

# The Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin

## Council Meeting January 9, 2019

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**CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH ALGONQUIN**  
**AGENDA**  
**COUNCIL MEETING**

**Wednesday, January 9, 2019 9:00 a.m.**  
**Municipal Office 7 Third Avenue Whitney, Ontario**

1. Open Meeting/Call to order – 9:00 a.m.
2. Additions / Amendments to the Agenda
3. Adoption of the Agenda
4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest
5. Petitions, Delegations and/or Presentations
6. Minutes of Previous Meetings (s)
  - Adopt the Minutes of the Inaugural Council Meeting of December 6, 2018
  - Adopt the Minutes of the Closed Session of the Inaugural Council Meeting of December 6, 2018
7. Business Arising from the Minutes
8. Unfinished Business
9. Committee, Staff and/or Councillor Reports
10. Correspondence – Action Items
11. Correspondence – Information Items
12. New Business
13. Motions of Council
14. Notice of Motions
15. By-Laws
  - Procedural By-Law, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading
16. Resolution to Move into a “Closed Session”
  - Cassellholme Update
17. Payment of Accounts
18. Adjournment



## **11. COMMITTEE REPORTS, STAFF AND/OR COUNCILLOR REPORTS:**

### **Fire**

A written report was provided in the council package by Fire Chief J. Stubbs.

Verbally Reported:

- Training for SCBA's for both departments will be on December 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>.
- A new training centre at Chalk River operated by the Fire College will be up and running by April. Costs will be minimal as this is a non-profit organization.

### **Administration**

A written report was provided in the council package by CAO/Clerk-Treasurer H. Hayes.

Verbally Reported:

- Registrations have been sent in for those attending the ROMA conference; hotels have been booked.
- Will have further discussion on the option for council to opt-in or opt-out of permitting cannabis retail stores in the municipality at the January council meeting. Mayor Dumas will mention again about smoking at the beach to the Public Health Department.
- MMAH is working on two surveys: 1. municipal reporting burden and 2. housing supply action plan; they are requesting feedback.
- Had a meeting with Ontario Ministry of Agriculture Food and Rural Affairs regarding grant availability for Economic Development and Tourism, also made contact with Ministry of Northern Development and Mines and FEDNOR.
- Have a meeting scheduled with D. Gatley and John Swick, Park Superintendent regarding Non-Operational Parks.
- Working on policy for councillor's purchase and use of electronics.

### **Public Works/Operations**

A written report was provided in the council package by Works Superintendent D. Gatley.

Verbally Reported:

- Expansion application for the Lyell landfill site is now in front of the Ground Water Specialist.
- Recent changes to the Waste Free Ontario Act have resulted in changes to Tire Stewardship program.
- The heating fuel tank at the Mervin Dupuis rink building cannot be certified after this heating season and a new high efficiency propane system should be considered in 2019.
- Discussion on the hot water tank at the Madawaska Complex, D. Gatley to investigate.

## **12. CORRESPONDENCE**-Action Items

- 1) Cassellholme, RE: Member for Board, *tabled*
- 2) Elissa Hirschberger, RE: Whitney Fire Dept. Application, *resolution*
- 3) Emily Kelly, RE: Whitney Fire Dept. Application, *resolution*
- 4) FONOM, RE: Representative on Board of Directors, *resolution*
- 5) Cindy Mountney, RE: M&L Recreation Committee Application, *resolution*

## **13. CORRESPONDENCE** -Information Items

## **14. NEW BUSINESS:**

- Discussion on level of service on Highway 60 in South Algonquin compared to other areas.



first Wednesday of the month at 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Adjournment beyond 1:00 p.m. may be extended, should Council agree unanimously to do so.”

**-Carried-**

**Moved by: J. Vermaire**

**Seconded by: R. Shalla**

**Res. # 18-242**

**“BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin accepts the staff recommendations as presented at the table and authorizes the CAO/Clerk Treasurer to transfer the following to 2018 reserves;

1. \$ 6,574.64 from Admin Account #16-3000-0520 to Elections Reserve Account #13-1000-2000
2. \$ 50,000 Protection Services Account #16-3300-0941 to Protective Fire Equipment Reserve Account #13-2000-2000
3. All surplus will be transferred to the General Reserve Fund. Upon determination of the total surplus, transferred surplus will be reassigned to the appropriate reserve accounts

**AND THAT** the aforementioned transfers be completed following auditor review.”

**-Carried-**

**Moved by: J. Vermaire**

**Seconded by: R. Shalla**

**Res. # 18-243**

**“BE IT RESOLVED THAT** That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin directs staff to amend the Procedural By- Law, #18-555, Section 6.2 Standing Committees, to read “There shall be six (6) committees of Council as follows:

- a) Asset Management (transportation and facilities)
- b) Waste Management
- c) Human Resources/Administration/Public Relations
- d) Emergency Services
- e) Social/Health Services
- f) Economic Development

And the structure of these committees shall be Committee of the Whole.”

**-Carried-**

*There was a five-minute break*

**Moved by: J. Florent**

**Seconded by: D. Harper**

**Res. # 18-244**

**“That** Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin move into a closed session of Council at 9:01 p.m. to consider subject matter regarding;

**Ontario Municipal Act, Part VI, S.239 (2)**

(e) Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board, Cassellholme.”

**-Carried-**

**Moved by: D. Harper**

**Seconded by: J. Florent**

**Res. # 18-245**

**“BE IT RESOLVED THAT** That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adjourns the closed session of Council held on December 6, 2018 at 10:01 p.m.”

**-Carried-**

**16. NOTICE OF MOTIONS: None**

**17. BY-LAWS: None**

**18. CLOSED SESSION: None**

**19. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS:**

**Moved by: J. Florent**

**Seconded by: R. Shalla**

**Res. # 18-246**

**“BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin authorizes the payment of all bills as recorded for the meeting of December 6, 2018: Batch 2018-00064 \$69,418.73, Batch 2018-00066 for \$949,726.05, Batch 2018-00068 for \$45,209.26 and Batch 2018-00070 for \$110,318.39.”

**-Carried-**

**20. ADJOURNMENT:**

**Moved by: S. Collins**

**Seconded by: J. Florent**

**Res. # 18-247**

**“BE IT RESOLVED THAT** That Council for the Corporation of the Township of South Algonquin adjourns the Inaugural meeting of December 6, 2018, at 10:07 p.m.”

**-Carried-**

The next council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 9, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

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Mayor Jane A. E. Dumas

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CAO/Clerk-Treasurer Holly Hayes

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Deputy Clerk Carla Gatley  
Recording Secretary

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# **COUNCIL MEETING**

January 9, 2019

## **COMMITTEE/STAFF REPORTS:**

- 1) M&L Parks and Recreation Committee, RE: Meeting of December 11, 2018
- 2) Administration Report
- 3) Public Works/Operations Report

**CORPORATION OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH ALGONQUIN**

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**AGENDA**

**Murchison & Lyell Parks and Recreation Committee**

Tuesday December 11, 2018 at 7:00 pm.  
At the Madawaska Complex

1. Call meeting to order.
  2. Reading & approval of the agenda plus any additions.
  3. Approval of November 13, 2018 minutes and any amendments.
  4. Business arising from minutes.
    - a) Councillor's Report.
    - b) Reports: Brendia Drew—Sell Your Wares.
  5. Financial Report— Balance at the end of November \$ xxxxxx.
- New Business.**
6. Bills for payment.
  7. Performance measurement – Event tracking sheet for November.
  8. Resolutions.
  9. Budget needs for 2019.
  10. Playground Equipment.
  11. Yoga class.
  12. Madawaska Book.
  13. Socials and Bread Making Classes.
  14. January Newsletter.

Next meeting Tuesday January 8th, 2019 at 7:00pm at the Madawaska Complex.

**Murchison & Lyell Parks and Recreation Committee of South Algonquin**

Minutes for the meeting of November 13, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Members present: Terry Levean, Sharon Florent, Brendia Drew, Rosemary Shalla, Brenda Hilderbrandt and Pat Conway.

Absent: Nicole Dupuis, Jennifer Dupuis and Sue Dupuis.

Council Representative: Councillor Joe Florent.

1. Chair called meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**2. Motion #30-2018**

Moved by: Brendia Drew. Seconded by: Rosemary Shalla.

"To accept the agenda as revised."

**Carried**

**3. Motion #31-2018**

Moved by: Brenda Hildebrandt. Seconded by: Brenda Drew.

"To adopt the October 9, 2018 minutes and any amendments.

**4. Business arising from minutes:** a) Councillor Florent advised that as he was not present at the last Council meeting that he had nothing to report. b) CEO Holly Hayes presented some artist pictures of the J.R. Booth park playground equipment for our consideration for a colour scheme for the equipment.

**5. Financial Report:** Balance at the end of October was \$6114.52.

**New Business**

**6. Bills for payment:** None.

**7. Performance measurement:** Tracking sheet for October was completed for all activities.

**8. Resolutions:** None.

**9. Wedding Bar:** Will be on December 15<sup>th</sup>.

**10. October Newsletter:** This was completed and sent off to the Township for publishing.

**11. Rink Building.** Rose Shalla will let us know if and when she needs anything.

**12. Kid's Christmas Party:** Nicole Dupuis will get a Santa for the party.

**13. Festival of Outdoor Rinks:** M & L will not be participating this year.

**14. Funeral Lunch:** For Billy Cameron will be a hot lunch provided by friends and family.

**15. Fundraising Angels:** The leaflet will be distributed in the mailboxes again this year.

**Motion #32-2018**

Moved by: Pat Conway. Seconded by: Brendia Drew.

"Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 pm."

Next meeting – Tuesday December 11th 2018, at 7pm at the Madawaska Complex.

Chair

  
Terry Levean

Secretary

  
Sharon Florent

Sell Your Wares Report November 25, 2018.

Approximately 54 lunches served @ \$5 each	270.00
Expenses for Sandwiches and making soup	<u>84.00</u>
Profit for lunch	\$186.00
Monies collected from the \$50 prize and share prize	178.75
Table Rentals: 21 @ 10.00	<u>210.00</u>
Total profit from this year's event	\$574.75

Sharon Florent

December 4, 2018.

#4-2018

**ADMIN REPORT January 9, 2019 from the desk of CAO/Clerk/Treasurer as of January 2, 2019****1. Recreation;**

- Rinks are operating,
- Whitney is hosting Festival of Outdoor Rinks, Madawaska will have a broomball tournament that weekend,
- GameON program is hosting a Mentor night at the Whitney Rink January 4, 2019,
- We have requested a delegation with the Ministry of Sport and Recreation to discuss funding of GameON at ROMA.

**2. Administration;**

- I have not received follow-up from the Northern Rural Net contact regarding the placement of the tower,
- Have received un-official information from Cassellholme Board which will be provided in Closed session,
- Province has announced a phased approach to the issuing of cannabis retail licenses, which will be managed by a private company; KPMG, there is a webinar January 4, that staff will provide a summary of at the meeting,
- Member of the public has requested space to open a "recycle store",
- Staff has reviewed the DNSSAB Board Service Reimbursement Policy provided by the Mayor, it is our suggestion that the changes required to permit councillors to purchase electronic equipment could be incorporated into our Per-diem by-law, which should be reviewed by HR/Admin committee, for the time being a resolution to permit equipment could be passed at a council meeting.
- A copy of a letter regarding changing the regular council meeting time within the procedural by-law has been included as information; 21 copies of this letter have been received and provided to the councillors for which they were addressed.
- Holly Requesting February 14-22 vacation.

**3. Finance;**

- AMO and Minister Letter in the package indicating Ontario Municipal Partnership fund allocations are being reviewed; this could be a significant impact to our budget,
- \$38,571.50 Gas Tax grant received 2018,
- 2018 Year End processes will commence next week; Closing the General Ledger and Tax system and uploading 2019 Assessment Roll,

## Public Works Department Operations Update

From: Dave Gatley, Public Works Superintendent  
 To: Mayor Dumas & Councillors  
 Date: January 3, 2019

### Protection Serves:

Several freeze thaw events combined with rain caused ice to build up and move down the steel roofing at the Whitney Ambulance/Fire Hall complex. The moving ice began intermittently falling off in large chunks over the front doors and pulled the eavestrough away from the building. As this presented an immediate Health & Safety hazard to workers and the public the ice was removed from the roof and the eavestrough reattached at the first opportunity. Additionally a commercial grade ice dam will be installed to remove the hazardous building defect as soon as possible. Cost for this work is not anticipated to generally exceed annual budgetary maintenance costs for the building complex.

### Transportation Services:

Paplinskie Road – The resident involved with construction of the unauthorized entrance has made full restitution to the Township. They would like to gain approval for an authorized entrance and have requested the Township identify an acceptable location for it.

Hwy. 523 – The Township has received correspondence regarding the Bark Lake culvert replacement stating that “a preferred construction staging alternative has been selected” and that we will receive a detailed response to our expressed concerns.

### Environmental Services:

The Township received a favorable Solid Non-Hazardous Waste Disposal Site Inspection Report from the MOECC for the Airy Landfill site on December 19<sup>th</sup>. The report reiterated that the Township should begin investigation of an easement along the southern and eastern borders with the Crown should it be required in the future. Environmental Services staff will include some additional in-house training in 2019 to ensure ongoing compliance.

## Proposed Capital Costs for 2019

### Vehicles & Equipment:

The following is a list of vehicles and equipment that are due for replacement or upgrade:

Unit #	In Service	Replacement	Kilometres/Hours	Replacement Cost	Annual Cost
6 Loader	1991	2011	/11,388	\$300,000	\$5,000
7 Tandem	2008	2018	218,800/3,093	\$250,000	\$23,000
20 Single Axel	2012	2017	127,631	\$75,000	\$8,000
21 Crew Cab	2012	2017	200,886	\$40,000	\$3,000
22 Crew Cab	2012	2017	229,239	\$40,000	\$3,000
24 Pickup	2014	2019	114648	\$40,000	\$3,000

The above vehicles and equipment are generally in adequate condition to provide their related level of service and do not exceed reasonable annual maintenance costs. Replacement of the Crew Cabs in 2019 should be considered due to their high mileage.

### Work Yard:

The roofing on the sand dome is in need of replacement and should be considered in 2019. Cost is estimated at \$60,000

## **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION**

**January 9, 2019**

- 1) AMO, RE: Bill 66
- 2) Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, RE: New Members for Local Citizens Committee
- 3) Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, RE: Housing Supply Action Plan
- 4) Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, RE: Municipal Reporting
- 5) McIntosh Perry, RE: Bark Lake Culvert Replacement-Hwy. 523 Closure
- 6) Ministry of Children, Community & Social Services, RE: DSSAB Governance & Accountability Review Report
- 7) Ministry of Finance, RE: OMPF
- 8) Ontario Bill 47 and Bill 148
- 9) Government of Ontario, RE: Phased Approach to Cannabis Retail Licensing
- 10) Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, RE: Plan to Protect the Environment
- 11) AGCO, RE: Webinar - Cannabis Retail Licensing
- 12) Letter Opposed to Changing the Time of Regular Council Meetings

**From:** [AMO Communications](#)  
**To:** [clerk@southalgonquin.ca](mailto:clerk@southalgonquin.ca)  
**Subject:** AMO Policy Update - Bill 66 - Municipal Implications Overview  
**Date:** Tuesday, December 18, 2018 3:25:54 PM

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December 18, 2018

## **Bill 66 – Municipal Implications Overview**

On December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade, the Honourable Todd Smith, introduced [Bill 66, the \*Restoring Ontario's Competitiveness Act\*](#). This proposed legislation has significant interest for municipal governments. Bill 66 has only had First Reading at this time and will continue through the debate and hearing process. After this week's sitting, the Legislature is scheduled to return for the next Session on Tuesday, February 19, 2019.

In this members' update, AMO is providing an overview and brief analysis as we pursue additional information and clarification to bring a report to the January Board of Directors meeting. Further communications on the Bill will occur at that time.

Several corresponding proposed regulations are now [open for comment](#) on the Ontario Regulatory Registry. In most cases, the deadline for comment is January 20<sup>th</sup> to respond via the registry process.

### **Schedule 2 — Repeal of the *Pawnbrokers Act***

Schedule 2 of the Bill repeals the *Pawnbrokers Act* in its entirety. Created in the early 1900s, the Act regulates pawnshops and second hand stores. Municipal governments would retain the authority to create bylaws and business licenses regulating pawnshops, however, the repeal would eliminate law enforcement tools aimed at enforcing against theft and enabling the search and return of stolen goods. AMO will connect with police services to obtain their perspectives on the impacts that the change would bring and consider alternatives.

### **Schedule 3 — Amendments to the *Child Care and Early Years Act, 2015* and the *Education Act***

Changes to rules regarding in-home child care services and authorized recreational and skills building programs; increasing the permissible number and age of children per provider a day will likely increase access to childcare. The proposals may also raise concerns related to children's health and safety and the quality of childcare, with possible impacts on municipal monitoring of childcare spaces.

#### **Schedule 4 — Amendments to the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998 (Sub-metering)**

The proposed change deletes references to ‘unit sub-metering’ from the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, and replaces it with references to smart meters. It is unknown if conversions to smart meters have taken place in all housing units being managed by municipal governments. This may impact the ability to individually charge tenants for energy used. Studies show that lack of individual meters can raise energy use over 30%, which will bring financial impacts. As well, it is unclear if it would have any impact on second suites or inclusionary zoning initiatives.

#### **Schedule 8 — Amendments to the Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007**

Proposed changes for long-term care homes’ licences include that the Director, as appointed by the Minister, may determine the need and how public consultations shall be conducted. This may reduce the frequency of attendance by licensees at public meetings. Further, the Ministry would have added flexibility to issue licenses for temporary beds for a longer duration of time. Municipal homes have licences subject to Minister’s approval with no designated term. Further efforts to improve long-term care and reduce administrative burden should continue. There is a need for more discussions to develop a less prescriptive, outcomes-based framework that reduces burden while prioritizing patient care and well-being. AMO will continue to work with other long-term care partners to identify opportunities for positive reform and to monitor long-term care impacts of Bill 66 and corresponding regulations.

Proposed regulations have been [posted for public comment](#) until January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

#### **Schedule 9 — Amendments to the Labour Relations Act, 1995 (Construction Employer Designation)**

Bill 66 would clarify that municipal governments are not construction employers. Construction employer designation reduces the number of eligible bidders for municipal construction projects and increases municipal capital costs by eliminating competition. Construction is not a core municipal function and municipal governments should not be treated as construction employers. This has been a longstanding municipal ask and AMO has supported past private members’ bills seeking this clarification.

#### **Schedule 10 — Amendments to the Planning Act (‘Open For Business’ Tool)**

The proposed legislation introduces a new planning tool called an "open for business" bylaw. Provincial government [commentary](#) has indicated that this tool could fast track permanent job creating opportunities, indicating that the specifics of the use of the tool will come in future regulation. The [posted description](#) of the

scope of a regulation indicates that a proposal to use this tool would require a minimum job creation threshold (e.g. 50 jobs for municipalities with a population of less than 250,000 people, or 100 jobs for municipalities with a population of more than 250,000 people). It would appear that the tool, like a Minister's Zoning Order (MZO) would be for a specific land use application. We look to the Province to provide greater clarity and how this tool is different or similar to a Minister's Zoning Order.

Once there is greater clarity, we can turn attention to whether this tool can deliver what is expected. The draft legislation outlines the order of the process as follows, presumably after a planning application is received by the municipality as well as some planning evaluation:

1. The municipality must receive approval from the Minister to pass the "open for business" by-law.
2. The municipality passes the by-law.
3. An agreement between the land use proponent and municipality regarding site plan type conditions is signed and registered against the land to which it applies.
4. It comes into effect within 20 days of passing and is sheltered from LPAT appeal.
5. Notice is provided to the Minister within 3 days of passing and to others within 30 days.
6. The Minister may modify or revoke the by-law.
7. The municipality can amend or revoke the by-law.

**NOTE:** Public consultation is not required but not prohibited.

While not clearly stated, the fact that conditions are registered against a specific property implies that the 'open for business' by-law is site specific and not a 'blanket' across a large area of a municipality. As well, we would look to the Province for greater clarity on how the powers to amend, by both the Minister and the municipal government, might be used.

The sections ((6) *Non-application of listed provisions*) indicating which elements of provincial law do not apply to an "open for business by-law" are being widely discussed. This list generally requires that municipal decisions conform to the intent of the listed *Acts*. Many of these *Acts* refer to environmental and water related protections, which raises questions about achieving economic gains that may result in longer-term environmental concerns. It should be noted that the *Environmental*

*Assessment Act* and EA process has not been identified in this list. Perhaps this is the backstop that will avoid costly environmental remediation.

There are also other financial, health, and safety factors within these listed Acts that need to be considered as well as the other aspects, such as relationship to municipal planning documents and public consultation.

AMO will be continuing our Bill 66 analysis and pursuing answers to these questions over the coming weeks.

**AMO Contact:** Monika Turner, Director of Policy, [mturner@amo.on.ca](mailto:mturner@amo.on.ca), 416.971.9856, ext. 318.

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## NOTICE

November 20, 2018

**SUBJECT:** Recruiting New Members for Local Citizens Committees for Crown Forest Management

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The Bancroft District Office of the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) is recruiting new members for the Local Citizens Committee (LCC) for both the Bancroft-Minden and Mazinaw-Lanark forest management units (see maps).

The LCC is a volunteer committee representing a broad range of local interests, and provides an opportunity for enhanced public consultation through dialogue with the MNRF and the Sustainable Forest Licensee (SFL) (Bancroft Minden Forest Company Inc. and Mazinaw-Lanark Forest Inc.). The LCC assists in ensuring that the forest management planning process proceeds in a manner that incorporates the interests of all forest users.

The LCC for both forest management units are seeking new members to specifically represent naturalist and waterfront property owner interests in forest management planning. Previous forestry knowledge is not required, and orientation and training are provided. Travel expenses are reimbursed at approved government rates.

Prospective new members should be aware of the following requirements:

- able to commit to attending two to four meetings throughout the year and possibly more during the development of a new Forest Management Plan;
  - For the Bancroft-Minden LCC, meetings are held in the evening in Bancroft
  - For the Mazinaw-Lanark LCC, meetings are held during the day in Sharbot Lake;
- commit to membership for a minimum of one year; and,
- actively participate in meetings, provide timely input, and where required, seek and present perspectives of the interest group they are representing.

Those interested in applying to be a member of a LCC should contact the appropriate MNRF Management Forester for further information on the application process. Applications will be accepted until January 31, 2019.

Any questions about the LCC and recruitment process, or forest management planning in general, can also be directed to the appropriate Management Forester.

**Bancroft-Minden Forest**

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Management Forester  
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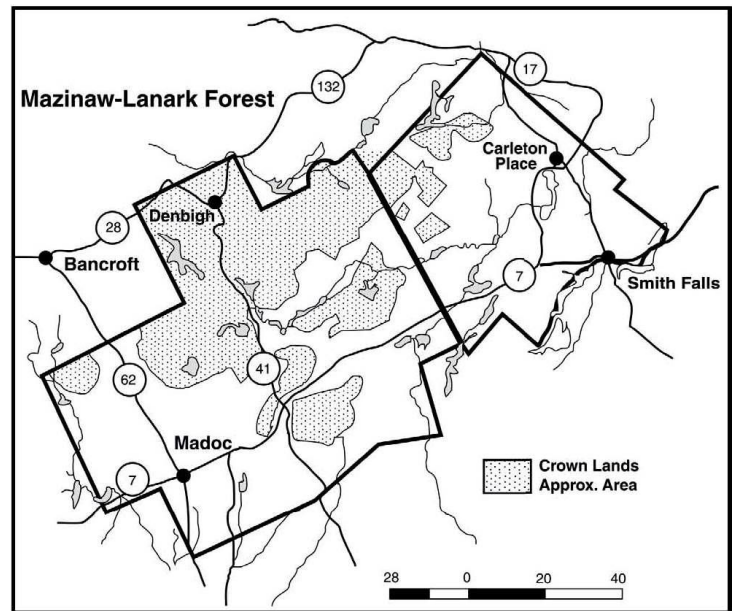
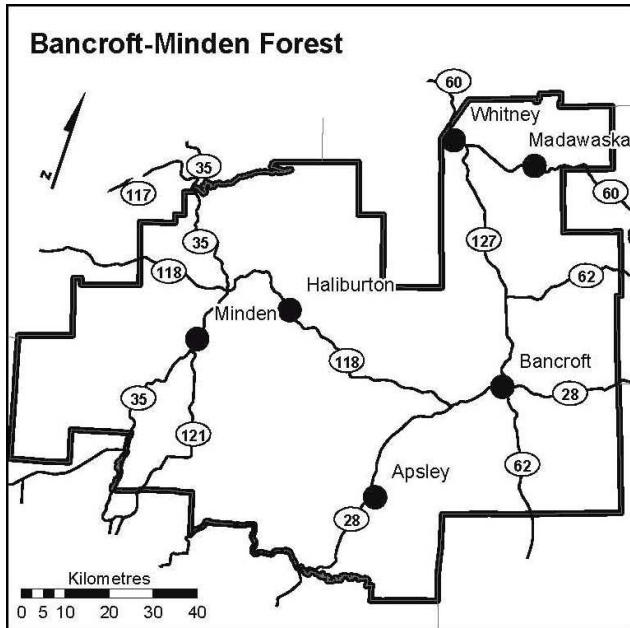
**Mazinaw-Lanark Forest**

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Thank you for your interest in supporting Crown forest management planning in Bancroft District.

Sincerely,

Paul Heene  
District Manager  
Bancroft District  
Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry



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Municipal Affairs  
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Dear Head of Council,

As you know, our government has launched a broad consultation to gather input on how to increase the supply and mix of housing, speed up development timelines and drive down costs. Feedback from the consultation will inform our Housing Supply Action Plan, to be released this spring. I encourage you to share your ideas by visiting [Ontario.ca/HousingSupply](http://Ontario.ca/HousingSupply) before January 25, 2019.

As part of this consultation, we will be undertaking a fundamental review of all aspects of the development approvals process as it relates to building more housing people can afford, and attracting and retaining new business investments. That is why I have directed my ministry to review the entire provincial approvals process – from the rules for planning all the way to construction.

I am keenly aware of the broad number of permits, approvals and processes that may come into play as part of this exercise, including those that reside with our partner ministries. I am working closely with my Cabinet colleagues on this initiative and our government's goal is a streamlined development process that ensures provincial approvals are in place within one year so building can begin sooner.

To help achieve this ambitious but necessary goal, and following on the successes of our recent Growth Plan Implementation workshops, we want to hear directly from you. That is why, we will be holding a series of targeted consultations focused on the key laws and policies that my ministry administers, and your input will be critical.

In the coming days, you will be invited to participate in one or several discussions focused on the Planning Act, the Provincial Policy Statement, the Building Code and other matters. This detailed review of individual policies and laws is needed to find every barrier and unnecessary step in the process. However, as Minister, I am interested in transformative change, not incremental shifts in policies.

Making Ontario open for business means a fundamental change to the status quo. Our province needs to be a place where businesses can locate and grow, and create jobs and innovate, not spend their time clearing regulatory hurdles and navigating unnecessary red tape.

This is urgent work, and I hope you will make time to participate. I look forward to hearing your important insights and recommendations on how to move forward.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Clark".

Steve Clark  
Minister  
Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing

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RE: Municipal Reporting Burden

Dear Heads of Council,

As you have heard me say, reducing the provincial reporting burden affecting the municipal sector is a priority for the government. I addressed municipal concerns about the reporting burden at the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) conference in Ottawa this past summer. I have heard from municipalities that the province asks for too many reports, which impacts the ability of municipalities to focus on local priorities.

I have struck a team in my ministry to lead the reduction of the municipal reporting burden across government. In addition to reducing the number of reports, we must make sure any remaining information collected is necessary for the province's work. We must confirm the information requested is not duplicative, and that the reporting requirements for small municipalities are appropriate.

To address these goals, my ministry will be convening a cross-government working group to bring together ministries with municipal reporting requirements. This group will be tasked with reducing reporting and undertaking the work to meet the aforementioned commitments.

In addition to our cross-government working group, in 2018, my team will be convening a stakeholder working group of various municipal associations with a shared common interest in municipal reporting requirements.

I invite you to share your thoughts on what changes can be made to municipal reporting directly to my office, as well.

Thank you for your support.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Steve Clark'.

Steve Clark  
Minister, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing

c: Laurie LeBlanc, Deputy Minister, MMAH

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Hello Dave Gatley,

We received your response regarding the Replacement of Bark Lake Culvert Full Closure of Highway 523 Letter GWP 5274-14-00. Thank you for taking the time to participate in the Environmental Assessment process. The project team is currently reviewing all comments / concerns received.

Our intention is to provide you with a detailed response, once all comments have been considered and a preferred construction staging alternative has been selected .

Thank you,  
Jenn

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Dear Jennifer,

Thank you for informing the Township of McIntosh Perry's involvement in the replacement of the Bark Lake Culvert outlined in your letter of October 18, 2018. The letter was included as an action item in the November 1<sup>st</sup> Council Package and discussed at the meeting.

At the meeting there was consensus from Council to oppose the MTO option of a full closure of Highway 523 during construction.

As no local detour route exists a full closure would cause significant disruption to Municipal and Emergency services as well as a major inconvenience to residents and businesses in the area. Most concerning is that 100 plus residents located on the south side of the closure would be an average of 70 km further from their local fire station and 50 km further from EMS.

A single lane closure option would be acceptable to Council. Please keep us informed as the project plans progress.

Sincerely,

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## Report available from Office (200 pages)

December 20, 2018

Dear Heads of Municipal Councils:

I am writing to share a copy of the District Social Services Administration Board (DSSAB) Governance and Accountability Review Final Report, which was commissioned by the previous government, and to communicate next steps for this work.

The recommendations presented in the report reflect the input heard through consultation with board members, staff and municipal representatives in September and October 2017. The report notes that most participants across all the three groups felt that the Boards were working well and providing vital services to the residents of their Districts.

The report does speak to historical challenges for some Boards related to issues such as the apportionment of costs among municipal members and resolving associated conflicts. It is clear from the report that these issues are complex and influenced by various intersecting elements of the DSSAB governance framework and most importantly that there is no consensus among participants on the best path forward.

As such, the government will not be moving forward to implement the recommendations laid out in the report. However, I have directed ministry staff, working in cooperation with partner ministries, to proceed with focused discussions with the Northern Ontario Service Deliverers Association (NOSDA), the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) and the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA) beginning in the new year.

The intent of this work is to identify opportunities in the following three areas of DSSAB governance and accountability:

- Exploring ways to ensure that alternate cost apportionment formulas reflect the collective responsibility of all municipalities for the provision of services to residents in a District;
- Exploring an effective mechanism for resolving conflicts that arise with respect to the apportionment of costs; and
- Enhancing understanding of the role of DSSABs, Board functions and responsibilities and transparency of decision making and communication.

This focused work is best supported by a continued, “status quo” environment for cost apportionment. Therefore, the government has extended the current moratorium on apportionment changes, for an additional 12-month period, through December 31, 2019.

Our government is focused on delivering better results for people through simple, efficient and accountable services. We want to take the time needed to get things right.

I am confident that by working together, we can identify practical, effective improvements to governance practices and accountability mechanisms that promote the principle of collective responsibility, and support accessible, high-quality services for the people of Northern Ontario.

The ministry will be in touch with NOSDA, FONOM and NOMA early in the new year to set plans for the work ahead.

Kindest regards,

***Original signed by***

Lisa MacLeod  
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Enclosure



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December 21, 2018

Dear Head of Council:

We are writing to provide you with an update on the 2019 Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF).

Firstly, congratulations on your new office term. Our government knows that one of the first priorities for your new council is setting your 2019 budget. The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) along with a number of individual municipalities have asked for information about the 2019 OMPF to support budget planning.

Like many of my colleagues in the Legislature, as former municipal representatives, we understand the importance of this information. Let me assure you, we are committed to getting you the details of your 2019 OMPF allocation as soon as possible.

As outlined in November's *2018 Ontario Economic Outlook and Fiscal Review*, our government wants to ensure that the vital services people rely on like health and education are available to individuals and families for generations to come. This is why our top priority is putting the Province's fiscal house in order.

As you know, the Province's financial challenge is massive. We inherited a \$15 billion deficit and over a third of a trillion dollars in net debt. The previous government was spending more than \$40 million more a day than they took in.

This is simply unsustainable. This is why we are making every effort to restore fiscal balance to the Province.

Ernst and Young, who conducted a line-by-line-review of Ontario's spending, confirmed in its report *Managing Transformation — A Modernization Action Plan for Ontario* that the growth in transfer payments and other provincial supports are key contributors to the province's mounting debt. Getting this spending under control is why we are undertaking a detailed review of all transfer payments, including those to municipalities.

We must continue to support municipalities in a way that is sustainable and responsible. To achieve this, we are reviewing the OMPF — which is why details of OMPF allocations will be released later than in past years.

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We will be looking to you, our municipal partners, to help us with the challenge that lies ahead — as we look to drive efficiencies and value-for-money in all of our transfer payments, including the OMPF. While we all will be operating within a smaller funding envelope, we want to work with you to return the program to what it was initially intended to do — support the Northern and rural municipalities that need it the most.

As part of the OMPF review, we will seek your feedback on how best to renew the program. We will work through AMO and the recently signed joint Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). This agreement is a foundation of our relationship. The AMO MOU table has been an important forum for discussing and receiving your input on financial matters. I also understand that there has been a staff working group that has provided valuable feedback on the OMPF in the past. Ministry officials have been asked to engage with this group early in the New Year.

Again, we want to provide you with 2019 OMPF allocations as soon as possible. We are working to complete the review early in 2019.

Since coming into office, our government has taken a number of actions to support municipalities. These include introducing legislation to address two critical issues in Ontario's firefighting sector: fairness for professional firefighters and the efficiency of the interest arbitration system. In addition, we have committed to providing municipalities \$40 million over two years to help with the implementation costs of recreational cannabis legalization. In addition, if Ontario's portion of the federal excise duty on recreational cannabis over the first two years of legalization exceeds \$100 million, the province will provide 50 percent of the surplus only to municipalities that have not opted-out as of January 22, 2019. We are also working to reduce the significant red tape burden municipalities face.

These are important initiatives that will make life better for the people of Ontario.

We respect our municipal partners, and are committed to working constructively with all local governments to find smarter and more efficient ways to make life better for our communities.

Sincerely,



Vic Fedeli  
Minister of Finance

- c: The Honourable Steve Clark, Minister, Municipal Affairs and Housing  
Greg Orencsak, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Finance  
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Jamie McGarvey, President, Association of Municipalities Ontario

## Ontario Bill 47 and Bill 148 Comparison Chart

The following chart outlines the changes to the *Employment Standards Act, 2000* (ESA) and the *Labour Relations Act, 1995* that resulted from the passing of Ontario Bill 47, the *Making Ontario Open for Business Act, 2018*, in terms of its effect on the changes to the ESA and LRA previously made by Bill 148, the *Fair Workplaces, Better Jobs Act, 2017*. **Bill 47 received Royal Assent on November 21, 2018. Amendments made to the ESA come into force January 1, 2019, whereas changes to the LRA came into force upon Royal Assent.**

<i>Employment Standards Act, 2000</i>			
Provision	Impact to Township of South Algonquin	Bill 148 Changes	Bill 47 Changes
<b>Locations and scheduling</b>	no significant change as this was already in the Employment Standards Act.	As of January 1, 2019, employees may request a change to their schedule or work location after three months' employment. Employers must notify when the change comes into effect if approved, or else explain the reasons for the denial.	Repealed.
		As of January 1, 2019, the three-hour rule imposes minimum three hours' pay for short shifts under certain circumstances.	Bill 47 does not change this provision, but it is renumbered from 21.3 to 21.2 due to the repeal of other sections.
		As of January 1, 2019, on-call employees must be paid for at least three hours' work, even if they are not called in, under certain circumstances.	Repealed.
		As of January 1, 2019, employees may refuse shifts offered with less than 96 hours' notice, under certain circumstances.	Repealed.
		As of January 1, 2019, employees are entitled to three hours' pay if a shift or on-call period is cancelled with less than 48 hours' notice, under certain circumstances. This does not apply if a shift is shortened or lengthened.	Repealed.
<b>Overtime pay</b>	no change as we do not have employees that make different wages.	Employees who receive different wages for different work will have overtime pay calculated based on the actual work performed during the overtime hours, rather than the average of the different wages.	Bill 47 does not change this provision.

<b>Minimum wage</b>	no change as we do not have any employees that make minimum wage.	As of January 1, 2018, the general minimum wage is \$14 per hour. As of January 1, 2019, the general minimum wage will be \$15 per hour.	Minimum wage will remain at \$14 per hour until October 1, 2020, when it will be adjusted annually in line with inflation.
		Liquor servers may only be paid the liquor server minimum wage if they regularly receive tips or other gratuities; otherwise, they must be paid the general minimum wage.	Bill 47 does not change this provision.
<b>Vacation</b>	Existing policy provides for three weeks vacation after five years of employment. 6% vacation pay for part time employees was implemented last year.	Employees who have worked for the same employer for five years are entitled to at least three weeks' paid vacation after each completed entitlement year.	Bill 47 does not change this provision.
<b>Public holidays</b>	We should start giving employees written notice when substituting a public holiday.	Public holiday pay is now based on the wages earned in the preceding pay period divided by the number of days worked in that period. Some exceptions apply.	Repealed. Replaced with previous calculation before Bill 148. Public holiday pay is based on the total amount of regular wages and vacation pay earned in the four weeks before the work week with the public holiday, divided by 20.
		Changes have been made to the written notice employers must provide when substituting a public holiday. These changes apply under various circumstances outlined in the act.	Bill 47 does not change this provision.
<b>Equal pay for equal work</b>	No Change for SA	As of April 1, 2018, equal pay provisions will prohibit pay discrimination based on employment status.	Repealed. Employers may pay different wage rates based on employment status, such as part-time versus full-time.
<b>Pregnancy leave</b>	this will define how much time we give off if someone goes on pregnancy leave.	Any employee whose pregnancy leave begins after January 1, 2018, and who is not eligible for parental leave will be entitled to end their pregnancy leave either 17 weeks after the leave began or 12 weeks after the birth, stillbirth, or miscarriage, whichever is later.	Bill 47 does not change this provision.
<b>Parental leave</b>	this will define how much time we give	Parental leave may now begin as late as 78 weeks after the	Bill 47 does not change this provision.

	off if someone goes on parental leave.	child is born or first comes into the employee's custody, care, and control. Parental leave now lasts up to 61 weeks for employees who take pregnancy leave, and 63 weeks for those who do not.	
<b>Family medical leave</b>	this will define how much time we give off if someone goes on family medical leave.	Family medical leave is now 28 weeks, instead of eight.	Bill 47 does not change this provision.
<b>Critical illness leave</b>	this will define how much time we give off if someone goes on critical illness leave.	Critical illness leave is now available for any prescribed family member, not just children. Leave entitlement is 37 weeks for minor children and 17 weeks for adults.	Bill 47 does not change this provision.
<b>Child death leave</b>	this will define how much time we give off if someone goes on child death leave.	Entitlement of up to 104 weeks of unpaid leave for child death regardless of whether that death is crime-related.	Bill 47 does not change this provision.
<b>Crime-related child disappearance leave</b>	this will define how much time we give off if someone goes on crime-related child disappearance leave.	Entitlement has increased to a maximum of 104 weeks.	Bill 47 does not change this provision.
<b>Domestic or sexual violence leave</b>	this will define how much time we give off if someone goes on domestic or sexual violence leave.	Available to employees who have been employed by their employer for at least 13 consecutive weeks. Provides up to 10 days of leave to be taken as individual days, and up to 15 weeks to be taken as full weeks. The first five days of leave must be paid.	Bill 47 does not change this provision.
<b>Personal emergency leave</b>	this will define how much time we give off if someone goes on personal emergency leave.	Personal emergency leave is now available to all employees. Two of the 10 days must be paid. Employers can no longer require a doctor's note.	Repealed. Replaced with three unpaid <b>sick leave</b> days, three unpaid <b>family responsibility leave</b> days, and two unpaid <b>bereavement leave</b> days. Each has separate criteria for use and employers may ask for proof of entitlement to leave (e.g., doctor's note for sick leave). Employees must have been employed with employer for two

			weeks to be entitled to these leaves.
<b>Contractor and employee distinctions</b>	No Impact	Employees cannot be misclassified as independent contractors. Employers have burden of proof to establish that an individual is not an employee.	Burden of proof that a person is not an employee no longer lies with the employer.
<b><i>Labour Relations Act, 1995</i></b>			
<b>Provision</b>	<b>Impact to Township of South Algonquin</b>	<b>Bill 148 Changes</b>	<b>Bill 47 Changes</b>
<b>Card-based certification</b>	No Change, Union impact	A card-based union certification process will apply to workers in the temporary help agency industry, the building services sector, and the home care and community services industry.	Repealed.
<b>Secret ballot certification</b>	No Change, Union impact	Unions can more easily obtain certification where an employer has engaged in misconduct, access to first contract arbitration is easier, and the Ontario Labour Relations Board will be able to conduct votes outside of the workplace.	Some of the original provisions are repealed but replaced with similar provisions still providing the same rights.
<b>Employee lists</b>	No Change, Union impact	Under certain circumstances, trade unions can apply for an order directing employers to provide a contact list of employees.	Repealed. Unions which received employee lists must destroy them upon the act coming into force, and any pending applications for employee lists will be terminated.
<b>Termination and discipline</b>	No Change, Union impact	Employers may not terminate or discipline an employee in a bargaining unit without just cause during a lawful strike or lock-out, nor between the date of certification and when the first collective agreement begins.	Bill 47 does not change this provision.
<b>Arbitration and mediation</b>	No Change, Union impact	Mediation is now an available remedy during labour disputes, in addition to existing arbitration provisions.	Repealed and replaced with new provisions that provide for first collective agreement arbitration.
<b>Reinstatement</b>	No Change, Union impact	Employees shall be reinstated after a lawful strike or lockout to their former positions, subject to certain exceptions.	The provisions remain, but are amended to state that an employee must submit an application for reinstatement within six months following the commencement of a lawful strike.

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## Ontario Takes a Phased Approach to Cannabis Retail Licensing Due to National Supply Shortages

December 13, 2018 7:30 P.M.

Today, the Honourable Caroline Mulroney, Attorney General and the Honourable Vic Fedeli, Minister of Finance, released the following statement on changes being made to the licensing process for recreational retail cannabis stores in Ontario:

"It is the federal government's responsibility to oversee cannabis production and to provide a viable alternative to the illegal market by ensuring there is sufficient supply to meet consumer demand. Yet, we continue to see severe supply shortages across the country in legal, licensed recreational cannabis stores.

For example, Alberta stopped issuing any new retail cannabis licences after only receiving 20 per cent of the stock it ordered from federally licensed producers, and in Quebec retail operating hours have been reduced to four days a week. In addition, the shortage of supply has restricted online sales in many jurisdictions.

This is a national issue that demands an immediate response from Justin Trudeau and the federal government. The Government of Ontario has brought this to the federal government's attention repeatedly. At a recent meeting of federal, provincial and territorial Finance Ministers in Ottawa, Minister Fedeli, along with Finance Ministers from several other provinces and territories, raised the issue of a severe shortage of supply across the country with Federal Finance Minister Bill Morneau.

Taking into consideration the required investments for a prospective Ontario private legal retailer, we cannot in good conscience issue an unlimited number of licences to businesses in the face of such shortages and the federal government's failure to provide certainty around future supply.

That is why today we are announcing that Ontario will be taking steps to ensure that private cannabis retail stores open in phases. In the initial phase up to 25 licences will be issued so operators can open for business on April 1, 2019 and stay open.

To ensure a fair and transparent process, the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) will implement a lottery system to determine who is eligible for the initial licences to

legally operate a store in Ontario. All interested parties will be able to submit an expression of interest form online to the AGCO from January 7 to January 9, 2019. The expressions of interest will be put into a lottery pool for a draw. The draw will be conducted on January 11, 2019, with the results to be posted on the AGCO's website within 24 hours.

The lottery process will be overseen by a third-party fairness monitor to ensure equality and transparency in the treatment of the expressions of interest, as well as an appropriate distribution of stores in each region of the province, which is set out in the regulation. Further details on the lottery system will be available on the AGCO website.

The OCS continues to work closely with federally licensed producers to monitor the availability of supply and to secure supply for Ontario, including through regular product calls and frequent visits to producer facilities. The lottery is going to be a temporary model for issuing private retail licences. When Ontario has determined that the federal government has provided for enough reliable supply, Ontario will communicate next steps for additional private retail stores.

Our government refuses to compromise the viability of Ontario businesses. Private retailers need certainty from the federal government that there will be a reliable supply of cannabis to support their business and combat the illegal market.

We will continue to urge the federal government to take immediate action to ensure licensed producers ramp up production in order to meet the anticipated market demand for recreational cannabis."

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**Date:** Thursday, November 29, 2018 1:55:34 PM

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Good afternoon,

There's an announcement below from the Ministry of Environment, Conservation, and Parks regarding the release of *A Made-in-Ontario Environment Plan* "to protect our air, land and water and reduce litter and waste while lowering greenhouse gas emissions and helping communities protect themselves from climate change."

The new plan will be open for public comment until **11:59pm on January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019**. Please see the news release for more information and the link to access the Environmental Registry posting.

All the best,

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*News Release*

## **Ontario Releases Plan to Protect the Environment**

November 29, 2018

**Includes a Balanced, Made-in-Ontario Climate Change Solution to Preserve and Protect the Environment for Future Generations**

Today, Ontario's Government for the People released a new made-in-Ontario environment plan to protect our air, land and water and reduce litter and waste while lowering greenhouse gas emissions and helping communities protect themselves from climate change.

"This plan strikes the right balance between a healthy environment and a healthy economy," said Rod Phillips, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks. "It contains solutions that will protect our air, land and water, reduce waste, address litter, increase our resilience to climate change and help us all do our part to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Most importantly, it does all of this without imposing an ineffective, regressive carbon tax on hard-working Ontario families."

[Preserving and Protecting our Environment for Future Generations: A Made-in-Ontario Environment Plan](#) will help protect the Ontario we know and love, ensuring its pristine beauty and strong communities can be enjoyed now and in the future. The new plan is posted on the Environmental Registry for public input for 60 days.

This government will hold polluters accountable with stronger enforcement and tougher penalties for breaking environmental laws. These made-in-Ontario emission standards will also consider factors such as trade-exposure, competitiveness and process-emissions and will include the authority to introduce exemptions for Ontario's auto sector and other exposed industries as needed.

The plan additionally includes robust transparency measures that will ensure the public has real-time information about monitoring, incidents and enforcement activities.

Ontario will also enable others to be environmental leaders and do their part in developing environmental solutions. This includes helping unleash the resourcefulness and creativity of the private sector while freeing them from burdensome taxes and red tape that make them less profitable and hinder their growth.

It will also encourage meaningful local environmental action through initiatives such as a new province-wide day of action to fight litter, alongside meaningful partnerships with organizations like Ducks Unlimited and the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters to fight invasive species and encourage conservation.

"Our plan will encourage individuals, families, governments and businesses to take greater ownership of our shared environmental challenges through real actions, big and small," said Phillips. "We promised the people of Ontario we are serious about addressing environmental challenges of our day while respecting hard-working taxpayers - and we are keeping that promise."

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**Date:** Friday, December 28, 2018 10:34:24 AM



## Webinar: Cannabis Retail Licensing: Expression of Interest and Lottery

On December 13, the Government of Ontario [announced changes](#) to the allocation of cannabis retail store authorizations. Given a shortage of legal cannabis supply from federally licensed producers, the government has provided the AGCO the authority to license up to 25 stores at this time.

A lottery is being held to determine who will be able to apply for one of the 25 stores. The AGCO will run the lottery and a third-party fairness monitor will oversee it.

People who wish to participate in the lottery will do so by submitting an Expressions of Interest, online, from January 7-9, 2019.

This webinar is being offered to help all interested parties understand the rules of the lottery and the process for participating in it. Please join key AGCO staff, as well as the Third Party Fairness Monitor as they discuss the following subjects:

- what are the rules of the lottery and how will the AGCO run it
- what is an Expression of Interest and how to submit one
- how the AGCO will ensure fairness and transparency in the lottery.

This webinar will take place on January 4, 2019. The AGCO will be taking questions and responding to questions from webinar participants during the event.

A recording of the webinar will be published to the AGCO's website shortly after the live

event.

## **WEBINAR DATE:**

January 4, 2019, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. EST

To register for this webinar, please follow this

link: <http://bespokeav.gowebcasting.com/8437>

Should you experience technical difficulties, please copy the link directly into your browser.

## **WHO SHOULD PARTICIPATE?**

Interested individuals who want to learn more about the Expression of Interest and Lottery.

## **HOW TO PARTICIPATE:**

Please register to ensure your space is held. Space is limited.

On the day of the event, please return to the link above and click on “Already Registered? Go to the login page” link, enter the email address you used to register, and click “submit”.

We encourage you to join the webinar at least 15 minutes before the scheduled start time so that you can test your system. You will see a graphic image indicating the name and start time of the event, as well as hear music playing.

## **WHAT YOU NEED TO JOIN THE EVENT:**

A computer or tablet connected to the internet, with either headphones or speakers to hear the presentation, and a keyboard to type your questions. High-speed internet is strongly recommended to avoid buffering issues or other time delays.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

Please note: the webinar is a live event and will be broadcast in English and French. You will have the option to view the presentation with closed captioning. If you are unable to attend the event, it will be published to the AGCO website shortly after the presentation.

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From 

December 14, 2018

Dear Mayor Dumas and Councillors,

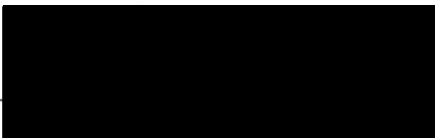
Please note my objection to the decision taken at the December 6 council meeting to change the time of the council meetings from evenings to day time. I feel that this decision will have a negative impact on our community. Notably, daytime meetings

- makes them inaccessible to everyone who does not have flexibility over the hours they work
- impedes our ability to see that council is acting transparently, as well as our ability to hold council accountable for the decisions it makes on our behalf
- will discourage future residents from participating in municipal elections as candidates because of time conflicts

I am especially concerned that this decision was made without any attempt to explain why the change was made or to request feedback on the change from the public in advance of making the change.

I am asking you to reverse this decision and continue with evening meetings.

Sincerely,



# **COUNCIL MEETING**

January 9, 2019

## **BY-LAWS**

Procedural By-Law, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

**Procedural By-law #18-555**

Below are the sections which changes are being proposed;

**4.3 Regular Meetings:**

4.3.1 Regular meetings of Council shall be held in the Council Chambers on the first Wednesday of the month at 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Adjournment beyond 1:00 p.m. may be extended, should Council agree unanimously to do so.

4.3.2 Council may reschedule, alter the date, time and/or location of a regular meeting provided that a resolution is passed at the previous meeting and adequate public notice of the change is posted and published as per the requirements set out in Section 4.1 of this By-law.

...and

**6.2 Standing Committee of the Whole of Council:**

There shall be seven (~~6~~) ~~standing~~ committees of Council that shall be called:

- (a) Asset Management (Transportation and Facilities)
- (b) Waste Management
- (c) Human Resources/Administration/Public Relations
- (d) Emergency Services
- (e) Social/Health Services
- (f) Economic Development

~~The number of members on each standing committee of Council shall be determined by Council and shall not be less than three (3) members.~~ The Chairperson for each Standing Committee shall be designated as the Committee Liaison between staff and Council.

Below is the list of committees previously in the by-law;

- (a) Public Works/Roads
- (b) Waste Management
- (c) Finance
- (d) Human Resources and Administration
- (e) Emergency Services
- (f) Committee of Adjustment
- (g) Fire