

The Corporation of the County of Northumberland
Finance and Audit Committee
Agenda

Tuesday, February 4, 2025, 11:00 a.m.

Council Chambers

555 Courthouse Road, Cobourg, ON K9A 5J6

Hybrid Meeting (In-Person and Virtual)

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1. Notices

1.a Accessible Format

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1.b Meeting Format

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2. Call to Order

2.a Territorial Land Acknowledgement

3. Approval of the Agenda

Recommended Motion:

"**That** the agenda for the February 4, 2025 Finance and Audit Committee be approved."

4. Disclosures of Interest

5. Delegations

6. Business Arising from Last Meeting

7. Communications

7.a Correspondence, 'Redistribution of Provincial LTT and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding'

7 - 68

Recommended Motion:

"That the Finance and Audit Committee receive the correspondence regarding 'Redistribution of Provincial Land Transfer Tax (LTT) and Goods and Services Tax (GST) to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding' from the following municipalities for information:

- Township of Amaranth
- Town of Aurora
- Town of Cobourg
- City of Port Colborne
- Township of Essa
- Township of McGarry
- Town of New Tecumseth
- Township of North Stormont
- Township of Pelee
- Municipality of Port Hope
- Township of Puslinch
- Municipality of South Huron
- Township of South Stormont
- Municipality of St. Charles
- Township of Stone Mills; and
- City of Stratford
- Municipality of Tweed
- Municipality of Wawa
- Municipality of York; and

Further That the Committee recommend that County Council receive the correspondence for information."

7.b Correspondence, Town of Cobalt 'Catch and Release Justice' 69 - 70

Recommended Motion:

"That the Finance and Audit Committee receive the correspondence from the Town of Cobalt regarding 'Catch and Release Justice' for information, noting that County Council previously considered and supported correspondence regarding this subject matter at the June 19, 2024 Council meeting; and

Further That the Committee recommend that County Council receive this correspondence for information."

7.c Correspondence, Town of Cobalt 'Promptly Resume Assessment Cycle' 71 - 72

Recommended Motion:

"That the Finance and Audit Committee receive the correspondence from the Town of Cobalt regarding 'Promptly Resume Assessment Cycle' for information, noting that County Council previously considered and supported correspondence regarding this subject matter at the August 14, 2024 Council meeting; and

Further That the Committee recommend that County Council receive this correspondence for information."

7.d Correspondence, Township of Puslinch 'New Tax Class Ratio for Aggregate Operations' 73 - 85

Recommended Motion:

"That the Finance and Audit Committee receive the correspondence from the Township of Puslinch regarding 'New Tax Class Ratio for Aggregate Operations' for information; and

Further That the Committee recommend that County Council receive this correspondence for information."

7.e Correspondence, County of Huron 'Court Security and Prisoner Transportation Funding Shortfall' 86 - 88

Recommended Motion:

"That the Finance and Audit Committee receive the correspondence from the County of Huron regarding 'Court Security and Prisoner Transportation Funding Shortfall' for information;

Further That the Committee recommend that County Council receive this correspondence for information."

8. Staff Reports

8.a Report 2025-022 '2025 Borrowing By-law' 89 - 92

Matthew Nitsch, Director Finance / Treasurer

Recommended Motion:

"That the Finance and Audit Committee, having considered Report 2025-022 '2025 Borrowing By-law', recommend that County Council enact a By-law to authorize the borrowing of \$10,000,000 at the February 19, 2025 County Council meeting."

8.b Report 2025-023 '2025 Fees and Charges By-law Revision' 93 - 144

Matthew Nitsch, Director Finance / Treasurer

Recommended Motion:

"That the Finance and Audit Committee, having considered Report 2025-023 '2025 Fees and Charges By-law Revision', recommend that County Council enact a new by-law to consolidate and regulate payment of various fees and charges and to repeal previous by-laws at the February 19, 2025 County Council meeting."

8.c Report 2025-024 'Procurement Activity Report - Q4 2024' 145 - 147

Matthew Nitsch, Director Finance / Treasurer

Recommended Motion:

"That the Finance and Audit Committee receive Report 2024-024 'Procurement Activity Quarterly Report – Quarter 4, 2024 for information, noting that the Procurement By-law 21-2022 under section 4.2.2 requires the Purchasing Manager to provide a quarterly report to County Council that includes itemization of all purchases between \$100,000 and \$1,000,000; and include any over budget approvals up to 10% as authorized under section 6.2; and

Further That the Committee recommend that County Council receive this report for information."

9. Other Matters Considered by Committee

10. Media Questions

11. Closed Session

N/A

12. Motion to Rise and Result from Closed Session

N/A

13. Next Meeting - Tuesday, March 4, 2025 at 11:00 a.m.

14. Adjournment



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December 24, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau
Prime Minister of Canada
Office of the Prime Minister
80 Wellington Street
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

Sent by email to: justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca

**Re: Council Resolution Regarding Requesting the Redistribution of
Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable
Infrastructure Funding**

At its regular meeting of Council held on December 4, 2024, the Township of Amaranth Council passed the following motion:

Resolution #: 5

Moved by: B. Metzger

Seconded by: A. Stirk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

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;

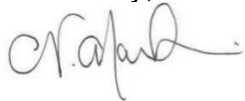
Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That Township of Amaranth Council formally requests

1. The Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding
2. Be It Further Resolved That the Township of Amaranth Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and
3. Be It Further 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
4. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and
5. Be It Further 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

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

Yours truly,



Nicole Martin, Dipl. M.A.
CAO/Clerk



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Aurora, Ontario
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Town of Aurora

Member Motion

Mayor's Office

Re: Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding

To: Members of Council

From: Mayor Tom Mrakas

Date: November 5, 2024

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

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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;

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That Aurora Town Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and

2. Be It Further Resolved That Aurora Town Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and
3. Be It Further 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
4. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and
5. Be It Further 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.

Good day Elected Official,

For many years, we have advocated for our fair share of funding from both Provincial and Federal governments. Through FCM and AMO, we've pushed for reforms and for sustainable, predictable funding for municipal infrastructure. With both Provincial and Federal elections approaching, I believe it's time for us to unite and propose a solution for municipalities' fair share.

As we're asked to meet growth targets, our municipalities urgently need predictable, long-term funding to support critical infrastructure, including roads, bridges, and public transit. We need all levels of government to collaborate on a solution that doesn't rely solely on property taxes to fund essential infrastructure in our communities. That's why we're calling on the Province to allocate a portion of the Land Transfer Tax, and on the Federal Government to allocate a portion of the GST from new home sales—no new taxes, just a fair distribution of our own funds for our communities!

Bellow is a Motion I respectfully ask you to bring forward at your council.

This motion ensures that we have the resources to build and maintain the infrastructure that keeps our municipalities running smoothly, without increasing property taxes.

Please consider adding this Motion to your Council agendas. It is essential that our collective voices are heard. Local governments deserve predictable, long-term funding to support critical infrastructure. Together, we can build a brighter future for all Ontarians.

Motion: Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST

to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding

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;

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That _____Municipality_____ Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and

2. Be It Further Resolved That _____Municipality_____ Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and

3. Be It Further 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

4. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and

5. Be It Further 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.

Regards,

Tom Mrakas

Mayor Town of Aurora

416-543-1624





The Corporation of the Town of Cobourg

Resolution

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December 6, 2024

**RE: Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to
Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding**

Please be advised that the Town of Cobourg Council, at its meeting held on November 20, 2024, passed the following resolution:

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 Town of Cobourg Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and



The Corporation of the Town of Cobourg

Resolution

FURTHER THAT the Town of Cobourg Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and

FURTHER 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 THAT copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and

FURTHER 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.

Sincerely,

Kristina Lepik
Deputy Clerk/Manager, Legislative Services

cc. Honourable, Doug Ford Premier of Ontario;
Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance;
Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing;
Honourable Philip Lawrence, Northumberland – Peterborough South MP;
Honourable David Piccini, Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills
Development and Northumberland – Peterborough South MPP; and
All Ontario Municipalities



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December 5, 2024

Via Email: justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca

The Honourable Justin Trudeau
Prime Minister of Canada
Office of the Prime Minister
80 Wellington Street
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

Via Email: premier@ontario.ca

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

Dear Hon. Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada and Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario

Re: City of Port Colborne Support the Township of McGarry Redistribution of Land Transfer Tax

Please be advised that, at its meeting of November 26, 2024 the Council of The Corporation of the City of Port Colborne supported the resolution from the Township of McGarry regarding Redistribution of Land Transfer Tax.

Please find attached the Township of McGarry correspondence for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Charlotte Madden
City Clerk

ec: Peter Bethlenfalvy, Ontario Minister of Finance
Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Vance Badawey, Member of Parliament, Niagara Centre
Dean Allison, Niagara West MP
Chris Bittle, St. Catharines MP
Tony Baldinelli, Niagara Falls MP
Jeff Burch, Niagara Centre MPP
Wayne Gates, Niagara Falls MPP
Sam Oosterhoff, Niagara West MPP
Jennifer Stevens, St. Catharines MPP
Federation of Canadian Municipalities
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
Ontario Municipalities



November 12, 2024

Resolution No. 333/2024

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MCGARRY
P.O. BOX 99,
VIRGINIATOWN, ON. P0K 1X0**

MOVED BY *Sharon F.*

SECONDED BY *Francine Plante*

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

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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;

1. **Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That** The Council of the Corporation of the Township of McGarry formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and
2. **Be It Further Resolved That** The Council of the Corporation of the Township of McGarry calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and
3. **Be It Further 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 fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and

- Defeated _____ / Carried Bonita Culhane
Mayor Mayor

Requested by _____

NO



November 21, 2024

**Re: Township of Essa Motion No. CR172-2024
Fair Share of Provincial and Federal Government Financial Support**

Please be advised that at its meeting of November 20, 2024, Council of the Township of Essa passed the following:

Resolution No: CR172-2024 Moved by: Sander Seconded by: Kiezebrink

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

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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 Council of the Township of Essa formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and further,

THAT Council of the Township of Essa calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and

THAT this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST 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

THAT copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and

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---

Your consideration and support to Ontario municipalities is appreciated.

Sincerely,



Lisa Lehr, CMO
Township of Essa

cc: Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister
Hon. Doug Ford, Premier
Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance
Hon. Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Brian Saunderson, MPP Simcoe-Grey
Terry Dowdall, MP Simcoe-Grey
All Ontario Municipalities
AMO



November 12, 2024

Resolution No. 333/2024

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MOVED BY *Sharon F.*

SECONDED BY *Francine Plante*

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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;

1. **Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That** The Council of the Corporation of the Township of McGarry formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and
2. **Be It Further Resolved That** The Council of the Corporation of the Township of McGarry calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and
3. **Be It Further 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 fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and

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Defeated _____ / Carried Bonita Culhane
 Mayor Mayor

Recorded Vote	Requested by _____	
	YES	NO
Mayor Bonita Culhane	_____	_____
Councillor Louanne Caza	_____	_____
Councillor Elaine Fic	_____	_____
Councillor Annie Keft	_____	_____
Councillor Francine Plante	_____	_____

December 3, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau
Prime Minister of Canada
Office of the Prime Minister
80 Wellington Street
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

VIA EMAIL: justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca

Dear Prime Minister:

Re: Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST

Please be advised that the Town of New Tecumseth Council passed the following resolution at their meeting of December 2, 2024:

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 Town of New Tecumseth Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities;

And Further That the Town of New Tecumseth Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities;

And Further 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 That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs);

And Further 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.

Yours truly,



Pamela Slowleigh
Deputy Clerk

cc. Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, premier@ontario.ca
Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance, Peter.Bethlenfalvy@pc.ola.org,
minister.fin@ontario.ca
Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing,
minister.mah@ontario.ca, Paul.Calandra@pc.ola.org
Brian Saunderson, MPP Simcoe-Grey, Brian.Saunderson@pc.ola.org,
Terry Dowdall, MP Simcoe-Grey, Terry.Dowdall@parl.gc.ca
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The Corporation of the Township of
NORTH STORMONT
RESOLUTION

Date: November 26, 2024

Resolution No. 393-2024

MOVED BY:

Mayor F. Landry
 Deputy Mayor S. Densham
 Councillor A. Bugelli
 Councillor A. McDonald
 Councillor C. Shane

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SECONDED BY:

Mayor F. Landry
 Deputy Mayor S. Densham
 Councillor A. Bugelli
 Councillor A. McDonald
 Councillor C. Shane

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Township of North Stormont formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transaction to municipalities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Township of North Stormont calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and

BE IT FURTHER 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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Hon. Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister, the Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, MP for Stormont-Dundas-South Glengarry, Eric Duncan, MPP for Stormont-Dundas-South Glengarry, Nolan Quinn; and

FINALLY, 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 ☐ DEFEATED ☐ DEFERRED

Chair

Declaration of Conflict of Interest: _____

☐ Disclosed His/Her/Their Interest

☐ Vacated His/Her/Their Seat

RECORDED VOTE

Councillor C. Shane	_____
Councillor A. McDonald	_____
Councillor A. Bugelli	_____
Deputy Mayor S. Densham	_____
Mayor F. Landry	_____

December 10, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau
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Prime Minister of Canada
Office of the Prime Minister
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The Honourable Doug Ford
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Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Sent via email

RE: Letter of Support – Requesting the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding

Please be advised that the Council of the Township of Pelee passed the following resolution at their Regular Meeting of Council held on November 26th, 2024:

Resolution 2024 – 198

Moved By: Councillor Dave DeLellis

Seconded By: Councillor Stephanie Briggs-Crawford

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pelee hereby support the resolutions from Township of Russel, King Township, Township of Larder Lake, and the Township of McGarry regarding motions to request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding.

Sincerely,

Kristine Horst
Kristine Horst
Township Administrator & Clerk
kristine.horst@pelee.ca

Cc **Municipalities of Ontario**
Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Ontario Minister of Finance Peter.Bethlenfalvy@pc.ola.org
Hon. Paul Calandra, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Paul.Calandra@pc.ola.org
The Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) info@fcm.ca
Association of Municipalities of Ontario amo@amo.on.ca
Dave Epp, MP, Chatham-Kent-Leamington Dave.Epp@parl.gc.ca
Hon. Trevor Jones, MPP, Chatham-Kent-Leamington Trevor.Jones@pc.ola.org

Attachments: Township of Russel Resolution
King Township Resolution
Township of Larder Lake Resolution
Township of McGarry Resolution



TOWNSHIP OF RUSSELL

CERTIFIED RESOLUTION

Date: October 28, 2024

Item(s) no.: 10 a

Subject: Motion to request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding

Moved by: Marc Lalonde

Seconded by: Lisa Deacon

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;

1. NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT the Corporation of the Township of Russell Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and

2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Corporation of the Township of Russell Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and

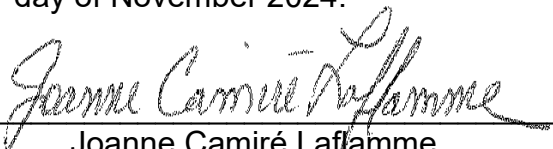
3. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and

4. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and

5. **BE IT FURTHER 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

MOTION APPROVED

I, Joanne Camiré Laflamme, Clerk of the Corporation of the Township of Russell, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the resolution adopted by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Russell on the 12th day of November 2024.



Joanne Camiré Laflamme
Clerk



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November 18, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau
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The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

premier@ontario.ca

Dear Prime Minister and Premier,

**RE: TOWNSHIP OF KING RESOLUTION – REQUESTING THE REDISTRIBUTION OF
PROVINCIAL LAND TRANSFER TAX AND GST TO MUNICIPALITIES FOR
SUSTAINABLE INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING**

At its Council meeting of November 12, 2024, Council of the Township of King received and supported the following Resolution:

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;

1. The Township of King Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and

2. The Township of King Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and
3. 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
4. That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and
5. 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 Unanimously.

Yours sincerely,



Denny Timm
Township Clerk

cc. Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Ontario Minister of Finance Peter.Bethlenfalvy@pc.ola.org
Hon. Paul Calandra, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Paul.Calandra@pc.ola.org
Anna Roberts, MP, King-Vaughan anna.roberts@parl.gc.ca
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Mayor Steve Pellegrini, King spellegrini@king.ca
Councillor David Boyd, King dboyd@king.ca

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LARDER LAKE

69 Fourth Avenue, Larder Lake, ON
Phone: 705-643-2158 Fax: 705-643-2311



MOVED BY:

- ☒ Thomas Armstrong
☐ Patricia Hull
☐ Paul Kelly
☐ Lynne Paquette

SECONDED BY:

- ☐ Thomas Armstrong
☐ Patricia Hull
☒ Paul Kelly
☐ Lynne Paquette

Motion #: 7

Resolution #: 7

Date: November 12, 2024

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

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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;

Recorded vote requested: ☐

	For	Against
Tom Armstrong		
Patricia Hull		
Paul Kelly		
Lynne Paquette		
Patty Quinn		

I declare this motion

<input type="checkbox"/> Carried
<input type="checkbox"/> Lost / Defeated
<input type="checkbox"/> Deferred to: _____ (enter date) Because:
<input type="checkbox"/> Referred to: _____ (enter body) Expected response: _____ (enter date)

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest*

Chair: _____

*Disclosed his/her (their) interest(s), abstained from discussion and did not vote on this question.

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LARDER LAKE

69 Fourth Avenue, Larder Lake, ON

Phone: 705-643-2158 Fax: 705-643-2311



MOVED BY:

☒ Thomas Armstrong
☐ Patricia Hull
☐ Paul Kelly
☐ Lynne Paquette

SECONDED BY:

☐ Thomas Armstrong
☐ Patricia Hull
☒ Paul Kelly
☐ Lynne Paquette

Motion #: 8

Resolution #: 7

Date: November 12, 2024

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

2. Be It Further Resolved That the Township of Larder Lake Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and

3. Be It Further 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

4. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and

5. Be It Further 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.

Recorded vote requested: ☐

	For	Against
Tom Armstrong	✓	
Patricia Hull	✓	
Paul Kelly	✓	
Lynne Paquette		
Patty Quinn	✓	

I declare this motion

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carried
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Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest*

Chair:

Patricia Hull

*Disclosed his/her (their) interest(s), abstained from discussion and did not vote on this question.



November 12, 2024

Resolution No. 333/2024

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MCGARRY
P.O. BOX 99,
VIRGINIATOWN, ON. P0K 1X0**

MOVED BY *Sharon F.*

SECONDED BY *Francine Plante*

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;

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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;

1. **Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That** The Council of the Corporation of the Township of McGarry formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and
2. **Be It Further Resolved That** The Council of the Corporation of the Township of McGarry calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and
3. **Be It Further 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 their share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and

- Defeated _____ / Carried Bonita Culhane
Mayor Mayor

Requested by _____

NO

*MUNICIPALITY OF PORT HOPE
RESOLUTION*

Date: 17 December 2024

252 - 2024

MOVED BY: *Deputy Mayor Hollaway Wadhvani*

SECONDED BY: *Councillor Toms*

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

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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 Municipality of Port Hope Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Municipality of Port Hope Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and

BE IT FURTHER 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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and

BE IT FURTHER 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.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Olena H', is written over a faint circular official stamp. The signature is fluid and cursive.

Mayor Olena Hankivsky



Hon. Justin Trudeau
Prime Minister of Canada
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Hon. Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
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December 13, 2024

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RE: Redistribution of Land Transfer Tax and Property Sale GST

Please be advised that Township of Puslinch Council, at its meeting held on November 27, 2024 considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

Resolution No. 2024-429:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Hurst

That the Consent Agenda items listed with the exception of items 6.2 and 6.3 for NOVEMBER 27, 2024 Council meeting be received for information; and

Whereas the Township of Puslinch supports the Resolution from the Township of Larder Lake and Township of McGarry;

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;

Be it resolved that the Township of Puslinch requests as follows:

That the Provincial Government consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and

That the Federal Government be requested to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and

That this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST 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, thereby ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and



Be It further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and

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

As per the above resolution, please accept a copy of this correspondence for your information and consideration.

Sincerely,

Justine Brotherston
Municipal Clerk

CC: All Ontario Municipalities, Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LARDER LAKE

69 Fourth Avenue, Larder Lake, ON
Phone: 705-643-2158 Fax: 705-643-2311



MOVED BY:

- ☒ Thomas Armstrong
☐ Patricia Hull
☐ Paul Kelly
☐ Lynne Paquette

SECONDED BY:

- ☐ Thomas Armstrong
☐ Patricia Hull
☒ Paul Kelly
☐ Lynne Paquette

Motion #: 7

Resolution #: 7

Date: November 12, 2024

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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;

Recorded vote requested: ☐

	For	Against
Tom Armstrong		
Patricia Hull		
Paul Kelly		
Lynne Paquette		
Patty Quinn		

I declare this motion

<input type="checkbox"/> Carried
<input type="checkbox"/> Lost / Defeated
<input type="checkbox"/> Deferred to: _____ (enter date) Because:
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Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest*

Chair: _____

*Disclosed his/her (their) interest(s), abstained from discussion and did not vote on this question.

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LARDER LAKE

69 Fourth Avenue, Larder Lake, ON

Phone: 705-643-2158 Fax: 705-643-2311



MOVED BY:

1 ☐ Thomas Armstrong
☐ Patricia Hull
☐ Paul Kelly
☐ Lynne Paquette

SECONDED BY:

☐ Thomas Armstrong
☐ Patricia Hull
☒ Paul Kelly
☐ Lynne Paquette

Motion #: 8

Resolution #: 7

Date: November 12, 2024

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5. *Be It Further 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.*

Recorded vote requested: ☐

	For	Against
Tom Armstrong	✓	
Patricia Hull	✓	
Paul Kelly	✓	
Lynne Paquette		
Patty Quinn	✓	

I declare this motion

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Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest*

Chair: [REDACTED]

***Disclosed his/her (their) interest(s), abstained from discussion and did not vote on this question.**



November 12, 2024

Resolution No. 333/2024

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MCGARRY
P.O. BOX 99,
VIRGINIATOWN, ON. P0K 1X0**

MOVED BY

SECONDED BY

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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;

1. **Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That** The Council of the Corporation of the Township of McGarry formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and
2. **Be It Further Resolved That** The Council of the Corporation of the Township of McGarry calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and
3. **Be It Further 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 their share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and

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Defeated _____ / Carried _____
 Mayor Mayor

Recorded Vote	Requested by _____	
	YES	NO
Mayor Bonita Culhane	_____	_____
Councillor Louanne Caza	_____	_____
Councillor Elaine Fic	_____	_____
Councillor Annie Keft	_____	_____
Councillor Francine Plante	_____	_____



CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SOUTH HURON

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December 11, 2024

Via email: justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca

Office of the Prime Minister
80 Wellington Street
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau

Re: Redistribution of Land Transfer Tax and GST

Please be advised that South Huron Council passed the following resolution at their December 9, 2024, Regular Council Meeting:

518-2024

Moved By: Marissa Vaughan

Seconded by: Aaron Neeb

Result: Carried

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 hereby resolved that the Municipality of South Huron Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and

Be it further resolved that the Municipality of South Huron Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and

Be it further 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

Be it further resolved that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and

Be it further 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

Respectfully,

Kendra Webster, Legislative & Licensing Co-ordinator
Municipality of South Huron
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Encl.

cc: Premier of Ontario, Hon. Doug Ford, doug.fordco@pc.ola.org
Ontario Minister of Finance, Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy,
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To: [Premier of Ontario | Premier ministre de l'Ontario](#); [Minister.fin@ontario.ca](#); [minister.mah@ontario.ca](#); [Nolan.Quinn@pc.ola.org](#)
Subject: South Stormont Resolution - Redistribution of a portion of Land Transfer Tax and Goods and Services Tax to Municipalities
Date: Tuesday, December 24, 2024 12:01:25 PM
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CAUTION: External E-Mail

Good day,
Please be advised that Council of the Township of South Stormont passed the following resolution on December 18, 2024:

Resolution No.: 253/2024
Moved By: Deputy Mayor Andrew Guindon
Seconded by: Councillor Cindy Woods

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 Council of the Township of South Stormont formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities;
Further, that Council of the Township of South Stormont calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities;
Further, 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;

Further, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs);

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.

Result: CARRIED

Kind regards,



Ashley Sloan, AMP

Deputy Clerk

Marriage Officiant

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**The Corporation of the Municipality of St. Charles
RESOLUTION PAGE**



Regular Meeting of Council

Agenda Number: 8.5.

Resolution Number 2024-406

Title: Resolution Requesting the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding (Fair Share)

Date: November 20, 2024

Moved by: Councillor Loftus

Seconded by: Councillor Lachance

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;

1. **NOW THEREFORE BE IN HEREBY RESOLVED THAT** Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of St.-Charles formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and,
2. **BE IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of St.-Charles calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and,
3. **BE IT FURTHER 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,

4. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and,
5. **BE IT FURTHER 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


MAYOR

Corporation of The Township of Stone Mills

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December 19, 2024

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau
Office of the Prime Minister
80 Wellington Street
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

Sent by Email

RE: Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Stone Mills at its meeting on December 16, 2024, adopted the following resolution,

Moved by Councillor McDonald
Seconded by Councillor Woodcock

That the correspondence from the Town of Aurora be received and the following motion be adopted,

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 Hereby Resolved That Township of Stone Mills Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and

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

Be It Further 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

Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and

Be It Further 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.

If you require anything further, please contact the undersigned.

B Teeple

Brandi Teeple

Township Clerk

Township of Stone Mills

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cc. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario

Peter Bethlenfalvy Ontario Minister of Finance

Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Ric Bresee, MPP Hastings-Lennox and Addington

Shelby Kramp-Neuman MP Hastings-Lennox and Addington

All Ontario municipalities

Federation of Canadian Municipalities

Association of Municipalities of Ontario

Good day Elected Official,

For many years, we have advocated for our fair share of funding from both Provincial and Federal governments. Through FCM and AMO, we've pushed for reforms and for sustainable, predictable funding for municipal infrastructure. With both Provincial and Federal elections approaching, I believe it's time for us to unite and propose a solution for municipalities' fair share.

As we're asked to meet growth targets, our municipalities urgently need predictable, long-term funding to support critical infrastructure, including roads, bridges, and public transit. We need all levels of government to collaborate on a solution that doesn't rely solely on property taxes to fund essential infrastructure in our communities. That's why we're calling on the Province to allocate a portion of the Land Transfer Tax, and on the Federal Government to allocate a portion of the GST from new home sales—no new taxes, just a fair distribution of our own funds for our communities!

Bellow is a Motion I respectfully ask you to bring forward at your council.

This motion ensures that we have the resources to build and maintain the infrastructure that keeps our municipalities running smoothly, without increasing property taxes.

Please consider adding this Motion to your Council agendas. It is essential that our collective voices are heard. Local governments deserve predictable, long-term funding to support critical infrastructure. Together, we can build a brighter future for all Ontarians.

Motion: Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST

to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding

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;

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That _____Municipality_____ Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and

2. Be It Further Resolved That _____Municipality_____ Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and

3. Be It Further 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

4. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and

5. Be It Further 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.

Regards,

Tom Mrakas

Mayor Town of Aurora

416-543-1624





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December 18, 2024

Sent via email: dmoratto@king.ca

Diane M. Moratto,
Administrative Clerk – Council/Committee
Township of King

Re: Resolution Regarding Requesting the Redistribution of Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities

We acknowledge receipt of your correspondence dated November 18, 2024, regarding the above-mentioned matter.

The said correspondence was provided to Stratford City Council for their consideration as part of the December 16, 2024, Council meeting Consent Agenda (CA-2024-197). At the meeting, Council adopted the following resolution:

THAT CA-2024-197, being resolutions requesting the redistribution of Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities for sustainable infrastructure funding, be endorsed.

Sincerely,
T. Dafoe
Tatiana Dafoe, Clerk

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cc: Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Ontario Minister of Finance
Hon. Paul Calandra, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
All Ontario municipalities



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November 18, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau
Prime Minister of Canada
Office of the Prime Minister
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Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca

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

premier@ontario.ca

Dear Prime Minister and Premier,

**RE: TOWNSHIP OF KING RESOLUTION – REQUESTING THE REDISTRIBUTION OF
PROVINCIAL LAND TRANSFER TAX AND GST TO MUNICIPALITIES FOR
SUSTAINABLE INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING**

At its Council meeting of November 12, 2024, Council of the Township of King received and supported the following Resolution:

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;

1. The Township of King Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and

2. The Township of King Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and
3. 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
4. That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and
5. 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 Unanimously.

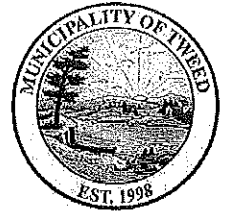
Yours sincerely,



Denny Timm
Township Clerk

cc. Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Ontario Minister of Finance Peter.Bethlenfalvy@pc.ola.org
Hon. Paul Calandra, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
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Councillor David Boyd, King dboyd@king.ca

**Municipality of Tweed Council Meeting
Council Meeting**



Resolution No. 589
Title: Town of Aurora, Aurora, ON
Date: Tuesday, November 12, 2024

Moved by J. Palmateer
Seconded by P. Valiquette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council support the Mayor of the Town of Aurora request for the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding.

AND FURTHER THAT Council hereby adopts the following Resolution:

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 Hereby Resolved That the Municipality of Tweed Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and

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

Be It Further 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

Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau,

MP Scott Fraser, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament, Ric Bresee and Members of Provincial Parliament Shelby Kramp-Neuman and Minister of Infrastructure, Kinga Surma; and

Be It Further 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) and Rural Ontario Municipalities Association (ROMA) for their endorsement and advocacy.

Carried





The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

Tuesday, November 19, 2024

Resolution # RC24268	Meeting Order: 6
Moved by: 	Seconded by: 

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 Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and

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The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

BE IT FURTHER 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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and

FINALLY, 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.

RESOLUTION RESULT		RECORDED VOTE		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CARRIED	MAYOR AND COUNCIL	YES	NO
<input type="checkbox"/>	DEFEATED	Mitch Hatfield		
<input type="checkbox"/>	TABLED	Cathy Cannon		
<input type="checkbox"/>	RECORDED VOTE (SEE RIGHT)	Melanie Pilon		
<input type="checkbox"/>	PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARED	Jim Hoffmann		
<input type="checkbox"/>	WITHDRAWN	Joseph Opato		

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof.

- ☐ Disclosed the pecuniary interest and general name thereof and abstained from the discussion, vote and influence.

Clerk: _____

MAYOR – MELANIE PILON	CLERK – MAURY O'NEILL

From: [Regional.Clerk](#)
Subject: Motion to Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding
Date: Monday, December 2, 2024 2:24:21 PM

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CAUTION: External E-Mail

On November 28, 2024 Regional Council endorsed the following resolution:

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;

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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;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Regional Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Regional Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities;

AND BE IT FURTHER 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 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs)

AND BE IT FURTHER 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.

Regards,

Christopher Raynor (he/him) | Regional Clerk, Regional Clerk's Office, Corporate Services
Department

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THE CORPORATION OF THE **TOWN OF COBALT**

December 12, 2024

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

Sent Via Email: premier@ontario.ca

Please be advised that the Council of the Town of Cobalt passed the following resolution at its Regular Meeting of Council held Tuesday, December 10, 2024.

RESOLUTION No. 2024-218

MOVED BY: Councillor Wilcox
SECONDED BY: Councillor Lafleur

WHEREAS Police Services across Ontario are exhausting precious time and resources having to manage the repeated arrests of the same offenders, which in turn, is impacting their morale, and ultimately law-abiding citizens who are paying the often significant financial and emotional toll of this broken system;

AND WHEREAS the “catch and release” system is needlessly increasing the policing costs to the Municipalities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT that the Corporation of the Town of Cobalt will send a letter to the Federal and Provincial Governments requesting meaningful improvements to the current state of “catch and release” justice in the Ontario legal system;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Premier, the relevant federal and provincial authorities, the Rural Ontario Municipalities Association, the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities and all municipalities in Ontario for their endorsement consideration.

Thank you,



Steven Dalley
Town Manager, Clerk/Treasurer
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cc: Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, premier@ontario.ca
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Associations of Municipalities Association, amo@amo.on.ca
All Ontario Municipalities



THE CORPORATION OF THE **TOWN OF COBALT**

December 11, 2024

Hon. Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building, Room 28, Queen's Park
Toronto, Ontario
M7A 1A1

Sent Via Email: Premier@ontario.ca

Please be advised that at the Regular Meeting of Council on December 10, 2024, the Town of Cobalt adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION No. 2024-217

MOVED BY: Councillor Starchuk

SECONDED BY: Councillor Lafleur

WHEREAS the assessment cycle is an essential process for maintaining the fairness and predictability of property taxes in our province;

AND WHEREAS the pause in the reassessment cycle has created uncertainty and instability in the property taxation, impacting both residential and commercial property owners;

AND WHEREAS the government has delayed an assessment update again in 2024, resulting in Ontario's municipalities continuing to calculate property taxes using 2016 property values;

AND WHEREAS both current and outdated assessments are inaccurate, increase volatility, and are not transparent;

AND WHEREAS frequent and accurate reassessments are necessary to stabilize property taxes and provide predictability for property owners, residents, and businesses alike;

AND WHEREAS the staff at the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation would benefit from further skill enhancement and training in assessments, recognizing the importance of ensuring accurate evaluations for 100% of our municipality;

AND WHEREAS the pause in the reassessment cycle has created uncertainty and instability in the property taxation, impacting both residential and commercial property owners;

AND WHEREAS the Government has announced a review of the property assessment and taxation system with a focus on fairness, equity, and economic competitiveness, and therefore further deferring new property assessment;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Cobalt hereby calls upon the Premier to promptly resume the assessment cycle to ensure the stability and predictability of property taxes while the Government conducts its review of the property assessment and taxation system, or respond with an alternative method for every municipality in Ontario to achieve fair taxation;

AND FURTHER THAT all Municipalities in Ontario and their constituents are encouraged to apply pressure to the Premier, daily, weekly, and monthly, to resolve the situation before it causes undo stress to everyone in the Municipality;

AND FINALLY THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier, the relevant provincial authorities, the Association of Municipality in Ontario, the Rural Ontario Municipalities Association, the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation, and all the municipalities in Ontario for their consideration, to make proper changes as quickly and efficiently as possible.

CARRIED

Kind Regards,



Steven Dalley
Town Manager, Clerk/Treasurer
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cc: Association of Municipalities in Ontario
Rural Ontario Municipalities Association
Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities
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December 13, 2024

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RE: TAPMO Letter regarding Pre Budget Announcement

Please be advised that Township of Puslinch Council, at its meeting held on November 27, 2024 considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

Resolution No. 2024-430:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

That the Consent Agenda items listed with the exception of items 6.10, 6.11, and 6.12 for NOVEMBER 27, 2024 Council meeting be received for information; and

Whereas the Township of Puslinch Council supports the information provided by TAPMO to member municipalities of TAPMO; and

Whereas the Township of Puslinch Council sees the value and significance of circulating this information provided by TAPMO to all Ontario municipalities;



Therefore, that Council directs staff to forward items 6.10, 6.11, and 6.12 to all Ontario municipalities; and

That Council direct staff to forward the following resolution to the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local school board trustees, AMO, ROMA, Local MPP, all Ontario Municipalities and the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation:

Whereas the Ministry of Finance has introduced a one-time \$7 million reduction in education taxes in 2024, a subsidy that will be absorbed by the province through a 95% reduction in education taxes—marking the first such subsidy provided by the province to any industry;

Whereas the Ministry of Finance’s plans to introduce a new aggregate property sub-class in 2025, which is set to provide a \$6 million subsidy to the aggregate industry, with \$3 million of that subsidy being transferred back to the municipal (primarily residential) tax base, raises serious concerns about the fairness and equity of the system;

Whereas the claims that the new sub-class will provide tax stability and predictability seem hollow and do not address the systemic inequities in the taxation framework, which continues to shift an undue burden onto municipal taxpayers, particularly those in rural areas who host these aggregate operations;

Whereas there is significant concern that the government’s actions prioritize the interests of the aggregate industry over the financial realities faced by municipalities and their residents, and that this shift in burden undermines public trust in the fairness and integrity of Ontario’s legal and tax frameworks;

Whereas TAPMO has presented evidence demonstrating that the aggregate industry is financially capable of meeting its tax obligations, including substantial profits and royalty payments made by industry leaders, further undermining the need for these subsidies;

Whereas the municipal taxpayer should not bear the cost of correcting a past error in assessment methodology that unfairly benefited then aggregate industry, and the new



property tax class ratio risks further undermining the principle of revenue neutrality and eroding confidence in Ontario's legal and tax systems;

Therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Puslinch strongly objects to the undue burden being placed on municipal taxpayers to subsidize the aggregate industry, and calls on the provincial government to:

Reevaluate and correct the misguided subsidies being provided to the aggregate sector, and ensure that future tax policies are fair, equitable, and consistent for all taxpayers.

1. Uphold the principles of revenue neutrality in the aggregate tax framework and ensure that any new tax classifications or methodologies do not result in a net loss of revenue for municipalities, especially those that are already facing significant financial challenges.

2. Commit to meaningful reform that ensures fairness and consistency across all sectors of the economy, and actively engages municipalities and taxpayers in a transparent and inclusive process, rather than catering to the demands of the aggregate industry.

3. Take immediate action to correct the existing inequities in the tax framework, ensuring that the burden of this correction is not unjustly shifted to municipal taxpayers, particularly those in rural communities who host these operations.

4. Respect and uphold the integrity of the legal process by honouring the decisions of the Divisional Court and ensuring that all assessment methodologies are transparent, accountable, and based on a fair and balanced approach.

5. Further be it resolved that the Council Township of Puslinch supports TAPMO's call for the provincial government to adopt reforms that prioritize the needs and fairness of municipal taxpayers and to ensure that the aggregate sector contributes its fair share to the province's tax base; and

Further be it resolved that this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local school board trustees, AMO, ROMA,



Local MPP, all Ontario Municipalities and the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation.

CARRIED

As per the above resolution, please accept a copy of this correspondence for your information and consideration.

Sincerely,

Justine Brotherston
Municipal Clerk

CC: All Ontario Municipalities, Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC), Local school board trustees



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Sent via email

November 1, 2024

Premier Doug Ford
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Minister of Finance Peter Bethlenfalvy
Ministry of Finance
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Dear Premier Ford and Minister Bethlenfalvy:

Re: Pre Budget Announcement

As you are aware there was a lengthy Assessment Review Board hearing as well as a divisional court ruling increasing the taxes paid by the aggregate sector due to an inappropriate tax relief mechanism implemented by MPAC.

TAPMO recognizes funding for rural, small and northern municipalities is proposed to see an increase in OMPF funding. This increase is very much appreciated. This increase will begin to address the farm tax rebate shortfalls that rural, small and northern municipalities have been experiencing under the former program. Increasing this funding ensures all Ontarians are supporting farmers and not just the residents that call home to small, rural and northern communities. The impact of Provincially significant programs needs to be absorbed by all Ontarians.

If it is the desire of the Government to provide special treatment to one sector and burdening this special treatment on small, rural and northern communities (where most aggregate operations exist), TAPMO is of the opinion that an aggregate subsidy is not appropriate and should be borne by all Ontarians.

The pre budget announcement provides \$200 to every Ontarian, adding approximately \$3 billion to the Ontario budget. If the Government is willing to add \$3 billion to the deficit. Carrying over the 95% reduction in education tax relief absorbed by all Ontarians for 2024, would have added \$7 million to the total deficit for 2025 or 0.11666667% additional deficit.

TAPMO request the following questioned to be answered:

Explain the justification of increasing taxes on small, rural and northern municipalities which are host to most aggregate operations, to provide a preferential tax relief to the aggregate sector, versus absorbing any relief through increased deficit for all Ontarians?

Yours truly,



James Seeley
Board Chair

Ministry of Finance

Provincial-Local
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October 31, 2024

His Worship James Seeley
Chair, Top Aggregate Producing Municipalities of Ontario (TAPMO)
jseeley@puslinch.ca

Don MacLeod
Executive Director, TAPMO
executivedirector@tapmo.ca

Dear Mayor Seeley and Mr. MacLeod:

Thank you for your letter about the new aggregate extraction property class.

As noted in my letter of October 3, the Province will be setting municipal tax ratios and education tax rates for the new aggregate extraction property class to provide tax mitigation for properties in the class. The plan is to provide an overall \$6M tax reduction to properties in the class relative to the original 2024 tax level, comprised of \$3M municipal tax and \$3M education tax. While the specific tax ratios and impacts will not be available until after the assessments for 2025 are finalized by the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC), the intention is that municipalities overall will still benefit from the majority of the incremental tax revenues that resulted from the assessment methodology changes implemented by MPAC for 2024.

More details will be shared when they become available. We appreciate the importance of providing municipalities with as much time as possible to support their budgetary planning. We have taken note of your request to receive this information by November 30th and will endeavour to provide the data as close to this date as possible.

Regarding your request that TAPMO be included in consultations during 2025, that is an important part of our plan. We will be reaching out to TAPMO as well as the aggregate sector, and working with MPAC and the Ministry of Natural Resources, to seek more detailed information regarding aggregate activities and discuss possible updates to the definition of the property class.

The government understands the challenges small and rural municipalities face. In this regard, in the 2024 Fall Economic Statement announced the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund will be increased by \$100 million (20% increase) annually. This will be phased in over two years with an immediate \$50 million increase in 2025.

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INTRODUCING TAPMO'S EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Don MacLeod held the position of Chief Administrative Officer for the Township of Zorra from 1996 to 2024. The Township of Zorra is in the top 10 aggregate producing municipalities in Ontario. Recently, Don transitioned into the role of Executive Director for TAPMO. With this wealth of experience, Don is particularly well-suited to continue the success of TAPMO in developing a sustainable plan for aggregate extraction across Ontario.

NOVEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

- Introducing Don MacLeod, TAPMO Executive Director
- Aggregate Property Taxation Assessment Challenges: What to expect in 2025
- Meet the Board of Directors and membership!

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Next TAPMO meeting: Monday November 18, 2024 @ 2:30pm



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Property Taxation Changes and Concerns for Municipalities

Following an appeal decision of the Divisional Court, the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) revised the assessment methodology and property tax classification of aggregate sites to ensure sector-wide consistency, resulting in tax changes for pits and quarries across the province for 2024 (an increase of \$12M municipal and \$5M education). These properties continue to be assessed based on the province-wide valuation date of January 1, 2016, but the methodology used to derive those values has been modified in line with the court ruling. This legal process was spearheaded by Wellington County. In a troubling response to the Divisional Court decision, the Ministry of Finance has introduced a one-time (2024) \$7 million education tax reduction, to mitigate the impact of these changes on the aggregate industry. This reduction will be absorbed by the province through a 95% reduction in education taxes, which is the first time this kind of a subsidy is being provided by the province for any industry.

Looking ahead to the 2025 tax year, a new aggregate property sub-class is set to be introduced, but the intent to create improved tax stability and predictability feels hollow. The sub-class will result in a \$6 million subsidy for the aggregate industry, \$3 million of which is being transferred back to the municipal (primarily residential) tax base. The tax subsidy will be funneled through a temporary property tax sub-class within the industrial property category, with MPAC and local municipalities tasked with its implementation. However, the claim that this newly established sub-class will provide stability and predictability raises serious concerns. Instead of genuinely addressing the inequities in the system, it seems to merely provide an unwarranted tax break to the aggregate industry, while shifting the burden onto municipal taxpayers and perpetuating an unjust structure.

The government's approach appears to prioritize the interests of the aggregate sector over the financial realities faced by municipalities and their constituents. MPAC's collaboration with the aggregate sector and the Ministry of Finance (MOF) to gather detailed information on aggregate sites may result in more of the same, rather than meaningful reform. While the government claims this refined data will support future discussions with the Ontario Stone, Sand & Gravel Association (OSSGA) and municipalities, the focus seems skewed toward accommodating industry demands rather than ensuring fairness and accountability for all taxpayers. This direction threatens to undermine any hope of establishing a principled and sustainable approach to aggregate taxation, leaving communities to bear the consequences.

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Property Taxation Changes and Concerns for Municipalities

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In light of these changes, TAPMO wishes to voice serious concerns regarding the new tax class ratio established by the Ministry of Finance. Contrary to fostering a revenue-neutral outcome, this adjustment is expected to lead to \$3 million being refunded directly from local taxpayers to the aggregate industry starting in 2025 and beyond. Neither the Ministry nor representatives from the aggregate industry have provided sufficient justification for what seems to be a residential taxpayer-funded subsidy to benefit a for-profit industry. Concerns from both the Ministry of Finance and the aggregate sector highlight that potential cost increases for residential housing stemming from the Assessment Review Board (ARB) ruling have not been adequately assessed or documented. Claims suggesting a mere \$3-4 increase per Ontarian fail to capture the disproportionate impact this assessment framework will have on rural residents, who predominantly host these aggregate operations.

The OSSGA has yet to provide conclusive evidence of the industry's inability to contribute its fair share of taxes. In fact, TAPMO has presented evidence indicating that aggregate producers can meet their tax obligations. For example, Dufferin (CRH) paid \$2 million in royalties to the University of Guelph in 2023, while St. Mary's Cement (CBM Canada) reported total net revenues of \$109,785,000 USD for aggregate products in their 2022 financial statements.

While TAPMO recognizes that tax increases on any property class may be unpopular, we argue that the aggregate industry has long benefited from an inappropriate tax discount. The Divisional Court ruling clarified that MPAC lacked the authority to grant such tax relief. The municipal taxpayers should not have to provide tax relief to the industry as a result of correcting an inappropriate tax benefit that the industry has come to expect. The new property tax class ratio fails to maintain revenue neutrality and threatens to erode trust in Ontario's legal frameworks. Ontarians deserve confidence that these processes are respected and upheld.

TAPMO remains committed to advocating for fair and equitable taxation practices that support both municipal taxpayers and the sustainability of our communities. The future of Ontario's aggregate taxation framework must prioritize transparency, fairness, and the principles of revenue neutrality.

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Property Taxation Changes and Concerns for Municipalities - What's Next?

TAPMO is urging members to raise awareness of this issue by requesting your Municipal Council consider supporting the following motion:

Whereas the Ministry of Finance has introduced a one-time \$7 million reduction in education taxes in 2024, a subsidy that will be absorbed by the province through a 95% reduction in education taxes—marking the first such subsidy provided by the province to any industry;

Whereas the Ministry of Finance's plans to introduce a new aggregate property sub-class in 2025, which is set to provide a \$6 million subsidy to the aggregate industry, with \$3 million of that subsidy being transferred back to the municipal (primarily residential) tax base, raises serious concerns about the fairness and equity of the system;

Whereas the claims that the new sub-class will provide tax stability and predictability seem hollow and do not address the systemic inequities in the taxation framework, which continues to shift an undue burden onto municipal taxpayers, particularly those in rural areas who host these aggregate operations;

Whereas there is significant concern that the government's actions prioritize the interests of the aggregate industry over the financial realities faced by municipalities and their residents, and that this shift in burden undermines public trust in the fairness and integrity of Ontario's legal and tax frameworks;

Whereas TAPMO has presented evidence demonstrating that the aggregate industry is financially capable of meeting its tax obligations, including substantial profits and royalty payments made by industry leaders, further undermining the need for these subsidies;

Whereas the municipal taxpayer should not bear the cost of correcting a past error in assessment methodology that unfairly benefited the aggregate industry, and the new property tax class ratio risks further undermining the principle of revenue neutrality and eroding confidence in Ontario's legal and tax systems;

Therefore be it resolved that the Council [INSERT MUNICIPALITY] strongly objects to the undue burden being placed on municipal taxpayers to subsidize the aggregate industry, and calls on the provincial government to:

1. Reevaluate and correct the misguided subsidies being provided to the aggregate sector, and ensure that future tax policies are fair, equitable, and consistent for all taxpayers.
2. Uphold the principles of revenue neutrality in the aggregate tax framework and ensure that any new tax classifications or methodologies do not result in a net loss of revenue for municipalities, especially those that are already facing significant financial challenges.
3. Commit to meaningful reform that ensures fairness and consistency across all sectors of the economy, and actively engages municipalities and taxpayers in a transparent and inclusive process, rather than catering to the demands of the aggregate industry.
4. Take immediate action to correct the existing inequities in the tax framework, ensuring that the burden of this correction is not unjustly shifted to municipal taxpayers, particularly those in rural communities who host these operations.
5. Respect and uphold the integrity of the legal process by honouring the decisions of the Divisional Court and ensuring that all assessment methodologies are transparent, accountable, and based on a fair and balanced approach.

Further be it resolved that the Council [INSERT MUNICIPALITY] supports TAPMO's call for the provincial government to adopt reforms that prioritize the needs and fairness of municipal taxpayers and to ensure that the aggregate sector contributes its fair share to the province's tax base; and

Further be it resolved that this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local school boards, AMO, ROMA, Local MPP, all Ontario Municipalities and the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation.

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Township of Puslinch



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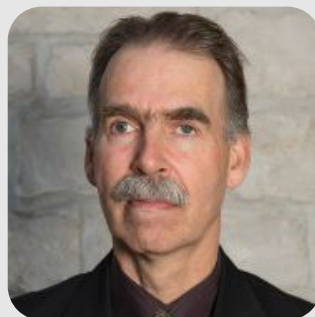
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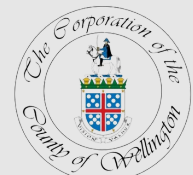
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October 24, 2024

Sent via email

Minister of Finance Peter Bethlenfalvy
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Dear Minister Bethlenfalvy:

Re: Aggregate Assessment

I am writing to raise TAPMO's concerns with the new tax class ratio for aggregate operations that does not maintain a revenue neutral outcome. TAPMO has been informed that the new tax class ratio will result in \$3 million of assessment being refunded to the aggregate industry for 2025 and beyond.

To date, neither the Ministry nor the aggregate industry has provided any justification for this residential taxpayer funded subsidy. The concerns raised by the MOF and the aggregate industry indicate that the potential cost increase for residential housing resulting from the ARB ruling applied across the province has not been thoroughly assessed or documented. Impacts of \$3-4 dollars per Ontarian are not accurate. Most aggregate operations are located in rural municipalities, thus rural residents will be providing this relief on a disproportionate level.

I would draw your attention to the developments in the Town of Erin. Developers are largely paying nearly \$200 million in up-front cost to build a wastewater treatment facility. This cost will be a direct pass through to the cost of the homes serviced by the treatment plant. In comparison, a revenue neutral tax class would be adding less than a quarter dollar to the cost of per tonne of aggregate.

Generally speaking, in Ontario, the provincial framework we strive to achieve is known at the municipal level as "Growth pays for Growth". Taxing aggregate properly brings us as a society closer to achieving that result. The aggregate tax class ratio does not support the revenue neutral tax outcome, nor does it support the principle of "Growth pays for Growth".

The OSSGA has failed to bring definitive evidence of the industry's inability to pay their fair share of taxes. Quite contrary, TAPMO has provided evidence of the ability of producers to pay their fair share. We are referencing the royalties Dufferin paid the University of Guelph (\$2 million in 2023). Further to the point, St. Mary's Cement's (CBM Canada) audited 2022 Financial Statements indicate a total net revenue for aggregate products at a whopping \$109,785,000 USD.

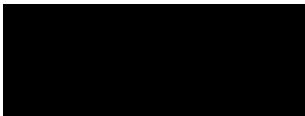
TAPMO recognizes that any increase of taxes on any property class would likely not be welcome. Unfortunately, as recorded in the Divisional Court decision, MPAC did not have the legislative authority to be providing tax relief (page 12 note 55 of the decision) that the industry experienced from 2016 onward. The aggregate industry is accustomed to an inappropriate tax discount. In TAPMO's view, residential taxpayers should not have to provide tax relief to the industry as a result of correcting an inappropriate tax benefit that the industry had come to expect. We respectfully reassert our position that OSSGA has not brought forward evidence to support their claim, other than highlighting the displeasure of paying more taxes. We have also not received evidence from the MOF supporting this relief for 2025 and beyond.

Lastly, we are deeply concerned that the lengthy and expensive legal process undertaken by Wellington County, and the decisions ordered by both the Assessment Review Board and Divisional Court is being undermined. This is particularly concerning given that the ARB decision was upheld. The new property tax class ratio fails to maintain a revenue-neutral tax assessment and undermines the legal process, which incurred significant costs for Wellington County taxpayers. This is extremely disturbing; Ontarians must have confidence in the legal processes in Ontario. Undermining the ARB assessment through a property tax class ratio that does not preserve revenue neutrality erodes that trust.

It is essential that discussions be inclusive and that any future assessment changes involve a fair and balanced approach in consultation with municipal partners, not just the aggregate sector.

TAPMO thanks the Ministry for the opportunity to comment on this very important issue and we look forward to strengthening this relationship.

Yours truly,



James Seeley
Board Chair

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December 19, 2024

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The Honourable Michael Kerzner
Ministry of the Solicitor General
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Re: Urgent Need to Address the Court Security and Prisoner Transportation Funding Shortfall

Dear Minister Kerzner,

We are writing to express our concern and to urgently request your intervention addressing the ongoing shortfall in court security and prisoner transportation funding provided to Ontario municipalities. This shortfall places an undue financial burden on local governments, undermines the safety and efficiency of our court operations, and threatens our ability to meet the expectations of the justice system and the communities we serve.

The current funding model for the Court Security and Prisoner Transportation (CSPT) Program, which reimburses municipalities for some of the costs associated with court security, falls significantly short of covering the full expenses incurred. Municipalities are forced to allocate funds from already-stretched budgets, diverting resources from critical services such as infrastructure, social programs, and community safety.

In Huron County, specifically the Town of Goderich, the costs of providing court security and prisoner transportation have consistently exceeded the reimbursements received through the CSPT Program.

The average shortfall in funding borne by the Town of Goderich over the last six years has been \$185,000 annually. With the increase in OPP costs plus enhanced security services in the building being implemented, this funding gap will increase significantly for the Town.

While the Town is required to cover court security costs for the local courthouse as per the Municipal Act, 2001, the Provincial Court and POA Court within the Goderich courthouse serves all of Huron County not just the Town of Goderich.

The Town of Goderich has requested the County of Huron assist in funding their shortfall in provincial funding with respect to court security at the Huron County courthouse. Their funding gaps since 2019 have been as follows:

Year	Total Court Security Costs	Total Prisoner Transportation Costs	Total NET C/P Costs	Provincial Allocation	Funding Shortfall/ Net on Taxation
2019	\$310,066	\$7,974	\$318,040	\$202,410	\$115,630
2020	\$368,778	\$4,977	\$373,755	\$170,428	\$203,327
2021	\$486,581	\$4,673	\$491,254	\$223,065	\$268,189
2022	\$465,349	\$4,284	\$469,633	\$234,424	\$235,209
2023	\$501,545*	\$4,666	\$506,211	\$358,879	\$147,332
2024	\$479,902*	\$4,551	\$484,453	\$342,271	\$142,182
2025	\$599,000	\$5,000	\$604,000	??	??

Also, under the new Community Safety and Policing Act 2019 (“CSPA”) that came into effect on April 1, 2024, a new Huron Detachment Board has been established that is composed of ten members – representatives from Goderich, South Huron, Central Huron, North Huron, Bluewater, Huron East, 2 provincial appointees, and 2 community representatives. There are no obligations for the County of Huron under the new legislation.

Municipalities are mandated by provincial legislation to provide court security services, yet we are not equipped with adequate financial support to fulfill these responsibilities effectively. The gap in funding not only compromises the safety of courthouse operations but also places undue strain on local taxpayers, who are left to bear the cost of a provincially mandated service.

We urge the Government of Ontario to take immediate action to address this issue by:

1. **Increasing Funding Allocations:** Ensure that municipalities are fully reimbursed for the costs of providing court security and prisoner transportation.
2. **Implementing a Sustainable Funding Model:** Develop a predictable, needs-based funding formula that reflects the actual expenses incurred by municipalities, including adjustments for inflation and changes in demand.
3. **Engaging in Municipal Consultations:** Work collaboratively with municipalities to understand the financial pressures they face and develop equitable, long-term solutions that align with local realities.

Investing in court security is essential to maintaining the integrity and functionality of Ontario's justice system. By providing adequate funding, the Province can ensure that our courts remain safe, accessible, and efficient while alleviating the financial burden on municipalities and local taxpayers. We urge the province to take immediate action to address the financial pressures on municipalities like Goderich and to ensure that all Ontarians benefit from a system that is both effective and fair.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. We are confident that with your leadership, the Province of Ontario can address this funding shortfall and support municipalities in fulfilling their court security obligations. I would welcome the opportunity to discuss this issue further and work collaboratively toward a solution.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jamie Heffer', with a stylized, cursive script.

Jamie Heffer
Warden, Huron County

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Report 2025-022

Report Title: 2025 Borrowing By-law

Committee Name: Finance and Audit

Committee Meeting Date: February 4, 2025

Prepared by: Matthew Nitsch
Director of Finance/Treasurer
Finance

Approved by: Jennifer Moore, CAO

Council Meeting Date: February 19, 2025

Strategic Plan Priorities: ☐ Innovate for Service Excellence
☐ Ignite Economic Opportunity
☐ Foster a Thriving Community
☒ Propel Sustainable Growth
☐ Champion a Vibrant Future

Recommendation

“**That** the Finance and Audit Committee, having considered Report 2025-022 ‘2025 Borrowing By-law’, recommend that County Council enact a By-law to authorize the borrowing of \$10,000,000 at the February 19, 2025 County Council meeting.”

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to present the annual by-law to establish borrowing limits for the County to be used, if needed, to meet financial obligations until such time as taxes are collected.

Background

The borrowing by-law is presented annually to establish borrowing limits for the County for the fiscal year. The request has been set at \$10,000,000 for several years and a line of credit is in place with the County’s financial institution for short term borrowing, if necessary, throughout the year due to the timing of levy payments. Levy payments are made by Member Municipalities quarterly. It should be noted that while the line of credit remains in place and available for use, it has not been accessed in more than twelve years. The annual budgets and the timing of

investment maturity dates have been managed in a manner that ensures liquidity as required without the use of short-term borrowing.

The by-law also sets out the terms for early or late levy payments by Member Municipalities.

Consultations

The County's bank typically adjusts interest rates correspondingly to changes in the Overnight Interest Rate as made by the Bank of Canada.

Legislative Authority / Risk Considerations

The *Municipal Act* permits short term borrowing for operating expenditures to meet financial obligations until such time as tax and other revenues have been received.

Discussion / Options

The borrowing by-law is put in place annually to ensure this financial tool is available if it should be needed. A portion of the County's general reserves are invested in High Interest Savings Accounts with our current financial institution aligned with immediate and short-term cash flow needs. This practice allows for sufficient liquidity to prevent the usage of the line of credit and applicable interest charges while maximizing investment returns.

Financial Impact

There is no cost to having the line of credit available and the County will only incur interest charges should funds actually be borrowed.

Member Municipality Impacts

N/A

Conclusion / Outcomes

Staff recommends that the borrowing by-law be brought forward for approval for the 2025 fiscal year.

Attachments

1. Report 2025-022 ATTACH 1 'By-law to Authorize the Borrowing of \$10,000,000'

By-law XX-2025



A By-law to Authorize the Borrowing of \$10,000,000

Whereas Subsection 407 (1) of the *Ontario Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, c. 25*, as amended, permits a municipality, at any time during a fiscal year, to authorize temporary borrowing until the taxes are collected and other revenues are received, of the amounts that the municipality considers necessary to meet the expenses of the municipality for the year and of the amounts, whether or not they are expenses for the year, that the municipality requires in that year; and

Whereas the Council of the Corporation of the County of Northumberland deems it necessary to authorize temporary borrowing of up to a limit of \$10,000,000, from time to time, to meet, until the taxes are collected, the expenses of the municipality for the year 2025 (hereinafter called "the year"); and

Whereas the total amount of the estimated revenue of the Corporation of the County of Northumberland as set forth in the estimates adopted for the year, not including revenues derivable or derived from the sale of assets, borrowing or issues of debentures or from surplus including proceeds from the sale of assets is \$179,560,478;

Now Therefore Be It Enacted as a by-law of the Council of the Corporation of the County of Northumberland as follows:

1. **That** the Warden and the Treasurer are hereby authorized on behalf of the Corporation to borrow monies from time to time, necessary to meet, until the taxes are collected, the current expenditures of the Corporation of the County of Northumberland (hereinafter, "the Corporation") for the year, provided that the amount that may be borrowed at any one time, together with the total of any similar borrowings that have not been repaid, shall not exceed the sum of \$10,000,000, from the following sources:
 - i) From constituent municipalities, bearing interest at Bank of Nova Scotia Prime Lending Rate less one percent (P-1%);
 - ii) From the Bank of Nova Scotia by way of line of credit bearing interest at the Bank's prime interest rate less 0.85 of one percent (P-0.85%),

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which rate shall be as notified by the Bank to the Treasurer from time to time. Said line of credit shall be updated as required by the Bank, at which time the agreement shall be sealed with the corporate seal and signed by the Warden and Treasurer; and

2. **That** all sums borrowed pursuant to the authority of this By-law as well as other sums borrowed in the year and all preceding years from the said Bank to meet current expenditures of the Corporation shall, with interest thereon, charge upon the whole of the revenues of the Corporation for the year and for all subsequent years as and when such revenues are received; and
3. **That** should a local municipality of the Corporation desire to pre-pay a levy installment by two weeks or more, interest shall be paid at Prime less one percent (P-1%), however such pre-payment shall not constitute a loan from the municipality to the Corporation but will be documented by way of note; and
4. **That** should a local municipality of the Corporation pay a levy installment late by two weeks or more, interest shall be charged at prime less one percent (P-1%) to the municipality; and
5. **That** the Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to apply in payment of all sums borrowed as aforesaid, together with interest thereon, all of the monies hereafter collected or received either on account or realized in respect of the taxes levied for the year and subsequent years, or from any other source, which may lawfully be applied for such purposes; and
6. **That** this by-law come into force and effect on the final passing thereof.

That By-law XX-2025 be introduced and be deemed to be read a first, second and third time, passed, signed and sealed this 19th day of February, 2025.

Brian Ostrander, Warden

Maddison Mather, Clerk

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Report 2025-023

Report Title: 2025 Fees and Charges By-law Revision

Committee Name: Finance and Audit

Committee Meeting Date: February 4, 2025

Prepared by: Betty Svaty
Accounts Receivable Clerk
Finance

Reviewed by: Matthew Nitsch
Director of Finance, Treasurer
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Approved by: Jennifer Moore, CAO

Council Meeting Date: February 19, 2025

Strategic Plan Priorities: ☐ Innovate for Service Excellence
☐ Ignite Economic Opportunity
☐ Foster a Thriving Community
☒ Propel Sustainable Growth
☐ Champion a Vibrant Future

Recommendation

"**That** the Finance and Audit Committee, having considered Report 2025-023 '2025 Fees and Charges By-law Revision', recommend that County Council enact a new by-law to consolidate and regulate payment of various fees and charges and to repeal previous by-laws at the February 19, 2025 County Council meeting."

Purpose

To revise the Fees and Charges By-law to reflect any changes, additions or deletions from By-law 09-2024 and all subsequent amendments

Background

The County has identified a number of services where it is appropriate to charge fees for a specific service. The services include activities such as various waste fees, permits, collections,

room rentals and land use planning applications. Fees are commonly collected for these services in municipalities across the province. The fees are intended to recover the costs incurred for delivering the specific services. In some cases, such as the Food 4 All Warehouse, the fees are nominal and not intended to be full cost recovery due to the nature of the service being delivered.

Consultations

Schedule A of the Fees and Charges By-law is circulated to all County Departments for review annually.

Legislative Authority / Risk Considerations

The Municipal Act permits municipalities to impose fees or charges:

391. (1) By-laws re: fees and charges – Without limiting sections 9, 10, and 11, those sections authorize a municipality to impose fees or charges on persons,

(a) For services or activities provided or done by or on behalf of it;

(b) For costs payable by it for services or activities provided or done by or on behalf of any other municipality or any local board; and

(c) For the use of its property including property under its control.

391. (3) Costs related to administration, etc. – the costs included in a fee or charge may include costs incurred by the municipality or local board related to administration, enforcement and the establishment, acquisition and replacement of capital assets.

Discussion / Options

N/A

Financial Impact

The proposed changes to the Schedule A are summarized below:

Deletions:

- Plumbing/Sewage: Hourly admin fees, Compliance letter fees

Additions:

- Northumberland County Archives and Museum (NCAM): Admission and programming fees
- Plumbing/Sewage: Plumbing and septic demolition fees
- Ontario Agri-Food Venture Centre (OAFVC): Penalty for non-payment, prep room and new processing room fees
- GIS: 2023 Orthophotos by Km2 fees

Changes:

- OAFVC: various service and recovery fees
- Waste: Blue and Grey box lid (no charge), metric tonne yard waste rates
- Plumbing/Sewage: Various services fees updated. Approved by Council at the October 16, 2024 County Council meeting (Report 2024-130 'Inspection Services Fees Update')

Member Municipality Impacts

N/A

Conclusion / Outcomes

Staff recommend that County Council enact a new by-law to consolidate and regulate payment of various fees and charges and to repeal previous by-laws at the February 19, 2025 County Council meeting.

Attachments

1. Report 2025-023 ATTACH 1 'By-law XX-2025 – Fees and Charges'
2. Report 2025-023 ATTACH 2 'Schedule A to By-law XX-2025'
3. Report 2025-023 ATTACH 3 'Schedule A to By-law XX-2025 (Redline Version)'



By-law XX-2025

A By-law to Consolidate and Regulate Payment of Various Fees And Charges within the Corporation of The County of Northumberland and to Repeal Previous By-Laws

Whereas Section 391 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, SO 2001 c. 25 authorizes a municipality to pass by-laws imposing fees or charges on any class of persons:

- a) for services or activities provided or done by or on behalf of it;
- b) for costs payable by it for services or activities provided or done by or on behalf of any other municipality or board; and
- c) for the use of its property including property under its control; and

Whereas Section 398 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, SO 2001, c. 25 states that fees and charges imposed by a municipality constitute a debt to the municipality and shall at the request of an upper-tier municipality be added to the tax rolls for the properties as specified and may be collected in the manner of municipal taxes; and

Whereas Section 69 of the *Planning Act, RSO 1990, c. P.13* authorizes the council of a municipality, by by-law, to establish a tariff of fees for the processing of applications made in respect of planning matters, which tariff shall be designed to meet only the anticipated cost to the municipality in respect of the processing of each type of application provided for in the tariff; and

Whereas Subsection 7 (1)(c) of the *Building Code Act, 1992*, SO 1992, c. 23 authorizes an upper-tier municipality that has entered into an agreement pursuant to subsection 3(5) of that Act to pass by-laws requiring the payment of fees and charges and prescribing the amount of the fees for the matters and in the area for which the upper-tier municipality has jurisdiction for the enforcement of that Act; and

Whereas the requirements set out in O.Reg 244/02 FEES AND CHARGES, under the *Municipal Act, 2001*, SO 2001, c. 25 have been met; and

Whereas the Council of the Corporation of the County of Northumberland deems it expedient to pass a consolidated fees and charges by-law;

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Now Therefore Be It Enacted as a by-law of the Council of the Corporation of the County of Northumberland as follows:

1. **That** the fees and charges as set out in Schedule “A” hereto and forming part of this by-law are hereby established and adopted by the Council of the Corporation of the County of Northumberland; and
2. **That** all fees listed in the attached Schedule, where applicable, shall be subject to Harmonized Sales Tax (HST); and
3. **That** all fees and charges under this by-law or any other by-law of the County are payable upon receipt of the service or thing, upon registration for the activity, upon or before the use of the property, or upon submission of the application; and
4. **That** no request by any person for any information, service, activity or use of County property described in Schedule “A” will be processed or provided by any County official unless and until the person requesting the information, service, activity or use of the County property has paid the applicable fee or charge to the County in the prescribed amount as set out in Schedule “A”; and
5. **That** notwithstanding Section 4 of this bylaw, the payment of fees and charges for certain requests for information, service, activity or use of County property described in Schedule A may be made upon receipt of an invoice issued by the County of Northumberland, the receipt of which may post date the provision of the requested information, service, activity or use of the County property; and
6. **That** in the event that any information, service, activity or use of County property is requested by a person, and a fee or charge for such information, service, activity or use of County property has not been specifically provided for in this by-law or any other by-law, a fee or charge shall be calculated by County staff and such fee or charge shall be adopted by Council and shall be deemed to be included in Schedule “A”; and
7. **That** unless otherwise prescribed and where facilities are available, the fees and charges established by this by-law may be payable to the County of Northumberland by cash, money order, certified cheque, cheque, or debit card when due; and
8. **That** fees and charges that have been imposed in accordance with this by-law that remain unpaid after the date on which they are due shall be subject to interest at a rate of 15% per annum (1.25% per month); and
9. **That** fees and charges that have been imposed in accordance with this by-law that remain unpaid after the date on which they are due, including any interest charges, may be added by the Treasurer of the municipality to the tax roll for any property to which a service or thing was supplied, or in all other cases any property for which all

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of the owners are responsible for paying the fees and charges, and the Treasurer is hereby authorized to make a request to a local municipality for such purpose; and

10. **That** in the event that any part of this by-law, including any part of Schedule “A” determined by a Court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or of no force and effect, it is the stated intention of Council that such invalid part of the by-law shall be severable and that the remainder of this by-law, including the remainder of Schedule A, as applicable, shall continue to operate and to be in force and effect; and
11. **That** this by-law may be cited as the “Fees and Charges By-law”; and
12. **That** this By-law shall take effect upon final passing thereof; and
13. **That** by-law 09-2024 of the Corporation of the County of Northumberland regarding the payment of fees and charges be hereby repealed; and
14. **That** notwithstanding the repeal of by-law 09-2024 any fee or charge payable pursuant to that by-law at or prior to the time of that by-law’s repeal remains payable in accordance with that by-law as it read at the time of its repeal and any penalties imposed on outstanding fees or charges pursuant to that by-law prior to its repeal shall remain valid and shall continue to accrue in accordance with that by-law as it read at the time of its repeal.

That By-law XX-2025 be introduced and be deemed to be read a first, second and third time, be passed, signed and sealed this 19th day of February, 2025.

Brian Ostrander, Warden

Maddison Mather, Clerk

Schedule “A” to By-law XX-2025

Fees & Charges

Goods/Services	Fee	Comments
Corporate		
Interest on overdue accounts	1.25% per month after 30 days	Except on levy installments
NSF Cheques	\$45.00	Unless otherwise provided by legislation
Courses/training	Full cost recovery	-
Freedom of Information (FOI) Requests – Non-Refundable Application Fee	Per the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA) - \$5.00	Contact County Clerk for: further information, deposits, waivers, and appeals
FOI – Search Time	First 30 minutes free, thereafter \$30.00 per hour	Contact County Clerk for: further information, deposits, waivers, and appeals
FOI – Photocopying	\$- 0.20 per copy	Contact County Clerk for: further information, deposits, waivers, and appeals
FOI – Computer Programming	\$15.00 per 15 minute intervals, or \$ 60.00 per hour	Contact County Clerk for: further information, deposits, waivers, and appeals
FOI - DVD/CD	\$5.00 per disk	Contact County Clerk for: further information, deposits, waivers, and appeals
FOI – Preparation Time	\$7.50 per 15 minute intervals, or \$30.00 per hour	Contact County Clerk for: further information, deposits, waivers, and appeals
FOI – Chargeback Fees	As billed	Contact County Clerk for: further information, deposits, waivers, and appeals
FOI – Delivery by Courier	As billed	Contact County Clerk for: further information, deposits, waivers, and

Goods/Services	Fee	Comments
		appeals
FOI – Deposits for Amount over \$100.00	50% of estimate	Contact County Clerk for: further information, deposits, waivers, and appeals
County Flag	\$91.00	Taxes included
Collection Agency Fees	Agency 1 - 15.25% 1st Placement 23% 2nd Placement Agency 2 - 13% 1st Placement 24% 2nd Placement	Full cost recovery unless otherwise provided by legislation
Community Boardroom (600 William St.)	\$150.00/day \$75.00/ half day	Price subject to applicable Taxes Fees may be waived for non-profit groups subject to approval.
Cost Recovery	Full cost recovery	Legal /Filing Fees

Provincial Offences Act (POA)		
Goods/Services	Fee	Comments
Collection Agency Fees	TSI fees 15% 1 st placement 21.00% 2 nd placement CBV Fees 14.50% 1 st placement 20.00 2 nd placement	-
Internal Collection Fees Part 1 Offences	\$30.00 per case	-
Internal Collection Fees Part 3 Offences	\$30.00 per case	-
Administration fee for POA cases at certification of default stage	\$30.00 per case	-

Northumberland County Archives & Museum		
Goods/Services	Fee	Comments
Photocopying and computer print outs Monochrome prints (black and white) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter/legal size paper -- Ledger size paper Colour prints <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter/legal size paper Ledger size paper 	 \$0.25/page \$0.50/page 0.50/page 0.75/page	Taxes included Photocopies of original source materials are subject to staff approval.
Scanning/Digitization <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scan of image Scan of document CD Price of scan includes emailing of image. Where archival materials are too large or fragile to scan, NCAM may provide a photograph of the material.	\$5.00/image \$5.00/document* \$5.00/CD *Multi-page documents over 20 pages will be charged an additional \$0.25/page	Taxes Included Where digitized file is too large to email, file will be shared via NextCloud or saved to a CD purchased from NCAM. Please note that NCAM is unable to save to personal USB/jump drives.
Research <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 30 minute on-site assistance 30 minute look-up for email/mail/telephone requests More than 30 minutes 	\$0.00 \$0.00 \$30.00/hour* *minimum charge of \$15.00. Charged in 30 minute increments.	Taxes included Research/assistance will be completed by trained and experienced staff or volunteers. Requestors will be notified of any additional charges prior to the commencement of additional research. Research fees do not include the cost of photocopies or digitization

Admission	By donation	-
Programming Workshop, seminars, speaker series, private events, etc School and homeschool groups within Northumberland County School and homeschool groups outside of Northumberland County	Cost recovery of supplies/facilitators fees By Donation \$ 5.00 per student	No fee for teachers and chaperones

Note, the following applies to all NCAM charges noted above:

- Payment for services must be received in advance of request being processed by NCAM staff
- Payment can be made online, cash, cheque or money order (made payable to Northumberland County)

Waste		
Goods/Services	Fee	Comments
Bag Tags	\$4.25 each	-
Tipping Fees – All Landfills & Transfer Stations		
All Materials (excluding Residential Recyclable, Tires, HHW, Electronics, and the First 200Kgs of residential Leaf & Yard Waste)	\$13.00 Minimum \$130.00 per metric tonne	
Private / Commercial Leaf & Yard Waste	\$ 13.00 Minimum \$130.00 per metric Tonne	
Mattress or Box Spring	\$ 20.00 each	Price includes applicable taxes
Unsegregated Waste Load Surcharge	\$130.00 per metric tonne \$13.00 Minimum	Total fee \$260/metric tonne Total fee \$26.00 minimum
Green Bin	\$20.00	Price includes applicable taxes
Composter	\$50.00 – Tumbler Style \$40.00 – Crate Style \$5.00 – Plastic Bucket	Price includes applicable taxes
Blue/Grey Box	\$ 8.50 – 87 L \$ 8.50 – 47 L \$ 0.00 – Lid	Price includes applicable taxes
Private -/Commercial Recycling	\$130.00 per metric tonne \$ 13.00 Minimum	-
Bin Delivery	Full Cost Recovery	-

Transportation		
Goods/Services	Fee	Comments
Maps	\$4.00	Price includes applicable taxes
Tender – Blueprints/Drawings	Cost recovery – based on document size	-
Permit – Annual fee	\$200.00	-
Permit – Single trip	\$50.00	-
Permit – Entrance Residential	\$250.00	-
Permit – Entrance Commercial	\$500.00	-
Permit - Setback	\$250.00	-
Permit – Entrance & Setback Residential	\$300.00	-
Permit – Entrance & Setback Commercial	\$600.00	-
Permit – Road Cut	\$100.00	-
Permit – Permission to Bore	\$100.00	-
Permit – Permission to Enter a County Road	\$100.00	-
Entrance Installation	Full cost recovery plus a 10% administrative fee	-
Accidents	Full cost Recovery plus a 10% administrative fee	-
Surface Treatment	Full cost recovery plus a 10% administrative fee	-

Ontario Agri-food Venture Centre			
	Incubation Clients	Northumberland Entrepreneurs	Comments
Room Rentals:	-	-	-
Conference Room Half day rate (up to 4 hours) Full day rate (4 to 7 hours)	\$56.00 \$112.00	\$49.00 \$97.00	-
Fruit and Vegetable Processing Room Trial Shift (up to 4 hours, + 1 staff, limited) New Product Trial (up to 4 hours, +1LH) current clients only Half Shift rate (up to 4 hours) Full Shift rate (4 to 7 hours)	\$370.00 \$345.00 \$193.00 \$294.00	\$315.00 \$294.00 \$165.00 \$250.00	All types of 'Trial' shifts run no more than 4 hours in duration and can include the processing of not more than 60 kg or 60L. Finished product samples must undergo micro-analysis at an independent accredited lab before being released from property.
Production Kitchen	-	-	-
Trial Shift (up to 4 hours, + 1 staff, limited)	\$370.00	\$315.00	
	-	-	
New Product Trial (up to 4 hours, +1LH) current clients only	\$345.00	\$294.00	
	-	-	
Half Shift rate (up to 4 hours) Full Shift rate (4 to 7 hours)	\$203.00 \$315.00	\$173.00 \$268.00	
Ambient Processing Room			-
Trial Shift (up to 4 hours, + 1 staff, limited)	\$370.00	\$315.00	
	-	-	
New Product Trial (up to 4 hours, +1LH) current clients only	\$345.00	\$294.00	
	-	-	
Half Shift rate (up to 4 hours) Full Shift rate (4 to 7 hours)	\$193.00 \$294.00	\$159.00 \$250.00	
Room Rental	\$2,056.00	-	
Packaging Area Half Shift rate (up to 4 hours) Full Shift rate (4 to 7 hours)	\$ 116.00 \$207.00	\$96.00 \$170.00	-

Carbonated Beverage Room			
Basic Carbonated Beverage Trial (Small Batch)	\$1,618	\$1,397	Fees and Charges incorporating market rates may vary based on market value.
Carbonated Beverage Full Batch	\$2,162	\$1,914	
Room Rental	-	\$1,156	
New Processing Room Trail Shift (Up to 4 Hrs, + 1 staff, limited)	\$370.00	\$315.00	-
New Product Trial (up to 4 hours, + 1LH) current clients only	\$345.00	\$294.00	
Half Shift rate (Up to 4 hours)	\$178.00	\$151.00	
Full Shift rate (4 to 7 hours)	\$274.00	\$233.00	
Prep Room			-
Trial Shift (up to 4 hours, + 1 staff, limited)	370.00	\$315.00	
New product Trial (Up to 4 hours, +1LH) current clients only	345.00	\$294.00	
Half Shift rate (up to 4 hours)	163.00	\$139.00	
Full Shift rate (4 to 7 hours)	254.00	\$216.00	

Farmers' Market Area Daily Stall Rate	\$26.00	\$22.00	Additional fees are based on a cost
4 month (seasonal) stall lease rate	\$258.00	\$218.00	
Absentee Charge (per market day absent/closed, seasonally leased stalls only)	\$26.00	\$22.00	
Training Room Full Day Rate (up to 7 hours)	\$361.00	\$309.00	
Notes – A room 'half shift rate' is warranted for reservations that will see completion of work in less than 4 hours, a 'full shift rate' is to be used for any production process requiring between 4 to 7 hours to complete. Clients will be required to select their shift length (Full or Half) at time of booking. Clients exceeding their allocated time will be charged additional fees. Clients requiring additional cleaning time due to volume or complexity of cleaning may be required to reduce production time.			
Services:	-	-	-
Labour Fees Cost per person, per hour	\$30.50	\$26.00	Rate is applicable only when Centre is equipped to offer as an internal service.
Production Room Sanitation Fee 4 hours of labour	\$122.00	\$104.00	May be waived when OAFVC Food Production Workers are secured as labour for applicable shift.
Sanitation Overtime Fee Cost per person, per hour	\$60.00	\$51.00	Rate is applied to sanitation time (including dish-washing) when production exceeds scheduled booking.
Multi-Head Filler Set-up + Calibration Fee 3 hours of labour	\$91.50	\$78.00	Rate is applicable only when Centre is equipped to offer as an internal service.
Labelling Fee 4 hours of labour minimum	\$122.00	\$104.00	Rate is applicable only when Centre is equipped to offer as an internal service.
Date/Batch coding Per Batch	\$10.25	\$8.75	Rate is applicable only when Centre is equipped to offer as an internal service.

OAFVC Products “Sampler Box” Cost per box	\$60.00	\$60.00	Fee based on a cost recovery and is subject to change.
Safe Food for Canadians SFCR Sustainability Fee (monthly)	\$70.00	\$60.00	Rate is applicable only when Centre is equipped to offer as an internal service.
- Non-Disclosure of OAFVC-tied SCFR License	\$5,000	\$5,000	Fees are based on cost recovery and are subject to change.
Shipping Beyond Ontario without SFCR License	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	
Misrepresenting relationship with OAFVC CFIA, Health Unit, or other Licensing Body	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	
Food Safety Audit Support per instance	\$1,500.00	\$1,250.00	Plus production shift fees when applicable
Production Shift Consultation Up to 2 hours production observation to identify production shift efficiencies, results presented as Workflow Opportunity Notes	\$225.00	\$191.00	Rate is applicable only when Centre is equipped to offer as an internal service.

Business Expansion Consultation Up to 7 hours food business expansion consultation	\$800.00 (plus expenses)	\$680.00 (plus expenses)	Rate is applicable only when Centre is equipped to offer as an internal service.
Nutritional Facts Table Generation (electronic .tiff file up to two proof-revisions included)	\$50.00	\$43.00	Rate is applicable only when Centre is equipped to offer as an internal service.
Surface Protein (Allergen) Test Food Contact Surfaces swab for allergens, (per swab)	\$36.00	\$31.00	Rate is applicable only when Centre is equipped to offer as an internal service.
Moisture Analysis Test per test	\$28.00	\$25.00	Rate is applicable only when Centre is equipped to offer as an internal service.
PH Test per test	\$28.00	\$25.00	Rate is applicable only when Centre is equipped to offer as an internal service.
Viscosity Test per test	\$28.00	\$25.00	Rate is applicable only when Centre is equipped to offer as an internal service.
Water Activity Test per test	\$28.00	\$25.00	Rate is applicable only when Centre is equipped to offer as an internal service.
Used Wooden Pallet Cost per pallet to ship items offsite.	\$12.50	\$9.50	Rate is applicable only when Centre is equipped to offer as an internal service.
Food-Waste Disposal Fee Cost per instance for amounts up to one tonne	\$220.00	\$187.00	Rate is applicable only when Centre is equipped to offer as an internal service. Additional Fees may apply. In case of unpaid storage, goods left onsite will be deemed "abandoned" and will be discarded. Disposal fees will apply.
Note – Additional fees are based on a cost recovery basis. All fees are subject to change			
Storage Fees:			

Dry/Ambient Standard Storage per pallet (40"x48"x48") per week	\$8.25	\$7.25	Storage is billed weekly, invoiced monthly. Requests for inventory checks to be completed by staff will be billed hourly with a minimum of one hour of labour charged per instance.
Dry/Ambient Oversized Storage per pallet (40"x48"x49-72") per week. Limited space; prior approval required.	\$17.75	\$15.50	
Cold Standard Storage per shelf (47"x17.5"x16") per	\$ 5.25	\$ 4.75	Storage billed weekly, invoiced monthly. Requests for inventory checks to be completed by staff will be billed hourly with a minimum of one hour of labour charged per instance
week per pallet (40"x48"x48") per week	\$ 10.75	\$ 9.50	

Cold Oversized Storage per pallet (40"x48"x49-72") per week. Limited space; prior approval required.	\$24.00	\$20.75	
Frozen/Freezer Standard Storage per pallet (40"x48"x48") per week extra pallet on freezer floor (weekly clients only. Limited space; prior approval required)	\$13.50 \$16.00	\$11.75 \$14.25	Storage billed weekly, invoiced monthly. Requests for inventory checks to be completed by staff will be billed hourly with a minimum of one hour of labour charged per instance
Frozen Oversized Storage per pallet (40"x48"x49-72") per week. Limited space; prior approval required.	\$30.00	\$26.00	
Penalty for Non-Payment	3% of total due will be added to the outstanding balance monthly	3% of total due will be added to the outstanding balance monthly	

To qualify for "Northumberland Entrepreneur" rates, Clients must provide proof of Northumberland County property ownership, business ownership, or residence.

Housing/Northumberland County Housing Corporation		
Goods/Services	Fee	Comments
Laundry – Washer (Cold Wash)	\$ 1.25 per load	-
Laundry – Washer (Warm Wash)	1.50 per load	-
Laundry – Washer (Hot Wash)	1.75 per load	-
Laundry – Dryer	\$1.50 per load	-
Unit damage / repairs	Full cost recovery	-
NSF Cheques	\$20.00	-
Internal Transfer Charge	\$250.00	-
Filing Fees Landlord Tenant Board	Full Cost Recovery based on fees charged by the Landlord Tenant Board	-
Sheriff Fees (Enforcement, Filing and Mileage)	Full cost Recovery, based on fees charged by the Superior Court	-
Optional Appliance – Freezer or Air Conditioner	Extra \$5.00 each per month	-
Note: Fees must be approved by NCHC's Board of Directors prior to County approval		

Paramedics		
Goods/Services	Fee	Comments
Paid Duty Service	\$250.00 /hour	Includes 2 Paramedics Minimum 4 hour charge
Document Requests	\$ 56.50	Per PHIPA & the Ambulance Act

Business Entrepreneurship Centre Northumberland		
Goods/Services	Fee	Comments
Business Growth Program	\$10.00 to \$199.00	Formal membership program providing existing established business targeted development.
Workshop or seminar registration	\$15.00 to \$80.00	Dependent on speaker fee

Food 4 All		
Goods/Services	Fee	Comments
Food Banks annual base fee	\$150.00	This annual base fee allows for access to warehouse products, including fresh and non-perishable items purchased for local foodbanks
School Nutrition Program annual base fee	\$250.00	This annual base fee allows for access to warehouse products (including items purchased for school programs) and access to monthly food deliveries (to most schools)
Community Group annual base fee	\$150.00	This annual base fee allows for access to donated warehouse products
Food Bank and Community Groups user fee/handling charge	\$0.50 per case	This user fee will be charged annually to each Food Bank and Community Group for every case of product received from Food 4 All in the previous calendar year
School Nutrition Program user fee/handling charge	\$0.50 per case	This user fee will be charged annually to each School Program for every case of product received from Food 4 All in the previous school year (September – June)
Storage Fees		
Cold Storage	\$40.00	Per Pallet Per Month
Freezer Storage	\$40.00	
Dry Storage	\$30.00	

Golden Plough Lodge		
Goods/Services	Fee	Comments
Guest Meals	\$10.00	-
Hairdresser space rental	Per contract	-
Catering	Full cost recovery plus administrative fee	-
Room Usage (set up, take down, cleaning; no use of kitchen)	\$75.00	3 hours staff labour
NSF Cheques or Pre-Authorized Payments	\$20.00	-

Plumbing Fees		
Goods/Services	Fee	Comments
Residential and Industrial/Commercial/Institutional (ICI) Base Fee (Includes maximum of 6 inspections)	\$165.00	-
Rate per Fixture	\$19.00	-
Plumbing Re-Inspection/Special Inspections	No charge	-
-	-	-
ICI & Multi-Residential Buildings Exterior Site Services (per linear metre)	\$1.21 per linear meter	-
Plan Review (Included but not limited to all ICI and Multi-Residential buildings)	No charge	-
Manhole, Catch Basin, Interceptor, Sump, Fire Hydrant etc (per structure).	\$22.00	-
Dwelling Water Service, Sanitary and Storm sewer (per connection)	\$19.00	Include connection to municipalities water supply, sanitary sewage and stormwater and private sewage connection to on-site sewage system
Conditional Plumbing Permit	n/c	Eliminate Fees

Plumbing Permit revisions after issuance of permit	\$110.00 + additional fixture	-
Transfer of permit to new owner	\$140.00	-
Alternative Solution Examination	\$550.00	-
Permit Re-activation	\$110.00	-
Building Without a Permit if work has started	15% + regular permit fees	Fee adjustment as per current practice/operation
Building Without a permit if work has started and an order to comply or stop work order has been issued	25% + regular permit fee	-
Back Flow Prevention Device – New or Replacement with no related permit	\$150.00	-
Blackflow Prevention Device with related permit	\$50.00	-
Plumbing demolition	\$165.00	New fee

Sewage System Fees		
	Fee	Comments
Applications and Permits	-	-
Application for a Sewage System - Class 2, 3, or 4	\$ 965.00	-
Class 5 Sewage systems or treatment unit replacement tank	\$500.00	-
Septic Permit Review - If change to design that requires a site visit/inspection	\$ 275.00	Fee adjusted as per current practice/operation
Septic Permit Revision Review if change to design does not require a site visit/inspection	\$175.00	Fee adjusted as per current practice/operation
Extraordinary travel costs	No charge	-
Repairs and alterations to a Sewage System	\$ 500.00	-
File search/Request for copy of Septic Approvals	No charge	-
Refund (if no inspection has been made, administration costs only)	n/a	Refunds issued per Building By Law
Refund (if initial inspection has been made)	n/a	Refunds issued as per Building By Law
Sewage System Review for Additions/Renovations/Change of use	\$ 250.00	-
-	-	-
Sewage System Permit transfer	\$ 140.00	-
Alternative Solution Examination	\$550.00	-
Permit Re-activation	\$110.00	-
Transfer of permit to new owner	\$140.00	-
Building Without a permit (If work has started)	15% + regular permit fee	Fee adjustment as per current practice/operation
Building without a permit (if work has started an order to comply or stop work order has been issued)	25% + regular permit fees	
Septic System demolition	\$165.00	New fees
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Development Review	-	-
Severance/Lot Addition Applications	\$ 400.00	-
-	-	-
Subdivision Applications	-	-
a) 1 to 10 lots	-	No charge
b) Each lot after 10	-	No charge
Minor Variance Applications	-	No charge
Zoning By-law Amendment Applications	-	No charge

Site Plan Applications	\$ 500.00	-
-	-	-
Administration Fees	Fee	Comments
Hourly Administration Fee	-	No charge
Compliance Letter for plumbing or septic systems	-	No charge
Re-Inspections/Services/Special Inspections	-	No charge
Revisions to a septic application or an issued permit	\$100.00	-

Geographic Information System (GIS)		Prices include applicable taxes
Goods/Services	Fee	Comments
PDF Map on a CD	\$10.00	-
Map - Hardcopy 8.5 x 11	\$15.00	-
Map - Hardcopy 11 x 17	\$15.00	-
Map - Hardcopy 17 x 22	\$25.00	-
Map - Hardcopy 22 x 34	\$25.00	-
2013 SCOOP Orthophotos (by km ²)	\$25.00 per tile	Data sharing agreement required
2008-20 cm Orthophotos (by km ²)	\$25.00 per tile	Data sharing agreement required
2018 Orthophotos (by km ²)	\$ 25.00/tile	Data sharing agreement required
203 Orthophotos (by KM2)	\$50.00 per tile	Data sharing agreement required
Digital Vectors or Tabular Data	\$50.00/layer Pending review by Manager, Project Engineering	-
Digital Vectors	\$500.00/layer minimal attributes	-

Forest		
Goods/Services	Fee	Comments
Advertising	Full Cost Recovery	
Special Event Permit – a) Up to 50 people b) 50 or more people and less than 150 people c) 150 or more people and less than 250 people d) 250 people or more	\$100.00 per day* \$300.00 per day* \$500.00 per day* \$750.00 per day*	Fees may be waived for non-profit groups (subject to approval). *Additional cost recovery for any staff time required at event.
Film Permit (use of land)	Per contract	Damage deposit may be required – specified in contract

Land Use Planning		
Goods/Services	Fee	Comments
County Official Plan Amendment		
Application Fee	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00 deposit required with application fee
Area Municipal Official Plan Amendment (Privately Initiated)	-	-
Review Fee	\$1,500.00	-
Approval Fee	\$1,000.00	-
Subdivision/Condominium Applications in Alnwick/Haldimand, Cramahe and Hamilton	-	-
Application Fee	\$5,000.00	\$1,000.00 deposit required with application fee
Recirculation Fee	\$500.00	Applied prior to draft approval
Final Approval Fee	\$1,000.00	Fee charged per plan registration
Revisions /Amendments/Change to Conditions/Extension to Draft Approval	\$1,000.00	-
Subdivision/Condominium Applications in Brighton, Cobourg, Port Hope and Trent Hills	-	-
Review Fee	\$1,000.00	-
Clearance Fee	\$500.00	-
Consent	-	-
Review Fee	\$350.00	Fee charged per application
Zoning By-law Amendment	-	-
Review Fee (stand-alone not related to another application)	\$750.00	-
Review Fee (condition of a related application)	\$250.00	-
Part-lot Control Exemption	-	-
Approval Fee	\$500.00	-
Minor Variance	-	-
Review Fee	\$350.00	-
Site Plan	-	-
Review Fee	\$350.00	-
Other Provincially Regulated Development	-	-

Review Fee	\$750.00	Fee charged for provincially regulated development proposals
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Schedule “A” to By-law XX-2025- Fees & Charges

Goods/Services	Fee	Comments
Corporate		
Interest on overdue accounts	1.25% per month after 30 days	Except on levy installments
NSF Cheques	\$45.00	Unless otherwise provided by legislation
Courses/training	Full cost recovery	
Freedom of Information (FOI) Requests – Non-Refundable Application Fee	Per the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA) - \$5.00	Contact County Clerk for: further information, deposits, waivers, and appeals
FOI – Search Time	First 30 minutes free, thereafter \$30.00 per hour	Contact County Clerk for: further information, deposits, waivers, and appeals
FOI – Photocopying	\$ 0.20 per copy	Contact County Clerk for: further information, deposits, waivers, and appeals
FOI – Computer Programming	\$15.00 per 15 minute intervals, or \$ 60.00 per hour	Contact County Clerk for: further information, deposits, waivers, and appeals
FOI - DVD/CD	\$5.00 per disk	Contact County Clerk for: further information, deposits, waivers, and appeals
FOI – Preparation Time	\$7.50 per 15 minute intervals, or \$30.00 per hour	Contact County Clerk for: further information, deposits, waivers, and appeals
FOI – Chargeback Fees	As billed	Contact County Clerk for: further information, deposits, waivers, and appeals
FOI – Delivery by Courier	As billed	Contact County Clerk for: further information, deposits, waivers, and appeals
FOI – Deposits for Amount over \$100.00	50% of estimate	Contact County Clerk for: further information, deposits, waivers, and appeals
County Flag	\$91.00	Taxes included
Collection Agency Fees	Agency 1 - 15.25% 1st Placement 23% 2nd Placement Agency 2 - 13% 1st Placement 24% 2nd Placement	Full cost recovery unless otherwise provided by legislation
Community Boardroom (600 William St.)	\$150.00/day \$75.00/ half day	Price subject to applicable taxes

Goods/Services	Fee	Comments
		Fees may be waived for non-profit groups subject to approval.
Cost Recovery	Full cost recovery	Legal /Filing Fees

Provincial Offences Act (POA)		
Goods/Services	Fee	Comments
Collection Agency Fees	See corporate fees TSI fees 15% 1st placement 21.00% 2nd placement CBV Fees 14.50% 1st placement 20.00 2nd placement	
Internal Collection Fees Part 1 Offences	\$30.00 per case	
Internal Collection Fees Part 3 Offences	\$30.00 per case	
Administration fee for POA cases at certification of default stage	\$30.00 per case	

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Northumberland County Archives & Museum		
Goods/Services	Fee	Comments
Photocopying and computer print outs Monochrome prints (black and white) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter/legal size paper – Ledger size paper Colour prints <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter/legal size paper Ledger size paper 	- \$0.25/page \$0.50/page 0.50/page 0.75/page	Taxes included Photocopies of original source materials are subject to staff approval.
Scanning/Digitization <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scan of image Scan of document CD Price of scan includes emailing of image. Where archival materials are too large or fragile to scan, NCAM may provide a photograph of the material.	\$5.00/image \$5.00/document* \$5.00/CD *Multi-page documents over 20 pages will be charged an additional \$0.25/page	Taxes Included Where digitized file is too large to email, file will be shared via NextCloud or saved to a CD purchased from NCAM. Please note that NCAM is unable to save to personal USB/jump drives.
Research <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 30 minute on-site assistance 30 minute look-up for email/mail/telephone requests More than 30 minutes 	\$0.00 \$0.00 \$30.00/hour* *minimum charge of \$15.00. Charged in 30 minute increments.	Taxes included Research/assistance will be completed by trained and experienced staff or volunteers. Requestors will be notified of any additional charges prior to the commencement of additional research. Research fees do not include the cost of photocopies or digitization.

Admission	By donation	
Programming		
Workshop, seminars, speaker series, private events, etc	Cost recovery of supplies/facilitators fees	
School and homeschool groups within Northumberland County	By Donation	
School and homeschool groups outside of Northumberland County	\$ 5.00 per student	No fee for teachers and chaperones

Note, the following applies to all NCAM charges noted above:

- Payment for services must be received in advance of request being processed by NCAM staff
- Payment can be made online, cash, cheque or money order (made payable to Northumberland County)

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Waste		
Goods/Services	Fee	Comments
Bag Tags	\$4.25 each	
Tipping Fees – All Landfills & Transfer Stations		
All Materials (excluding Residential Recyclable, Tires, HHW, Electronics, and the First 500Kgs-200Kgs of residential Leaf & Yard Waste)	\$13.00 Minimum \$130.00 per metric tonne	
Private / Commercial Leaf & Yard Waste	\$ 13.00 Minimum \$130.00 per metric Tonne	
Mattress or Box Spring	\$ 20.00 each	Price includes applicable taxes
Unsegregated Waste Load Surcharge	\$130.00 per metric tonne \$13.00 Minimum	Total fee \$260/metric tonne Total fee \$26.00 minimum
Green Bin	\$20.00	Price includes applicable taxes
Composter	\$50.00 – Tumbler Style \$40.00 – Crate Style \$5.00 – Plastic Bucket	Price includes applicable taxes
Blue/Grey Box	\$ 8.50 – 87 L \$ 8.50 – 47 L \$3.00 0.00 – Lid	Price includes applicable taxes
Private -/Commercial Recycling	\$130.00 per metric tonne \$ 13.00 Minimum	
Bin Delivery	Full Cost Recovery	

Transportation		
Goods/Services	Fee	Comments
Maps	\$4.00	Price includes applicable taxes
Tender – Blueprints/Drawings	Cost recovery – based on document size	
Permit – Annual fee	\$200.00	
Permit – Single trip	\$50.00	
Permit – Entrance Residential	\$250.00	
Permit – Entrance Commercial	\$500.00	
Permit - Setback	\$250.00	
Permit – Entrance & Setback Residential	\$300.00	
Permit – Entrance & Setback Commercial	\$600.00	
Permit – Road Cut	\$100.00	
Permit – Permission to Bore	\$100.00	
Permit – Permission to Enter a County Road	\$100.00	
Entrance Installation	Full cost recovery plus a 10% administrative fee	
Accidents	Full cost Recovery plus a 10% administrative fee	
Surface Treatment	Full cost recovery plus a 10% administrative fee	

Ontario Agri-food Venture Centre			
	Incubation Clients	Northumberland Entrepreneurs	Comments
Room Rentals:			
Conference Room			
Half day rate (up to 4 hours)	\$55.00 <u>56.00</u>	\$48.00 <u>49.00</u>	
Full day rate (4 to 7 hours)	\$110.00 <u>112.00</u>	\$95.00 <u>97.00</u>	
Fruit and Vegetable Processing Room			All types of 'Trial' shifts run no more than 4 hours in duration and can include the processing of not more than 60 kg or 60L. Finished product samples must undergo micro-analysis at an independent accredited lab before being released from property.
Trial Shift (up to 4 hours, + 1 staff, limited)	\$360.00 <u>370.00</u>	\$309.00 <u>315.00</u>	
New Product Trial (up to 4 hours, +1LH) current clients only	\$335.00 <u>345.00</u>	\$288.00 <u>294.00</u>	
Half Shift rate (up to 4 hours)Full Shift rate (4 to 7 hours)	\$189.00 <u>193.00</u> \$288.00 <u>294.00</u>	\$161.00 <u>165.00</u> \$245.00 <u>250.00</u>	
Production Kitchen			
Trial Shift (up to 4 hours, + 1 staff, limited)	\$360.00 <u>370.00</u>	\$309.00 <u>315.00</u>	
New Product Trial (up to 4 hours, +1LH) current clients only	\$335.00 <u>345.00</u>	\$288.00 <u>294.00</u>	
Half Shift rate (up to 4 hours)	\$199.00 <u>203.00</u>	\$169.00 <u>173.00</u>	
Full Shift rate (4 to 7 hours)	\$309.00 <u>315.00</u>	\$263.00 <u>268.00</u>	
Ambient Processing Room			
Trial Shift (up to 4 hours, + 1 staff, limited)	\$360.00 <u>370.00</u>	\$309.00 <u>315.00</u>	
New Product Trial (up to 4 hours, +1LH) current clients only	\$335.00 <u>345.00</u>	\$288.00 <u>294.00</u>	
Half Shift rate (up to 4 hours)	\$189.00 <u>193.00</u>	\$161.00 <u>159.00</u>	
Full Shift rate (4 to 7 hours)	\$288.00 <u>294.00</u>	\$245.00 <u>250.00</u>	
Packaging Area			
Half Shift rate (up to 4 hours)	\$ 114.00 <u>116.00</u>	\$97.00 <u>96.00</u>	
Full Shift rate (4 to 7 hours)	\$203.00 <u>207.00</u>	\$172.00 <u>170.00</u>	
Pelletizing Room			
Half Shift rate (up to 4 hours)	\$168.00 \$267.00	\$142.00 \$225.00	
Full Shift rate (4 to 7 hours)			
Carbonated Beverage Room			Fees and Charges incorporating market rates may vary based on market value.
Basic Carbonated Beverage Trial (Small Batch)	\$1,586.00 <u>1,618</u>	\$1,411.00 <u>1,397</u>	
Carbonated Beverage Full Batch	\$2,120.00 <u>2,162</u>	\$1,923.00 <u>1,914</u>	
Room Rental		\$1,133.00 <u>1,156</u>	

<u>New Processing Room Trail Shift (Up to 4 Hrs, + 1 staff, limited</u>	<u>\$370.00</u>	<u>\$315.00</u>	
<u>New Product Trial (up to 4 hours, + 1LH) current clients only</u>	<u>\$345.00</u>	<u>\$294.00</u>	
<u>Half Shift rate (Up to 4 hours)</u>	<u>\$178.00</u>	<u>\$151.00</u>	
<u>Full Shift rate (4 to 7 hours)</u>	<u>\$274.00</u>	<u>\$233.00</u>	
<u>Prep Room Trial Shift (up to 4 hours, + 1 staff, limited)</u>	<u>370.00</u>	<u>\$315.00</u>	
<u>New product Trial (Up to 4 hours, +1LH) current clients only</u>	<u>345.00</u>	<u>\$294.00</u>	
<u>Half Shift rate (up to 4 hours)</u>	<u>163.00</u>	<u>\$139.00</u>	
<u>Full Shift rate (4 to 7 hours)</u>	<u>254.00</u>	<u>\$216.00</u>	

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Farmers' Market Area			
Daily Stall Rate	\$26.00	\$22.00	Additional fees are based on a cost
4 month (seasonal) stall lease rate	\$258.00	\$218.00	
Absentee Charge (per market day absent/closed, seasonally leased stalls only)	\$26.00	\$22.00	
Event Space (up to 7 hours)	\$361.00	\$309.00	
Training Room			
Full Day Rate (up to 7 hours)	\$361.00	\$309.00	
Notes – A room 'half shift rate' is warranted for reservations that will see completion of work in less than 4 hours, a 'full shift rate' is to be used for any production process requiring between 4 to 7 hours to complete. Clients will be required to select their shift length (Full or Half) at time of booking. Clients exceeding their allocated time will be charged additional fees. Clients requiring additional cleaning time due to volume or complexity of cleaning may be required to reduce production time.			
Services:			
Labour Fees			
Cost per person, per hour	\$30.00 30.50	\$25.75 26.00	Rate is applicable only when Centre is equipped to offer as an internal service.
Production Room Sanitation Fee			
4 hours of labour	\$120.00 122.00	\$103.00 104.00	May be waived when OAFVC Food Production Workers are secured as labour for applicable shift.
Sanitation Overtime Fee			
Cost per person, per hour	\$45.00 60.00	\$38.50 51.00	Rate is applied to sanitation time (including dish-washing) when production exceeds scheduled booking.
Multi-Head Filler Set-up + Calibration Fee			
3 hours of labour	\$90.00 91.50	\$77.25 78.00	Rate is applicable only when Centre is equipped to offer as an internal service.
Labelling Fee			
4 hours of labour minimum	\$120.00 122.00	\$103.00 104.00	Rate is applicable only when Centre is equipped to offer as an internal service.
Date/Batch coding			
Per Batch	\$10.00 10.25	\$8.50 8.75	Rate is applicable only when Centre is equipped to offer as an internal service.
OAFVC Products "Sampler Box"			
Cost per box	\$60.00	\$60.00	Fee based on a cost recovery and is subject to change.

Safe Food for Canadians SFCR Sustainability Fee (monthly)	\$70.00	\$60.00	<u>Rate is applicable only when Centre is equipped to offer as an internal service.</u> Fees are based on cost recovery and are subject to change.
<u>Fee for:</u> Non-Disclosure of OAFV-tied SFCR License <u>and/or</u> Shipping Beyond Ontario without SFCR License <u>Misrepresenting relationship with OAFV CFIA, Health Unit, or other Licensing Body</u>	\$2,000.00 <u>\$5,000.00</u> <u>\$5,000.00</u>	\$2,000.00 <u>\$5,000.00</u> <u>\$5,000.00</u>	
<u>Food Safety Audit Support per instance</u>	<u>\$1,500.00</u>	<u>\$1,250.00</u>	<u>Plus production shift fees when applicable</u>
Production Shift Consultation Up to 2 hours production observation to identify production shift efficiencies, results presented as Workflow Opportunity Notes	\$215.00 <u>\$225.00</u>	\$185.00 <u>\$191.00</u>	Rate is applicable only when Centre is equipped to offer as an internal service.

Business Expansion Consultation Up to 7 hours food business expansion consultation	\$755.00 <u>\$800.00</u> (plus expenses)	\$655.00 <u>\$680.00</u> (plus expenses)	Rate is applicable only when Centre is equipped to offer as an internal service.
Nutritional Facts Table Generation (electronic .tiff file up to two proof-revisions included)	\$50.00	\$42.75 <u>\$43.00</u>	Rate is applicable only when Centre is equipped to offer as an internal service.
Surface Protein (Allergen) Test Food Contact Surfaces swab for allergens, (per swab)	\$29.00 <u>\$36.00</u>	\$25.00 <u>\$31.00</u>	Rate is applicable only when Centre is equipped to offer as an internal service.
Moisture Analysis Test per test	\$28.00	\$25.00	Rate is applicable only when Centre is equipped to offer as an internal service.
PH Test per test	\$28.00	\$25.00	Rate is applicable only when Centre is equipped to offer as an internal service.
Viscosity Test per test	\$28.00	\$25.00	Rate is applicable only when Centre is equipped to offer as an internal service.
Water Activity Test per test	\$28.00	\$25.00	Rate is applicable only when Centre is equipped to offer as an internal service.
Used Wooden Pallet Cost per pallet to ship items offsite.	\$12.50	\$9.50	Rate is applicable only when Centre is equipped to offer as an internal service.
Food-Waste Disposal Fee Cost per instance for amounts up to one tonne	\$216.00 <u>\$220.00</u>	\$184.00 <u>\$187.00</u>	Rate is applicable only when Centre is equipped to offer as an internal service. Additional Fees may apply. In case of unpaid storage, goods left onsite will be deemed "abandoned" and will be discarded. Disposal fees will apply.
Note – Additional fees are based on a cost recovery basis. All fees are subject to change			
Storage Fees:			
Dry/Ambient Standard Storage per pallet (40"x48"x48") per week	\$8.00 <u>\$8.25</u>	\$7.00 <u>\$7.25</u>	Storage is billed weekly, invoiced monthly. Requests for inventory checks to be completed by staff will be billed hourly with a minimum of one hour of labour charged per instance.
Dry/Ambient Oversized Storage per pallet (40"x48"x49-72") per week. Limited space; prior approval required.	\$17.50 <u>\$17.75</u>	\$15.25 <u>\$15.50</u>	

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Cold Standard Storage			
per shelf (47"x17.5"x16") per week	\$5.00 <u>5.25</u>	\$4.50 <u>4.75</u>	Storage billed weekly, invoiced monthly. Requests for inventory checks to be completed by staff will be billed hourly with a minimum of one hour of labour charged per instance
per pallet (40"x48"x48") per week	\$10.50 <u>10.75</u>	\$9.25 <u>9.50</u>	
Hops (in airtight bags) per pallet (40"x48"x48") per week	\$9.25	\$9.25	

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Cold Oversized Storage per pallet (40"x48"x49-72") per week. Limited space; prior approval required.	\$23.75 <u>24.00</u>	\$20.50 <u>20.75</u>	
Frozen/Freezer Standard Storage per pallet (40"x48"x48") per week	\$13.25 <u>13.50</u>	\$11.50 <u>11.75</u>	Storage billed weekly, invoiced monthly. Requests for inventory checks to be completed by staff will be billed hourly with a minimum of one hour of labour charged per instance
extra pallet on freezer floor (weekly clients only. Limited space; prior approval required)	\$15.75 <u>16.00</u>	\$14.00 <u>14.25</u>	
Hops (in airtight bags) per pallet (40"x48"x48") per week	\$11.75	\$11.75	
Frozen Oversized Storage per pallet (40"x48"x49-72") per week. Limited space; prior approval required.	\$29.75 <u>30.00</u>	\$25.75 <u>26.00</u>	
<u>Penalty for Non-Payment</u>	<u>3% of total due will be added to the outstanding balance monthly</u>	<u>3% of total due will be added to the outstanding balance monthly</u>	<u>Penalty rate is applied to invoices after unpaid for 2 months</u> <u>If sent to Collections Agency, Corporate Collection Agency Fees will be applied for full cost recovery</u>

To qualify for "Northumberland Entrepreneur" rates, Clients must provide proof of Northumberland County property ownership, business ownership, or residence.

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Housing/Northumberland County Housing Corporation		
Goods/Services	Fee	Comments
Laundry – Washer (Cold Wash)	\$ 1.25 per load	
Laundry – Washer (Warm Wash)	1.50 per load	
Laundry – Washer (Hot Wash)	1.75 per load	
Laundry – Dryer	\$- 1.50 per load	
Unit damage / repairs	Full cost recovery	
NSF Cheques	\$20.00	
Internal Transfer Charge	\$250.00	
Filing Fees Landlord Tenant Board	Full Cost Recovery based on fees charged by the Landlord Tenant Board.	
Sheriff Fees (Enforcement, Filing and Mileage)	Full cost Recovery, based on fees charged by the Superior Court	
Optional Appliance – Freezer or Air Conditioner	Extra \$5.00 each per month	
Note: Fees must be approved by NCHC's Board of Directors prior to County approval		

Paramedics		
Goods/Services	Fee	Comments
Paid Duty Service	\$250.00 /hour	Includes 2 Paramedics Minimum 4 hour charge
Document Requests	\$ 56.50	Per PHIPA & the Ambulance Act

Business Entrepreneurship Centre Northumberland		
Goods/Services	Fee	Comments
Business Growth Program Registration	\$199.00 <u>10.00-\$199.00</u>	Formal membership program providing existing established business targeted development.
Workshop or seminar registration (chamber of commerce members)	\$15.00 to \$- \$60.00 <u>80.00</u>	Dependent on speaker fee

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Food 4 All		
Goods/Services	Fee	Comments
Food Banks annual base fee	\$150.00	This annual base fee allows for access to warehouse products, including fresh and non-perishable items purchased for local foodbanks
School Nutrition Program annual base fee	\$250.00	This annual base fee allows for access to warehouse products (including items purchased for school programs) and access to monthly food deliveries (to most schools)
Community Group annual base fee	\$150.00	This annual base fee allows for access to donated warehouse products
Food Bank and Community Groups user fee/handling charge	\$0.50 per case	This user fee will be charged annually to each Food Bank and Community Group for every case of product received from Food 4 All in the previous calendar year
School Nutrition Program user fee/handling charge	\$0.50 per case	This user fee will be charged annually to each School Program for every case of product received from Food 4 All in the previous school year (September – June)
Storage Fees		
Cold Storage	\$40.00	Per Pallet Per Month
Freezer Storage	\$40.00	
Dry Storage	\$30.00	

Golden Plough Lodge		
Goods/Services	Fee	Comments
Guest Meals	\$10.00	
Hairdresser space rental	Per contract	
Catering	Full cost recovery plus administrative fee	
Room Usage (set up, take down, cleaning; no use of kitchen)	\$75.00	3 hours staff labour
NSF Cheques or Pre-Authorized Payments	\$20.00	

Plumbing Fees		
Goods/Services	Fee	Comments
Residential and Industrial/Commercial/Institutional (ICI) Base Fee (<u>Includes maximum of 6 inspections</u>)	\$150.00 <u>165.00</u>	Includes maximum of 6 inspections
Rate per Fixture	\$17.00 <u>19.00</u>	
Residential Plumbing	\$55.00/hour <u>No charge</u>	
Re-Inspection/Special Inspections		
Industrial/Commercial	\$55.00/hour	
Re-Inspection/Special Inspections		
ICI & Multi-Residential Buildings Exterior Site Services (<u>per linear metre</u>)	\$140.21 <u>per linear metre</u>	
Plan Review (<u>Included but not limited to all ICI and Multi-Residential buildings</u>)	\$100.00 <u>No charge</u>	Included but not limited to all ICI and Multi-Residential buildings
Manhole, Catch Basin, Interceptor, Sump, etc <u>Fire Hydrant etc (per structure)</u>	\$20.00 <u>22.00/structure</u>	
Single Family Dwelling Water Service, Sanitary and Storm sewer (<u>per connection</u>)	\$17.00 <u>19.00</u>	<u>Include connection to municipalities water supply, sanitary sewage and stormwater and private sewage connection to on-site sewage system</u>
Conditional Plumbing Permit	10% in addition to normal fees <u>n/c</u>	<u>Eliminate Fees</u>
Plumbing Permit revisions after issuance of permit	\$100.00 + extra fixture count <u>110.00 + additional fixture</u>	

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Transfer of permit to new owner	\$125.00 <u>140.00</u>	
Alternative Solution Examination	\$500.00 <u>550.00</u>	
Permit Re-activation	\$100.00 <u>110.00</u>	
Building Without a Permit <u>if work has started</u>	\$100.00 + regular permit fee <u>15% + regular permit fees</u>	<u>Fee adjustment as per current practice/operation</u>
<u>Building Without a permit if work has started and an order to comply or stop work order has been issued</u>	<u>25% + regular permit fee</u>	
Back Flow Prevention Device – New or Replacement (each) <u>with no related permit</u>	\$125.00 <u>150.00</u> (if no <u>related permit</u>)	
<u>Blackflow Prevention Device with related permit</u>	<u>\$50.00</u>	
<u>Plumbing demolition</u>	<u>\$165.00</u>	<u>New fee</u>

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Sewage System Fees		
	Fee	Comments
Applications and Permits		
Application for a Sewage System - Class 2, 3, or 4 or 5	\$875.00 965.00	
Class 5 Sewage systems or treatment unit replacement tank	\$500.00	
Septic Permit Review - If change to design that requires a site visit/inspection	\$250.00 275.00	Fee adjusted as per current practice/operation
Septic Permit Revision Review if change to design does not require a site visit/inspection	\$175.00	Fee adjusted as per current practice/operation
Extraordinary travel costs	Full cost recovery. No charge	
Repairs and alterations to a Sewage System	\$450.00 500.00	
File search/Request for copy of Septic Approvals	\$75.00 No charge	
Refund (if no inspection has been made, administration costs only)	\$75.00 n/a	Balance refunded is \$800 Refunds issued per Building By Law
Refund (if initial inspection has been made)	\$300.00 n/a	Balance refunded is \$575 Refunds issued as per Building By Law
Sewage System Review for Additions/Renovations/Change of use	\$225.00 250.00	
Treatment Unit Tank Replacement Only	\$450.00	
Sewage System Permit transfer	\$125.00 140.00	
Alternative Solution Examination	\$550.00	
Permit Re-activation	\$110.00	
Transfer of permit to new owner	\$140.00	
Building Without a permit (If work has started)	15% + regular permit fee	Fee adjustment as per current practice/operation
Building without a permit (if work has started an order to comply or stop work order has been issued	25% + regular permit fees	
Septic System demolition	\$165.00	New fees
Development Review		
Severance/Lot Addition Applications	\$500.00 400.00	
Subdivision Applications		
a) 1 to 10 lots	\$300.00 per lot	No charge
b) Each lot after 10	\$150.00 per lot	No charge
Minor Variance Applications	\$300.00 per lot	No charge
Zoning By-law Amendment Applications	\$300.00	No charge
Site Plan Applications	\$300.00 500.00	

Administration Fees	Fee	Comments
Hourly Administration Fee	\$60.00/hr. (minimum 1 hour)	No charge
Compliance Letter for plumbing or septic systems	\$100.00	No charge
Re-Inspections/Services/Special Inspections	\$100.00	No charge
Revisions to a septic application or an issued permit	\$100.00	

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Geographic Information System (GIS)		Prices include applicable taxes
Goods/Services	Fee	Comments
PDF Map on a CD	\$10.00	
Map - Hardcopy 8.5 x 11	\$15.00	
Map - Hardcopy 11 x 17	\$15.00	
Map - Hardcopy 17 x 22	\$25.00	
Map - Hardcopy 22 x 34	\$25.00	
2013 SCOOP Orthophotos (by km ²)	\$25.00 per tile	Data sharing agreement required
2008-20 cm Orthophotos (by km ²)	\$25.00 per tile	Data sharing agreement required
2018 Orthophotos (by km ²)	\$50.00 25.00/tile	Data sharing agreement required
203 Orthophotos (by KM2)	\$50.00 per tile	Data sharing agreement required
Digital Vectors or Tabular Data	\$50.00/layer <i>Pending review by Manager, Project Engineering</i>	
Digital Vectors	\$500.00/layer minimal attributes	

Forest		
Goods/Services	Fee	Comments
Advertising	Full Cost Recovery	
Special Event Permit –		
a) Up to 50 people	\$100.00 per day*	Fees may be waived for non-profit groups (subject to approval). *Additional cost recovery for any staff time required at event.
b) 50 or more people and less than 150 people	\$300.00 per day*	
c) 150 or more people and less than 250 people	\$500.00 per day*	
d) 250 people or more	\$750.00 per day*	
Film Permit (use of land)	Per contract	Damage deposit may be required – specified in contract

Land Use Planning		
Goods/Services	Fee	Comments
County Official Plan Amendment		
Application Fee	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00 deposit required with application fee
Area Municipal Official Plan Amendment (Privately Initiated)		
Review Fee	\$1,500.00	
Approval Fee	\$1,000.00	
Subdivision/Condominium Applications in Alnwick/Haldimand, Cramahe and Hamilton		
Application Fee	\$5,000.00	\$1,000.00 deposit required with application fee
Recirculation Fee	\$500.00	Applied prior to draft approval
Final Approval Fee	\$1,000.00	Fee charged per plan registration
Revisions /Amendments/Change to Conditions/Extension to Draft Approval	\$1,000.00	
Subdivision/Condominium Applications in Brighton, Cobourg, Port Hope and Trent Hills		
Review Fee	\$1,000.00	
Clearance Fee	\$500.00	
Consent		
Review Fee	\$350.00	Fee charged per application
Zoning By-law Amendment		
Review Fee (stand-alone not related to another application)	\$750.00	
Review Fee (condition of a related application)	\$250.00	
Part-lot Control Exemption		
Approval Fee	\$500.00	
Minor Variance		
Review Fee	\$350.00	
Site Plan		
Review Fee	\$350.00	
Other Provincially Regulated Development		
Review Fee	\$750.00	Fee charged for provincially regulated development proposals

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Report 2025-024

Report Title: Procurement Activity Quarterly Report – Quarter 4, 2024

Committee Name: Finance and Audit

Committee Meeting Date: February 4, 2025

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Council Meeting Date: February 19, 2025

Strategic Plan Priorities: ☐ Innovate for Service Excellence
☒ Ignite Economic Opportunity
☐ Foster a Thriving Community
☐ Propel Sustainable Growth
☐ Champion a Vibrant Future

Information Report

“That the Finance and Audit Committee receive Report 2024-024 ‘Procurement Activity Quarterly Report – Quarter 4, 2024 for information, noting that the Procurement By-law 21-2022 under section 4.2.2 requires the Purchasing Manager to provide a quarterly report to County Council that includes itemization of all purchases between \$100,000 and \$1,000,000; and include any over budget approvals up to 10% as authorized under section 6.2; and

Further That the Committee recommend that County Council receive this report for information.”

Purpose

To provide details of procurement activity for all purchases between \$100,000 and \$1,000,000 as required by Purchasing By-law 21-2022 for the fourth quarter ending December 31, 2024.

Background

In accordance with Procurement By-law 21-2022 section 4.2.2 the Purchasing Manager is required to provide a quarterly report to Council that includes itemization of all purchases between \$100,000 and \$1,000,000 with a description of each purchase inclusive of actual cost and budget. The Procurement By-law delegates authority to staff to manage the procurement process for contract awards under \$1,000,000 notwithstanding that:

- No contract award may be approved unless funded within the Council approved budget or as authorized by the CAO and Treasurer up to 10% over of the bid total to a maximum of \$100,000 and the procurement process was conducted in accordance with this By-law and all applicable procedures and protocols.
- No contract may be entered into, either through the issuance of a purchase order or the execution of a legal agreement, unless within the approved Council budget in an amount sufficient to cover the procurement value is available and the contract award has been approved in accordance with this By-law and all applicable procedures and protocols.

Procurement By-law 21-2022 requires staff to obtain Council approval if:

- The procurement value exceeds the approval limits of delegated procurement authorities set out in Appendix 4 of this By-law; or
- Any of the conditions of delegated procurement authorities, as set out in section 6.2 of this By-law, have not been met; or
- There is an irregularity or unresolved challenge in connection with the Procurement Project and, in the opinion of the CAO, in consultation with the Purchasing Manager, the award of the contract is likely to expose the County to significant legal, financial, or reputational risk.

Consultations

Consultations occur on a regular basis with Member Municipalities via the Northumberland Treasurers Joint Purchasing Group and other joint departmental groups to ensure any opportunities for shared purchases are explored and pursued.

Legislative Authority/Risk Considerations

Procurement activities are conducted in compliance with all relative legislation, acts and trade agreements such as the Municipal Act, the Canadian Free Trade Agreement and the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement.

Discussion/Options

The bids listed in this report were issued in accordance with the County's Procurement By-law 21-2022.

These bids were received at the proper time and place and were opened through the online bidding system. The bids were checked and verified for accuracy. The bid total is provided in the table below.

A total of seven (7) bids were posted on the County Purchasing website in the fourth quarter and no bids awarded by staff were between \$100,000 and \$1,000,000.

Financial Impact

N/A

Member Municipality Impacts

Many of the purchases completed in Q4 have a piggyback clause which allows all Member Municipalities to acquire goods/services based upon contract awards.

Conclusion

To maintain trust, confidence, and transparency in the stewardship of public funds and the County's Purchasing program, this report is being submitted to provide a summary of the County's procurement activity for the fourth quarter period ending December 31, 2024, in accordance with the reporting requirements set out in the Procurement By-law 21-2022.

Attachments

N/A