

***** AGENDA *****
Tuesday, April 4, 2023
*****START TIME 6:30 p.m.*****

1. Disclosure of pecuniary interest.
2. Delegation: Jacob Hanlon, Food Cycle Science regarding FoodCycler and food waste diversion programs.
3. Committee Reports.
4. Resolution: Adopt the minutes of the meeting held March 21, 2023.
5. By-Law: to stop up, close and sell part of the Original Shore Road Allowance in front of Broken Lot 11, Concession 18, designated as Parts 1, 2 & 3 on Plan 42R-21854. Deferred from the March 21, 2023 meeting.
6. Resolution: Authorize the Mayor and Municipal Administrator to sign a Financial Agreement with the Municipality of Powassan as part of ongoing negotiations.
7. Training: MHBC Planning Consultants providing Planning 101 Training for Council.
8. Resolution: Appoint member to the Cemetery Committee.
9. Resolution: Donation to the Almaguin Adult Learning Centre.
10. Resolution: Authorize an Application to the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation (NOHFC) for the Workforce Development Stream, one Intern position.
11. Resolution: Approve the Spring 2023 Newsletter.
12. Discussion: Council priorities for inclusion in the 2023-2026 Strategic Plan.
13. Correspondence.
14. Accounts to pay.
15. By-Law: Confirming Proceedings of Council at its meeting held April 4, 2023.
16. Adjournment.

Council meetings will be held in person at 2381 Highway 654, Township of Nipissing Community Centre and virtually utilizing the Zoom platform; and will be livestreamed to the Township of Nipissing YouTube channel.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2XSMZqRNHbwVppelfKcEXw>

Kris Croskery - Hodgins

From: Jacob Hanlon <jacobh@foodcycler.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2023 4:00 PM
To: admin@nipissingtownship.com
Subject: Delegation Request - Municipal Food Waste Diversion Program with Federal Funding

Good afternoon,

My name is Jacob Hanlon, and I am the Municipal Program Coordinator at Food Cycle Science. Our company provides municipalities with innovative solutions for residential and commercial food waste diversion to reduce the amount of organic waste going into landfills.

I would like to submit a delegation request so that Council may hear about our food waste diversion programs and funding opportunities.

For more context, FoodCycler has received federal funding from the **Impact Canada / Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada Food Waste Reduction Challenge** to expand our municipal programs. We are a trusted solutions provider to over 70 municipalities across Canada, and we are seeking additional implementation partners to be part of this program which comes with direct investment into your community to offset the cost of the program. (See Impact Canada's Food Waste Reduction Challenge here: <https://impact.canada.ca/en/challenges/food-waste-reduction-challenge>)

FoodCycler's technology transforms food waste into a natural soil amendment in hours. About the size of a bread maker, the FoodCycler runs anywhere with a plug, usually in a kitchen, garage, or basement. Food waste weight and volume is reduced by ~90%, leaving users with a pathogen-free and sterile biomass that has many beneficial uses (E.g., natural fertilizer for one's garden).

For municipalities, no green bin collection or processing infrastructure is required, landfill lifespan is extended, and GHGs are reduced by 95% vs. sending food waste to landfill. Your residents can take part in an innovative solution to increasing diversion and fighting climate change, right at home.

We would like to appear as a delegation at the March 21st Council Meeting to share information with Council and see if there would be interest in participating in the Impact Canada pilot program. Please let me know of any additional resources that might be helpful such as staff reports from other municipalities, survey results, or technical documentation.

We appreciate your time and consideration as we await your reply.

Thank you,

Jacob Hanlon

Food Cycle Science | Municipal Program Coordinator

371A Richmond Road, Ottawa, ON K2A 0E7

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April 4/23
Agenda

MINUTES
TOWNSHIP OF NIPISSING
Tuesday, March 21, 2023

A regular meeting of the Township of Nipissing Council was held on Tuesday, March 21, 2023 starting at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was held in person at the Township of Nipissing Community Centre, and livestreamed to the Township of Nipissing YouTube Channel.

Present: Mayor Tom Piper and Councillors Tom Butler, Shelly Foote, Stephen Kirkey and Dave Yemm.

Staff: Fire Chief-MLEO-CEMC Will Bateman; Operations Superintendent Dan MacInnis; Land Planning & Technology Administrator-Deputy Treasurer John-Paul Negrinotti; Administrative Assistant-Deputy Clerk Kristin Linklater and Municipal Administrator-Clerk-Treasurer Kris Croskery-Hodgins.

Guests: Rod Renette

Disclosure of pecuniary interest: None.

Delegation from Rod Renette regarding the boundary portion of the Alsace Road and a request to complete construction and surface treatment.

Committee Reports:

Councillor Stephen Kirkey: Powassan and District Union Public Library Board

Mayor Tom Piper: Golden Sunshine Non-Profit Housing Corporation (The Pines); Sturgeon Nipissing French Rivers Watershed Group

R2023-069 D. Yemm, T. Butler:

That the minutes of the Council meeting held March 7, 2023, be adopted as published. **Carried.**

R2023-070 S. Kirkey, S. Foote:

That we appoint Lauren Stillar and Marg Hughes to the Township of Nipissing Recreation Committee for the remainder of this Council term. **Carried.**

R2023-071 D. Yemm, T. Butler:

That we pass By-Law Number 2023-21, being a By-Law to adopt a Website and Social Media Policy for the Township of Nipissing.

Read a first, second and third time and passed this 21st day of March, 2023. **Carried.**

This part of our meeting is declared a public meeting pursuant to the provisions of Section 34 (12) of the Planning Act, R.S.O., 1990, to discuss an application for a change to Zoning By-Law 2020-20 by the Township of Nipissing.

R2023-072 S. Kirkey, S. Foote:

That we pass By-Law Number 2023-22, being a By-Law to amend Zoning By-Law 2020-20, as amended; and for the Removal of a Holding (H) Symbol in Zoning By-Law 2020-20, as amended.

Read a first, second and third time and passed this 21st day of March, 2023. **Carried.**

Item #10 on the Agenda was deferred to the April 4, 2023 Council meeting.

Public Notice requirement of 21 days on the Township website was not completed by the date of this meeting.

Presentation of the draft Final Operating Budget for 2023 was provided. As presented, the Budget provides a 5.5% Tax Levy Increase and a 4.57% Tax Rate increase.

R2023-073 T. Butler, S. Kirkey:

That we pass By-Law Number 2023-23, being a By-Law to adopt the estimates for all sums required for the year, to provide for the adoption of tax rates and to further provide for penalty and interest in default of payment thereof for 2023.

Read a first, second and third time and passed this 21st day of March, 2023. **Carried.**

R2023-074 T. Butler, S. Kirkey:

That we approve the 2023 Capital Budget and Asset Management Forecast 2023-2033, as presented. **Carried.**

R2023-075 S. Kirkey, D. Yemm:

That we approve the three-year Consulting Services – Landfill Monitoring 2023-2025 Proposal provided by Pinchin;

And that we authorize the Municipal Administrator to sign the agreement. **Carried.**

R2023-076 D. Yemm, S. Foote:

WHEREAS the Bear Creek Landfill has reached within 4 years remaining fill capacity;
NOW THEREFORE we authorize Pinchin to proceed with a request for expansion of the fill site at the Bear Creek Landfill. **Carried.**

R2023-077 T. Butler, S. Kirkey:

WHEREAS compaction of the municipal landfill sites has been recommended as a method of extending the fill capacity;

AND WHEREAS the purchase of a new compactor unit is cost prohibitive;

NOW THEREFORE we authorize the purchase of a Reconditioned CAT 816B (1990) from Marcel Equipment Limited at a cost of \$250,000 before applicable taxes. **Carried.**

R2023-078 T. Butler, D. Yemm:

That we accept the correspondence as presented. **Carried.**

R2023-079 S. Kirkey, S. Foote:

That the statement of accounts dated: March 16 and 20, 2023; totaling \$423,314.85 be approved. **Carried.**

R2023-080 S. Foote, D. Yemm:

That we pass By-Law No. 2023-24, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on March 21, 2023.

Read a first, second and third time and passed this 21st day of March, 2023. **Carried.**

R2023-081 S. Kirkey, T. Butler:

That the meeting be adjourned. Time: 8:18 p.m. Next regular meeting to be held April 4, 2023.
Carried.

Mayor:

Municipal Administrator:

Minutes prepared as per Section 228 (1)(a) of the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, c. 25.
Clerk to record, without note or comment, all resolutions, decisions and other proceedings of the council.
Minutes to be approved by Council at the next regular Council Meeting.

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NIPISSING BY-LAW NO. 2023-

Being a By-law to stop up, close and sell part of the Original Shore Road Allowance in front of Broken Lot 11, Concession 18, designated as Parts 1, 2 & 3 on Plan 42R-21854, in the Township of Nipissing, District of Parry Sound.

(Gardiner)

LEGISLATION

WHEREAS:

1. pursuant to Section 27(1) of the *Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, c.25*, as amended, municipalities are given authority over highways within their jurisdiction;
2. the Original Shore Road Allowance which is the subject matter of this by-law is within the jurisdiction of this municipality.

AND WHEREAS pursuant to the Municipality's Procedures for Public Notice By-law No. 2019-09, the Chief Administrative Officer of this Corporation did cause a Notice of the proposed By-law to be published in accordance with the requirements of the said By-law.

BE IT ENACTED AS A BY-LAW OF THIS CORPORATION AS FOLLOWS:

1. Stop Up and Close - Original Road Allowance
This Council does hereby stop up and close to that portion of the public highway described in Schedule "A" attached.
2. Surplus Property - The said lands described in Schedule "A" are declared to be surplus to the requirements of this Municipality.
3. Authorization for Sale - This Council does hereby authorize the sale of the said lands described in Schedule "A" for a consideration of \$2,990.70
4. Easements - This Council does hereby authorize the transfer of such easements over the lands described in Schedule "A" attached hereto as may be required by the utility providers. Notice of the proposed road closing was sent to Hydro One Networks Inc., Bell Canada and Public Works. Each has responded that they do not have any easement requirements.

This Council does hereby authorize the transfer of an easement over Part 2, Plan 42R-21854 in favour of PCL 5482 SEC NS; Summer Resort Location Comprising an Island Nipissing in Lake Nipissing, Lying Opposite Broken Lt 11 Con 18 Nipissing; Nipissing being all of PIN 52221-0153 (LT) owned by Emilie Isle Heritage Association.

5. Sale of Land By-law - Compliance with the Notice provisions of By-law 2019-09, will be deemed to be in compliance with the Notice provisions of this Municipality's Sale of Land By-Law 2008-1227.
6. Execution of Documents - The Clerk is hereby authorized for or on behalf of the Municipality to execute, for the Municipal solicitor an "Acknowledgment and Direction" authorizing the Municipal solicitor to complete the Electronic Registration for any required Easements, and the subsequent transfer of title relating to the lands described in Schedule "A".
7. Clerk's Affidavit - There shall be attached to this By-law, as Schedule "B", an affidavit by the Clerk of this Corporation, setting out:
 - a) the procedures taken for the giving of Notice pursuant to By-law 2019-09;

- b) the procedures taken for notice to Public Utilities and applicable Government Departments or Ministries, and;
- c) confirmation that the Municipality's procedures taken are in compliance with its municipal by-laws and the provisions of section 31 (2) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* as amended.

READ A FIRST, SECOND, THIRD TIME AND PASSED THIS 4TH DAY OF APRIL, 2023.

**THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF NIPISSING**

Tom Piper, Mayor c/s

**Kris Croskery-Hodgins,
Municipal Administrator-Clerk-
Treasurer**

SCHEDULE "A"

Part of the Original Shore Road Allowance in front of Broken Lot 11, Concession 18, designated as Parts 1, 2 & 3 on Plan 42R-21854, in the Township of Nipissing, District of Parry Sound.

SCHEDULE "B"

THIS IS SCHEDULE "B" TO BY-LAW 2023-_____ FOR THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NIPISSING.

CLERK'S AFFIDAVIT

I, Kris Croskery-Hodgins, Municipal Administrator, Clerk and Treasurer of the Township of Nipissing, make oath and say as follows:

1. This Deponent
I am the Municipal Administrator, Clerk and Treasurer of the Corporation of the Township of Nipissing and as such have knowledge of the facts hereinafter deposed to.
2. Publication and Posting
Pursuant to By-law 2019-09, I did cause notice of the proposed By-law by the Corporation to stop up, close and sell that parcel of land described in Schedule "A":
 - (a) Publication
to be published in the Almaguin News, a newspaper of local circulation once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks, namely February 23, 2023, March 2, 2023, and March 9, 2023;
 - (b) Notice Mailed
was sent by mail to every owner of property located within 100 metres of the said shore road allowance to be closed;
 - (c) Public Posting
was posted a minimum of four (4) places in the general area of the road allowance to be closed, at least twenty-one (21) days prior to the meeting;
 - (d) Posting at Municipal Office
was posted in the Township of Nipissing administrative office no less than twenty-one (21) days prior to the meeting
 - (e) Posting on Township Website
was posted on the Township of Nipissing website no less than twenty-one (21) days prior to the meeting;
3. Grace Period
This By-law was passed by Council more than five (5) days after the last newspaper Publication Notice.
4. Copy of Notice
Attached to this my Affidavit as Exhibit "A" is a copy of the actual Notice as it appeared in the Almaguin News and as posted.
5. Additional Notification
Notice of the proposed road closing was sent to Hydro One Networks Inc. and Bell Canada. Each has responded that they do not have any easement requirements for Parts 1, 2 & 3, Plan 42R-21854.
6. Procedure
To the best of my knowledge, the closing and selling procedures taken by this Municipality have been in accordance with the Municipality's Public Notice and Sale of Land By-laws.

7. Public

The proposed by-law came before Council at its regular meeting on the 4th day of April, 2023 and at that time, no person made any claim that the effect of the By-law would be to deprive them of the right of motor vehicle access to or from their land, and that all persons who applied to be heard, were heard.

8. Compliance Confirmed

That to the best of my knowledge and belief, the closing and selling procedures taken by this Municipality have been in compliance with the Municipality's by-laws.

SWORN before me at the)
Township of Nipissing)
this the day)
of _____, 2023.)

Kris Croskery-Hodgins,
Municipal Administrator-Clerk-Treasurer

A Commissioner for taking Affidavits, etc.

Title: _____

BY-LAW 2023-
EXHIBIT "A"

This is Exhibit "A" to the Affidavit of Kris Croskery-Hodgins, Municipal Administrator, Clerk and Treasurer of The Corporation of the Township of Nipissing.

Almaguin News

northbaynipissing

MARKETPLACE

1-800-263-6480

classifieds@metroland.com

PUBLIC NOTICE



**PUBLIC NOTICE
THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF NIPISSING**

RE: Stop up and close part of the Original Shore Road Allowance in front of Broken Lot 11, Concession 18 designated as Parts 1, 2 & 3 on Plan 42R-21854, in the Township of Nipissing, District of Parry Sound.

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Nipissing proposes to enact a by-law to stop up and close the following lands:

1. Description

Part of the Original Shore Road Allowance in front of Broken Lot 11, Concession 18 designated as Parts 1, 2 & 3 on Plan 42R-21854, in the Township of Nipissing, District of Parry Sound.

2. Council Consideration

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT the proposed by-law will come before Council of the Township of Nipissing at its regular meeting at the Township Community Centre at 2381 Highway 654, Nipissing, Ontario, P0H 1W0, on the 21st day of March, 2023 at the hour of 6:30 o'clock in the evening.

3. Application to be Heard

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT at that time Council will hear anyone in person, or his/her counsel, solicitor or agent, who claims that his/her land will be prejudicially affected by the by-law, and who applies to be heard.

4. Plan 42R-21854

Copies of Plans 42R-21854 is available for inspection at the Municipal office.

DATED at the Township of Nipissing,
this the 13th day of February, 2023.

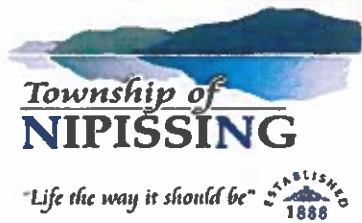
Kris Croskery-Hodgins,
Municipal Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer
45 Beatty Street
Nipissing, Ontario
P0H 1W0

This is Exhibit 'A' mentioned and referred
to in the Affidavit of Kris Croskery-Hodgins

SWORN before me this _____ day of
_____, 2023

A Commissioner for Taking Affidavits, etc.

Title: _____



TOWNSHIP OF NIPISSING

RESOLUTION

DATE: April 4, 2023

NUMBER: R2023-

Moved by

Seconded by

WHEREAS in negotiations with the Municipality of Powassan regarding boundary road construction it is apparent that it would be beneficial to both parties to complete the construction and enter into a payment agreement for the costs;

AND WHEREAS a draft agreement has been provided to the Municipality of Powassan for review and discussion;

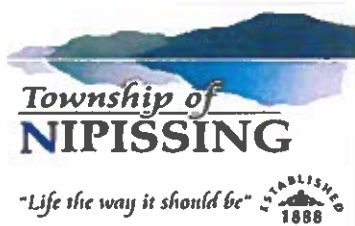
NOW THEREFORE we authorize the Mayor and Municipal Administrator to enter into a Financial Agreement with the Municipality of Powassan on behalf of the Township of Nipissing.

For Against

PIPER
BUTLER
FOOTE
KIRKEY
YEMM

Carried

Mayor: Tom Piper



TOWNSHIP OF NIPISSING

RESOLUTION

DATE: April 4, 2023

NUMBER: R2023-

Moved by

Seconded by

That we appoint Tom Marchant to the Township of Nipissing Cemetery Committee for the remainder of the Council term.

For Against

PIPER
BUTLER
FOOTE
KIRKEY
YEMM

Carried

Mayor: Tom Piper

Tom Marchant
3933 Alsace Road,
Powassan, ON, P0H 1Z0

March 25, 2023

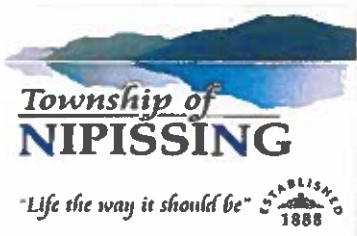
Township of Nipissing
Nipissing, ON,

Attention Mayor and Council

It has come to my attention that there is a vacancy on the Township's Cemetery Board .
By this letter, I wish to apply to fill this vacancy. From my time on Council and with my work experiences, I am fully aware of the intricates of budgeting and legislations.
Thank you for considering this application.

T.A. Marchant

Tom Marchant



TOWNSHIP OF NIPISSING

RESOLUTION

DATE: April 4, 2023

NUMBER: R2023-

Moved by

Seconded by

That we donate \$100 to the Almaguin Adult Learning Centre for programming.

For	Against
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PIPER	
BUTLER	
FOOTE	
KIRKEY	
YEMM	

Carried

Mayor: Tom Piper



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Almaguin Adult Learning Centre
324 Highway 124, PO Box 280
South River, ON P0A 1X0
p. 705-386-0764 f. 705-386-0029
almaguinadultlearning@outlook.com

The Township of Nipissing
45 Beatty Street
Nipissing ON P0H 1W0

\$100.00

Dear Council Members,

We at AALC wanted to take this opportunity to update your Council on our activities and experiences over the last few years as we navigated the Covid-19 pandemic. While extremely challenging at times, AALC was able to effectively adapt to these changes and, we believe, is stronger and more effective for this experience.

With the support of our communities, the Ministry of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development, and outside granting agencies, AALC was able to acquire many of the tools needed to address the extraordinary challenges we were met with. We were able to quickly move much of our programming and processes online, which allowed us to continue to work with our learners. The move was met with a great deal of enthusiasm from both our learners and our partner agencies

We continue to offer training both online and in person, assisting learners to reach their educational and employment goals. For many of our learners, virtual learning continues to be preferred given our wide-spread communities, and the cost of, or lack of, transportation and childcare. AALC will continue to expand its available programming as needs are identified and funding allows. As well, with the reopening of our centres, we are able to help members of our communities again, providing access to printing, faxing, the internet, tech support, and more.

AALC is committed to providing programs and services which we believe are crucial to our learners' success. Our core funding from MLITSD continues to fall short of rising costs and does not allow us to provide support for all those who come to us for help. We are once again requesting support from each Municipality we serve in the amount of .55¢ per capita. We ask that Council approve such a donation to help us help the communities we serve. These contributions to our programs will allow us to continue to do the important and necessary work that we do.

All of us at AALC thank you for your ongoing support and we look forward to continuing to serve our communities. We would be happy to come and present to Council, or if you require further information or clarification, please feel free to contact us at 705-386-0764.

Deborah Kurtzer-Johnston
Executive Director
Almaguin Adult Learning Centre

"I would recommend the Adult Learning Centre to anyone who is looking to better their future and further their education. I am becoming the best version of myself and I am so grateful for everyone at the learning center who has helped me along the way and helped me create this path to success." SS, Dec. 2022

REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: April 4, 2023

From: Kris Croskery-Hodgins, Municipal Administrator-Clerk-Treasurer

Re: NOHFC Intern Application, Workforce Development Stream

BACKGROUND/OVERVIEW

The Ministry of Energy, Northern Development and Mines and Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation (NOHFC) have a People and Talent Program – Workforce Development Stream available to Municipalities for the placement of an Intern for a one-year term. The intent of the Workforce Development Stream is to strengthen and develop Northern Ontario's workforce through business partnerships by offering internships.

This program is eligible for a placement of up to 52 weeks and is available to new entrants to the work force, those who are transitioning to a new career or are currently unemployed or underemployed entering a new field. Other requirements are that the applicants be at least 18 years of age and reside in and be legally entitled to work in Canada.

This program could provide a one-year intern to work and train in the municipal office providing administrative assistance to all departments as well as taking the lead in the Nipissing Township Museum and supporting the Recreation Committee with new programming.

The lack of consistent staffing within the Museum has been identified by the Board as a concern for ongoing cataloguing efforts, programming efforts and out of season planning purposes. An Intern in the position of Museum Manager would provide a full-time municipal staff position to cover those requirements and allow for the expansion of cataloguing and programming in the offseason as time permits.

Where there is not a need for a full-time position for any one of the departments listed, cumulatively there is sufficient work to sustain a full-time position. With an Intern working in the position, receiving the training and helping fulfill the duties, it will add support to all departments while providing training in the municipal sector which is growing in the employment market.

In 2009 the Township used a FedNor program for a one year Intern position to fill the position that started as the Economic Development Coordinator and has changed over time to become the Land Planning and Technology Administrator, bringing a full-time position to the staff of the municipality and maintaining that employee since that internship. This is also the desired outcome for this program.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The program provides up to 90% of eligible costs for municipalities, up to a maximum of \$35,000 for a position.

Estimated costs for 52 weeks will be \$53,126.32, including Mandatory Employment Related Costs (MERCs). With \$35,000 funded through the program, this will leave \$18,126.32 to be covered by the municipal budget.

There is \$18,112.50 budgeted for the Municipal Manager in the 2023 Budget which can offset this amount and the remainder can be budgeted in the 2024 Budget.

SUMMARY

There is an identified need for additional administrative support in the Township Office, Museum and Recreation departments. The Intern program provides support to train an individual in this position for one year.

RECOMMENDATION:

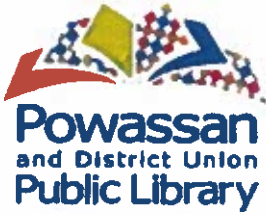
That Council authorize the submission of an application for the Workforce Development Stream based on the requirements described for a one-year placement.



TOWNSHIP OF NIPISSING CORRESPONDENCE

April 4, 2023

1. Request for support from the Powassan and District Union Public Library for a StoryWalk during the Powassan Maple Syrup Festival.
2. Letter from the Ombudsman Ontario regarding the Open Meetings: Guide for Municipalities.
3. Request for a donation from the Trout Creek Agricultural Society for the 2023 Fall Fair.
4. Information from the Commanda Community Centre regarding the Spring Dance.
5. Resolution from the Town of Essex requesting the reinstatement of legislation permitting a municipality to retain surplus proceeds from tax sales.
6. Request for support from the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors regarding Enbridge Gas user fees.



March 24, 2023

Invoice # 2023Nip01

Township of Nipissing
45 Beatty Street
Nipissing, ON P0H 1W0

The benefits of having your logo in our handout and on the last panel of the StoryWalk® is to demonstrate your support for this initiative, which the library does to promote and celebrate the maple syrup industry of this region.

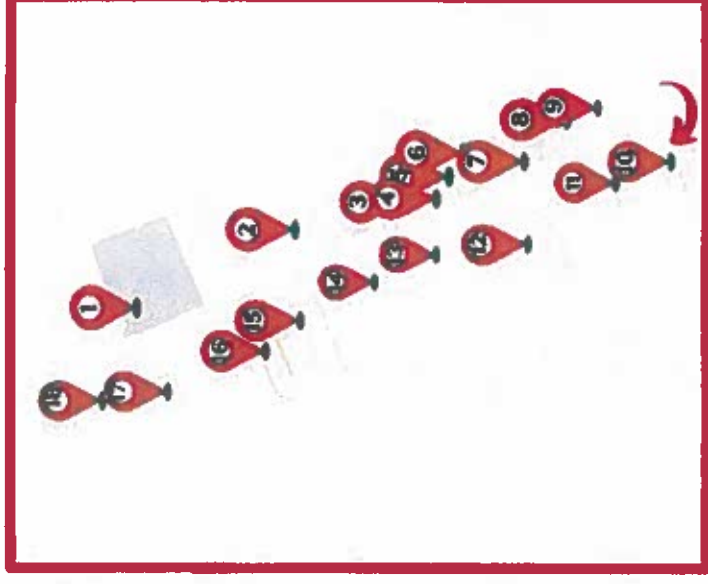
INVOICE

Logo Insert in Maple Syrup StoryWalk® Brochure & on final panel	<u>\$ 50.00</u>
Total owing	\$ 50.00

Thank you!

**Powassan & District Union Public Library
324 Clark Street, P.O. Box 160
Powassan, ON P0H 1Z0
c/o Marie Rosset, CEO**

StoryWalk® Location Map



1. Memorial Park Little Free Library
2. Powassan Drug Mart
3. Original Bug Shirt Company
4. Rescued Treasures
5. SMRT Computer Solutions
6. Brushey's
7. Miltown Management Systems - Service Ontario
8. Echoes Restaurant
9. Penney & Company Marketing/Design
10. Rip'n Stitch
11. Assante Capital Management Ltd.
12. Oshell's Valu-Mart
13. Powassan & Area Family Health Team
14. Clement's IDA Pharmacy
15. Powassan Home Hardware Building Centre
16. Powassan Flowers
17. Bank of Nova Scotia
- 18.
19. Kwirk Way

Please take the time to rate our

StoryWalk®

On a Scale of 1 to 5, where 5 is excellent and 1 is poor, please answer the next three questions.

1. We found the story to be -----

2. The story was easy to follow. -----

And last but not least...

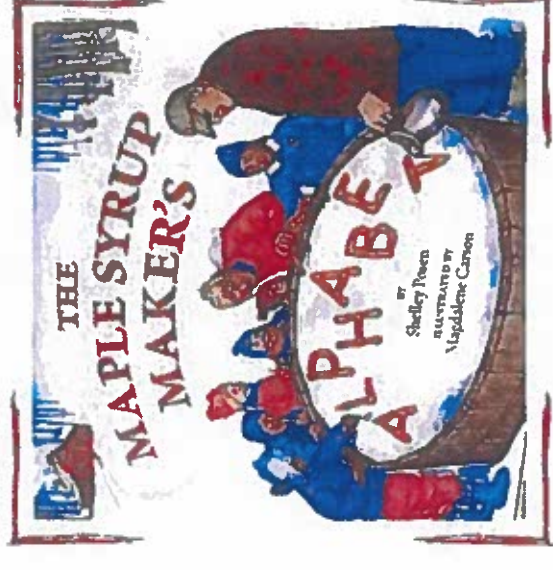
3. How many are in your group? -----



Question Pamphlet for the Maple Syrup Festival StoryWalk®

Follow the numbers in the top-right corner of each panel to read the story in order.

Answer the questions about the story inside this pamphlet and return it to the library to collect your tasty prize!



The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, Vermont and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library.



??? Questions ???

How many calories in a syrup spoon's bowl? -----

What does a refractometer do? -----

Which province produces the most maple syrup? -----

What is used to bore the tap holes? -----

How many litres of sap to make one litre of syrup? -----

What is your favourite food with maple syrup? -----



Don't forget to turn in your question card at the library to receive your tasty prize!

Help us fund this local initiative!

Your Logo Here!

- Cost: \$50
- Size of logo will depend on number of sponsors.
- Target audience:
 - local families
 - school children
 - Powassan Maple Syrup Festival out of town visitors



To the Clerk and Council,

Re: Open Meetings: Guide for Municipalities

I am pleased to send you the latest edition of the Ontario Ombudsman's open meeting guide for municipalities. This guide offers tips and information about Ontario's open meeting rules, based on our Office's past 15 years of experience in investigating complaints about closed municipal meetings.

We have designed this portable, bilingual guide to serve as a handy reference for council members and other municipal officials when dealing with questions about the open meeting exceptions in the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as well as various common procedural issues. It includes frequently asked questions, excerpts from relevant legislation and best practice suggestions. This version includes updated case examples from our investigations and reflects the legislative change that permits councils, local boards, and committees to hold fully electronic or virtual meetings.

As we have done since 2008, our Office is providing this guide for free to all municipal clerks and council members across the province, whether they use the Ombudsman as their closed meeting investigator or not. We do this in the spirit of the open meeting rules – to promote transparency in local governments across the province.

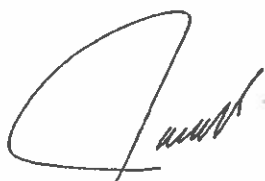
If you require additional printed copies, please contact us at thewatchdog@ombudsman.on.ca. You can also print more copies directly from our website, or view the accessible PDF version, at www.ombudsman.on.ca/resources/brochures-and-posters/municipal-resources.

This link will also take you to our other municipal resources, including tip cards, best practice guidelines, and our online resource, **Open Meetings: Case Digest**, where you can search hundreds of our decisions on open meeting cases by topic, keyword, or municipality.

We hope these resources will be useful to you and the public we all serve.

We welcome your feedback, or any questions you might have about any aspect of our work: Please feel free to contact us at info@ombudsman.on.ca or 1-800-263-1830.

Sincerely,



Paul Dubé
Ombudsman of Ontario

Encl.

TROUT CREEK AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY**P.O. BOX 52****Trout Creek, ONT.****POH 2L0****March 13, 2023**

**Township of Nipissing
45 Beatty Street
Nipissing, Ont
POH 1W0**

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:**Re: 2023 Trout Creek Fall Fair**

The Trout Creek Agricultural Society is preparing for its 2023 Fall Fair to be held on August 25, 26, and 27th.

We plan to have many events and are asking for your help in making it a great success.

The Agricultural Society runs solely on a volunteer basis, and as such needs assistance from outside sources.

Any donation you can offer towards this will be greatly appreciated. A charitable donations receipt can be given if requested.

We invite you to attend the fair and enjoy what we have to offer. Thank you in advance for your generosity and support.

Sincerely,

**Linda Pugh
Trout Creek Agricultural
Society Secretary**

Commanda Community Centre

4009 Highway 522
General Delivery
Commanda, ON P0H 1J0

March 17, 2023

Mayor and Council
Township of Nipissing
Nipissing ON P0H 1W0

Re: Fund-Raising Spring Dance – April 22, 2023

The Commanda Community Centre wishes to hold a fund-raising dance under the authority of a Special Occasion permit. As this will be partly held outdoors, we are required by the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario to notify you of our plans, as well as to provide an identification of the physical boundaries of the proposed outdoor area.

We trust this information is satisfactory. If you have questions, please feel free to call me at (705) 729-1816.

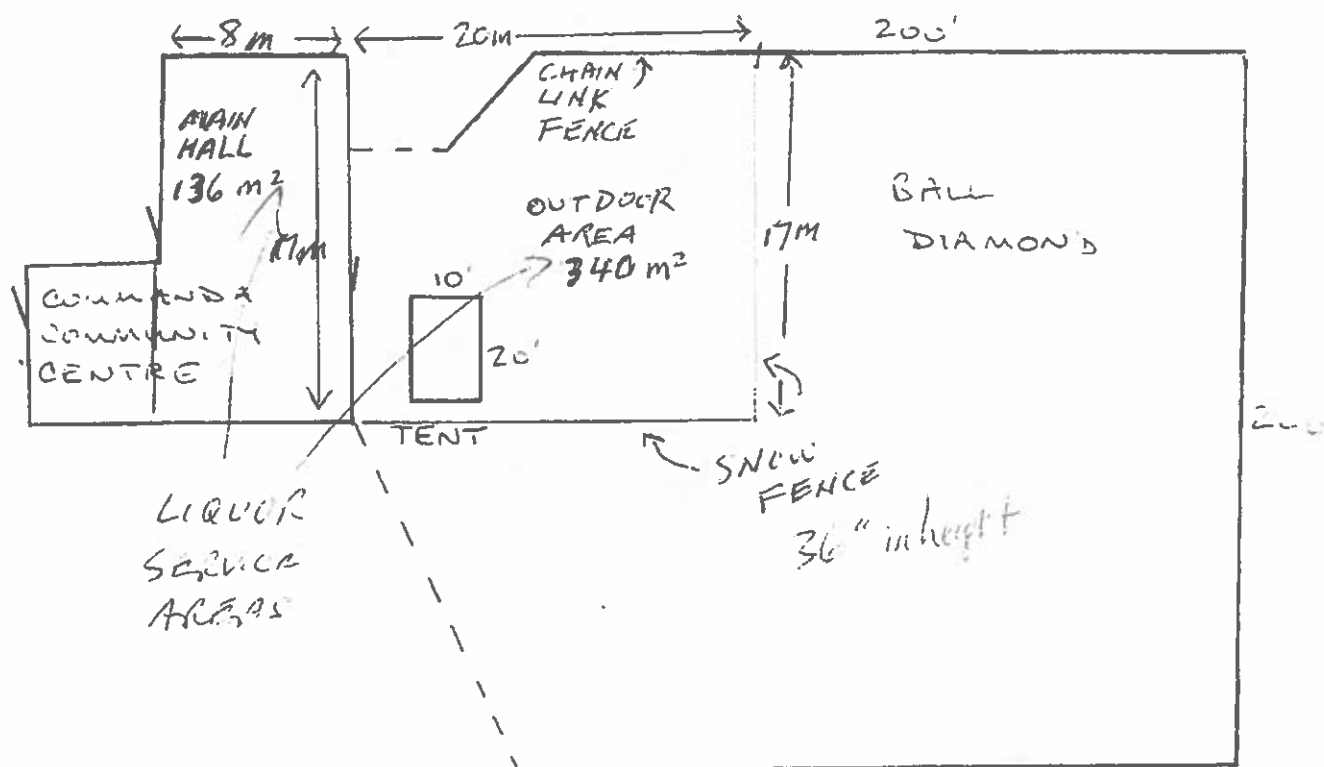
Sincerely,



Tom Marchant
President
Commanda Community Centre



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Honourable Steve Clark
Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing
College Park 17th Floor, 777 Bay Street
Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

March 22, 2023

RE: The Reinstatement of Legislation Permitting a Municipality to Retain Surplus Proceeds from Tax Sales

Dear Honourable Steve Clark,

At its Regular Council Meeting held on March 6, 2023, Mayor Bondy brought forward a Notice of Motion for Council's consideration regarding the reinstatement of previous legislation permitting a municipality to retain surplus proceeds from tax sales. It was discussed that, prior to being repealed by the Modernizing Ontario's Municipal Legislation Act, 2017, Section 380(6) of the Municipal Act, 2001 allowed for a municipality to retain surplus proceeds from tax sales within their jurisdiction. It was further noted that the Public Tax Sale process is burdensome to a municipality who invest a considerable amount of time and money recovering these proceeds for the potential sole benefit of the Crown in Right of Ontario.

As a result of this discussion, Council passed the following resolution:

R23-03-081

Moved by: Mayor Bondy

Seconded by: Councillor Allard

That Council direct Administration to send a letter to all relevant taxation bodies, including the Ministry of Municipal Affairs, the Ministry of Finance, Essex County Council, MPP Anthony Leardi, Association of the Municipalities of Ontario and all other municipalities in Ontario urging them to re-instate previous legislation that permitted a Municipality to apply for and retain the surplus proceeds from a tax sale in their jurisdiction.

Carried

I trust you will find this satisfactory. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shelley Brown".

Shelley Brown
Acting Clerk
sbrown@essex.ca

A decorative graphic at the bottom of the page featuring a stylized landscape with a blue sky, yellow and orange sun rays, and a green field. The text "Where you belong" is written in a white, serif font on the right side of the green field.

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All other municipalities in Ontario



AORS

PROMOTING KNOWLEDGE, PURSUING EXCELLENCE

March 27, 2023

Dear Heads of Councils and Councillors,

We, the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors (AORS), are writing you on behalf of all our municipal members to raise awareness and solicit your support by objecting to a new fee proposed by Enbridge Gas. Enbridge has announced their intention to implement a new charge to third-party contractors and other utilities for utility locates. Third-party contractors will include Ontario municipalities and contractors working on their behalf. Enbridge Gas will apply a charge of \$200 CAD (plus applicable taxes) per locate request where a field locate is required. The need for municipalities and their contractors to request these locates when doing road construction and maintenance is due to utilities being present in municipal right of ways, which municipalities across the province have allowed at no cost to the utility.

Enbridge has stated that the *Getting Ontario Connected Act* passed into law in April 2022 has resulted in changes to the *Ontario Underground Infrastructure Notification System Act* and has caused Enbridge to make significant investments in associated operational investments. The concern being raised by our members, your public works staff, is that Enbridge will be just the beginning of these additional fees, with other utility companies implementing similar charges. These new charges will have significant impacts on municipal budgets.

As examples of what impacts this announcement might have on municipalities, based on 2022 municipal locate requests alone, it is estimated that this new fee would directly cost the Municipality of Central Huron approximately \$35,000 annually, the City of Belleville approximately \$90,000 annually and the Town of Espanola approximately \$7,300 annually. It is important to note that these are direct costs alone. Any subcontractors working on behalf the municipality requesting locates will be charged this same cost, and these costs will have to be borne by someone – meaning the subcontractors will put this cost back to the municipality. Then there will be the added administrative costs at both ends of the transaction. It is difficult to determine this quickly the true fulsome costs to your budget. This will also add an extra item into tendering projects, as it will create concerns on both sides on who is responsible for these costs.

By Enbridge Gas passing on these locate costs to municipalities, these costs are borne by all ratepayers across the municipality, and not only those who use this utility.

We would like to request your Council consider passing the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Enbridge recently made an announcement of their intention to begin charging third-party contractors and other utilities \$200 CAD (plus applicable taxes) for utility locates where a field locate is required;

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AND WHEREAS, third-party contractors include Ontario municipalities;

AND WHEREAS, these locate requests are only required as Ontario municipalities have allowed utilities to use municipal right of ways at no charge to the utilities;

AND WHEREAS, this announcement of new downloaded costs will negatively impact the budgets of Ontario municipalities which are already burdened;

AND WHEREAS, if Enbridge is successful in implementing this new charge, a precedence is set for other utility companies to also begin charging for locates;

THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, that the <insert your municipality name> strongly opposes these utility locate costs being downloaded to Ontario municipalities by Enbridge Gas or other utilities;

AND THAT, the Province of Ontario's Ministry of Public and Business Service Delivery make it clear that these costs must be borne by the utilities themselves;

AND THAT, this decision be forwarded to Minister of Public and Business Service Delivery Kaleed Rasheed, Minister of Infrastructure Kinga Surma, Minister of Energy Todd Smith, Premier Doug Ford, <insert your municipality name>'s MPP, the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

Furthermore, AORS will be sending your public works senior managers and directors a survey to further investigate the true costs of this proposed fee on your budgets. We ask you to encourage your staff to complete this survey so we can better advocate on your behalf.

If you require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,



John Maheu
Executive Director
johnmaheu@aors.on.ca



Kelly Elliott
Marketing and Communications Specialist
kellyelliott@aors.on.ca

Kris Croskery - Hodgins

From: Kelly Elliott <kellyelliott@aors.on.ca>
Sent: Monday, March 27, 2023 5:08 PM
To: Kelly Elliott
Subject: Correspondence - AORS
Attachments: Enbridge Motion .docx; Letter to Heads of Council - Enbridge Gas, Mar 24 2023.pdf

Good afternoon CAOs/Clerks,

Please find attached correspondence from the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors regarding the announcement of a proposed fee by Enbridge Gas. ***We would kindly ask for this correspondence to be placed on our next Council agenda for your elected official's consideration.***

For your ease, attached you will find a Word document of the motion so you can easily copy and paste to put on your own letterhead. Additionally, we have compiled the list of email information for each of the contacts listed in the motion included in the letter:

1. Minister of Public and Business Service Delivery Kaleed Rasheed – Kaleed.Rasheed@pc.ola.org
2. Minister of Infrastructure Kinga Surma – Kinga.Surma@pc.ola.org
3. Minister of Energy Todd Smith – Todd.Smith@pc.ola.org
4. Premier Doug Ford – Premier@ontario.ca
5. Association of Ontario Road Supervisors – kellyelliott@aors.on.ca
6. Association of Municipalities of Ontario – resolutions@amo.on.ca
7. Find your MPP's email - <https://www.ola.org/en/members/current/contact-information>

If you require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us directly.

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Note: My working hours may not be your working hours. Please do not feel obligated to reply outside of your own regular hours.

ENBRIDGE MOTION

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April 4, 2023 Accounts Payable Report

Total Payable
\$ 62,765.90

Date	Account	Chq Total	Explanation
29-Mar	Payroll Accounts	\$ 21,604.30	Bi-weekly payroll
30-Mar	Council Expenses	\$ 90.93	Water
Visas	Postage	\$ 2,119.93	Stamps for newsletters/office use
	Vehicle Maintenance	\$ 99.01	Office vehicle repair
	Election 2022	\$ 11.90	Registered letter regarding 2022 Election
	FD Mileage/Expenses	\$ 197.71	Meals at fire conference for 4 Firefighters
	FD Professional Development	\$ 55.24	Fire Conference expenses
	CBO Expenses	\$ 99.01	Office vehicle repair
	Garage Materials	\$ 5.08	
	HST and GST REBATE	\$ 287.32	This amount will be refunded in July
30-Mar	Developer Deposits	\$ 683.27	Amounts paid by applicants in planning matters
	Office Cleaning & Maintenance	\$ 28.82	
	Office Supplies/Maintenance	\$ 605.21	
	Health and Safety	\$ 310.87	Licence checks/annual subscription
	FD Office supplies	\$ 650.86	
	Station 1 Building & Ground Maintenance	\$ 46.24	
	PPE Maintenance	\$ 193.29	
	FD Station Wear/Uniforms	\$ 122.11	
	FD Health and Safety	\$ 202.40	
	FD Professional Development	\$ 2,487.91	HR Downloads annual subscription
	PW Fuel Purchases	\$ 2,576.35	Clear diesel
		\$ 1,087.08	Dyed diesel
		\$ 707.21	Ethanol fuel
	Garage Propane	\$ 999.35	
	Winter Maintenance Materials	\$ 14,004.72	Salt
	PW Fleet Repairs	\$ 311.26	2023 Wstar Def Fluid
		\$ 311.23	Excavator Def Fluid
		\$ 6,988.61	2015 Truck Leaf Spring/Exhaust Repairs, etc.
		\$ 311.26	2023 Freightliner Def Fluid
		\$ 311.26	2021 Wstar Def Fluid
	Community Centre Hydro & Propane	\$ 1,216.59	
	Community Centre Maintenance	\$ 28.82	
	Recreation Event Programming Expenses	\$ 329.15	
	HST and GST REBATE	\$ 3,681.60	This amount will be refunded in July
		\$ 62,765.90	