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# MINUTES Council Meeting 4:00 PM - Thursday, January 14, 2021

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The Council of the Brooke-Alvinston was called to order on Thursday, January 14, 2021, at 4:00 PM, in the Virtual - Zoom Technology, with the following members present:

Council Present:	Mayor David Ferguson, Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek, Councillor Jeannette Douglas, Councillor Jamie Armstrong, and Councillor Wayne Deans
Staff Present:	Clerk Administrator Janet Denkers, Treasurer Stephen Ikert, Public

Works Manager Randy Hills, Administrative Assistant Darlene Paolucci, Fire Chief Steve Knight, and Parks and Recreation Supervisor Kevin Miller

#### Regrets:

# 1 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ferguson called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

\*\*Throughout the meeting, Councillor Armstrong's presence was intermittent due to his internet connection.

# 2 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Mayor Ferguson requested that any pecuniary interests be declared when appropriate.

# 3 MINUTES

a) Regular Council Meeting Minutes of December 10, 2020

# RESOLUTION-2021-001

Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek made a motion that the December 10, 2020 Council meeting minutes be approved as presented without any errors or omissions. Councillor Wayne Deans seconded the motion.

#### Carried

# 4 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Councillor Nemcek questioned the ATV motion. His question was directed to later in the meeting when the by-law would be discussed.

# 5 DELEGATIONS & TIMED EVENTS

a) Court of Revision-Elliott Tait Drain

# RESOLUTION-2021-002

Councillor Jeannette Douglas made a motion that the Court of Revision on the Elliott Tait Drain be opened. Councillor Wayne Deans seconded the motion.

Carried

The Drainage Superintendent reported to Council that he received a phone call from a resident who was mistakenly identified as a property owner on the assessment schedule. He stated that the schedule of assessment has been amended to identify the correct property owner.

The Clerk-Administrator reported that she had not received any comments from ratepayers.

# RESOLUTION-2021-003

Councillor Wayne Deans made a motion that the assessments for the Elliott Tait Drain be confirmed as presented Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek seconded the motion.

Carried

# RESOLUTION-2021-004

Councillor Jeannette Douglas made a motion that the Court of Revision on the Elliott Tait Drain be closed. Councillor Wayne Deans seconded the motion.

Carried

# 6 CORRESPONDENCE

a) Public Correspondence-Conflict of Interest

# RESOLUTION-2021-005

Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek made a motion that a formal request be submitted to the Integrity Commissioner to determine if there was a Conflict of interest in the December 10, 2020 meeting. Councillor Jeannette Douglas seconded the motion.

Carried

**b)** Municipal & Information Correspondence

# RESOLUTION-2021-006

Councillor Wayne Deans made a motion that the Municipal and Information Correspondence be received and filed. Councillor Jeannette Douglas seconded the motion.

Carried

c) Requiring Action

Town of Carlton Place - Prioritize Children and Childcare

# RESOLUTION-2021-007

Councillor Jeannette Douglas made a motion that Council supports the resolution from the Town of Carlton Place to request the Government of Ontario to prioritize children and childcare as part of its overall post pandemic recovery plan; develop, adequately fund and release publicly a comprehensive plan that can support facilities through the provision of licensed childcare and early learning education; and provide increased funding to childcare providers reflective of COVID-19 operating cost increases to ensure a safe reopening and long term sustainability for the sector. Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek seconded the motion.

Carried

d) Municipality of Charlton and Dack - Rising Insurance Costs

# RESOLUTION-2021-008

Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek made a motion that Council supports the resolution from the Municipality of Charlton and Dack to call on the Province of Ontario to review recommendations and to investigate the unethical practice of preferred vendors who are paid substantial amounts over industry standards, despite COVID-19 delays, as insurance premiums will soon be out of reach for many communities. Councillor Wayne Deans seconded the motion.

# 7 STAFF REPORTS

# a) Clerk Administrator's Report: Municipal Health & Safety Policy 2021

### RESOLUTION-2021-009

Councillor Jeannette Douglas made a motion that the Council of the Municipality of Brooke-Alvinston approve the Health & Safety Statement for 2021. Councillor Wayne Deans seconded the motion.

Carried

b) Clerk Administrator's Report: Committee of Adjustment Member Appointment

# RESOLUTION-2021-010

Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek made a motion that Christa Sawyer be appointed to the Committee of Adjustment for a three year term commencing February 1, 2021 - January 31, 2024 and that the appointment by-law be amended to reflect this. Councillor Wayne Deans seconded the motion.

Carried

#### c) Clerk Administrator's Report: ATV Draft By-law

# RESOLUTION-2021-011

Councillor Wayne Deans made a motion that the following draft by-law be approved and adopted. Councillor Jeannette Douglas seconded the motion.

Carried

#### d) Clerk Administrator's Report: Draft Agreement with the Optimist Club

# RESOLUTION-2021-012

Councillor Jeannette Douglas made a motion that the attached draft agreement be forwarded to the Alvinston & District Optimist Club for review and once all documentation is provided to the Municipality including schematic drawings with actual footprint, insurance requirements, contractor certificates, permits, approvals and bank drafts, the document be signed and formal authorization be granted. Councillor Wayne Deans seconded the motion.

#### Carried

e) Clerk Administrator's Report: Cost of Living Adjustment 2021

#### RESOLUTION-2021-013

Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek made a motion that having regard to local area municipal projections, that the municipal wage grid be adjusted by a cost of living increase of 1.5% for 2021 and be applied to employee wages effective January 10, 2021.

Councillor Jeannette Douglas seconded the motion.

Carried

#### f) Clerk Administrator's Report: 2021 Mileage Rate

# RESOLUTION-2021-014

Councillor Wayne Deans made a motion that the Council of the Municipality of Brooke-Alvinston approve the 2021 mileage rate of \$ 0.55 / km. Councillor Jeannette Douglas seconded the motion.

Carried

g) Treasurer's Report: Accounts Payable Listing - December 2020

# RESOLUTION-2021-015

Councillor Jeannette Douglas made a motion that Council Receive and File the Accounts Payable Listing for December 2020. Councillor Wayne Deans seconded the motion.

Carried

#### h) Treasurer's Report: 2021 Municipal Insurance Renewal

#### RESOLUTION-2021-016

Councillor Wayne Deans made a motion that the Municipal Insurance Renewal Report be received and filed. Councillor Jeannette Douglas seconded the motion.

Carried

i) **Treasurer's Report:** Year-to-Date (to December 31) Budget to Actual Comparisons

#### RESOLUTION-2021-017

Councillor Wayne Deans made a motion that Council receive and file the Yearto-date (to December 31) Budget to Actual Comparisons and authorize that reserve withdrawals that were budgeted and approved but not needed for 2020 be returned to reserves for use in 2021 budgeting. Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek seconded the motion.

#### Carried

j) **Treasurer's Report:** Brooke-Alvinston Community Fund - Agreement with Sarnia Community Fund

#### RESOLUTION-2021-018

Councillor Jeannette Douglas made a motion further to Council Resolution 2020-237, that Council authorize the attached Draft Agreement with the Sarnia Community Foundation to be signed to establish the Brooke-Alvinston Community Fund; and that staff be directed to advertise for nominations to serve on the Fund's Committee and establish a process on how grants from the endowed funs will be made. Councillor Wayne Deans seconded the motion.

#### Carried

k) Public Works Manager's Report: Tree Program - 2021

#### RESOLUTION-2021-019

Councillor Jeannette Douglas made a motion that the Municipality participate in the 2021 large stock tree program offered through SCRCA and subsidize the costs of the trees ordered by \$2 each. Councillor Wayne Deans seconded the motion.

#### Carried

I) Public Works Manager's Report: Inwood Sidewalks - snow removal

#### RESOLUTION-2021-020

Councillor Wayne Deans made a motion that the report pertaining to the sidewalks in Inwood be received and filed; and that the Public Works Manager be authorized to spend up to \$500 / month for rental equipment to clean the sidewalks in Inwood. Councillor Jeannette Douglas seconded the motion.

Carried

m) Fire Chief's Report: September-December 2020 Fire Summary

# RESOLUTION-2021-021

Councillor Jeannette Douglas made a motion that the September - December 2020 fire report be received and filed. Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek seconded the motion.

#### Carried

n) Fire Chief's Report: Purchase from proceeds of sale of surplus apparatus

# RESOLUTION-2021-022

Councillor Wayne Deans made a motion that Council receives the report from the Fire Chief dated January 14, 2021, regarding the purchase of a 2020 RAM 1500 Tradesman Crew Cab 4x4 Utility Response vehicle and that Council waives the requirements for a competitive process in favour of a negotiated process with Dependable for the provision of the purchase of fire apparatus, for the reason that the Fire Chief has worked with this supplier in the disposal of the 2015 International fire apparatus and has been presented an opportunity for cost savings for the sale of the 2015 International fire apparatus in return for the purchase of a 2020 RAM 1500 Tradesman Crew Cab 4x4 Utility Response vehicle that is suitable for the Municipalities immediate needs, and as the supplier has the capability to deliver the apparatus in an expedient and cost effective manner. Councillor Jeannette Douglas seconded the motion.

#### Carried

#### o) Drainage Superintendents Report: Kelly Drains and Branches

#### RESOLUTION-2021-023

Councillor Wayne Deans made a motion that the report on the Kelly Drain Tender Opening be received and filed. Councillor Jeannette Douglas seconded the motion.

#### Carried

#### **p) Drainage Superintendents Report**: Drain Maintenance Requests

# RESOLUTION-2021-024

Councillor Wayne Deans made a motion that Council directs staff to forward the request to the Drainage Superintendent with the power to act. Councillor Jeannette Douglas seconded the motion.

#### Carried

# 8 BY-LAWS

a) Proposed By-law 1 of 2021: Interim Tax Levies

#### RESOLUTION-2021-025

Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek made a motion that By-law 1 of 2021 be read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 14th day of January 2021. Councillor Jeannette Douglas seconded the motion.

#### Carried

b) Proposed By-law 2 of 2021: Penalty Charge for Non Payment

#### RESOLUTION-2021-026

Councillor Jeannette Douglas made a motion that By-law 2 of 2021 be read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 14th day of January 2021. Councillor Wayne Deans seconded the motion.

#### Carried

c) Proposed By-law 3 of 2021: Borrowing By-law

# RESOLUTION-2021-027

Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek made a motion that By-law 3 of 2021 be read a

first, second and third time and finally passed this 14th day of January 2021. Councillor Jeannette Douglas seconded the motion.

Carried

## RESOLUTION-2021-028

Councillor Jeannette Douglas made a motion that By-law 4 of 2021 be read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 14th day of January 2021. Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek seconded the motion. **Carried 3-2 (opposed: Councillor Jamie Armstrong and Councillor Wayne** 

Deans).

# 9 NEW BUSINESS

# a) Public Works Manager's Report: Verbal-Replacement Pick Up Truck

The Public Works Manager reported on the motor vehicle incident that occurred Dec. 29, 2020 while an employee was on road patrol.

#### b) Status of Ice during Provincial Lockdown

The Public Works Manager reported to Council the costs associated with keeping the ice rink operational at the BAICCC during the provincial lockdown.

### RESOLUTION-2021-029

Councillor Jamie Armstrong made a motion that Staff be directed to remove the ice from the BAICCC immediately. Councillor Jeannette Douglas seconded the motion.

#### Carried

c) Councillor Inquiry: Councillor Nemcek inquired about the status of the property located beside the Legion.

The Clerk Administrator advised that tenders would be received January 15th to fill the hole and requested authority to approve the tenders.

- d) Councillor Comment: Councillor Douglas thanked everyone who donated and volunteered at the Brooke-Alvinston Holiday Meal. Councillor Nemcek thanked Councillor Douglas for all of her hard work organizing the event.
- e) Notice of Motion: Councillor Armstrong made a notice of motion that due to electronic meetings and lockdown, unless councillors say they are not attending meetings, the meetings should be delayed 15 mins.
- f) Notice of Motion: Councillor Armstrong made a notice of motion that the Municipality has a look at the structure of a building committee (*for the Optimist pavilion project*) if we are to partner with the Municipality.

# 10 CLOSED SESSION

a) Personal matters about an identifiable individual including employees

#### RESOLUTION-2021-030

Councillor Wayne Deans made a motion that Council move into closed session to discuss personal matters about an identifiable individual including employees Councillor Jeannette Douglas seconded the motion.

Carried

# 11 RISE AND REPORT

a) The Clerk Administrator reported that a closed session was held to discuss personal matters about an identifiable individual including employees. It was reported out that: Council conducted the performance appraisal of the Clerk Administrator; that Council considered the recommended wage grid recommendations and discussed the Public Works Labourer position. In addition, the added item was the property standards issue on River Street.

As a result of the closed session, staff were authorized to proceed as directed in closed session; and that Council accepted the resignation of Morris Werden effective July 1, 2021 with regret.

# 12 BY-LAW CONFIRMING PROCEEDINGS

a) Proposed By-law 5 of 2021: Confirming By-law

# RESOLUTION-2021-031

Councillor Jeannette Douglas made a motion that By-law 5 of 2021 be read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 14th day of January 2021. Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek seconded the motion.

Carried

# 13 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by Councillor Deans at 6:01 p.m.

Clerk-Administrator

Mayor



# MINUTES Council -Special Meeting

**4:00 PM - Thursday, January 21, 2021** Virtual - Zoom Technology

The Special Session of the Brooke-Alvinston Council was called to order on Thursday, January 21, 2021, at 4:00 PM, in the Virtual - Zoom Technology setting with the following members present:

Council Present:	Mayor David Ferguson, Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek, Councillor Jeannette Douglas, Councillor Jamie Armstrong, and Councillor Wayne Deans
Staff Present:	Clerk Administrator Janet Denkers, Treasurer Stephen Ikert, Public Works Manager Randy Hills, Public Works Foreman Jerrett Hodgins, Parks and Recreation Supervisor Kevin Miller, and Fire Chief Steve Knight

#### **Regrets:**

# 1 CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

# 2 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Any pecuniary interests were requested to be announced at the appropriate time.

# **3 STAFF REPORTS**

a) Presentation of the 2021 DRAFT Budget

The Treasurer presented the draft 2021 budget to Council. All areas of the budget were discussed including the operating and capital portions. A comparative with other Lambton County municipal tax rates as well as a brief education on reserves vs. debt, financial indicators, funding and finding trends and assessments was noted. The draft budget was proposed to raise \$0 more in taxes than in 2020.

Mayor Ferguson inquired if additional funds should be placed in the budget for engineered plans for water & sewer expansion in the municipality.

After a brief discussion, it was agreed that Council place thought into the presentation and at the next regular session of Council, discuss if additional money should be placed in reserves hence increasing the budget by a potential 1-2% or more.

# 4 ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Deans made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:20 p.m.

**Clerk-Administrator** 

Mayor

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# **NEWS RELEASE**

For Immediate Release

#### COVID-19 Vaccine Planning Underway

Wednesday, January 13, 2021

**Point Edward, ON** - Lambton Public Health (LPH) is meeting formally with key stakeholders and other regular sub-groups twice a week to continue actively planning for COVID-19 vaccine implementation in Lambton County. A draft local COVID-19 Immunization Plan for Lambton County is in development and this plan will be shared broadly once finalized delivery dates are received from the Province. The local plan is based on the <u>Ontario Vaccination Program</u> and has been expanded to include specific details and data to assist with local implementation of the vaccine.

The broad goals of the COVID-19 Immunization Plan for Lambton County are:

- 1. To prevent deaths due to COVID-19.
- 2. To protect health and other systems.
- 3. To build a level of population immunity that will enable the recovery of economic and social activities that are critical to the long-term health and well-being of the community.

"The vaccine implementation plan is our number one priority," said Dr. Sudit Ranade, Medical Officer of Health for Lambton County. "We have the knowledge and expertise to deliver this vaccine as quickly as possible, as we have done every year with the flu vaccine program, and as we worked with our partners to facilitate the safe vaccination of close to 50,000 Lambton residents in 2009 during the H1N1 Pandemic. We are working very closely with local partners to plan for secure vaccine storage, and are currently basing our plans on receiving our first shipment of the COVID-19 vaccine the week of February 1."

The first priority (Phase 1) will be to vaccinate the most vulnerable group - residents and staff of Long-Term Care and Retirement Homes. "LPH staff are actively working with Long-Term Care and Retirement Homes to ensure their residents and staff are the first to receive the vaccine," said Dr. Ranade. "Long-Term Care Homes are currently gathering consents, preparing lists of staff and residents and setting up tentative appointments, so that as soon as we know when the vaccine will arrive, we will be able to provide immunizations within 24 hours."

#### Implementation Schedule

As the vaccine supply increases, the immunization campaign will expand accordingly. Vaccine supply and delivery is very tightly controlled by the Province.

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#### Phase 1: February – March 2021

Long-Term Care and Retirement Home residents, staff and essential caregivers.

Additional priority groups that will follow the vaccination of Long-Term Care and Retirement Home residents, staff and essential caregivers include:

- Health Care Workers
- Other congregate care settings
- First Nations Communities
- Older adults

In Phase 2 and 3, the general population will have access through multiple immunization clinic locations including primary care providers and pharmacists.

"If we can get our most vulnerable citizens vaccinated early, as well as the front line health care staff critical to the management and containment of COVID-19, we will then be able to focus on the other groups in order of vulnerability," said Dr. Ranade. "It is our goal to have inoculated everyone who wants to receive the vaccine as soon as we can possibly do so."

**Please note:** At this time, LPH is not holding a waitlist for the vaccine. Vaccination is part of the solution to reduce community transmission. It is important to continue to follow all public health advice and <u>take everyday actions</u> to help stop the spread of the virus.

"I look forward to sharing a detailed COVID-19 Vaccination Plan with our key stakeholders and the public at large in the coming weeks," said Dr. Ranade.

For updates about Lambton Public Health's COVID-19 Immunization Plan visit the <u>new</u> <u>dedicated vaccine page</u> on our website.

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# NEWS RELEASE

For Immediate Release

## Staff Member Tests Positive for COVID-19 Virus at Marshall Gowland Manor Friday, January 15, 2021

**Sarnia, ON -** The administration team of Marshall Gowland Manor learned today that a staff member has tested positive for the COVID-19 virus.

People living in the long-term care home and their families were notified of the positive case today, and informed that as a result, Lambton Public Health has declared a COVID-19 outbreak at the Home.

The employee last worked in the Home Thursday, January 14, 2021 and is not symptomatic. The positive case was detected through routine staff testing, which is conducted as part of the Home's regular surveillance protocol. Residents are being tested today and currently no residents require isolation. Staff testing is ongoing.

Lambton Public Health will trace the employee's close contacts and contact those individuals to provide guidance.

"We want to assure the people who live at Marshall Gowland Manor, their families and our staff, that their health and safety continues to be our top priority," said Jane Joris, General Manager, Long-Term Care Division. "We are working closely with Lambton Public Health and following the guidance that is provided to us, and we are diligently following all of the policies and protocols put in place by the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Long-Term Care to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in our Homes."

Marshall Gowland Manor is home to 127 people, and employs almost 200 staff members in a range of occupations from nursing, to food service, to recreation and environmental services.

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# NEWS RELEASE

For Immediate Release

#### Long-Term Care and Institutional Workplace Outbreaks Declared in Sarnia Saturday, January 16, 2021

**Point Edward, ON** – Lambton Public Health (LPH) is investigating outbreaks in a Long-Term Care home and an institutional workplace, both declared on January 15. LPH received the laboratory-confirmed positive COVID-19 test results for one staff member at Marshall Gowland Manor, a long-term care home in Sarnia, and four staff members at the Sarnia Jail.

A long-term care or other communal living setting outbreak is declared facility wide when one or more lab-confirmed COVID-19 case in a staff member or resident and possible exposure to others in the setting has occurred.

An institutional workplace outbreak is declared when there are two or more lab-confirmed COVID-19 cases with an epidemiological link in the workplace (e.g., same work area, same shift) within a 14-day period, where both/several cases could have reasonably acquired their infection in the workplace.

"The individuals who tested positive have been notified of their results," states Lori Lucas, Supervisor of Health Protection for Lambton Public Health. "LPH is continuing to conduct case and contact management as part of the investigation. Testing and isolating those who have been exposed is underway, and changes have been implemented to reduce risk of transmission."

No additional details will be provided at this time based on the current needs of the investigation. All individuals impacted have been notified.

This news release has been issued to provide notification of the outbreak. During standard operating hours the reporting notification is supported through our <u>website dashboard and</u> <u>detailed reports</u>, unless the investigation requires additional information sharing.

We all have a role to play to reduce the transmission of COVID-19. Limit all non-essential social activities and stay home if you are sick. If Lambton Public Health contacts you, be honest and understand that isolating close contacts is critical to slowing the spread of COVID-19.

To learn more about public health's COVID-19 response in Lambton County visit LambtonPublicHealth.ca.

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# NEWS RELEASE

For Immediate Release

#### **Outbreaks Declared at Two Workplaces**

Sunday, January 17, 2021

**Point Edward, ON** – Lambton Public Health (LPH) is investigating outbreaks in two workplaces, both declared on January 16. LPH received the laboratory-confirmed positive COVID-19 test results that linked six staff to the first workplace and four staff to the second workplace.

A workplace outbreak is declared when there are two or more lab-confirmed COVID-19 cases with an epidemiological link in the workplace (e.g., same work area, same shift) within a 14-day period, where both/several cases could have reasonably acquired their infection in the workplace.

"The individuals who tested positive have been notified of their results," states Giovanna Good, Chief Nursing Officer for Lambton Public Health. "LPH is continuing to conduct case and contact management as part of the investigation. Testing and isolating those who have been exposed is underway, and changes have been implemented to reduce risk of transmission."

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# NEWS RELEASE

For Immediate Release

#### Emergency Control Group Update - January 20

Thursday, January 21, 2021

**Wyoming, ON -** The County of Lambton Emergency Control Group met Wednesday, January 20 to discuss updates in the current COVID-19 situation. The group will meet again on Wednesday next week to discuss new developments and planning requirements. Additional meetings will be scheduled if needed.

At this meeting, the Emergency Control Group:

- Received an update from Lambton County's Medical Officer of Health, Dr. Ranade, regarding the COVID-19 situation in Lambton County. Current statistics are available on the <u>Lambton Public Health website</u>, including a detailed <u>community snapshot</u>.
- Heard that Dr. Ranade made a presentation to Lambton County Council during a Special Meeting of Lambton County Council on Wednesday morning outlining the local vaccine roll-out plan. A recording of the presentation and the presentation <u>slides</u> can be viewed online.
- Discussed ongoing vaccine distribution planning for Lambton County. To date, the province has not provided any COVID-19 vaccine supplies to Lambton County. The first shipment of vaccine is expected to arrive the week of February 1, 2021. This initial shipment will be allocated to Long-Term Care and Retirement Home residents and staff, following the province's criteria for eligible priority groups.
- Heard that Lambton Public Health will be hosting a Digital Video Session on Tuesday, January 26 at 10:00 am, and a Radio Community Call-in Session on Thursday, January 28 at 8:30 am to answer questions from the public surrounding the COVID-19 vaccine and the local roll-out plan. Additional details on these events will be available in the coming days.
- Received an update on PPE supply levels from County divisions. All areas continue to maintain an adequate supply level.
- Was informed that the COVID-19 outbreak declared at Marshall Gowland Manor Long-Term Care Home in Sarnia has been declared over, as of Wednesday, January 20.
- Would like to remind local business owners that any questions surrounding the impact of Provincial regulations on local businesses can be directed to the Stop the Spread Business Line at 1-888-444-3659.

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Discoveries **That Matter** 

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For the most up to date information regarding COVID-19 including current statistics, please visit the <u>Lambton Public Health website</u> and the <u>Province of Ontario website</u>. Facility closures and a list of financial supports and resources are listed on the <u>Lambton</u> <u>County website</u>.

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# NEWS RELEASE

For Immediate Release

# Highlights from Special Meeting of Lambton County Council New Lambton COVID-19 Immunization Task Force Unveiled

Thursday, January 21, 2021

**Wyoming, ON** – Lambton County Council held a special meeting via videoconference on Wednesday, January 20, 2021. At this meeting, Lambton County Council heard a presentation from Lambton Public Health (LPH) staff regarding details of the local COVID-19 vaccine roll-out plan.

The three goals of Lambton County's COVID-19 Vaccination Program are to:

- Prevent deaths due to COVID-19.
- Protect health and other systems.
- Build a level of population immunity that will enable the recovery of economic and social activities that are critical to the long term health and well-being of the community.

The plan will be implemented by the Lambton COVID-19 Immunization Task Force which will report to the governing bodies of each of its constituent members. In addition, the Task Force will report routinely to the public on its activities. The new group will be led by LPH, with representation from key stakeholders critical to the success of the plan including: Health Care Partners like Bluewater Health, EMS, Primary Care, Community Emergency Management Coordinators (CEMCs) from the City of Sarnia and County of Lambton, and First Nations partners. Priority groups like those from Long Term Care, Retirement Homes and Hospice will also be included, dependent on the immunization phase.

"An undertaking of this magnitude will require significant coordination and support from all stakeholders, including Lambton County Council, our Board of Health. A dedicated COVID-19 Immunization Task Force will ensure we have the resources, planning tools and engagement of key partners," said Dr. Sudit Ranade, Medical Officer of Health for Lambton County. "Lambton Public Health has the knowledge and expertise to deliver the COVID-19 vaccine, gained from delivering the flu vaccine and many other immunization programs to the community annually. I am confident that our knowledge and expertise, paired with that of our partners, will enable us to build a safe, effective, and efficient immunization program for Lambton County."

A successful mass immunization program is an immense undertaking which requires multiple integrated components. The Lambton COVID-19 Immunization Task Force's first meeting was also held yesterday with discussions centered around communications, resource allocation, timelines for the plan's roll-out, and key scientific and policy issues.

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The Task Force is actively working together to implement the delivery of vaccines as they receive them, in alignment with the vision of a safe, effective, efficient, and equitable roll-out of the COVID-19 Immunization plan to the County of Lambton.

#### Vaccine Eligibility

Immunization will be voluntary and made available to eligible adults 18 years of age and over, as per the eligibility outlined in the Phases below. Current population estimates show that 101,000 people in Lambton County will be eligible to receive the COVID-19 vaccine.

**Phase 1 (February – March 2021):** As per the Provincial government, Phase 1 of the plan will be to vaccinate the most vulnerable groups, the residents and staff of Long-Term Care (LTC) and Retirement Homes. LTC Homes are currently gathering consents, preparing lists of staff and residents and providing dates/times for planning purposes, so that as soon as the vaccine arrives a schedule will be in place to bring the vaccine to those locations.

**Phase 2 (March – May 2021):** Phase 2 includes healthcare workers and other congregate care settings, First Nations communities and older adults. Clinics will be established in locations throughout the county. This phase is currently in development.

**Phase 3 (June – August 2021):** Phase 3 will see vaccines open to the public. This phase will involve multiple locations, and multiple immunizers including primary care providers and pharmacists. This phase is also currently in development.

"Please remember that timelines need to be flexible based on vaccine supply and changes to prioritization," continued Dr. Ranade. "We all need to remember to be kind and patient with one another as we navigate through the phases of the plan and adapt to the ever-evolving situation."

LPH has established a dedicated COVID-19 vaccine website for the public to access updates, timelines, priority group details, vaccine information, and other relevant details of the roll-out plan. Visit <u>GetTheVaccine.ca</u> to learn more about the COVID-19 vaccine roll-out in Lambton County, and to stay up to date with the latest information surrounding the plan.

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A recording of yesterday's meeting and a PDF copy of the presentation is available online.

Council will next meet in Open Session at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, February 3, 2021.

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# NEWS RELEASE

For Immediate Release

#### Lambton County Library temporarily closes two locations for renovations Thursday, January 21, 2021

**Wyoming, ON** – Lambton County Library is temporarily closing Alvinston Library and Corunna Library for a period of two to three weeks in order to complete scheduled renovations. Corunna Library will be closed effective Monday, January 25, 2021 and Alvinston Library will be closed effective Monday, February 1, 2021. All services, including curbside pickup, will be suspended at both libraries during this time.

Last year, both libraries' footprints were adjusted to support the integration of social services meeting space at Lambton County Library. This included creating private meeting space that will be available to allow greater access for Ontario Works clients living in rural areas of Lambton County and help alleviate some challenges associated with obtaining transportation to Sarnia.

Now that the physical footprints of both libraries have been adjusted, the period of closure will allow for the installation of new shelving to make improvements to traffic flow and workflow, and better layout both libraries' collections.

Both libraries are expected to re-open their services on Tuesday, February 16, 2021. Drop boxes will remain open at both locations and patrons are encouraged to access contactless curbside pickup service at other nearby locations including Sarnia, Sombra, Petrolia, Watford, Oil Springs and Florence.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
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BRIGHT'S GROVE	12 - 6 PM	11 - 2 PM	11 - 2 PM				
FLORENCE		3 - 6 PM			11 - 2 PM		
FOREST	12 - 6 PM	10 - 4 PM	10 - 4 PM				

#### Lambton County Library Curbside Pickup Hours and Locations

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MALLROAD	12 - 6 PM	10 - 4 PM	10 - 4 PM				
OIL SPRINGS	11 - 2 PM			3-6 PM			
PETROLIA	12 - 6 PM	10 - 4 PM					
POINT EDWARD		3 - 6 PM		3 - 6 PM		11 - 2 PM	
SARNIA	10 - 7 PM	10 - 4 PM	1 - 4 PM				
SOMBRA		3 - 6 PM				11 - 2 PM	
THEDFORD		3 - 6 PM				11 - 2 PM	
WATFORD	3-6 PM	11 - 2 PM		3 - 6 PM		11 - 2 PM	
WYOMING	1 - 7 PM	1 - 7 PM	1 - 7 PM		10 - 4 PM	10 - 4 PM	

#### Lambton County Library Curbside Pickup Hours and Locations (continued)

Lambton County Library's eLibrary and online resources including genealogy research, eBooks, eAudioboks, movies, music and more are available 24/7 and can be accessed through <u>Iclibrary.ca</u>.

For more information on locations, services and hours of operation visit Iclibrary.ca.

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For Immediate Release

# Lambton Public Health Hosting Two Sessions to Answer Questions re: COVID-19 Vaccines

Friday, January 22, 2021

**Point Edward, ON** – Do you have questions about the COVID-19 vaccines? Lambton Public Health is hosting two sessions next week to answer your queries through a variety of channels.

All event details and access options will be provided online at LambtonPublicHealth.ca.

The first opportunity is on Tuesday, January 26 at 10 a.m. during a 30-minute **Digital Video Session**, which will see Medical Officer of Health, Dr. Sudit Ranade participate in a COVID-19 vaccine video Q&A session online with media. During this meeting, he will provide an update on the COVID-19 vaccine rollout plan, address some common questions received from the public, and answer additional follow up questions from accredited media.

Members of the public will have full access for viewing via LPH's Facebook channel <u>@lambtonpublichealth</u>. The public is invited to submit questions in advance via LPH's <u>online</u> form.

The second opportunity is on Thursday, January 28 at 8:30 a.m. during a one hour **Radio Community Call-in Session**. Dr. Ranade will be joined by Sue Storr of Blackburn Radio for this town hall style event which will include another "state of the union" update on Lambton's COVID-19 vaccine rollout plan, followed by a continuation of questions from the public.

Once again, the public is invited to pre-submit questions in advance via LPH's <u>online form</u>, but will also have the chance to call into the program live. Call in details will be posted on the day of the event. For further information listen to CHOK 103.9 FM, 1070 AM or go to <u>CHOK.com</u>.

In the meantime, visit <u>getthevaccine.ca</u> to learn more about how you and your family can access the COVID-19 vaccines as they become available in the community and check back often. This dedicated section of the website will feature frequent updates on the immunization plan, <u>Frequently Asked Questions</u>, videos and more.

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# NEWS RELEASE

For Immediate Release

# Workplaces and COVID-19: Enhanced Measures for Improved Safety

Friday, January 22, 2021

**Point Edward, ON -** To reduce the risk of COVID-19 in our communities, the Government of Ontario is asking all businesses permitted to stay open during the province-wide shutdown to follow enhanced safety measures.

The Province has put these temporary measures in place to support the health and safety of customers and employees alike. Lambton Public Health (LPH) understands these enhanced safety measures may be a challenge, but we know if we work together we can get through it. Businesses can help reduce the risk of COVID-19 by:

- Enabling staff to work from home when possible.
- Observing face covering requirements and additional PPE where required (limited exceptions).
- Ensure proper physical distancing in store and out, and in high-transmission areas such as break rooms and in customer service lines.
- Have a safety plan ready and on hand.

Details on these enhanced measures can be found on the provincial government's website -Enhancing Public Health and Workplace Safety Measures in the Provincewide Shutdown.

To ensure these enhanced safety measures are followed, the Province also started an enforcement program. Deemed "<u>Stay Safe All Day</u>", the campaign will inspect workplaces for compliance. To date the province has identified the most common issues including not wearing masks, not having a <u>safety plan</u> and not screening people in the workplace.

LPH has a dedicated team available to support workplaces with any additional questions or concerns. Visit the <u>COVID-19 Workplace section</u> of the LPH website to access <u>resources</u> and a <u>web form</u> to submit your questions. Or call the **Stop the Spread Business Line at 1-888-444-3659** if you have questions surrounding the impact of Provincial regulations on your local business.

We all have a role to play to reduce the transmission of COVID-19. Limit all non-essential social activities, and stay home if you are sick. If Lambton Public Health contacts you, be honest and understand that isolating close contacts is critical to slowing the spread of COVID-19.

To learn more about public health's COVID-19 response in Lambton County visit LambtonPublicHealth.ca.

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# NEWS RELEASE

For Immediate Release

# Outbreak Declared at Bluewater Health's General Medicine Unit

Saturday, January 23, 2021

**Point Edward, ON** – Lambton Public Health (LPH) is investigating an outbreak in Bluewater Health's General Medicine Unit declared on January 22. LPH received the laboratory-confirmed positive COVID-19 test results for two staff and one patient.

A workplace outbreak is declared when there are two or more lab-confirmed COVID-19 cases with an epidemiological link in the workplace (e.g., same work area, same shift) within a 14-day period, where both/several cases could have reasonably acquired their infection in the workplace.

"The individuals who tested positive have been notified of their results," said Rhonda Galler, Supervisor of Family Health for Lambton Public Health. "LPH is continuing to conduct case and contact management as part of the investigation."

No additional details will be provided at this time based on the current needs of the investigation. All individuals impacted have been notified.

This news release has been issued to provide notification of the outbreak. During standard operating hours the reporting notification is supported through our <u>website dashboard and</u> <u>detailed reports</u>, unless the investigation requires additional information sharing.

We all have a role to play to reduce the transmission of COVID-19. Limit all non-essential social activities and stay home if you are sick. If Lambton Public Health contacts you, be honest and understand that isolating close contacts is critical to slowing the spread of COVID-19.

To learn more about public health's COVID-19 response in Lambton County visit LambtonPublicHealth.ca.

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January 12, 2021

# AMO Policy Update – New COVID-19 Provincial Emergency Declared, Updated COVID Modelling, and CA Working Group

# Second Provincial Emergency Declared to Address the 2<sup>nd</sup> COVID-19 Wave

Ontario Premier Doug Ford followed the release of new modeling projections (see below) this morning with the declaration of a second provincial emergency for Ontario under s 7.0.1 (1) of the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* (EMPCA) that will be effective immediately.

This declaration means that the government will now make orders under the EMCPA. This action comes as a measure to help curb the rising COVID-19 cases and deaths across the Province by targeting the reduction in the levels of mobility.

Highlights from today's announcement include:

- As of Thursday, January 14, 2021 at 12:01 a.m., a stay-at-home order comes into effect requiring everyone in Ontario to remain at home with exceptions for essential purposes (i.e., trips to the grocery store or pharmacy, accessing health care, for exercise, or essential work).
- Individuals are now required to wear a mask or face covering in the indoor areas of businesses or organizations that are open. Additionally, a mask is now recommended outdoors when physical distancing of two metres is not possible.
- New enforcement measures are set to allow Provincial offences officers, including Police, Municipal Bylaw officers, and First Nations Constables to issue tickets to individuals, employees, or corporations who do not comply with the stay-at-home order. Additionally, all enforcement personnel now have the authority to close a premise or disperse individuals in contravention of an order.
- The Province has updated the essential business list with a few additional closures, but it remains largely unchanged due to already being in a lockdown setting. This means status quo for municipal construction projects that will

continue to remain on the essential business list. For more information, call the "<u>Stop the Spread</u>" business information line.

- The Small Business Support Grant will be accepting applications in the coming days for small businesses who are impacted by the lockdown and meet the criteria to receive this support.
- The Ministry of Labour, Training and Skills Development is launching the "Stay Safe All Day" campaign that focuses workplace inspections in areas of high transmission (i.e., lunch or break rooms).

An emergency declaration pursuant to s. 7.0.1 under *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* (EMPCA) is terminated 14 days after being made and may be extended for up to a further 14 days by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. Thereafter, extensions require approval of the Legislature for additional periods of up to 28 days.

The orders currently in force under the *Reopening Ontario (A Flexible Response to COVID-19) Act*, 2020 (ROA) remain in effect until January 20, 2021. Under the ROA, orders can be extended for up to 30 days at a time, and the government must continue to report on all order extensions to the Select Committee on Emergency Management Oversight.

A full list of emergency orders under the EMPCA as well as orders under the ROA can be found on the <u>e-Laws website</u>.

Ontario is now in a second provincial emergency due to COVID-19 with a series of orders coming into effect over the next two days. AMO will provide regular updates as more orders of a municipal interest come forward under the EMCPA.

# **COVID-19 Science Advisory Table Update**

The <u>COVID-19 Science Advisory Table</u> updated their modelling given trends with recent population data. Today's <u>presentation</u> provides compelling data on the people and health care system impacts if these trends continue unchecked.

Their Key Findings include:

- Growth in COVID-19 cases has accelerated and is over 7% on the worst days.
- Over the last 4 weeks, there has been a:
  - 72.2% increase in COVID hospitalizations
  - 61.2% increase in COVID ICU patients.
- Almost 40% of long-term care homes have active COVID-19 outbreaks. Since January 1<sup>st</sup>, 198 LTC residents and 2 LTC staff have died of COVID-19.
   Forecasts suggest more deaths in wave 2 in long-term care than in wave 1.

- COVID-19 ICU occupancy is now over 400 beds. Surgeries are being cancelled and the access to care deficit will continue to increase with real consequences for health.
- Mobility and contacts between people have not decreased with the current restrictions. Survey data show that the majority of Ontarians are helping limit spread by following them. However, case numbers will not decline until more of the population follows their example.
- A new variant of concern of SARS-CoV-2 (B117) (UK variant) could drive much higher case counts, ICU occupancy and mortality if community transmission occurs. The doubling time for cases could drop by more than 2/3. This new variant is now in Ontario.
- Without significant reductions in contacts, the health system will be overwhelmed, and mortality will exceed the first wave totals before a vaccine has time to take effect.

# **Conservation Authorities Working Group**

The Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) has established a multi-stakeholder Working Group to consider proposed regulations impacting conservation authorities and municipalities. Early work will focus on the mandatory programs and services to be delivered by conservation authorities and the MOUs between CAs and municipal governments for non-mandatory programs and services paid for by municipalities.

MECP has posted details of the <u>Working Group's</u> tasks and membership. AMO will be represented on this working group by Cathie Brown, Senior Advisor.

AMO's <u>COVID-19 Resources</u> page is being updated continually so you can find critical information in one place. Please send any of your municipally related pandemic questions to <u>covid19@amo.on.ca</u>.





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- Second chance for Energy Reporting.
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#### **AMO Matters**

In late 2020, AMO and the OFIFC signed an <u>MOU that brings both organizations to</u> <u>the table</u> on issues that matter to our communities. The MOU will help strengthen the relationship between Ontario's Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities.

#### **Provincial Matters**

The <u>Rural Economic Development</u> program is now open and accepting applications. To be eligible for the program you must be: a municipality; a not-for-profit entity; an Ontario Indigenous community or organization; a Local Services Board. This intake will close on February 1, 2021.

#### Eye on Events

Ministers' Forums, political analysis, Zone meet ups, concurrent sessions digging into the biggest issues your communities face are all on the ROMA <u>agenda</u>. With a little over a week to register, don't think twice, <u>register here</u>.

#### LAS

Did you miss the O.Reg. 507/18 annual energy reporting deadline last year? The portal may be closed, but the Ministry of Energy will still accept your 2018 consumption data. Simply email your organization's report or any questions you might have to <u>BPSsupport@ontario.ca</u>. Next deadline is July 1, 2021 to report on 2019 consumption data.

The number of participants in the <u>Municipal Group Buying Program</u> exploded from 14 to 150 in 2020! We're thrilled to see how our municipalities have embraced this program and glad we can help save time and money on the things you buy every day. <u>Contact us</u> for more information.

#### Careers

Manager, Public Housing - County of Simcoe. Reports to: Director, Social Housing.



January 14, 2021

# AMO Policy Update – New COVID-19 Ontario Regulations, Ontario Gas Tax for Transit Allocations, *Ontario Heritage Act* Amendments Update, and Firefighter Training Changes

# New COVID-19 Ontario Regulations under ROA and EMCPA

Ontario regulation 10/21 under Reopening Ontario (A Flexible Response to COVID-19) Act, 2020 Amending O. Reg. 82/20 RULES FOR AREAS IN STAGE 1 Filed: January 13, 2021

Ontario regulation 11/21 under the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act O. Reg. 11/21 STAY-AT-HOME ORDER Filed: January 13, 2021

Ontario regulation 12/21 made under the *Provincial Offences Act* Amending Reg. 950 of R.R.O. 1990 Filed: January 13, 2021 PROCEEDINGS COMMENCED BY CERTIFICATE OF OFFENCE – offences under an EMCPA order

Ontario regulation 13/21 made under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* O. Reg. 13/21 RESIDENTIAL EVICTIONS Filed: January 13, 2021

The Ontario government has issued an <u>emergency order</u> through the above regulation to temporarily pause the enforcement of residential evictions to make sure that people are not forced to leave their homes during this provincial declaration of emergency and while the stay-at-home-order is in force.

A full list of emergency orders under the EMPCA as well as orders under the ROA can be found on the <u>e-Laws website</u>.

# **Ontario Gas Tax for Transit Allocations Announced**

The Honourable Caroline Mulroney <u>announced</u> the 2020-21 Ontario Gas Tax funding <u>allocations</u> to support Ontario municipal transit systems. The Province will provide \$375 million to 109 municipalities as soon as possible in 2021. This funding is in addition to Safe Restart Agreement funding for transit systems and other supports.

The Ontario Gas Tax provides 2 cents/litre of fuel from provincial revenue to fund municipal transit capital and operations across the province. Funding from the Ontario Gas Tax is critical to supporting municipal transit systems in Ontario, especially as they work to adapt to challenges brought by the COVID-19 pandemic.

See AMO's <u>background information</u> on the evolution of the Ontario Gas Tax, Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF), and other critical infrastructure programs for more details on the importance of the suite of provincial supports to municipal governments.

# Update on Ontario Heritage Act Amendments

A proposed regulation under the *Ontario Heritage Act* and the legislative amendments made through the *More Homes, More Choice Act*, 2019, were due to come into force on January 1, 2021.

In response to municipal requests, due to ongoing pandemic considerations which have limited the ability to prepare to implement these changes, the proclamation of the amendments and the regulation **have been delayed**. No new proclamation date has been announced.

The Ministry will be posting drafts of the updated Ontario Heritage Tool Kit guide for public consultation at a later date and will communicate further on a proposed proclamation date. Should you have questions the Ministry recommends you contact your regular Ministry contacts or send an email to <u>heritage@ontario.ca</u> and the appropriate staff person will respond.

# **Firefighter Training Changes**

Yesterday, the Province <u>announced</u> it is expanding firefighter training opportunities across the province, and modernizing the program to bring fire training closer to home. The Ontario Fire College, which has not hosted on-site training since the onset of COVID-19 in March 2020, will be decommissioned and replaced with 20 regional training centres to deliver on-site and online fire safety training in communities where firefighters serve. The Office of the Fire Marshal is also investing in two mobile units that will bring live fire training to local fire services. The shift to local training opportunities is expected to increase capacity for training and reduce the need for municipal fire departments to pay for travel and costs related to overtime and shift backfills.

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January 21, 2021

# AMO Policy Update – Community Safety and Policing Grants, Broadband Investments in Northern Ontario

# Investment through the Community Safety and Policing Grant Program

Today, Solicitor General Jones <u>announced the investment of \$2.8 million</u> through the Community Safety and Policing Grant Program. This funding will be assigned to projects that provide police services with tools and resources that enable deployment of frontline officers as well as support police services as they implement public safety and community policing initiatives that focus on local or provincial priorities.

This investment funds a maximum of \$200,000 per project and will be allocated over the 2020-2022 period. The <u>successful projects</u> require police services to report each year on the outcomes of their initiatives.

# **Broadband Investments in Northern Ontario Announced**

Laurie Scott, the Minister of Infrastructure, has <u>announced</u> \$10.9 million to support broadband improvements in Northern Ontario towns and First Nations communities. The funding, part of the Province's <u>Up To Speed</u> strategy that includes the <u>ICON</u> funding program, will help to:

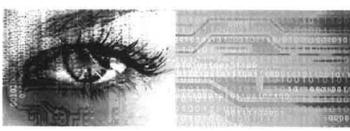
- build infrastructure that brings high-speed broadband to more areas in Chisholm, Marathon, Terrace Bay, rural Thunder Bay, and Oliver Paipoonge;
- construct a new 22-kilometre fibre backbone network that brings high-speed broadband to Seine River First Nation, Couchiching First Nation, Rainy River First Nations, Ojibways of Onigaming First Nation, Animakee Wa Zhing #37 First Nation, and Big Grassy First Nation; and
- upgrade the speed and capacity of the K-Net network, owned by Keewaytinook Okimakanak and which serves more than 80 First Nation communities, while supporting future upgrades.

AMO and ROMA have been advocating for better broadband and connectivity for Ontario's rural, northern, and underserved communities for some time.

ROMA recently released <u>resources</u> to help councils improve connectivity in their communities and will continue to press for better connectivity, including through discussions at the upcoming virtual <u>ROMA annual conference</u>.

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- Kraft Hockeyville nominations open: Deadline to submit your story is February 14.
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#### **AMO Matters**

<u>Professional engineers</u> can now use Notarius technology to apply a regulator-issued digital signature to engineering documents. AMO is pleased to learn that <u>our partner's</u> <u>digital signing solutions</u> is now available to municipal engineers in good standing to securely sign documents remotely while maintaining the integrity of documents.

#### Eye on Events

Now only days away, the ROMA Conference will engage you in key issues on the municipal radar for 2021. Join your colleagues in getting in front of what is shaping up to be another extraordinary year.

On Friday, January 22, you will receive an email with your ROMA Conference registration information, including: a link to access the conference, your unique credentials to log in and a link to a demo video on how to use the conference platform. You will be able to access the platform on Sunday, January 24.

At the recent meeting of the Ontario Small Urban Municipalities (OSUM) Executive Committee, a decision was made to cancel the 2021 Annual General Meeting and Conference scheduled to be held in Brant County in spring of this year due to the ongoing impact and uncertainty of COVID-19. OSUM plans to connect with small urban municipal leaders through webinars and communications over 2021.

#### LAS

Webinar February 10 at 10 am: We're excited to add Automotive Parts Supply to our <u>Municipal Group Buying Program</u>. <u>Register here</u> to learn more about this new category and its supplier, NAPA Auto Parts. Save time and money while keeping your fleet on the move.

Staying entertained during a pandemic can be a bit of a challenge. <u>Check out this</u> week's blog to see which shows LAS staff are watching to keep boredom at bay.

### **Municipal Wire\***

The Township of Lucan, Ontario <u>won the Kraft Hockeyville competition</u> in 2018. The grand prize winner will have an opportunity to host an NHL preseason game and receive \$250,000 for arena upgrades. Three-runner up communities will get \$10,000 to purchase new hockey equipment for their minor hockey programs. To submit a nomination visit the <u>Kraft Hockeyville website</u>.

### Careers

<u>General Manager, Infrastructure & Operational Services - Township of Springwater</u>. Reports to the Chief Administrative Officer. Apply online by visiting <u>Springwater</u> <u>Careers</u> and click on Apply Now to submit your cover letter and resume for Competition Number 2021-01. Closing Date: January 29, 2021. Note: Applications that are not submitted online will not be considered.

<u>Elections Manager - City of Sarnia</u>. Reporting directly to the City Clerk, the successful incumbent will provide leadership in the preparation, coordination and management of all related activities for the 2022 Municipal Election. This is a contract position for a period of up to two (2) years. Candidates are invited to submit a resume in confidence to <u>hr@sarnia.ca</u> indicating "2021-04 – Elections Manager" by February 3, 2021.

<u>Director, Community & Protective Services - Town of Amherstburg</u>. This position is responsible for the oversight of the Town's Parks and Naturalized Areas, Recreation Services, Tourism and Culture, Municipal Facilities, and Fire Services divisions. For a detailed job description, visit Careers on the <u>Town's website</u>. Please submit a resume with a cover letter to Michelle Rose, Manager of Human Resources at <u>resumes@amherstburg.ca</u> on or before 4:30 p.m., February 9, 2021.

<u>Director of Finance & Treasurer - Township of Brock</u>. This job posting, and the job description (to be updated), are available at <u>Township of Brock Careers</u>. Interested applicants are invited to submit a cover letter and resume, which clearly describe how the candidate meets the qualifications, marked confidential, by no later than 4:00 p.m. on Monday, February 8, 2021 to: Dean Hustwick, Chief Administrative Officer, <u>hr@townshipofbrock.ca</u>.

<u>Director, Planning & Development Services - Town of Amherstburg</u>. This position is responsible for the oversight of the Town's Planning, Building Services, Licensing and Enforcement divisions, and for the administration of the Town's police services portfolio. For a detailed job description, visit Careers on the <u>Town's website</u>. Please submit a resume with a cover letter to Michelle Rose, Manager of Human Resources at <u>resumes@amherstburg.ca</u> on or before 4:30 p.m., February 9, 2021.

<u>Director, Anti-Racism & Anti-Oppression Unit - City of London</u>. To view the full Position Brief, please visit <u>KCI Talent</u>. For more information about this exciting



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January 14, 2021

### MEMORANDUM TO:Municipal Chief Administrative Officers and ClerksSUBJECT:Declaration of Provincial Emergency under the<br/>Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act

As COVID-19 cases continue to rise at an alarming rate, the Ontario government, in consultation with the Chief Medical Officer of Health and other health experts, announced a <u>Declaration of Emergency</u> under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* (EMCPA) with new measures being effective **January 14, 2021 at 12.01 a.m.** 

By declaring a provincial emergency, the EMPCA provides the government with authority to make new orders to address the increasing COVID-19 cases. The Declaration of Emergency is valid for up to 14 days and can be extended once for up to another 14 days by the Lieutenant Governor in Council, and then must receive approval by the Legislature to be extended further. The Legislature can extend the emergency declaration for additional periods of no more than 28 days for each extension.

Orders made under the *Reopening Ontario (A Flexible Response to COVID-19) Act, 2020* (ROA) remain an important tool in stopping the spread of COVID-19 and continue to be in effect. These can be found online on the Government of Ontario's website at <u>https://www.ontario.ca/laws/statute/20r17</u>.

### Enforcement

Under the declaration of a provincial emergency, the province has provided authority to all enforcement and provincial offences officers, including the Ontario Provincial Police, local police forces, bylaw officers, and provincial workplace inspectors to issue tickets to individuals who do not comply with the stay-at-home-order, or those not wearing a mask or face covering indoors as well as retail operators and companies who do not ensure individuals wear face coverings in their premises. Those who decide not to abide by orders will be subject to set fines and/or prosecution under both the ROA and EMCPA.

In addition, all enforcement personnel will have the authority to temporarily close a premise and disperse individuals who are in contravention of an order and will be able

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to disperse people who are gathering, regardless whether a premise has been closed or remains open such as a park or house.

Individuals can continue to be ticketed or prosecuted under the ROA with respect to orders under the ROA.

In addition to the Declaration of Emergency, new Orders under the EMPCA and changes to the Stage 1 Order (O. Reg 82/20) under the ROA are now in effect. This includes: O. Reg. 10/21 – Rules for Areas in Stage 1 (Lockdown); O. Reg. 11/21 – Stay-at-Home Order; O. Reg. 12/21 – Set Fines under the Provincial Offences Act; and O. Reg. 13/21 – Residential Evictions Order. These Orders include requirements for gatherings; the stay-at-home order; a moratorium on residential evictions under the Residential Tenancies Act, 2006; hours of operation for non-essential businesses that remain open; and, the requirement that individuals wear masks and distance inside businesses and other public indoor settings.

To help support municipal enforcement activities, I am attaching information the Ministry of the Solicitor General has shared with Chiefs of Police regarding the Declaration of Emergency, and Orders under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*. These attachments provide detail on the Orders.

As I mentioned in my previous correspondence to you, to ensure we continue to maximize the impact of enforcement efforts on the ground, I strongly encourage our municipal partners to work closely with provincial enforcement officers and public health officers to coordinate enforcement activities in your communities. To identify opportunities for and to plan coordinated compliance activities in your community, please email Natasha Bartlett at <u>natasha.bartlett@ontario.ca</u>.

To help support enforcement personnel, staff at the Ministry of the Solicitor General continue to respond to inquiries via <u>EssentialWorkplacesSupport.SolGen@ontario.ca</u>. Through this confidential channel, assistance is available to enforcement personnel seven days a week. In addition, a confidential Enforcement Support Phone Line (1-866-389-7638) is operational and available to assist enforcement personnel Monday to Friday (8:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.).

### Reporting

The Ministry of the Solicitor General has requested that municipalities that are enforcing orders under the EMCPA and ROA, and all provincial offences officers enforcing emergency orders, including municipal bylaw enforcement officers, submit data to the Ministry related to their enforcement efforts.

The collection of enforcement data is integral to monitoring and measuring the impact of accelerated enforcement and compliance activities province wide and to inform the government's response to COVID-19. I would strongly urge you again to support the Ministry of the Solicitor General's efforts to collect enforcement data. You can find out more on how you may contribute to the Ministry of the Solicitor General's weekly data collection efforts by contacting Jeanette Gorzkowski or Brianne Chan at jeanette.gorzkowski@ontario.ca or brianne.chan2@ontario.ca respectively.

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Staff from the Ministry's Municipal Services Offices will be contacting you and your bylaw enforcement staff to increase awareness of the compliance, enforcement and reporting efforts of the province and discuss your municipality's role in the ongoing enforcement efforts to reduce the transmission of COVID-19 and efforts to keep our communities safe.

Thank you, once again, for your continued efforts to help keep our communities safe and healthy.

Sincerely,

Kate Manson-Smith Deputy Minister, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Enclosure: Correspondence from the Ministry of the Solicitor General to all Chiefs of Police – English version. If a French version is required, please contact <u>Richard.Stubbings@ontario.ca</u>.

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Groupe d'étude sur la distribution des vaccins contre la COVID-19

Général (à la retraite) Rick Hillier

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January 22, 2021

It's been almost six weeks since Ontario launched the first phase of the three-phased implementation plan of Ontario's COVID-19 vaccine program. Since then over 264,000 doses have been administered across the province. This is an amazing achievement and a bright light during a week where we have received sobering news on how this virus has taken hold in the province.

I have had the opportunity over the past weeks to hold meetings with many of our partners in this mission, including municipal leaders, public health unit Medical Officers of Health, CEOs of hospitals who have received vaccines and long-term care home operators. These meetings have been a way to connect with the leaders on the ground and to hear what is working, what we can improve on, to ask questions and provide solutions. The discussions will inform how we continue with our rollout and are a way to ensure connections are strong across all sectors - we are all in this together.

The public health units and local hospitals have played an enormous role throughout the pandemic. Vaccine distribution will be no exception. Our province will not have a one-size fits all approach to the vaccine rollout. From cities, small towns, rural communities and remote/fly-in parts of the province, we are going to rely on local implementation. As the situation is evolving rapidly, I urge the mayors and municipalities across the province to work closely with your public health unit as they implement the vaccine rollout for your community.

The Premier gave us a mission – to have all residents, health care workers, staff and essential caregivers in long-term care homes and high-risk retirement homes in Peel, Toronto, York and Windsor-Essex vaccinated with their first dose by January 21, 2021. Thanks to the dedication of public health units, hospitals and long-term care and high-risk retirement homes, we have achieved this goal and more, with Ottawa, Durham and Simcoe Muskoka also completing their long-term care homes.

On January 19, 2021, we were alerted by the federal government that due to work to expand its European manufacturing facility, production of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVD-19 vaccine will be impacted for a few weeks. In fact, we will not receive any doses of the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine next week. We will hear more in the coming days from the National Operations Centre about the vaccine that Ontario will receive.

Once we hear more from the National Operations Centre about Ontario's allocations, we will work closely with public health units and hospitals to plan and manage the new allocation amounts.

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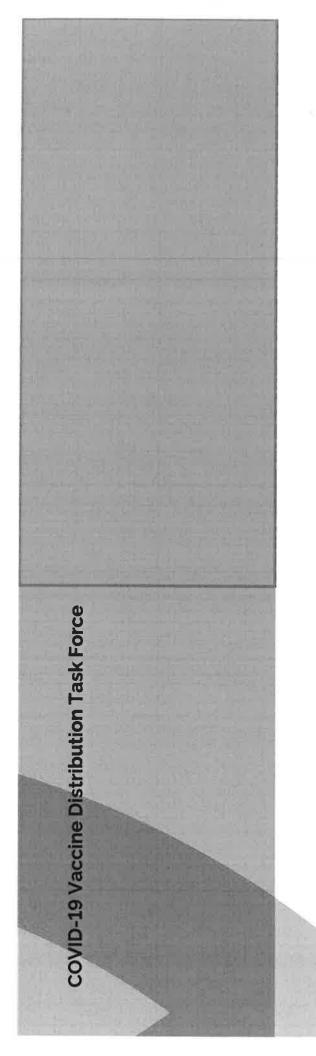
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This will not stop us from getting to our most vulnerable Ontarians. A good plan allows you to be prepared for the unexpected. We have been able to work quickly to adjust to this news. Vaccination of residents, staff and essential caregivers of all long-term care homes and high-risk retirement homes in Ontario will continue. Operation Remote Immunity, led by Ornge, includes the roll-out of the COVID-19 vaccine to 31 fly-in communities in Northern Ontario and continues to be a priority with an expected start date of February 1, 2021.

We have made incredible progress to date in our COVID-19 vaccine program, and we will continue to push forward. I look forward to our continued partnership.

Sincerely,

General (Ret'd) Rick Hillier Chair of the COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution Task Force



## **COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution Task Force** Update #6

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## Vaccine Update

- Over 264,000 doses administered across the province
- Second dose, full immunization began January 5, 2021, with over 49,000 Ontarians fully immunized after receiving both doses (as of 8 p.m. January 21, 2021)
- homes in Toronto, Peel, York and Windsor-Essex, the four regions with the highest COVID-19 We have administered the first round of vaccinations ahead of schedule in all long-term care transmission rates, as well as Ottawa, Durham and Simcoe Muskoka.
- New appointment to the COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution Task Force:
- Medicine at the Queen's University and has a Masters degree in Disaster Medicine as well Dr. Kieran Moore is the Medical Officer of Health and CEO of the Kingston, Frontenac and Lennox & Addington Public Health Unit. He is also a Professor of Emergency and Family as Public Health and a Diploma in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene. 0

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For deployment of Pfizer and Moderna vaccines

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PHASED PRIORITIZATION OVERVIEW	Principles	<ul> <li>Application of an equity lens: The impact of risk factors may be different for racialized and marginalized populations – an equity lens has been applied to all</li> </ul>	prioritized groups.	<ul> <li>Data-driven decision-making: Where it is available, data should inform decision- making around prioritization – including prioritizing the groups that have been</li> </ul>	disproportionally impacted by COVID-19 as early as possible.	<ul> <li>Engagement: Ontario is consulting with all affected groups to ensure prioritization decisions are well-informed and accepted – "nothing about us without us".</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Individual risk factors: Age is the most impactful factor for determining individual risk of a severe outcome from COVID-19, but other factors of individual risk are also important for individuals to voluntarily self-identify.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Local decision-making: Provincial direction on prioritization is balanced with public health unit decision-making based on the local context</li> </ul>	Building in adaptability: Priorities may change as the situation in Ontario evolves	and as more information about the vaccine and the impact of the pandemic becomes available.	<ul> <li>Transparency: Share the rationale behind prioritization and data used to ensure public understanding of how decisions were made about the vaccine.</li> </ul>

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<ul> <li>Health care workers.</li> <li>Health care workers.</li> <li>Adults in First Nations, Metis and Inuit populations.</li> <li>Adults in First Nations, Metis and Inuit populations.</li> <li>Adult chronic home care recipients.</li> <li>Adult chronic home care recipients.</li> <li>Cher populations and communities facing barriers related to the determinants of health across Ontario who are at greater COVID-19 risk (e.g., Black and other racialized populations).</li> <li>Specialized vaccination centres (LTCH/RH)</li> <li>Hospitals</li> </ul>
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(e.g., vaccination of adults >80 may begin in parallel or before low-risk health care worker vaccination). Vaccination schedules are intended to be flexible and responsive to ongoing needs, vaccine logistics and risk factors. Ontario is ready to receive vaccines whenever they are available, and will shift to Phase 2 priority populations as soon as there are sufficient vaccines provided by the Federal government.

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# Communications

## Timely sharing of information and key messages

- sheet ensures clear and consistent messaging is used in all communications including stakeholder interactions, in preparation for A daily fact sheet is being shared with Task Force members, MPPs and stakeholders to provide clear and timely information and updates on the rollout of vaccinations across Ontario. It will also help to address vaccine hesitancy and misinformation. The fact ministry specific communications products and for Task Force members' interactions with their networks.
  - Daily communications rollout of government wide communications activities related to vaccines is now shared.

# Continuing to build online presence through an augmented vaccines social media strategy

- New assets focussed on milestones of vaccine distribution amplified across ministry channels
- New video and social media assets in development targeted to audiences to address vaccine hesitancy and dispel myths (including videos for staff in Long-Term Care homes, expert-led videos by Task Force members, etc.)
- High profile communications rollout of the declaration of emergency in Ontario and Ontario's next phase and priority populations for the rollout of vaccines. Announcements comprised Premier's press conference, technical briefings, media releases, social media and enhanced web content. Declaration of Emergency announcement reached 83% of total audience available. Statistics on Vaccines announcement pending.
- Work continues with Indigenous Affairs to amplify public education on vaccines in Indigenous populations. Work is also ongoing with he Anti-Racism Directorate to develop targeted high-touch communications for Phase 2 communities at risk
  - Augmenting ontario.ca/covid-19-vaccines:
- Work is underway to create a data map on Ontario.ca to track progress of vaccine distribution
- Adding infographics on Ontario.ca to educate the public about the phases of distribution and prioritization of populations to receive the vaccine to help address questions from media, the public and to counteract misinformation.

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# Communications

### Indigenous Communications Update:

Ministry of Indigenous Affairs (IAO) is now sending out vaccine-related information relevant to Indigenous communities through a regular e-blast to our key partners.

- Indigenous communities is available, as well as public education materials for repurposing to support partner efforts. We are encouraging A Vaccine Communications Update will be issued when important new information about vaccine delivery and administration in partners to share these updates widely with local health officials and within their communities.
- As of January 6, promotion of the vaccine rollout in Indigenous communities, including documenting real-time key moments the arrival of organizations) and inclusion of government's quotes in partner media release as appropriate (Sioux Lookout Meno Ya Win Health Centre the vaccines and vaccination – on social media, amplify partners' social media channels (Ornge, PHUs, Indigenous communities and news release on January 6 for example)
- The patient consent form and the facts sheet on vaccine safety have been translated into three Indigenous languages (Ojibwe, Oji-cree is being distributed to fly-in communities (through Ornge) and Cree)

An IAO-led Ontario Communications Working Group (Vaccine Rollout to Indigenous Communities) has been formed and includes communications contacts representing First Nations and PTOs

- This joint communications working group will explore opportunities for collaboration around vaccine communications.
- effectively meet the information needs about the vaccine rollout in your respective communities -- easily understood messaging and These discussions will also help inform the development and distribution of communications and public education materials that visuals to promote understanding, reduce vaccine hesitancy and address other concerns associated with COVID-19 vaccines.



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### Subject: Proposed regulation for compressed air energy storage in reservoirs

Good Afternoon,

We are writing today to let you know about proposed changes to the regulation and standards under *the Oil, Gas and Salt Resources Act*.

As you may already know, under the *Oil, Gas and Salt Resources Act*, the province regulates the drilling and operation of wells, and associated pipelines and equipment, used for activities such as the exploration and production of oil and natural gas, salt solution-mining, the underground storage of hydrocarbons, and compressed air energy storage in salt caverns. Compressed air energy storage in geological storage areas [other than salt caverns] is currently not regulated under the act.

Changes are being proposed that would ensure compressed air energy storage projects using porous rock reservoirs are regulated. In addition, other technical and administrative changes are being proposed to reference more current technical standards for the broader regulated sector and to update provisions in the regulation that set out parties who can act as financial security trustees.

Ontario is seeking feedback on this proposal through the environmental and regulatory registries for a period of 45 days ending on March 5, 2021 (<u>https://ero.ontario.ca/search</u> registry number: 019-2935). Details of the proposed changes are available in the environmental registry posting and supporting documents.

The ministry would welcome your feedback on the proposed changes, as well as the opportunity to discuss any comments or concerns that you may have. Should you have any questions about the proposal, please contact Pauline Desroches at pauline.desroches@ontario.ca or 705-741-8556.

Sincerely,

### Original signed by

Jennifer Keyes Director, Resources Planning and Development Policy Branch Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry

c: Susan Mancini, Petroleum Operations Section; Pauline Desroches, Resources Development Section

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### St. Clair Region Conservation Authority

### **Quick Facts**

### General:

- 17 member municipalities from Lambton and Middlesex Counties and the cities of Sarnia and Chatham-Kent (see member directory for full listing)
- 14 watersheds Sydenham River with its East and North branches, 13 smaller named watersheds entering Lake Huron, St. Clair River and Lake St. Clair
- 2021 General Levy \$3.80 per \$100k of Assessed value
- of the 36 Conservation Authorities in the province, the St. Clair Region ranks:
  - 9<sup>th</sup> largest in area (4,100 km<sup>2</sup>)
  - 16<sup>th</sup> in population (148,362 within the watershed)
  - LOWEST out of 36 CAs in general levy (\$5.25 per capita) in 2017, excluding Capital projects (2021 \$7.97 per capita)
- owns 4,200 acres of property and manages another 2,440 acres for other organizations
- 3 regional campgrounds with 522 serviced campsites. Self-sufficient, profits generated from their operations are used to offset capital development within the campgrounds
- has the largest flood control dam and diversion in the province (McKeough Floodway)
- 11 recreation dams at 8 Conservation Areas
- assisting Sarnia, Point Edward, St. Clair Township, Chatham-Kent in maintaining almost 10 km of shore protection and erosion control structures
- in excess of \$52 million invested in conservation lands and flood and erosion control structures
- provided technical and professional comments on over 500 municipal planning and regulation matters in 2020
- helped over 13,000 children discover conservation through outdoor education
- planted over 3.8 million trees over the last three decades
- provided \$3.1 million in grants to farmers and other landowners to implement Best Management Practices since 2000

### 2021 Budget Highlights

We offer the following highlights for your information

- General Levy for 2021 is \$1,179,576 shared by the 17-member municipalities, results in an average cost of \$3.80 per \$100,000 in assessment value. (see Sched C)
  - The includes \$49,950 for study and design work for the Boat Launch at Highland Glen Conservation Area.
  - This also includes \$13,000 to fund an asset management program development.
  - These two projects have been approved by the Board of Directors and included in the 2021 Budget at their direction.
- Total Levy excluding Infrastructure Projects for 2021 is \$1,345,029 (2020 \$1,222,636) which represents an overall increase of \$109,650
- This increase is comprised of \$49,950 for the Highland Gen study, \$13,000 for the Asset Management Plan and \$55,000 for increases in utilities, wages and benefits for levy supported positions (see Sched A).
- This is an average increase of 39 cents per \$100,000 in assessment value. (Sched C)
- Despite the increase in levy the 2021 proposed budget includes \$81,150 to be withdrawn from capital reserves to support operations, in Section 39 Provincial funded departments (base operations), including Planning & Regulations, Communication & Information and Administration.
- Section 39 Provincial grant to Conservation Authorities support flood control, planning, administration, legal expenses and technical studies, and was reduced by \$150,000 starting in 2019. To mitigate impact on municipalities, Capital Reserves were used to compensate for the loss in 2019, we continue to reduce using capital reserves to fund operating.
- Schedule "C" provides an analysis of General Levy Increase based on 2020 total current value of assessment in each municipality.
- Schedule "E" Provincial Section 39 Core Base funding Costs as a %.
- Detailed budgets for each program or project are available upon request.

St. Clair Region Conservation Authority 2021 Budget Summary

St. Clair Region Conservation Authority 2021 Budget Summary

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	2020 Budget	Proposed Budget	Provincial Grant	Other Grant/Program Funds	Matching Levy	Non Matching Levy	Special Levy	Revenues	Reserves
Flood Control Operations and Maintenance	\$415,200	\$425,650	\$108,000	\$21,000	\$108,000	\$109,000	St. Clair - McK Maint \$2,720 Dam OP CK \$20,900, SC \$1,100 C-K- McK Maint - \$51,730	Carryforwards - 53,200	\$0
Erosion Control Operations & Maintenace	\$0	\$5,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	Samia - \$5,000		\$0
NDMP		\$300,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	SO	\$D	Carryforward - \$300,000	\$0
Capital Projects	\$2,860,250	\$3,254,000	\$0	\$1,450,000	so	\$0	Sarria \$1,500,000 St. Clair \$169,000	Carryforwards - \$135,000	°\$
Source Protection Planning	\$115,000	\$132,500	\$0	\$132,500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Planning and Regulations	\$594,867	\$661,195	\$19,000	\$0	\$19,000	\$296,640		Fees - \$214,305 Carryforward - \$29,100 - special project	\$81,150
TS - Aquatic systems monitoring	\$288,329	\$278,929	0\$	\$65,000	\$0	\$34,000	\$0	Carry forward \$149,929 Fees - \$30,000	\$0
St. Clair AOC Management	\$582,050	\$799,800	\$0	\$299,800	<b>\$</b> 0	\$0	SO	Other Income - \$500,000	ŝ
Conservation Services	\$511,669	\$445,727	\$0	\$110,720	0\$	0\$	\$0	Fees - \$247,075 Carryforward \$81,100	\$6,832
MNR Species at Risk	\$325,000	\$464,750	\$0	\$448,750	\$0	\$0	\$0	Carryforward \$16,000	\$0
Conservation Areas	\$1,387,233	\$1,488,970	S		80	\$62,395	Shetland - Dawn-Euphemia \$10,800 Warvanosh - City of Samia \$13,905 Clark Wright - Strativor Scarados \$4,850 Bridgetearm - Middlesc Centre \$5,100 Coldstrearm - Middlesc Centre \$5,000 Crothrens - Chatham-Kent \$3,900 Stranak - Chatham-Kent \$5,900 Peers - Chatham-Kent \$5,900 Stranak - Chatham-Kent \$5,900 Stranak - Chatham-Kent \$5,800 Defeers - Chatham-Kent \$5,800 Press - Chatham-Kent \$5,800 Defeers - Chatham-Kent \$5,800 Defeers - Lambion Shores \$1,250 Dodge - Lambion Shores \$1,250	Fees - \$1,266,003 Parking Fees - 0 Foundation - \$1,500 (Mclean) - \$55,400 Carryforward - \$1,950 Rental Income - \$3,500	\$11,500
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Administration	\$754,991	\$747,391	\$34,000	\$6,000	\$34,000	\$424,541	Ş	Rental Income - \$15,000 Interest Income - \$15,000 Foundation - \$15,000 Allocated Admin & IT Costs - \$40,400 Adim Fees - \$65,500 Other Income - \$54,950 Other Income - \$33,000 Other Revenue - \$33,000	09 SP
Total CA Budget	\$8,495,407	\$9,664,780	\$161,000	\$2,543,270	\$161,000	\$1,018,576	\$1,837,172	\$3,784,280	\$159,482
Employment Programs *	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$75,000	\$0
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 The Authority assists in the administration of the Employment programs, therefore these items must be approved under the Authority's budget for signing authorization. The funds are only transferred in and out with the Authority having no direct spending controls.

		2021		2021		2021			2021		
Municipality		Proposed General Levy		General Levy hland Glen		Proposed Special Levy	Courtright Shoreline Protection	Sarnia Erosion Control Work	McKeough Dam Repairs & Upgrade	Flood Plain Mapping (NDMP)	Total Municipal Funding
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Adelaide Metcalfe Tp	\$	21,684	\$	953	\$						\$22,636
Brooke-Alvinston Tp	\$	20,193	\$	887	\$						\$21,081
Chatham-Kent M	\$	147,391	\$	6,477	\$	85,180					\$239,048
Dawn-Euphemia Tp	\$	29,953	\$	1,316	\$	10,800					\$42,069
Enniskillen Tp	\$	22,569	\$	992	\$						\$23,560
Lambton Shores M	\$	56,387	\$	2,478	\$	1,250					\$60,114
Middlesex Centre M	\$	25,340	\$	1,113	\$	6,200					\$32,653
Newbury V	\$	1,726	\$	76	\$	25					\$1,802
Oil Springs V	\$	2,244	\$	99	\$	78					\$2,343
Petrolia T	\$	28,659	\$	1,259	\$	1,100					\$31,019
Plympton-Wyoming T	\$	61,846	\$	2,718	\$	8,800					\$73,363
Point Edward V	\$	25,035	\$	1,100	\$	393					\$26,135
Sarnia C	\$	423,354	\$	18,603	\$	18,905		\$1,500,000			\$1,960,861
Southwest Middlesex M	\$	13,226	\$	581	\$						\$13,807
St. Clair Tp	\$	126,575	\$	5,562	\$		\$171,720				\$303,857
Strathroy - Caradoc Tp	\$	97,715	\$	4,294	\$	33,217					\$135,225
Warwick Tp	\$	26,032	\$	1,144	\$	3#2				1	\$27,176
	\$	1,129,927	\$	49,650	\$	165,452	\$171,720	\$1,500,000	\$0	\$0	\$3,016,749

### 2021 Total Municipal Funding Schedule "A" - Total Municipal Funding Including Special Infrastructure Projects

Note : WECI (Water & Erosion Control Infrastructure) Projects are considered if there is matching funds from both the Province and the benefitting Municipality and vary from year to year based on granting approval process, and Municipal matching funds. DMAF - Diaster Mitigation and Adaption Fund - Government of Canada investment in large-scale infrastructure projects.

NDMP - National Disaster Mitigation Program - Governement of Canada funding to mitigate, prepare for, respond to and recover from flood-related events

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Municipality Southwest Middlesex	69	275,637,456	1.1595%	ю	291,223,673	1.1705%	s	12,406 S	13,807	s	401 Mu	1,401 Municipality Southwest Middlesex	\$ 15,586,217	1.5%	\$ 233,793	%665.0
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### 2021 Municipal Funding Analysis Schedule "C" Levy per \$100K Assessment Value

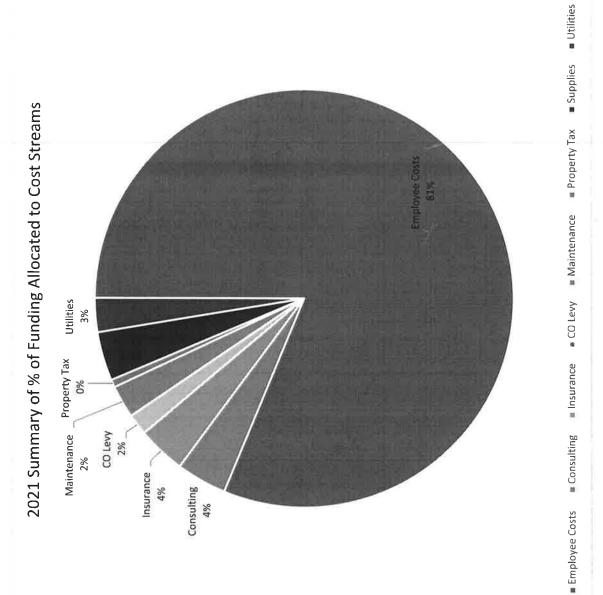
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		General Levy
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(modified)	Assessment	Assessment
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682,093,670	\$ 3.32	\$ 0.38
444,646,360	\$ 4.74	\$ 0.54
11,591,068,607	\$ 1.33	\$ 0.13
659,543,385	\$ 4.74	\$ 0.38
496,951,075	\$ 4.74	\$ 0.67
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3,487,288,851	\$ 0.76	\$ 0.08
38,012,315	\$ 4.74	\$ 0.40
49,417,880	\$ 4.74	\$ 0.45
631,068,079	\$ 4.74	\$ 0.47
1,361,815,899	\$ 4.74	\$ 0.52
551,257,710	\$ 4.74	\$ 0.45
9,322,085,528	\$ 4.74	\$ 0.37
728,059,183	\$ 1.90	\$ 0.19
2,787,137,215	\$ 4.74	\$ 0.44
3,030,480,318	\$ 3.37	\$ 0.35
616,355,716	\$ 4.41	\$ 0.58
39,236,412,295	\$ 3.80	\$ 0.39
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2020 Conservation Area Maintenance and Operation Budget	n Area Mainten	ance and Ope	station Budget					, î
	2019 Budget	2021 Budget	Special Levy	Non-Matching General Levy	Revenues	Foundation	Other	
403- Shetland	\$ 11,000	\$ 12.000	\$10,80	\$ 1,200				
404 - Sinclair	\$ 1,000	\$ 1.000				\$ 1.000		
405 - Wawanosh	\$ 11.000	\$ 15.450	\$13,905 (City of Sarnia)	\$ 1,545				
413 - Clark Wright	\$ 3,100	\$ 5.350	\$4,850 (Strathroy-Caradoc)			\$ 500		
416Bridgeview	\$ 4.976	s 1,100						
417 - Campbell	\$ 326,850	\$ 347,760			\$ 347,760			
419 - Coldstream	\$ 1,300	\$ 6,200	\$6,200 (Middlesex Centre)					
448 - Crothers	\$ 3,300	\$ 3.900	\$3.900(Chatham-Kent)					
455 - Peers	\$ 11,600	\$ 7.100	\$1,650 (Chatham-Kent)		\$ 3,500		\$ 1,950	
458 - Warwick	\$ 537,900	\$ 568.643			\$ 568,643			
470 - Stranak	\$ 5,900	\$ 5,900	\$5,900 (Chatham-Kent)					
472 - Henderson	\$ 332,000	\$ 349,600			\$ 349,600			
474 - Strathroy	\$ 23,000	\$ 28,367	\$28,367 (Strathroy-Caradoc)					
485 - McEwen	\$ 13,510	\$ 8.800	\$8.800 (Plympton-Wyoming)	s				
486 - Mclean	\$ 23,400	\$ 55.400			\$ 55,400			
489 - Highland Glen	\$ 18,000	\$ 71,150		\$ 59,650			\$ 11.500	
493 - Dodge	\$ 1,175	<b>\$</b> 1,250	\$1,250(Lambton-Shores)					
Total	\$ 1,329,011	\$ 1,488,970	\$ 86,722	\$ 62,395	\$ 1,324,903	\$ 1,500	\$ 13,450	
Notes:				Sun	Summary of Authority / Foundation Land Holdings Hectares	rity / Foundati	on Land Hol Hectares	dings
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Schedule "D" 2020 Conservation Area Maintenance and Operation Budo ω



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2021	1,475,480	70,700	67,230	30,000	45,828	10,730	68,707	47,835	1,816,510
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Board of Directors Meeting Highlights Held on January 21, 2021 at 8:30 AM as a Virtual Meeting



### **Ontario Declares Second Provincial Emergency to Address COVID-19**

Effective Thursday, January 14, 2021, at 12:01 a.m., the government is issuing a stay-at-home order requiring everyone to remain at home with exceptions for essential purposes. In addition to limiting outings to essential trips, all businesses must ensure that any employee who can work from home, does work from home.

The government will enact the following additional measures under s 7.0.1 (1) of the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* (EMPCA):

Outdoor organized public gatherings and social gatherings are further restricted to a limit of five people with limited exceptions.

Individuals are required to wear a mask or face covering in the indoor areas of businesses or organizations that are open. Wearing a mask or face covering is now recommended outdoors when you can't physically distance.

All non-essential retail stores, including hardware stores, alcohol retailers, and those offering curbside pickup or delivery, must open no earlier than 7 a.m. and close no later than 8 p.m.

Non-essential construction is further restricted, including below-grade construction, exempting survey.

### Waste Management Services Considered Essential

Note, that under O. Reg 82/20, Schedule 2 Section 47, waste management services are considered essential:

O. Reg. 82/20 - SCHEDULE 2 - BUSINESSES THAT MAY OPEN:

47. (b) Businesses that deliver or support the delivery of community services including, collecting, transporting, storing, processing, disposing or recycling of any type of waste.

If you have questions about what will be open or impacts to your business or employment, call the Ontario Government's Stop the Spread Business Information Line at 1-888-444-3659.

### **Employee Transit Letter**

The Association has provided its employees with "letters of passage" which indicates that they are essential service workers (as deemed by the government). Please note, while it is helpful to have a COVID passage letter, the Office of the Solicitor General has advised that law enforcement officials will be relying on verbal responses to ensure compliance with the latest emergency orders, and that such a letter may not be officially recognized by law enforcement officials.

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### **Expansion Plans For Twin Creeks Landfill In Southwestern Ontario**

Waste Management Canada is planning on seeking the approval of the Ontario Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) to expand its landfill operation in southwestern Ontario. The existing landfill, which opened in 1972 is expected to reach capacity in 2032. If the MECP grants the company the right to



expand, it will be possible to keep the landfill in operation until 2044.

As reported in the Sarnia Observer, the Mayor Jackie Rombouts of Watford Township (the municipality in which the landfill is located) stated the announcement of the expansion plans by Waste Management Canada was not welcome news. "Obviously, it's not something that our community wants," she said in an interview with the Sarnia Observer. "We were looking forward to the end of this."

The township receives landfill royalties, based on the amount of waste entering the site, that totalled about \$4.4 million in 2019. The initial concerns expressed by the municipality was the potential of 12 more years of truck traffic in the area and nuisance issues (i.e., odour and noise).

The company has started the long process of getting approval for the expansion by initiating an environmental assessment (EA). An EA sets out a planning and decision-making process so that potential environmental effects are considered before a project begins. It requires that the company seek input in the planning process from a variety of stakeholders including the local government, neighbours, indigenous groups, and others.

As reported in the Sarnia Observer, Wayne Jenken, area landfill manager for Waste Management, said the environment assessment process is expected to take about five years and cost more than \$35 million. The typical timeline for an EA landfill expansion, from start to finish, is typically between three to five years.

The Notice of Commencement for the Terms of Reference was published on November 17, 2020. It seeks input from interested parties.

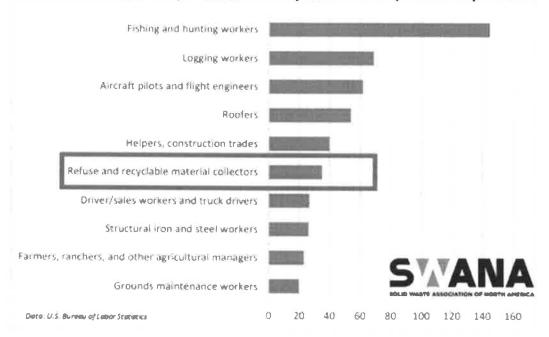
The proposed expansion will not involve an expansion in the existing landfill's footprint. Instead, the proposal calls for modifying the side slopes of the landfill as well as increasing its existing height. Currently, the landfill site takes up approximately 300 hectares. Of that, about 100 hectares are currently approved for landfilling. If the expansion is granted, the maximum increase in the final height of the landfill could be 40 metres.

The remaining capacity of the existing landfill is Approximately 15 Million cubic metres. The proposed expansion would provide additional airspace of up to approximately 14M m<sup>3</sup>.

One of the factors working in favour of the proposal getting approved is that fact that it is very difficult to get EA approval for a new landfill in the province, especially with new requirements that allows municipalities more say in the approval of a new landfill in their boundaries. Also, study after study has shown that there is a dearth of landfill capacity in the province.

### BLS Reports Solid Waste and Recycling Collectors Have Sixth Highest Fatality Rate

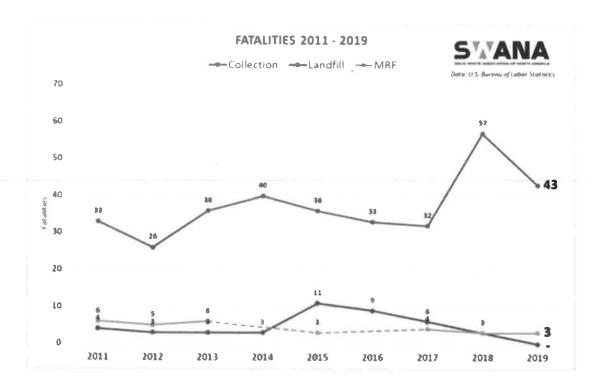
The U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) released the 2019 National Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries showing that refuse and recyclable materials collectors had the 6th deadliest occupation in the United States. This is a slight improvement from being 5th on the list, where it has been for the past several years. The workplace fatality rate for this group declined from 44.3 in 2018 to 35.2. This is still above the 2017 and 2016 rates which were 35.0 and 34.1, respectively. Solid waste collection (NAICS 562111) saw a reduction in fatalities in 2019, with 43 worker deaths. This is down from 57 in 2018 but remains well above the average rate of 36.6 over the previous 8 years.





Fatalities at material recovery facilities (NAICS 562920) remained unchanged from the previous year with 3. The data profile for solid waste landfills (NAICS 562212) does not show any fatalities listed for 2019. SWANA's 2019 fatality report recorded 11 fatalities occurring at landfills, including several incidents involving landfill workers and contract employees. SWANA intends to reach out to BLS for additional clarification concerning its 2019 landfill employee category.

"Although the reduction in worker fatalities last year compared to 2018 is welcome, the frequency of these fatal incidents is still above historical averages, and remains too high," stated David Biderman, SWANA's Executive Director and CEO. "We expect to report a further decline for the current year when SWANA releases its annual industry safety report for 2020 in connection with our February 2021 Safety Summit. SWANA will continue providing useful safety resources and information to the public and private sector waste industry, in both the United States and Canada, in our effort to reduce fatalities, accidents, collisions, and claims involving our employees, trucks, heavy equipment and facilities. Nothing we do is more important." Biderman added.



In November, BLS released 2019 employer-reported injury and illness data showing an increase in the injury and illness rate for landfill workers. Employees doing collection and at MRFs saw decreases in their incident rates last year. The results of the 2019 worker fatality census and injury and illness data will be addressed at the virtual SWANA Safety Summit on February 25, 2021. SWANA's 2020 fatality report will also be released as part of the Summit, followed by deep dives by industry safety experts into what this data means for collection and post-collection safety. Industry leaders will also gather to discuss their response to the pandemic along with lessons learned to prepare for future challenges. The SWANA Safety Summit will be an excellent opportunity to understand exactly where the industry stands and how we can do better.

### RPRA Finds Evidence that OES-Dedicated EPRA Staff in Contravention of Conflict-of-Interest Measures

On December 10, 2020, RPRA issued a statement regarding a recent inspection undertaken by the Authority of Ontario Electronic Stewardship (OES) and Electronic Products Recycling Association (EPRA).

As service providers to the Electrical and Electronic Equipment (EEE) Waste Program, municipalities may have received communications from persons identifying themselves as OES or EPRA personnel advising that OES is being rebranded as EPRA Ontario and that it would continue to operate Ontario's electronics recycling program. The communications may have also advised municipalities to sign a new contract with EPRA Ontario to ensure continuity in service. These communications are incorrect, contravene the conflict-of-interest guidelines that are part of the OES Wind-Up Plan, are inconsistent with the Minister's Directions and non-compliant with the requirements of the Waste Diversion Transition Act (WDTA) and the Resource Recovery and Circular Economy Act (RRCEA).

As a result of RPRA's findings, OES has agreed to cease using the wind-up trust fund to support activities promoting EPRA's commercial interests and has taken additional steps to ensure compliance.

### The Authority has approved SO's Blue Box Program Transition and Stewardship Ontario Wind-Up Plan with six conditions.

The plan details how the Blue Box Program will be wound up by December 31, 2025 in order to transition it to Ontario's new extended or individual producer responsibility regulatory framework and outlines how SO itself will be dissolved soon after.

The Authority imposed the following six conditions as a stipulation of its approval of the plan:

Prior to the implementation of the Material Cost Differentiation (MCD) methodology, SO is required to:

- 1. develop a proposal, to the Authority's satisfaction, to further mitigate the increase of InKind funding to municipalities and First Nation communities as a result of the adoption of the methodology until the program winds up
- 2. develop a plan, to the Authority's satisfaction, to address stakeholder concerns about potential impacts of the methodology on competition in the market for resource recovery services under the Resource Recovery and Circular Economy Act, 2016
- 3. SO shall ensure its Code of Conduct applies to all SO staff and develop a plan by February 15, 2021, to the satisfaction of Authority staff, to ensure measures are in place at the staff level to further mitigate conflict of interest
- 4. SO is required to develop a plan by May 31, 2021, to the satisfaction of Authority staff, to ensure data retained outside of its enterprise resource planning system is managed in a secure manner and destroyed following wind-up of the Blue Box Program
- 5. SO is required to develop a plan by September 15, 2021, to the satisfaction of Authority staff, to maintain or minimize reduction in program performance during the wind-up process
- 6. SO is required to update the plan as required to address operational and implementation issues and as directed by Authority staff
- 7. SO shall provide any information identified by Authority staff that it requires to perform its mandated duties

The Authority has also approved the Continuous Improvement Fund's wind-up plan and changes to its governance structure, which was included, by reference, in SO's wind-up plan.

During the transition period, SO will continue to operate the Blue Box Program without disruption and the Authority will continue to oversee SO and its operation of the Blue Box Program and monitor the implementation of the approved wind-up plan and its conditions.

For information on the implementation of the approved wind-up plan, visit SO's website. If you have any operational inquiries during the transition period, contact SO at werecycle@stewardshipontario.ca.

### OWMA Re-trac Data Call

OWMA is requesting data collection from landfills, material recovery facilities (MRFs), transfer stations, and composting facilities, to monitor material flows, and capture rates. The data collected is used to help the government develop requirements, standards, and databases.

Please email Steven Crombie scrombie@owma.org for any questions.

### Report Finds Aluminum Cans Remain Most Sustainable Package

The Aluminum Association and Can Manufacturers Institute released a new report, finding that Americans recycle cans twice as much as plastic bottles.

The Aluminum Association and the Can Manufacturers Institute (CMI), both based in Washington, have released an updated report, "The Aluminum Can Advantage: Sustainability Key Performance Indicators 2020," showcasing the ongoing sustainability of the aluminum beverage container compared with competing packaging types. The report finds that consumers recycle aluminum cans at nearly double the rate of plastic bottles.

The average aluminum can made in the United States contains about 73 percent recycled content compared with 23 percent for glass bottles and less than 6 percent for plastic. The Aluminum Association says aluminum can scrap is more valuable than glass or plastic.

In an effort to improve the aluminum can recycling rate in the United States, the Aluminum Association and CMI also released the new document, "Every Can Counts: An Aluminum Beverage Can Recycling Manifesto," to highlight the importance of aluminum can recycling.

"The aluminum industry is committed to bringing as many used beverage containers as possible back into the system," says Tom Dobbins, president and CEO of the Aluminum Association. "We are incredibly proud of our industry-leading sustainability metrics but also want to make sure that every can counts. Unlike most recycling, a used aluminum can is typically recycled directly into a new can – a process which can happen over and over again."

"The aluminum beverage can's existing circular system recycles approximately 45 billion cans each year in the United States," says Robert Budway, president of the CMI. "More than 90 percent of these recycled cans get turned into aluminum sheet used to make new beverage cans. These used cans plus other scrap metal create an average recycled content rate of 73 percent, which is exponentially higher than any competing substrate. While the beverage can's recycling rate is significantly better than other beverage containers, it is time for all of us to take action to keep more aluminum cans out of landfills."

Key findings in the 2020 report include:

- The industry recycling rate, which includes the recycling of all aluminum used beverage cans (UBCs) by the U.S. industry (including imported and exported UBCs), was 55.9 percent in 2019, a decline from 63.6 percent in 2018. This change was driven largely by production shifts within the industry in 2019, according to the report.
- The consumer recycling rate for aluminum beverage cans dropped to 46.1 percent in 2019, lower than the 2018 rate of 49.8 percent but above the 2017 number of 45.1 percent. The 20-year average for the consumer recycling rate is around 50 percent.
- The aluminum can remains by far the most valuable package in the recycling bin, with a value per ton of \$1,210 per ton compared with \$237 per ton for plastic and a negative value of \$21 per ton for glass, based on a two-year rolling average through February 2019.

### Plans For Nikola Refuse Vehicle Head To Trash Bin

Nikola Corporation's goal of producing zero-emission vehicles has been dealt another setback, as it ends a collaboration with Republic Services to develop refuse trucks.

The companies were looking to develop a fully integrated refuse truck with a battery-electric drive and body, while also integrating new systems.



Nikola announced that both companies determined that the new technologies and design concepts would take longer to develop than expected and result in "unexpected costs".

A previously announced vehicle order for 2,500 units has been canceled.

"This was the right decision for both companies given the resources and investments required," said Nikola CEO Mark Russell. "We support and respect Republic Services' commitment to achieving environmentally responsible, sustainable solutions for their customers. Nikola remains laser-focused on delivering on our battery-electric and fuel-cell electric commercial truck programs, and the energy infrastructure to support them."

The plans had been to develop a vehicle that would run up to 240 km or 1,200 collections on a single charge. In a tweet to announce that deal, former CEO Trevor Milton tweeted that the order was guaranteed, with the option of 5,000 trucks.

Just last month, General Motors abandoned plans to take an 11% stake in Nikola, and instead introduced a non-binding Memorandum of Understanding to integrate GM Hydrotec fuel cell systems into Nikola Class 7 and 8 vehicles. Initial prototypes of that equipment are scheduled for next year, with the beta prototypes to follow in the first half of 2022.

In the process, Nikola announced that it was returning all deposits on its promised Badger pickup truck.

The company says it plans to begin delivering battery-electric Nikola Tre tractors next year, and also break ground on its first commercial hydrogen station. Fuel-cell-electric trucks are to be produced in Arizona beginning in 2023.

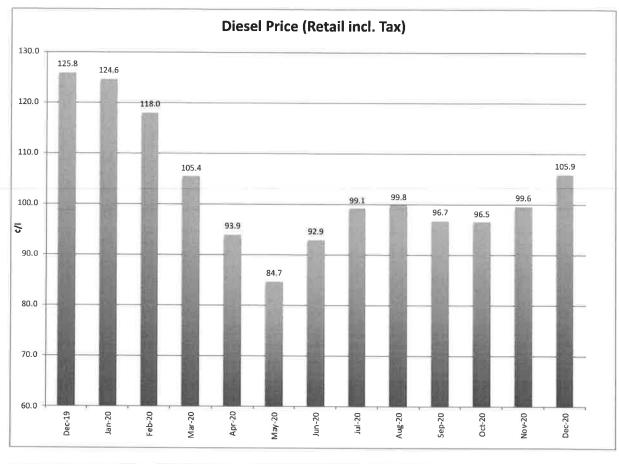
### Stormfisher To Open Source Separated Organics Processing Centre In Southwestern Ontario

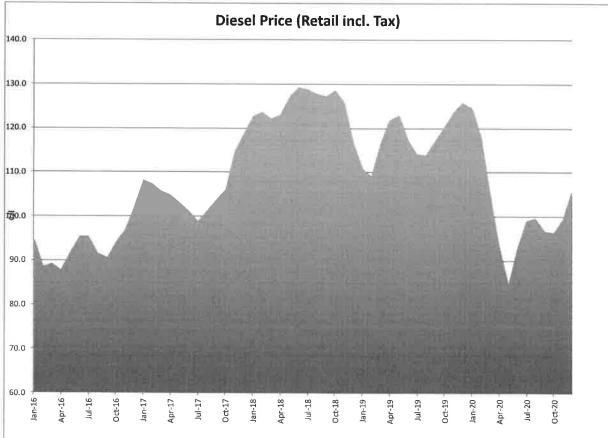
StormFisher Biogas, headquartered in London, Ontario, recently opened a new Resource Recovery Centre in southwestern Ontario. The new facility, located in the Village of Drumbo, receives and processes municipal source separated organics and packaged food waste. The incoming material is processed and is then supplied to either StormFisher's anaerobic digesters in London or is sent to third party digesters.

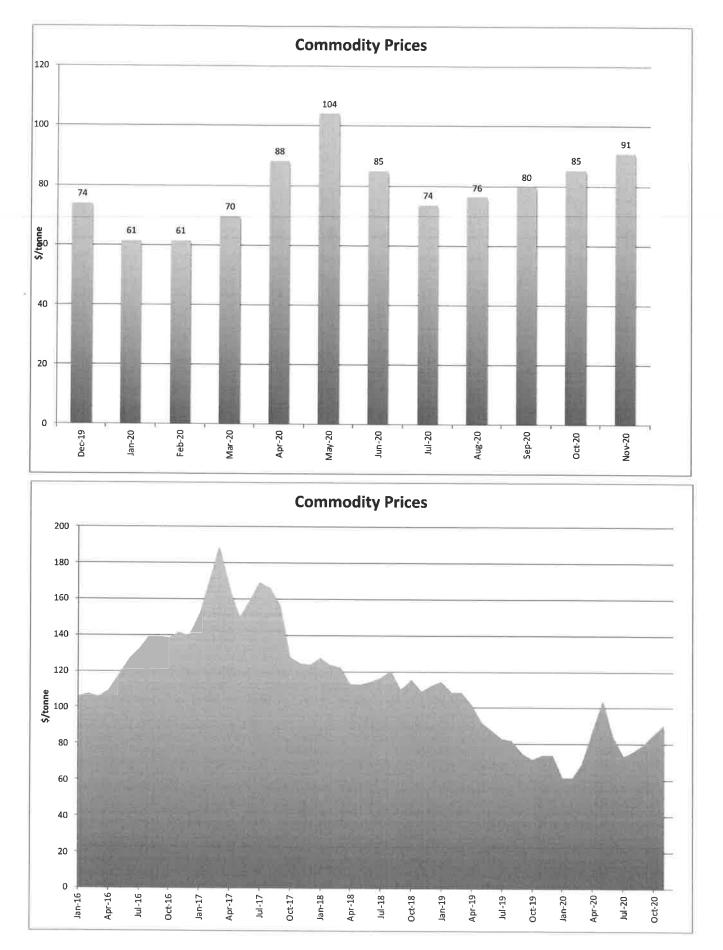
The facility also provides witnessed destruction through the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) and certificates of destruction are available upon request.

The materials accepted at the new facility include municipal source separated organics (SSO), industrial, commercial and institutional (IC&I) waste, packaged food waste, liquid food waste, and solid food waste

The site is 4.29 hectares in area. The facility processes solid organic waste to produce products used in the agricultural industry. The facility receives up to 816 tonnes per day from an Ontario-wide service area. All waste is received, stored and processed indoors. The processing will include sorting, shredding, grinding and screening. The facility will process waste up to 24 hours per day, 7 days per week.









Municipality of Southwest Middlesex

December 7, 2020

Please be advised that the Council of Southwest Middlesex passed the following resolution at it's November 25<sup>,</sup> 2020 Council meeting:

Drainage Matters: CN Rail

Moved by Councillor McGill Seconded by Councillor Vink

"WHEREAS municipalities are facilitators of the provincial process under the *Drainage Act* providing land owners to enter into agreements to construct or improve drains, and for the democratic procedure for the construction, improvement and maintenance of drainage works; and

WHEREAS municipal drain infrastructure and railway track infrastructure intersect in many areas in Ontario; and

WHEREAS coordination with national railways is required for the construction or improvement of drains that benefit or intersect with national railways; and

WHEREAS the national railways have historically participated in the process for construction, improvement and maintenance of drainage works; and

WHEREAS currently municipalities are experiencing a lack of coordination with national railways on drainage projects; and

WHEREAS the lack of coordination is resulting in projects being significantly delayed or cancelled within a year; and

WHEREAS municipal drains remove excess water to support public and private infrastructure and agricultural operations;

THEREFORE be it resolved that the Province of Ontario work with the Federal Minister of Transportation to address concerns regarding municipal drainage matters and need for coordination with the national railways; and

THAT Council circulate the resolution to the Provincial Ministers of Agriculture, Food, and Rural Affairs, and Municipal Affairs and Housing, and the Federal Minister of Transportation, the local MP and MPP, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and all municipalities."

Carried

Sincerely.

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Jillene Bellchamber-Glazier CAO-Clerk

Cc: The Honorable Marc Gardeau, Minister of Transport The Honorable Ernie Hardeman, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs Monte McNaughton, MPP Lambton-Middlesex-London Lianne Rood, MP Lambton-Kent-Middlesex The Association of Municipalities of Ontario All Ontario Municipalities



Mr. Gordon Perry Lambton County Regional Trails & Active Transportation Committee 150 North Christina Street, 2nd Floor Sarnia, Ontario, N7T 8H3

January 18, 2021

#### County of Lambton Municipalities

Dear Sir/Madame:

#### Re: Letter of Support for the 2021 Granfondo Cycling Safety Campaign

The Lambton County Regional Trails committee meeting held on January 14<sup>th</sup> was a great restart to having regular meetings. We had a very interesting presentation from Kenneth MacAlpine from Bluewater International Granfondo (BIG). He has asked for our assistance in the promotion of their 2021 "Share The Road Campaign" in Sarnia and Lambton County. The City of Sarnia is strongly supporting the program and BIG is seeking support from each Municipality in Lambton in the acquisition and placement of specially designed road signs.

This public awareness campaign will be focusing their efforts on educating riders and drivers on how to safely share the road. Their primary concern is to help make our roadways a safe place for the both motor vehicles and bicycles.

Since inception 4 years ago Bluewater International Granfondo has raised over \$200,000 to support Palliative Care Education for front line workers at Bluewater Health Palliative Care, St. Joseph's Hospice as well as nurses and support workers within the community of Sarnia Lambton.

In the next few days Kenneth MacAlpine will be contacting your Municipal Offices and is prepared to make presentations at council meetings.

I have included a PowerPoint presentation for all council members from the Bluewater International Granfondo organization. If you would like to discuss this matter, please contact myself at 519-834-2207 or gordonandmargaretperry@gmail.com.

For your considerat Gordon Perry

Chair, Lambton County Regional Trails Committee

cc. Ken McAlpine, Bluewater International Granfondo



### Council Staff Report

То:	Mayor Ferguson and Members of Council
Subject:	Noise By-law
Meeting:	Council - 28 Jan 2021
Department:	Clerks
Staff Contact:	Janet Denkers, Clerk Administrator

#### **Recommendation:**

That Council provide direction on a revised noise by-law for the municipality.

#### Background:

Lambton OPP have received complaints in regards to excessive noise in the rural areas of the Municipality. By-law 37 of 2006 is the by-law which regulates noise. Due to multiple resident complaints received, they called to advise that there is no avenue to charge residents in the rural areas who are not respecting the noise by-law.

#### Comments:

In reviewing recent complaints, staff can concur that relevant concerns have been received in both the rural and urban areas.

Concerns in the rural and urban areas are:

- 1) consistently barking dogs for long periods of time (rural and urban)
- 2) loudspeakers (rural & urban)

Suggested amendments to a noise by-law would be:

1) include "rural areas" for the provision on barking and a fine associated (section 3.4)

2) include "*rural areas*" for the provision on loudspeakers and a fine associated (section 3.2) A copy of the current noise by-law is attached. With Council direction, a revised by-law could be presented at the February 11th regular session of Council.

#### Financial Considerations:

None associated with this report.

#### ATTACHMENTS:

37-Noise By-Law

## The Corporation of the Municipality of the Township of Brooke-Alvinston

## By-law Number 37 of 2006

Being a By-law to Prohibit Noises calculated to disturb The Inhabitants of the Township of Brooke-Alvinston Pursuant to provisions of the Municipal Act, 2001 Section 129 of the Municipal Act 2001, states that a Municipality may Prohibit and Regulate matters with respect to noise and vibration WHEREAS,

AND WHEREAS, the Council wishes to list the By-law as an Offence under Part 1 of the Provincial Offences Act; NOW THEREFORE, the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of the Township of Brooke-Alvinston enacts as follows:

### Definitions Section 1

maintenance, painting, moving, land clearing, earth moving, grading, excavating, the laying of pipe and conduit whether above or below ground level, street and highway building, concreting, equipment installation and alteration and the structural installation of construction components and materials in any form or for any purpose, and includes "Construction" includes erection, alteration, repair, dismantling, demolition, structural any work in connection therewith.

"Construction equipment" means any equipment or device designed and intended for use in construction or material handling, including but not limited to, air compressors, pile drivers, pneumatic or hydraulic tools, bulldozers, tractors, excavators, trenchers, cranes, derricks, loaders, scrapers, pavers, generators and rollers, pumps, concrete mixers, graders or other material handling equipment.

or persons or goods from place to place but does not include any such device or vehicle if "Conveyance" includes a vehicle and any other device employed to transport a person operated only within the premises of a person.

"Council" means the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Brooke-Alvinston

"Highway" includes a common and public highway, street, avenue, parkway, driveway, square, place, bridge, via duct or trestle designed and intended for, or used by, the general public for the passage of vehicles.

"Minister" means the Minister of the Environment.

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"Motor vehicle" includes an automobile, motorcycle, and any other vehicle propelled or driven otherwise than by muscular power; but does not include the cars of electric or steam railways, other motor vehicles running only upon rails, or a motorized snow vehicle, ATV, traction engine, farm tractor, self-propelled implement of husbandry or road building machine within the meaning of the Highway Traffic Act.

പ "Motorized conveyance" means a conveyance propelled or driven otherwise than by muscular, gravitational or wind power.

7.4.

"Municipality" means the land within the geographic limit of the Township of Brooke-Alvinston

"Noise" means unwanted sound.

ö a person where sound vibration originating from other than those premises is received. "Point of reception" means any point on the premises of

"Police" means any member of the Ontario Provincial Police

means any person appointed by the municipality to act as a by-law "By-Law Officer" enforcement officer.

## **General Prohibitions** Section 2

# Emissions - clearly audible - set out

No person shall emit or cause or permit the emission of sounds resulting from an act in so far as they are calculated to disturb the inhabitants of the Township of Brooke-Alvinston more specifically described as:

## exception Racing - motorized conveyance 2.1

No person shall emit or cause or permit the emission of sound as a result of Racing of any Motorized Conveyance other than in a racing event regulated by law.

### Tires - squealing 2.7

No person shall emit or cause or permit the emission of sound as a result of the operation of a motor vehicle in such a way that the tires squeal.

## Engine - pneumatic device - exhaust - ineffective 33

of any combustion engine or pneumatic device without an effective exhaust or intake No person shall emit or cause or permit the emission of sound as a result of the operation muffling device in good working order and that is in constant operation.

**2.4 Horn – use – other then warning** No person shall emit or cause or permit the emission of sound as a result of the operation of a motor vehicle horn or other warning device except where required or authorized by law or in accordance with good safety practices.

**2.5 Construction equipment – operation** No person shall emit or cause or permit the emission of sound as a result the operation of the operation any item of construction equipment in an area without effective muffling devices in good working order and that is in constant operation.

## **PROHIBITIONS – BY TIME – PLACE** Section 3

 $\mathbf{0}\mathbf{f}$ Brooke-Alvinston more specifically, Inwood and Alvinston, make or permit to be made the following noises and vibrations in so far as they are calculated to disturb No person shall within the limits of the "Urban" areas of the Township the inhabitants of those communities.

## Engine - combustion - toy - for amusement 3.1

¢ point of reception from the operation of a combustion engine which, is or, is used in, or is intended for use in a toy, or a model or replica of any device which model or replica has no function other than amusement and which is not a conveyance. No person shall emit or cause or permit the emission of sound that is clearly audible at

## Loudspeakers - amplification sound equipment 3.2

ರ point of reception from the operation of any electronic device or group of connected electronic devices incorporating one or more loudspeakers or other electro-mechanical No person shall emit or cause or permit the emission of sound that is clearly audible at transducers, and intended for the production, reproduction or amplification of sound.

**3.3** Signaling device – use other than for safety No person shall emit or cause or permit the emission of sound that is clearly audible at a point of reception from the operation of any auditory signaling device, including but not limited to the ringing of bells or gongs and the blowing of horms, the use of drums, or sirens or whistles, or the production, reproduction or amplification of any similar sounds by electronic means except where required or authorized by law or in accordance with good safety practices.

**3.4 Barking – calling – other – animal – pet** No person shall emit or cause or permit the emission of sound that is clearly audible at a point of reception from the persistent barking, calling or whining or other similar persistent noise making by any domestic pet or any other animal kept or used for any purpose other than agriculture.

## Yelling - shouting - whistling - other 3.5

Q <del>,</del> No person shall emit or cause or permit the emission of sound that is clearly audible point of reception from the persistent yelling, shouting, hooting, whistling or singing.

## Selling - advertising - by shouting 3.6

c d No person shall emit or cause or permit the emission of sound that is clearly audible at point of reception from selling or advertising by shouting or outcry or amplified sound.

## Construction equipment - use 3.7

No person shall emit or cause or permit the emission of sound that is clearly audible at a point of reception from the operation of any equipment in connection with construction between 9:00pm to 7:00am, unless in the commission of work connected with an 7:00am, unless 9:00pm to emergency.

**3.8 Tools – domestic use – exception – snow removal** No person shall emit or cause or permit the emission of sound that is clearly audible at a point of reception from the operation or use of any tool for domestic purpose other than snow removal between 9:00pm to 7:00am.

of in Not withstanding provisions of 3.8, the commercial elevators located Alvinston and Inwood are exempted during the intake and shipping farm produce. 3.8.1

## Refuse - compacting equipment - other 3.9

പ compacting No person shall emit or cause or permit the emission of sound that is clearly audible at a point of reception from the operation of solid waste bulk lift or refuse compacting equipment between 9:00pm to 7:00am.

### Vehicles 3.10

point of reception caused by any licensed or unlicensed motorized vehicle, including trucks, motor cars, snow mobiles, motor bikes, and ATV's, in starting up or driving said motorized vehicle, truck, motor car, snow mobile, motor bike, and ATV's. No person shall emit or cause or permit the emission of sound that is clearly audible at a

### **Penalty Section** SECTION 4

Every Person who contravenes any provision of this by-law is guilty of an offence and on conviction may be subject to a fine as provided for in the Provincial Offences Act. 4.1

### SECTION 5 Enforcement

**5.1** For the purposes of this by-law, this by-law is enforced by the Ontario Provincial Police, By-law officer, Provincial Offenses Officer, or any person appointed by the Municipality to enforce said by-law.

### SECTION 6 Investigation

**6.1** For the purpose of this by-law an appointed person such as the Ontario Provincial Police, By-law Officer, Provincial Offenses Officer may enter onto private property to determine the source of a Sound or Noise.

### SECTION 7 Repeal of By-laws

By-law 10 of 1980 as amended is hereby repealed. By-law 19 of 2006 is hereby repealed

### SECTION 8 Force and Effect

This by-law will come into force and take effect upon final passing.

November, 2006 day of By-law read a first and 2<sup>nd</sup> time this 23rd

Carl Mayor Clerk

, 2003 C huund By-law read a third time and finally passed this/ $^{\prime\prime}$  day of

Mayor Clerk

**CLERK'S CERTIFICATE** 

Certified a true copy of By-law No. 37 of 2006 passed by the Council of the Township of Brooke-Alvinston the  $\ell^{\ell}$  day of Larvary 2007.  $\ell^{\ell}$ 

Clerk

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BY-LAW No. 37 of 2006

TITLE: Noise By-law PART 1 – Provincial Offences Act

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15.	Emit Sound from Noise from licensed or unlicensed motorized vehicles	Sec. 3.10	\$250.00

NOTE: The penalty section for offences cited above is Section 4.1 of By-law 37 of 2006, a certified copy of which has been filed.

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## ONTARIO COURT OF JUSTICE PROVINCIAL OFFENCES ACT PART I

Alvinston, attached hereto are the set fines for those offences. This Order is to take IT IS ORDERED pursuant to the provisions of the Provincial Offences Act and the rules for the Ontario Court of Justice that the amount set opposite each of the offences in the schedule of offences under the Provincial Statutes and Regulations thereunder and Municipal By-law No. 37 of 2006, of the Township of Brookeeffect February 23, 2007.

Dated at London this 23rd day of February, 2007.

Alexander M. Graham Regional Senior Justice West Region

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### Council Staff Report

То:	Mayor Ferguson and Members of Council
Subject:	2021 Dust Suppressant
Meeting:	Council - 28 Jan 2021
Department:	Public Works
Staff Contact:	Randy Hills, Public Works Manager

#### **Recommendation:**

That the Council of the Municipality of Brooke-Alvinston acknowledge the report provided by the Public Works Manager regarding the 2021 dust suppressant needs for the Municipality; and that the quote received from Den Mar Brines for \$188.55/ flake/ tonne be accepted; and that Council waives the requirements for a competitive process in favour of a negotiated process with Den Mar Brines for the provision of dust suppressant for the Municipality for the reason that the Public Works Manager has worked extensively with this supplier in the past and has obtained a price for the product that is within the draft budgeted amount and is anticipated to be lower than other suppliers.

#### Background:

The Municipality uses approximately 375 flake equivalent tonne for dust suppressant. From 2018 to 2020, the Municipality secured the product from Den Mar Brines who are willing to offer the same pricing for 2021 to the Municipality.

#### Comments:

The Municipality has had no issues with Den Mar Brines including application and service. Should Council waive the requirements of tendering, the Municipality will require that the following conditions be met:

- 1. Approximately 375 flake equivalent tonnes of Dust Suppressant with no less than 19% effective chloride percentage (magnesium & calcium)
- 2. The Public Works Manager will require documents of a laboratory report pertaining to the dust suppressant
- 3. Random sampling may be done by the Municipality. If the sample does not meet the terms of this quote, the Contractor will incur the cost of testing and the Municipality will have the right to penalize the contractor on a percentage basis of the shortfall
- 4. The application of dust suppressant will be done with a metered pressurized apparatus. Application can occur between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m..
- 5. The Contractor shall carry Contractor's Liability Insurance for Comprehensive General Liability and Property Damage Insurance including Broad Form Property Damage, complete

operations, products, personal injury, death, contractor liability with a minimum of \$2,000,000 per inclusive occurrence, plus a standard of \$1,000,000 auto insurance policy with inclusive limit for personal, bodily injury and property damage.

- 6. Dust Suppressant shall be applied on municipal roads designated by the Public Works Manager.
- 7. A certified cheque equivalent to 5% of the quoted price or in the amount of \$3,450.

#### Financial Considerations:

The budgeted number for 2021 would be consistent with the 2020 budget figure of \$68,000.



#### MUNICIPALITY OF BROOKE-ALVINSTON

#### DRAINAGE SUPERINTENDENT STAFF REPORT

- Date: December 2020 / January 2021 Report
- To: Brooke-Alvinston Mayor, Clerk, and Council
- **From:** David Moores, Drainage Superintendent R. Dobbin Engineering Inc.
- **RE:** Monthly Drainage Superintendent Report

#### New Drainage Requests:

#### MacDougall Drain

- Section 74 Maintenance Request
- Location: Lots 7-9, Concession 5
- Request received from Mr. Doug MacDougall

**Recommendations**: (1) Council to accept the request under Sec 74

(2) Send out maintenance notices to all affected landowners

#### 4-5 Concession Road Drain

- Section 74 Maintenance Request
- Location: Lots 7-9, Concession 5
- Request received from Mr. Doug MacDougall

**Recommendations**: (1) Council to accept the request under Sec 74

(2) Send out maintenance notices to all affected landowners

#### 14<sup>th</sup> Concession Drain

- Section 74 Maintenance Request
- Location: Lots 1-6, Concession 14
- Request received from Mr. Tom Shea for brushing and bottom cleanout

**Recommendations**: (1) Council to accept the request under Sec 74

(2) Send out maintenance notices to all affected landowners

#### **Maintenance**

#### <u>Contractor – JL Henderson:</u>

#### Campbell Leitch Drain

- Location: Lot 28 & 29, Concession 6
- Contractor: JLH Excavating
- Status:
  - Levelling to be completed in Spring of 2021

#### Contractor – Bruce Poland and Sons:

#### Ross Drain

- Location: Lot 13-14, Concession 7
- Status:
  - Levelling to be completed in Spring of 2021

#### Zimmerman Drain

- Location: Lot 13, Concession 8
- Status:
  - Levelling to be completed in Spring of 2021

#### Moffatt Lucas Drain No.2

- Location: Courtright Line
- Status:
  - Levelling to be completed in Spring of 2021

#### Moffatt Lucas Drain Branch

- Location: Bush Line
- Status:
  - Levelling to be completed in Spring of 2021

#### McIntrye / Weed Drain

- Location: Shiloh Line
- Status:
  - Work: Culvert replacement
  - Completed Winter 2021 once Hydro One relocates pole

#### <u> Contractor – GM Construction:</u>

#### Sisson Parker Drain

- Location: Along the Sun Canadian Pipeline from Sutorville Rd to Forest Road
- Status:
  - Work: Brushing and bottom cleanout
  - Weather permitting work to be completed Winter 2021

#### Kelly Drain

- Location: Lots 7-9, Concession 14
- Landowner: Gary Straatman / Tom Shea / Steve Moffatt
- Status:
  - Work Brushing, bottom cleanout, and culvert replacement
  - Work in progress
  - Levelling to be completed in Spring of 2021

#### <u> Contractor – Greg Drury:</u>

#### McNally Drain

- Location: L.3 C.9 6380 Rokeby Line
- Landowner: Lee Deschamps
- Status:
  - Work Beaver Control and Dam Removals

#### Work to be Tender / Receive Approvals

#### Edgar Drain No.1

- Location: Churchill Line & Hardy Creek Road Lot 27, Concession 14
- Work Brushing and Cleanout
- Status:
  - All Approvals received
  - Tender Drain for 2021 work

#### Parker Lucas Drain

- Location: Lots 5-9, Concession 13
- Landowner: Tom Shea
- Work Brushing, bottom cleanout, and culvert replacement
- Status:
  - Drain Approvals to obtain
  - Tender Drain for 2021 work

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#### Smith Drain

- Location: Lot 13, Concession 6
- Landowner: Ben Opthuf
- Status:
  - Work Brushing & bottom cleanout
  - $\circ$   $\,$  Drain Approvals to obtain
  - Tender Drain for 2021 work

#### Duffy Drain

- Location: Lots 17-18, Concession 5
- Landowner: Dave McKellar
- Status:
  - Work Brushing & bottom cleanout
  - Drain Approvals to obtain
  - Tender Drain for 2021 work

#### **DRAINAGE REPORTS – CONSTRUCTION / IMPROVEMENTS**

#### **Ongoing Construction**

#### Kelly Drain Branch No.4

- Section 78 Report
- Drain enclosure
- Construction work in progress by McNally Excavating

#### Still in Report Stage:

#### Steadman Drain No.1

- Section 4 Report Roger Buurma
  - Drain enclosure
  - Currently with the SCRCA for review
  - Additional Onsite Meeting was held on November 17, 2020
- Section 4 Petition Don McGugan
  - Private tile drain to be made a municipal drain and improved in Lot 16, Concession 9, west side of Nauvoo Road

#### Hasting Drain

- Section 78 Report
- Request to realign or enclose channel in W1/2 Lot 23, Concession 12
- Survey complete
- Preliminary drafting and profile in progress

#### Logan Drain Branches – 5

- Section 78 Report
- Tile drain replacement project
- Report submitted to the Municipality

#### Ruth Drain

- Section 78 Report
- Tile drain replacement
- Report submitted to the Municipality

#### Graham Bourne Drain

- Section 78 Report
- Culvert replacement
- Survey complete
- Report is in progress

#### Johnson Drain

- Section 78 Report
- Culvert Replacement
- Survey complete
- Report is in progress

#### Edgar Podolinsky Drain

- Section 4 Report
- Report in progress

#### Edgar Drain Branch

- Section 78 Report
- Drain enclosure
- Onsite Meeting was held on November 26, 2020
- Report in progress

#### McEachren Drain

- Section 78 Report
- Emergency culvert work under Section 124 of the Drainage Act
- Culvert work completed
- Onsite Meeting was held on November 17, 2020
- Additional work was discussed in having all culverts inspected for replacement and the drain requires brushing and bottom cleanout
- New drain profile required
- Survey, culvert inspections, and report in progress

#### Thompson Drain

- Section 78 Report
- Culvert Replacement on Hardy Creek Road
- Onsite Meeting held on November 17, 2020
- New profile for drain along Hardy Creek Road as a cleanout / brushing was asked at the Onsite Meeting
- Survey and report in progress

#### Campbell Leitch Drain

- Section 78 Report
- Low-level crossing replacement
- New low-level crossing in Adelaide Metcalf section of the drain
- Onsite Meeting held on November 26, 2020
- Survey and report in progress

#### For Information:

Work on the following projects are completed:

- **1. Campbell Leitch Drain** Brushing and bottom cleanout work completed by JLH Excavating under maintenance.
- Moffatt Lucas Drain No.2 Brushing, bottom cleanout, and culvert replacement work completed by Bruce Poland and Sons under maintenance.
- **3. Moffatt Lucas Branch Drain** Brushing and bottom cleanout completed by Bruce Poland and Sons under maintenance.
- **4. Thompson Drain** Brushing, bottom cleanout, leveling and catchbasin repairs completed by HE Construction under maintenance.

- **5. Buurma Drain** Catchbasin repairs completed by KT Excavating under maintenance.
- **6.** McNeil Douglas Drain Main Branch tile drain repairs completed by KT Excavating under maintenance.

	The Corporation of the Municipality of Brooke-Alvinston REQUEST FOR MAINTENANCE / REPAIR / IMPROVEMENT (Drainage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter D.17	RECEIVED JAN 1 3 2021
I hereby give notice that the/	y the Conc. Drain is out of repair an	d request that:
Maintenance (preservation condition) be performed ur	of a drainage works) or repair (restoration of a drainage works inder the provisions of Section 74 of the Drainage Act, R.S.O 1990	to its original ), Chapter D.17,
The drain be improved (mo effectiveness of the system	dification of or an addition to a drainage works intended to incre ) under the provisions of:	ease the
Section 77, (without an	Engineer's Report and total cost not exceeding \$4,500.00)	
Section 78, (with an En	gineer's Report)	
(of the Drainage Ac	t, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter D.17	
The following work is required:		
brashing +	cleanout	
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	-Alvinston this 13_day of Jan. , 2021	
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#### THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF BROOKE-ALVINSTON BY-LAW NUMBER xx OF 2021

#### BEING A RATING BY-LAW FOR MUNICIPAL DRAIN MAINTENANCE

WHEREAS maintenance work has been undertaken on various municipal drains in the Municipality of Brooke-Alvinston;

AND WHEREAS the cost of the work is to be assessed to property owners based on the appropriate drainage report;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Brooke-Alvinston enacts as follows:

(a) That the appropriate schedules of assessment be used to assess and collect the maintenance costs for the:

6-7 SIDEROAD DRAIN 8/9 CONCESSION DRAIN 9/10 SIDEROAD DRAIN 10-11 CONCESSION DRAIN CAMERON DRAIN CAMPBELL LEITCH DRAIN DAVIDSON DRAIN DOLBEAR MCKELLAR DRAIN DOLBEAR-GRAY DRAIN DUDLEY DRAIN FERGUSON DRAIN GOVERNMENTT DRAIN NO. 1 HENDERSON DRAIN LEITCH DRAIN MACKELLAR-WERDEN DRAIN MCNEIL DOUGLAS DRAIN MCVICAR DRAIN MOFFATT LUCAS DRAIN MUNRO DRAIN ORANGE DRAIN NO. 1 PRAY DRAIN ROSS DRAIN SMITH PATTERSON DRAIN THOMPSON DRAIN WATSON DRAIN WATT CRAN DRAIN WHITE DRAIN WOODS DRAIN

(b) That this by-law comes into full force and effect upon third reading.

By-law read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 28th day of January, 2021.

David Ferguson, Mayor

Janet Denkers, Clerk-Administrator