158.2
12999	3-Oct-24	RBC ROYAL BANK VISA	COSTCO - PAPER TOWELS		162.67
12999	3-Oct-24	RBC ROYAL BANK VISA	SPORTCHEK - ICE HELMET		173.96
12999	3-Oct-24	RBC ROYAL BANK VISA	DOMINION - LUNCH EMERGENCY SERVICES CALL SEPT.14		178.7
12999	3-Oct-24	RBC ROYAL BANK VISA	AUX TROIS MOULIN - MECHANIC ROOM		205.66
12999	3-Oct-24	RBC ROYAL BANK VISA	CANADA POST - INSERT 3RD QTR NEWSLETTER		223.74
12999	3-Oct-24	RBC ROYAL BANK VISA	CANADA POST - INSERT CRDC VOLUNTEER POSTION		223.74
12999	3-Oct-24	RBC ROYAL BANK VISA	CANADA POST - INSERT LANDFILL FESS		223.74
12999	3-Oct-24	RBC ROYAL BANK VISA	ORFA - LEGAL AWARENESS TRAINING		621.5
12999	3-Oct-24	RBC ROYAL BANK VISA	AMAZON - 7 ROLLER SHADES MUSEUM		811.18
12999	3-Oct-24	RBC ROYAL BANK VISA	CANADA HR SOLUTIONS- BYLAW/BUILDING TRAINING		1881.45
13000	3-Oct-24	RBC ROYAL BANK VISA	AMAZON - HEADSET LANDLINE		32.65
13000	3-Oct-24	RBC ROYAL BANK VISA	AMAZON - CORDED TELEPHONE HEADSET		37.18
13000		RBC ROYAL BANK VISA	AMAZON - NOTEPADS		42.88
13000		RBC ROYAL BANK VISA	STARLINK - LANDFILL INTERNET SEPTEMBER		158.2
13000		RBC ROYAL BANK VISA	KROWN - UNDERCOATING FORD 150 2023		163.85
13000		RBC ROYAL BANK VISA	AMAZON - NEW DOOR HANDLE		406.78
13001		RECTOR MACHINE WORKS LTD.	9 - SHARPEN ZAMBONI BLADES		762.75
13001		SPECTRUM TELECOM GROUP LTD.	PW RADIO OCTOBER		49.72
13002		SPECTRUM TELECOM GROUP LTD.	GPS TRACKING - OCTOBER		107.35
			CELL PHONES OCTOBER		
13003		TBAYTEL TIMMING DECORATING CENTRE			135.02
13004		TIMMINS DECORATING CENTRE	PAINT - ROAD LINES		247.46
13005		TIM SINCLAIR CONSULTING	CPUC - SOFTWARE SUPPORT		1039.6
13006		WEAVER SIMMONS LLP	LEGAL SERVICES		197.75
13007		WHITEHOTS INC.	WHITEHOTS - LIBRARY BOOKS		182.16
13008		WORKPLACE SAFETY AND INSURANCE BOARD	WSIB - JULY -SEPTEMBER LIBRARY		34.43
13009		XEROX CANADA LTD.	COPIER CHARGES SEPTEMBER		239.94
13009	3-Oct-24	XEROX CANADA LTD.	COPIER LEASE OCTOBER		267.67
				\$	137,237.47

CORRESPONDENCE



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September 20, 2024 BY E-MAIL

Hon. Andrea Khanjin, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks 5th Floor 777 Bay St.
Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

Dear Minister Khanjin:

Ontario Deposit Return Program

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to formally address the recent discussions surrounding the Ontario Deposit Return Program, particularly regarding our community residents asking us about the recycling of nonalcoholic beverage plastics.

Whereas the Ontario Deposit Return Program has successfully incentivized the recycling of alcoholic beverage containers, resulting in the removal of over 204,000 tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions, we recognize the potential for similar success with nonalcoholic beverages.

The Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks highlighted in their June 2023 letter that they are considering the adoption of a deposit-and-return system for nonalcoholic beverages. This initiative presents a unique opportunity to further promote recycling, reduce litter, and encourage sustainable practices among consumers.

Therefore, I am proud to announce that our Council endorses the expansion of the Ontario Deposit Return Program to include nonalcoholic beverage containers. We believe that this expansion will not only enhance environmental stewardship but also foster a culture of sustainability within our community.

We encourage all stakeholders to support this initiative and work collaboratively towards its implementation. Together, we can make a significant impact on our environment and set a positive example for future generations.

Yours truly,

Mayor James Leduc

Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury

CC:

Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance

Hon. Caroline Mulroney, Member of Provincial Parliament for York-Simcoe MPP Sandy Shaw, Opposition Environment, Conservation and Parks Critic

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Honourable Premier Doug Ford Doug.Fordco@pc.ola.org

Sent via electronic mail

October 4, 2024

Dear Honourable Premier Doug Ford

At its Regular meeting on October 2, 2024, the Township of Springwater's Council passed resolution C506-2024 endorsing the AMO and OMA Joint Health Resolution Campaign.

Resolution C506-2024

Moved by: Garwood Seconded by: Fisher

Whereas the state of health care in Ontario is in crisis, with 2.5 million Ontarians lacking access to a family doctor, emergency room closures across the province, patients being derostered and 40% of family doctors considering retirement over the next five years; and

Whereas it has becoming increasingly challenging to attract and retain an adequate healthcare workforce throughout the health sector across Ontario; and,

Whereas Ontario municipal governments play an integral role in the health care system through responsibilities in public health, long-term care, and paramedicine; and,

Whereas the percentage of family physicians practicing comprehensive family medicine has declined from 77% in 2008 to 65% in 2022; and,

Whereas per capita health-care spending in Ontario is the lowest of all provinces in Canada; and,

Whereas a robust workforce developed through a provincial, sector-wide health human resources strategy would significantly improve access to health services across the Province; and.

Whereas these cracks in Ontario's health care system are impacting economic development, health, and well-being at the local level; and,

Whereas in response, the Ontario Medical Association (OMA) and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) are working collaboratively to advocate for a better healthcare system for Ontario residents and communities.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved That, Council of The Corporation of the Township of Springwater urge the Province of Ontario to recognize the physician shortage in Springwater and Ontario, to fund health care appropriately and ensure every Ontarian has access to physician care; and

 Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this resolution be circulated to the Premier of Ontario, Hon. Doug Ford; Barrie-Springwater-Oro Medonte Member of Provincial Parliament, Hon. Doug Downey, the Minister of Health, Hon. Sylvia Jones, the Ontario Medical Association (OMA), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario municipalities.

Carried

I can be reached via email at <u>jennifer.coughlin@springwater.ca</u> or by phone at 705-728-4784, Ext. 2020.

Regards,

Jennifer Coughlin Mayor, Township of Springwater

cc: Hon. Minister of Health Sylvia Jones Hon. MPP Doug Shipley Ontario Medical Association Association of Municipalities of Ontario All Ontario Municipalities





October 11, 2024

Sent via email: premier@ontario.ca

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

RE: Opposition to the Transportation and Deposition of Naturally Occurring Radioactive Material (NORM) and Mine Tailings from the Former Beaucage Mine and Waste Site

On behalf of the Councils of the Corporation of the Township of Nairn and Hyman and the Corporation of the Township of Baldwin, we are formally submitting the attached joint resolution regarding our serious concerns over the proposed transportation and deposition of radioactive naturally occurring materials (NORM) to the Agnew Lake Tailings Management Area (ALTMA).

Our Councils recently convened a Joint Emergency Meeting on October 2, 2024, to discuss this matter in response to information presented at a Town Hall Meeting on September 11, 2024, by the Ministry of Mines, the Ministry of Transportation, and the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission. During our deliberations, it became evident that the materials slated for transport are not correctly categorized as NORM, but rather as mine tailings containing not only radioactive substances like niobium and uranium but also other hazardous heavy metals.

We are gravely concerned about the potential environmental and health impacts this project may have, particularly on Agnew Lake—a critical drinking water source for our communities. Our position is that ALTMA should be remediated using clean materials to mitigate existing contamination rather than accepting additional hazardous materials that could exacerbate environmental harm.

This joint resolution calls upon your government and relevant ministries to halt any further actions related to the transportation of this hazardous product to the ALTMA site. The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION # 2024-EM2-12 DATED: October 2, 2024 MOVED BY: Vern Gorham SECONDED BY: Jason Cote

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Nairn and Hyman and the Council of the Corporation the Township of Baldwin convened a Joint Emergency Meeting on Wednesday, October 2, 2024 to discuss the proposed plan to transport and deposit radioactive naturally occurring materials (NORM) at the Agnew Lake Tailings Management Area (ALTMA); and

WHEREAS the Councils reviewed information received from the Ministry of Mines, the Ministry of Transportation and the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission regarding this proposed plan at the Town Hall Meeting dated September 11, 2024; and

WHEREAS the Councils strongly agree that the materials that are planned to be deposited are not correctly defined as naturally occurring radioactive materials but rather mine tailings that contain not only the radioactive substance Niobium and uranium but also contain heavy metals that pose significant environmental and health risks; and

WHEREAS there are significant concerns regarding the potential contamination of drinking water sources, particularly Agnew Lake, which many residents rely on for safe drinking water; and

WHEREAS the Councils agree that the Agnew Lake Tailings Management Area (ALTMA) needs to be remediated using clean materials to mitigate the existing environmental impacts, rather than being used for the deposition of additional hazardous materials; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Nairn and Hyman and the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Baldwin formally oppose the transportation and deposition of these materials from the former Beaucage Mine and Waste Site, Nipissing First Nations lands and adjacent lands operated by the Ministry of Transportation to the Agnew Lake Tailings Management Area; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Nairn and Hyman and the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Baldwin respectfully demand that the Province of Ontario, the Ministry of Mines, the Ministry of Transportation, the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission provide answers to our questions and that the municipalities receive notification of all forward movements of this project; and

THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable George Pirie, the Minister of Mines; the Honourable Prabmeet Sarkaria, the Minister of Transportation; the Honourable Andrea Khanjin, the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks; Chief Toulouse and Sagamok Anishnawbek Council Members; Chief Nootchtai and Atikameksheng Anishnawbek Council Members; Chief Rodney Nahwegahbow and the Whitefish River First Nation Council Members; Chief Patsy Corbiere and the Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation Council Members; the United Chiefs and Council of Mnidoo Mnising; Ontario Ombudsman; the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission; the Canadian Environmental Law Association; MP Carol Hughes; MPP Michael Mantha; the Association of Ontario Municipalities and all Ontario Municipalities.

CARRIED

We respectfully request your immediate attention to this matter and urge the Province of Ontario to prioritize the protection of our community's health, safety, and environmental integrity.

For more information regarding this matter, please contact our municipal office by email at belindaketchabaw@nairncentre.ca or by phone at (705) 869-4232.

Yours truly,

Belinda Ketchabaw CAO Clerk Treasurer

Township of Nairn and Hyman

Cc:

Honourable George Pirie, the Minister of Mines
Honourable Prabmeet Sarkaria, the Minister of Transportation
Honourable Andrea Khanjin, the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks
Chief Toulouse and the Sagamok Anishnawbek Council Members
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Ontario's Forest Industry By the Numbers

\$21B total revenues

\$4.4B

contribution to the provincial GDP

142,000

direct, indirect, and induced jobs

7.2B Tonnes

Carbon Stored in Ontario's Public Forests

72.6M

trees planted

300M+

seeds in aerial seeding

\$60M

renewal expenditures

25.5M Tonnes

Carbon stored in wood products from Ontario's Managed Forest

Introduction

Since 2018, the forest industry has invested 3.6 billion dollars in Ontario. Autonomous vehicles, drones, robotics, advanced chemicals, machine learning, optimization, and artificial intelligence are commonplace across our industry's operations. The pace of change and innovation will only increase as our industry meets a rising global demand for green energy and sustainable, low-carbon forest products.

An ambitious growth plan, as outlined in *Ontario's Forest Sector Strategy* (the "Strategy"), a well-managed forest resource, and an "open for business" attitude have formed the groundwork for an incredible green economic growth opportunity in northern, rural, and Indigenous communities across the province. Released in 2020, the Strategy is committed to utilizing the full annual allowable cut (AAC) of 30 million m³ by 2030, sustainably doubling the sector's current footprint.

Ontario, however, is not immune from global economic and market pressures. High inflation, rising interest rates, workforce shortages, protectionist trade policy, and declining or stagnant market segments represent significant and challenging headwinds. These are complex issues that require a whole-of-government approach. Attracting new investment, developing new products, and growing the sector are important, yet maintaining its existing footprint is essential.

Ensuring a thriving forest sector requires a fully integrated network of forest management planning, road infrastructure, competitive woodland and mill operations, a skilled workforce, and open market access. Above all else, Ontario must keep our public forests working for the people and meet the increasing global demand for sustainably sourced forest products.

To assist Ontario in navigating these complex issues, the Ontario Forest Industries Association (OFIA) has developed its 2024-25 Pre-Budget Submission to serve as a roadmap to success in Strategy implementation. Acting on the following recommendations will unlock the vast economic and environmental potential of Ontario's forest resources and contribute to a better Ontario.

Summary of OFIA's 2024-25 Recommendations

Implement Sustainable Growth: Ontario's Forest Sector Strategy (the Strategy), focusing on key competitiveness measures:

- 1. Prioritize biomass and pulpwood market development to improve forest sector competitiveness and resiliency;
- 2. Improve forest road infrastructure, leveraging private investments;
- 3. Improve market access and maintain the effectiveness of Ontario's adaptive and sustainable forest management framework;
- 4. Address the cumulative costs of carbon pricing;
- 5. Position Ontario as a globally competitive jurisdiction through red tape and cost reduction;
- 6. Develop the workforce of the future and enhance forest community livability.

1. Prioritize biomass and pulpwood market development to improve forest sector competitiveness and resiliency.

OFIA recommends:

- a. Ensure a multi-year commitment and expansion to the \$19.6 million *Forest Biomass Fund*;
- b. Modify provincial energy policy to procure greater amounts of forest biomass-fired electricity, supporting community energy and district heating projects;
- c. Prioritize the global competiveness of Ontario's pulp and paper sector and potential commercialization of innovative products and advanced chemicals;
- d. Incentivize greater use of low-carbon forest biomass within industrial (e.g., steel, mining, chemical, and forestry facilities) processes through Ontario's Emission Performance Standard (EPS) program and innovation funding.

Every year, a sustainable yield of approximately 14 million m³ of timber is harvested from Ontario's managed public forest. This material works through a highly integrated network of mills and facilities, producing a wide range of products, materials, and secondary products.

Market development within biomass and pulpwood markets is perhaps the greatest opportunity to enhance the supply chain and bolster competitiveness across Ontario's forest industry. Alternatively, a contraction within this market segment poses a significant threat to the future viability of the entire forest sector.

Canada used to be the largest market pulp-producing country in the world but continues to lose share to lower-cost mills in other regions. While Ontario's Northern Bleached Softwood Kraft (NBSK) remains highly sought after for its desirable technical properties, some facilities require significant capital investments to stay competitive. North America competes with low-cost international jurisdictions like Southeast Asia and South America, which have seen significant capital investment in new mills and intensively managed tree plantations over recent years.

The OFIA strongly supports initiatives such as Ontario's \$19.6 milllion *Forest Biomass Program* and *Forest Sector Investment and Innovation Program* that aim to maximize the use of wood residuals, reduce the need for carbon-intensive fuels, and avoid unnecessary pressures on landfills. Ensuring the success of these programs will help sustain the circular bioeconomy and the integration of Ontario's forest sector. Government support for existing pulp, paper, and biomass facilities is essential to the sector's long-term success.

Bioenergy production, the most deployable and scalable forest biomass technology currently available, presents an enormous opportunity to assist in this goal. Increasing volumes within existing power purchase agreement (PPA) generation facilities, developing community projects, supporting district heating projects, and incentivizing the use of forest biomass in other industrial processes are not only opportunities but are essential to the success of the industry.

2. Improve forest road infrastructure, leveraging private investments.

The OFIA recommends the following to improve Ontario's *Forest Access Roads Funding Program*:

- a. Make an inflationary adjustment of \$15 million/year;
- b. Make a \$5.6 million/year increase to address end-of-life road, bridge, and water crossing infrastructure.

The forest industry builds and maintains public forest infrastructure on behalf of the people of Ontario. This public infrastructure provides essential social, cultural, wellness, and economic opportunities for First Nations and all citizens of Ontario by providing access to the Province's abundance of parks, natural spaces, working forests, critical minerals, and communities. Thousands of Ontario citizens, businesses, anglers, hunters, cottagers, and emergency services depend on a safe and well-maintained public forest road network.

The current funding envelope of \$54 million for the roads program is no longer adequate to meet the infrastructure needs of public and private users of Ontario's forest road infrastructure. Since 2018, the road building and maintenance sector has seen exceptionally high inflation – increased fuel, equipment, and wage costs have significantly weakened the program's purchasing power over the last six years.

Through a comprehensive survey of all forest managers in the province, we estimate a \$20.6 million/year funding deficit. This data reflects annual road maintenance, inflation, and replacing end-of-life bridges, water crossings, and roads.

Improving this program will provide an incredible economic development opportunity for all northern and rural communities, Indigenous and non-Indigenous, right across the province.

3. Improve market access and maintain the effectiveness of Ontario's adaptive and sustainable forest management framework.

OFIA recommends:

- a. Continue to defend Ontario softwood lumber producer's interests in the ongoing trade dispute with the United States;
- b. Work with industry to address non-tariff trade barriers, e.g., "deforestation-free" procurement bills and "forest degradation" initiatives;
- c. Continued implementation of the *Ontario-Canada Boreal Caribou Conservation Agreement*, focusing on caribou range-boundary review and other scientific methods to assess self-sustaining caribou populations;
- d. Work with the OFIA and forest managers to explore potential contributions to Other Effective Area-Based Conservation Measures (OECMs);
- e. Work with the OFIA and forest managers to ensure forest management guidance supports the objectives of Ontario's *Forest Sector Strategy*.

Governments play an essential role in maintaining a positive reputation with customers and honouring commitments to reduce trade barriers within critical export markets. Over \$800 million of Ontario softwood lumber producer's money is on deposit in the U.S. Treasury due to the current iteration of the dispute. This is money that could be re-invested into Ontario facilities and communities. We ask Ontario to continue the rigorous legal defence of its programs and stumpage system, which is currently being investigated by the U.S. Department of Commerce. This issue needs to be raised at every opportunity with Canadian and American officials and viewed as a top diplomatic priority.

Members of the OFIA remain committed to upholding the highest standards of sustainable forest management to maintain ecological processes and conserve biological diversity. We strongly encourage the Ontario government to continue communicating our adaptive forest management framework's effectiveness to the federal government, stakeholders, and defending our industry in the face of misinformation and activist campaigns.

Ensuring our forests remain resilient under a changing climate requires human intervention through sustainable forest management. In pursuing a Federal protected area target, we are concerned that Ontario could erode the working forest landscape. Ontario must carefully consider how protected areas, OECMs, and ecological offsetting will impact the forest industry. We ask MECP and the MNRF to work with us to ensure the forest sector is fully recognized for its contributions to conservation and avoid unintended economic and environmental consequences.

Non-tariff trade barriers, such as "deforestation-free" procurement bills in New York and California, concern our industry. We ask that you continue working with your federal counterparts and state legislators to defend Ontario's world-class forest management system.

4. Address the cumulative costs of carbon pricing

OFIA recommends:

- a. Finalize the proposed approach to the redistribution of EPS proceeds to eligible facilities;
- b. Ensure projects beyond the property limits of facilities are eligible to receive EPS proceeds;
- c. Consider options to mitigate the impacts of the federal carbon fuel charge to the forest sector, evaluating the potential for a made-in-Ontario program.

The OFIA supports an Ontario-based carbon pricing program, and this long-term planning will provide stability for businesses looking to invest in Ontario. We believe that Ontario is better positioned to understand the needs and context of Ontario's emitters.

The world's leading carbon reduction jurisdictions have only achieved such significant progress due to massive increases in the use of forest biomass within industrial processes, combined heat and power, district heating, and electrical generation. Forest biomass is also a much more price-stable source of energy, something that has been highly beneficial to European countries. We view the EPS program as an incredible opportunity to position Ontario as one of these leaders and incentivize increased use of this valuable and sustainable material.

We strongly support using proceeds to create a fund to support research and development into decarbonization and implementing capital-intensive, low-carbon technologies. As an industry, we have made significant progress and investments in decarbonizing operations. Since 1990, Ontario's pulp and paper industry has reduced its greenhouse gas emissions by 56%. Addressing the remaining high-emitting processes will require new research, significant technological advancement, and large capital expenditures.

Re-injecting EPS proceeds into the industry will fast-track the adoption of new technologies and assist companies in making further investments in Ontario. Developing an Ontario fuel surcharge to replace the federal program would provide access to a larger pool of funds to help in this transition.

In parallel, we are concerned that the proposed federal *Clean Fuels Standard* will compound the impacts of the federal fuel surcharge on forestry operations and transportation. There presently are no viable alternatives to decarbonize the sector. We strongly encourage the government to consider ways to collaborate and support the industry through this transition.

5. Position Ontario as a globally competitive jurisdiction through red tape and cost reduction

OFIA recommends:

- a. Ensure government initiatives align with the goals and objectives of the *Forest Sector Strategy* to reduce cost and administrative burden to the sector:
- b. Establish service standards, improve service delivery, and remove the need for low-risk approvals;
- c. Adjust and make permanent the 'fixed' portion of Crown dues for poplar and white birch stumpage to ensure that the rate is consistent with other provincial jurisdictions;
- d. Reduce current electricity costs while maintaining and enhancing existing energy programs (e.g., the Northern Energy Advantage Program, the Industrial Conservation Initiative, the Interruptible Rate Pilot, and the Industrial Electricity Incentive Program).
- e. Lower costs and reduce carbon emissions by increasing payloads on tractor-trailer configuration.
- f. Make the current reduction in provincial fuel tax permanent.

The OFIA fully supports this government's focus on red tape reduction and working together to reduce barriers.

The OFIA has repeatedly flagged cost competitiveness, the speed with which we conduct business, and streamlined approval processes as themes that continue to inhibit global competitiveness and negatively impact wood supply access. Initiatives (the Strategy, provincial policy working groups (TAT, SID, FMPAG), and policy changes) have supported a provincial mandate to reduce red tape and administrative burden. More work on these projects is required for the Strategy to succeed.

Burdensome and lengthy approval processes are a problem for the industry across all business areas. The lack of enforceable service standards has been raised within the industry's mill environment, forest management planning and operations, transportation, and human resource departments. Approvals are either unnecessary (e.g., low-risk), duplicative, or take excessive time.

We look forward to working with various ministries to address these issues in upcoming red-tape reduction bills.

The OFIA is thankful for the continued extension of gas and fuel tax cuts, ending June 30th, 2024. We hope to see this excellent initiative continue past the current expiration date.

6. Develop the workforce of the future and enhance forestry community livability

OFIA recommends:

- a. Establishing a new "Forestry Truck Driver Experience Grant" to offset high insurance costs preventing new drivers from entering the industry;
- b. Recognize and streamline foreign credentials and commercial truck driving licenses;
- c. Remove the *Non-Resident Speculation Tax* from northern, rural, and remote communities.
- d. Continued investments into northern, rural, remote, and Indigenous communities.

Ontario's forest industry is hiring. Developing a sustainable workforce of the future will be essential for our industry's continued success and achieving the Strategy's goals. We ask the Ontario government to continue supporting the work being done with colleagues at the MNRF, the Ministry of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade, and the Ministry of Labour, Immigration, Training, and Skills Development to fast-track new workers and new Canadians with relevant skillsets into the forestry workforce.

Transportation costs have increased significantly over the last six years, and trucking capacity has decreased. Increased capital entry costs, insurance, tire and fuel costs, and an escalating carbon tax are contributing to the trucking crisis within the industry. Furthermore, increased driver training costs, underwriting barriers, and premiums restrict new entrants while we manage an ageing and retiring workforce. We ask the Ontario government to work with the industry, licensing, insurance, and training agencies to develop a comprehensive strategy to alleviate the current trucking shortage.

The OFIA has partnered with Forests Ontario on *Bridging the Gap Between Ontario's Youth & the Provincial Forest Sector*, an Employment Ontario research project. This project investigated job vacancies and training requirements within the sector and provided critical insights into youth perceptions of employment within the forest industry.

The livability of forestry-dependant communities is central to attracting a new workforce. Continued healthcare, education, affordable daycare, and housing investments are necessary to ensure that all Ontarians enjoy the same quality of life. For example, the Non-Resident Speculation Tax (NRST) was intended to deter non-resident investors from speculating on the province's housing market. However, the NRST acts as a barrier to foreign workers filling critical roles in Ontario's small, northern, rural, and remote communities. This was clearly never the program's intent, and we ask that it be corrected.

This government has already invested substantially in infrastructure across the north, including roads and improved internet and cellular coverage, and we look forward to seeing that investment continue. In an increasingly digital age, communities across the north must have

strong technological and built infrastructure. Forestry-dependent communities must become more competitive in drawing residents, particularly new Canadians, through programs such as the *Rural and Northern Immigration Pilot*. The Province needs to consider incentivizing living in the north and enhancing the quality of life for those already there.

Conclusion

The forest sector is integral to Ontario's history and critical to its economic, social and environmental prosperity. OFIA strongly believes we can create a better Ontario through working forests, leveraging visionary policies such as *Sustainable Growth: Ontario's Forest Sector Strategy*. We look forward to continuing productive dialogue and supporting sustainable economic recovery initiatives with the Ontario government.

To Support Ontario's Forest Industry in the 2025 Ontario Budget

WHEREAS, the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) recognizes how vital the Forestry Industry is to the Economy in Ontario;

WHEREAS, the success of the forest sector is critical to the economic and social prosperity of Ontario communities, employing 137,000 people;

WHEREAS, the forest industry has invested over \$3.8 billion in Ontario since 2018;

WHEREAS, Ontario has an opportunity to market global investment in the bioeconomy, similar to critical minerals and electric vehicle manufacturing, and become a leading international jurisdiction;

WHEREAS, over the last 20 years, the North American pulp and paper sector has seen a significant rationalization in production capacity, with investment dollars going to competing international jurisdictions;

WHEREAS, in the last year, Ontario has seen three pulp, paper, and containerboard mills idle or close, negatively impacting communities and the solid wood mills that depend on these facilities as markets for mill by-products and pulpwood;

WHEREAS, U.S. tariffs on softwood lumber are expected to double in 2025, to approximately 30%;

WHEREAS, Ontario should work with federal colleagues to pursue a softwood lumber settlement that works in the best interests of Ontario lumber producers and advocate for a financial backstop;

WHEREAS, Ontario has an opportunity to procure greater amounts of energy (i.e., electricity, heat, fuels, biochar, etc.) from forestry by-products and forests to assist in heavy industry decarbonization and Ontario's forecasted electricity demands;

WHEREAS, Ontario's successful and oversubscribed Forest Biomass Program should continue post-2027;

WHEREAS, Ontario will actively seek investment to restart idled softwood kraft lines in Ontario and Quebec to provide immediate relief for some sawmill producers;

WHEREAS, Ontario's \$10 million *Sawmill Chip Program*, ending March 25, 2025, will likely need to continue and expand in the absence of an immediate restart of a currently idled pulp mill to avoid curtailments at solid wood facilities;

WHEREAS, 5-year bilateral power purchase agreements (PPAs) with forest biomass-fired electrical generation facilities are insufficient and should be expanded both in terms of length and volume to provide communities, industry, and workers with a certain future;

WHEREAS, the public *Forest Access Roads Funding Program*, which provides for the public use of Ontario's forests, should be increased to \$75 million/year to reflect inflationary pressures and support legacy infrastructure upgrades (i.e., roads, bridges, and water crossings).

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) support the implementation of the Ontario Forest Industries Association's 2025 Ontario Budget Recommendations in support of attracting investment and maintaining forest operations and employment in Ontario.

FURTHER BE IIT RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be sent to Minister Vic Fedeli, Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade, Minister Graydon Smith, Natural Resources, Associate Minister Kevin Holland, Forestry and Forest Products, Minister Andrea Khanjin, Environment, Conservation and Parks, Minister Todd McCarthy, Environment, Conservation and Parks, Minister George Pirie, Mines, Minister Steven Lecce, Energy and Electrification, Associate Minister Sam Oosterhoff, Energy Intensive Industries, Minister Peter Bethlenfalvy, Finance, _____local MPP ____, the leaders of the Opposition Parties, the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, AMO, ROMA, and OFIA.