

## CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

### REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

April 11, 2023 AT 6:00 P.M.

THIS WILL BE A HYBRID IN-PERSON/ELECTRONIC MEETING via ZOOM

**Members of the Public must register** with the Ryerson Township Clerk's Office prior to the meeting for meeting access and availability of limited in-person seating.

Members of the Public are not permitted in a Closed meeting.

To Members of the Public: If you have trouble with your connection during the meeting, you may notify the Host by e-mail at: treasurer@ryersontownship.ca

**Meeting will be recorded.**

*The Municipal Council of the Township of Ryerson recognizes that we are on the traditional territory of the Anishinaabe Peoples, in the Robinson-Huron and Williams Treaties areas. We wish to acknowledge the long history of First Nations and Métis Peoples in Ontario, and show respect to the neighbouring indigenous communities.*

**Note: (R)** denotes resolution

1. **CALL TO ORDER:**

1.1 Attendance, roll call: in person and electronic, late attendees

1.2 Announcement: This meeting is being recorded

2. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES:**

2.1 Adoption of minutes from the regular meeting on March 28, 2023. **(R)**

3. **DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:**

4. **PRESENTATION:**

4.1 Rod Ward: Local Hospital Share

5. **TENDERS/QUOTES/REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS (RFP):** None noted.

6. **REPORTS:**

6.1 **TREASURER:** Shared Service, adoptions of Fire and Waste Management, Library, Arena, RTO budgets **(R)**

6.2 **DEPUTY CLERK:** Rescind Validation Certificate By-law **(R)**, Consent Application B- 007/23, easement Part Lot 18, Con. 1 **(R)**

6.3 **COUNCIL MEMBERS:** if any reports available

**7. BUSINESS ARISING/ACTIVITY LOG:**

7.1 Muskoka Algonquin Healthcare (MAHC) Capital Redevelopment Information Session April 19, 2023, at the Burks Falls Arena starting at 7pm.

7.2 Tri-R Waste Management Report

7.3 Joint Building Committee: Meeting follow up **(R)** and By-law to appoint a Deputy Chief Building Official **(R)**

**8. COMMUNICATION ITEMS:**

8.1 AMO Code of Conduct Legislation **(R)**

8.2 Association of Ontario Road Supervisors: Fee charges for locates **(R)**

8.3 Town of Plympton-Wyoming re: Municipalities retaining surplus from Tax Sales **(R)**

General Correspondence:

- Resolutions approving shared services budgets and the annual community fireworks from Armour Township
- Burks Falls and District Historical Society March meeting minutes
- ROMA updates

**9. CLOSED MEETING (If required):**

9.1 Closed Meeting for Joint Building Committee staffing matter pursuant to the Municipal Act 2001, c. 25, Section 239 (2) (d) as the subject matter being considered is regarding labour relations or employee negotiations; The general nature of the closed meeting is to discuss Joint Building Committee staffing matters. **(R)**

**10. CONFIRMING BY-LAW:**

10.1 To confirm the meetings of Council **(R)**

**11. IMPORTANT DATES:**

April 25, 2023 Regular Meeting 6:00 p.m.

May 8-10, 2023 FONOM Conference, Parry Sound

May 16, 2023 Regular Meeting 6:00 p.m.

**12. ADJOURNMENT: (R)**

**CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON**

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**MINUTES**

**March 28, 2023 AT 6:00 P.M.**

The regular meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson was held **March 28, 2023** at 6:00 p.m. This was a hybrid meeting combining in person, electronic meeting via Zoom and phone.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor George Sterling called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Attendance was announced, and it was noted that the meeting is being recorded.

Council members attending: Mayor Sterling, Councillors: Abbott, Miller, Robertson and Patterson.

Staff in attendance: Brayden Robinson, Nancy Field, Judy Kosowan, Kryssi Sinclair.

Public attending by phone or electronically: Judy Ransome, Nieves Guijarro, and Josh Lilley.

Notice of this meeting was posted on the website.

Mayor Sterling Announcement: Before getting to the agenda, I would like to take a moment to pay Tribute in memory of former Reeve Frank Gavine who passed away March 16, 2023 in his 90<sup>th</sup> year.

Frank served the Township of Ryerson for twenty-five years, first as a Councillor then as Reeve, retiring in 2003. Frank's common-sense, fair approach to municipal governance along with his sense of humour provided leadership and guidance to Council and Staff and the Ryerson Community.

On behalf of Ryerson Township Council, we send our condolences to his wife Esther and all of Frank's family and friends. He will be missed by all.

**2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**R- 45 - 23** Moved by Councillor Miller, Seconded by Councillor Robertson, Be it resolved that the minutes from the regular meeting on March 14, 2023, be adopted as circulated. (Carried)

**3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:** None noted.

**4. DELEGATION:** None registered.

**5. TENDERS:** None registered.

**6. REPORTS:**

**6.1 FIRE DEPARTMENT:** Council received the department report from the Fire Chief.

**6.2 PUBLIC WORKS:** Council received a February and March roads report from the Public Works Supervisor.

**6.3 TREASURER:** Council discussed the Fire budget and the Regional Fire Training Municipal Agreement.

**6.4 DEPUTY CLERK:** Council received information regarding a By-Law to permit and regulate culverts and entrances and adopted the following resolution.

**R- 46 -23** Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Miller,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 14 -23, being a By-law to permit and regulate culverts and entrance ways and further; That By-Law # 14 -23 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 28th day of March 2023. (Carried)

6.4.1 Council received information regarding the validation certificate and the following resolution was adopted.

**R- 47 -23** Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill# 15 -23, being a By-law for the Validation of Title for Part Lot 18, Concession 1, Parts 1-8, Plan 42R-19980, and further; That By-Law # 15 -23 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 28th day of March 2023. (Carried)

**6.5 CLERK:** Council discussed the upcoming meeting with the District of Parry Sound Municipal Association (DPSMA) and the following resolution was adopted.

**R- 48 -23** Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council authorize: all of Council, Nancy and Kryssi to attend the District of Parry Sound Municipal Association meeting Friday May 5, 2023. (Carried)

6.5.1 Council discussed intimate partner violence/ violence against women and adopted the following resolution.

**R- 49 -23** Moved by Councillor Miller, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council support Motion Number 04-134-04 dated March 7, 2023 from Council of the Town of Carleton Place declaring Intimate Partner Violence and Violence Against Women and Epidemic, AND,

THAT the Township of Ryerson recognizes the issue of violence in rural communities as serious to the health and wellness of local families; AND

THAT the Township of Ryerson recognizes the rural Renfrew County inquest as important to all rural communities; AND

THAT based on the statistics of 4815 crisis calls and service provision to 527 women and children in the Carleton Place local community, the Council of the Township of Ryerson declares Intimate Partner Violence (IPV)/Violence Against Women (VAW) an EPIDEMIC as per recommendation # 1 of the Renfrew County jury recommendation; AND

THAT this resolution be circulated to the Town of Carleton Place and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario. (Carried)

#### **COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

6.6 Councillor Abbott provided Council with an update from the Library Board.

6.7 Councillor Miller provided Council with an update about the Joint Building Committee (JBC) and their budget resolution. The following resolution was adopted by Council.

**R- 50 -23** Moved by Councillor Miller, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council support resolution # 2023-014 from the Joint Building Committee dated March 16, 2023, recommending the adoption of the JBC 2023 Budget in the amount of \$338,844.00. (Carried)

6.8 Councillor Robertson provided Council with an update from ACED.

6.9 Mayor Sterling provided Council with an Eastholme report.

#### **7. BUSINESS ARISING/ACTIVITY LOG:**

7.1 Council discussed information about Hospital Local Share provided by Mayor Rod Ward and decided to invite him to the next regular council meeting to discuss further.

## **8. COMMUNICATION ITEMS**

8.1 Council discussed the North Bay Parry Sound Health Unit Food Insecurity and the following resolution was adopted by Council.

**R- 51 -23** Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

**Whereas**, improved financial stability allows municipal residents to participate, contribute, and invest in their local economies and communities; and

**Whereas**, poverty puts additional pressure on municipalities, who are responsible for delivering necessary and strained public and social services to support residents who are struggling with the consequences of inadequate income; and

**Whereas**, food insecurity has a detrimental impact on physical and mental health; and

**Whereas**, adequate income is an important social determinant of health that greatly impacts food security and other social determinants of health such as mental health, housing and transportation; and

**Whereas**, the 2022 Cost of Eating Well report shows that households reliant on social assistance do not have enough money for the costs of living, including food; and

**Whereas**, 67% of households in Ontario with social assistance as their main source of income experience food insecurity.

**Therefore Be It Resolved**, That the Township of Ryerson support efforts to raise awareness about, and work to reduce, health inequities, including food insecurity; and

**Furthermore Be It Resolved**, That the Township of Ryerson endorse the letter from the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit and call on the Province of Ontario to:

- legislate targets for the reduction of food insecurity as part of the Ontario Poverty Reduction Strategy; and
- increase social assistance rates to reflect the costs of living, and to index Ontario Works rates to inflation going forward; and
- urge the province to resume investigating the feasibility of creating a guaranteed living wage (basic income) in the Province of Ontario; and

**Furthermore Be It Resolved**, That the Township of Ryerson provide correspondence of these resolutions to the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit, neighbouring municipalities, Victor Fedeli, MPP (Nipissing), Graydon Smith, MPP (Parry Sound-Muskoka), John Vanthof, MPP (Timiskaming-Cochrane), the Honourable Doug Ford (Premier), the Honourable Merrilee Fullerton (Minister of Children, Community and Social Service), the Honourable Sylvia Jones (Minister of Health) and the Association of Local Public Health Agencies (alpha), MP Anthony Rota, MP Scott Aitchison, MP Marc Serre, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM). (Carried)

8.2 Council discussed Bill 5 provided by Chatham-Kent and adopted the following resolution.

**R- 52 -23** Moved by Councillor Miller, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council support the resolution received from the Municipality of Chatham-Kent date March 6, 2023 supporting Bill 5 – Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act, AND,

THAT Ryerson Township Council express its support for Bill 5 – Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act which would require the code of conduct for municipal Councillors and local boards to include a requirement to comply with workplace violence and harassment policies and permit municipalities and local boards to direct the Integrity Commissioner to apply to the court to vacate a member's seat if the Commissioner's inquiry determines that the member has contravened this requirement; AND

FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Honourable Stephen Blais; and Graydon Smith, M.P.P. Parry Sound Muskoka. (Carried)

8.3 Council received resolutions from the Municipality of Magnetawan and the Township of Armour permitting the Almaguin Community Hatchery Program and adopted the following resolution.

**R- 53 -23** Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Miller,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council support Resolution Number 2023-65 dated March 8, 2023 received from the Municipality of Magnetawan regarding the Almaguin Community Hatchery Program ; AND  
THAT the Township of Ryerson respectfully requests that the Almaguin Community Hatchery Program be permitted to continue its invaluable work in restocking walleye and educating students about stewardship in the Almaguin area, AND  
THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Municipality of Magnetawan and the Honourable Graydon Smith, M.P.P. (Carried)

8.4 Council received information from DSSAB regarding homeless and the following resolution was adopted.

**R- 54 -23** Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Miller,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council supports resolution No. 23 03 05 dated March 9, 2023 received from District Social Services administration Board (DSSAB), supporting the CAEH in requesting the Federal Government create a Housing Benefit as outlined in the Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness (CAEH) report and proposal and further that this resolution be circulated to AMO, OMSSA, Parry Sound-Muskoka MP, Scott Aitchison and the Prime Minister of Canada and the leaders of the opposition parties. (Carried)

8.5 Council received an update and request from the Almaguin Adult Learning Centre and adopted the following resolution

**R- 55 -23** Moved by Councillor Miller, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council donate \$409.75 to the Almaguin Adult Learning Centre. (Carried)

## **9. CONFIRMING BY-LAW**

**R- 56 -23** Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 16-23, being a By-law to confirm the meetings of Council and further; That By-Law #16-23 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 28<sup>th</sup> day of March 2023.(Carried)

## **10. ADJOURNMENT:**

**R- 57 -23** Moved by Councillor Miller, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

Be it resolved that we do now adjourn at 7:04pm. The next regular meeting is scheduled for April 11, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. (Carried)

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MAYOR

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CLERK/DEPUTY CLERK

**CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON**

**LIST OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS**

**FOR COUNCIL MEETING: April 11, 2023 AT 6:00 P.M.**

**Item # 2.1 on Agenda** Moved by Councillor Miller,      Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that the minutes from the regular meeting March 28, 2023 be adopted as circulated.

**Item # 6.1 on Agenda** Moved by Councillor Robertson,      Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council approve the 2023 net fire budget in the amount of \$562,289.00, with Ryerson's share to be \$132,475.00. Two percent of Ryerson's share of the total operating expenditures in the amount of \$2,156.00 will be put into a fire reserve.

**Item # 6.1 on Agenda** Moved by Councillor Patterson,      Seconded by Councillor Miller,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council approve the 2023 net Tri-R Waste Management budget in the amount of \$274,150.00, with Ryerson's share to be \$90,080.00. Two percent of Ryerson's share of the total operating expenditures in the amount of \$2,950.00 will be put into a landfill reserve.

**Item # 6.1 on Agenda** Moved by Councillor Abbott,      Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council approve the 2023 net Library Board budget in the amount of \$177,619.00. Ryerson's share to be \$39,911.00.

**Item # 6.1 on Agenda** Moved by Councillor Miller,      Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council approve the 2023 net arena budget in the amount of \$385,677.00, with Ryerson's share to be \$128,559.00. Two percent of Ryerson's share of the total operating expenditures in the amount of \$2,664.00 will be put into an arena reserve.

**Item # 6.1 on Agenda** Moved by Councillor Patterson,      Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council approve the 2023 South East Parry Sound Regional Fire Training Officer budget in the amount of \$83,408.00, with Ryerson's share to be \$3,930.00.

**Item # 6.2 on Agenda** Moved by Councillor Miller,      Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # \_\_\_\_-23, being a By-law to rescind By-law 15-23 to issue a Certificate of Validation and further; That By-Law # \_\_\_\_-23 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April 2023.

**Item # 6.2 on Agenda** Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Miller,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council support the Application B-007/23 for easement, located on Concession 1, Part Lot 18, Parts 1-8 42R-19980 in Ryerson Township. The following conditions will apply:

- The Township requires one digital copy of the Final Reference Plan 42R-19980.

**Item # 7.3 on Agenda** Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # \_\_\_\_-23, being a By-law to Appoint a Deputy Chief Building Official, Brad Shadlock, for the JBO and further; That By-Law # \_\_\_\_ - 23 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April 2023.

**Item # 8.1 on Agenda** Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Miller,

WHEREAS, all Ontarians deserve and expect a safe and respectful workplace;  
WHEREAS, municipal governments, as the democratic institutions most directly engaged with Ontarians need respectful discourse;  
WHEREAS, several incidents in recent years of disrespectful behaviour and workplace harassment have occurred amongst members of municipal councils;  
WHEREAS, these incidents seriously and negatively affect the people involved and lower public perceptions of local governments;  
WHEREAS, municipal Codes of Conduct are helpful tools to set expectations of council member behaviour;  
WHEREAS, municipal governments do not have the necessary tools to adequately enforce compliance with municipal Codes of Conduct;  
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson supports the call of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario for the Government of Ontario to introduce legislation to strengthen municipal Codes of Conduct and compliance with them in consultation with municipal governments;  
ALSO BE IT RESOLVED that the legislation encompass the Association of Municipalities of Ontario's recommendations for: • Updating municipal Codes of Conduct to account for workplace safety and harassment • Creating a flexible administrative penalty regime, adapted to the local economic and financial circumstances of municipalities across Ontario • Increasing training of municipal Integrity Commissioners to enhance consistency of investigations and recommendations across the province • Allowing municipalities to apply to a member of the judiciary to remove a sitting member if recommended through the report of a municipal Integrity Commissioner • Prohibit a member so removed from sitting for election in the term of removal and the subsequent term of office.



**Item # 8.2 on Agenda** Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

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;

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;

NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, that Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson 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, Graydon Smith MPP Parry Sound Muskoka, the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

**Item # 8.3 on Agenda** Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council support the resolutions received from The Town of Plympton-Wyoming and the Town of Essex urging the Province to re-instate previous legislation that permitted a Municipality to apply for and retain the surplus proceeds from a tax sale in their jurisdiction.

**Item # 9.1 on Agenda** Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that we move to a closed meeting at \_\_\_\_ p.m., pursuant to the Municipal Act 2001, c. 25, Section 239 (2) (d) as the subject matter being considered is regarding labour relations or employee negotiations; The general nature of the closed meeting is to discuss Joint Building Committee staffing matters.

**Item # 10.1 on Agenda** Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Miller,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # \_\_\_\_-23, being a By-law to confirm the meetings of Council and further; That By-Law # \_\_\_\_-23 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April 2023.

**Item # on Agenda** Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

Be it resolved that we do now adjourn at \_\_\_\_\_. The next regular meeting April 25, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON  
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BURK'S FALLS, ARMOUR AND RYERSON MEMORIAL  
ARENA  
2023 REVISED DRAFT BUDGET

March 14, 2023

Account #	Description	2016 Actuals	2019 Actuals	2020 Actuals	2021 Actuals	2022 Budget	2022 Actuals	2023 Draft Budget
1	OPERATING ACTIVITIES							
2	15-372 OPERATING REVENUE							
3	User fees, Public Skating, Sign Rentals	102,965	101,626	22,735	59,678	87,800	108,925	106,650
4	Concessions, Skate Sharpening	17,529	14,229	5,811	2,602	11,075	6,920	12,900
5	Donations/Other Revenue	246	236	285	202	300	3,700	300
6	COVID Revenue operations							
7	TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	120,740	116,092	28,831	61,482	99,175	119,545	119,850
	OPERATING EXPENDITURES							
8	16-721 Arena-Wages & Benefits	160,921	177,640	113,806	111,321	172,673	193,052	197,346
9	16-723 Arena Bad Debt Expense		327	3,644	3,643	0	0	0
10	16-724-1 Audit & Accounting	1,775	2,480	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500
11	16-724-2 Telephone	20,136	21,983	24,894	24,894	26,250	35,445	37,250
12	16-724-3 Hydro	1,461	1,894	1,459	1,459	2,000	1,488	2,100
13	16-724-4 Natural Gas	48,167	49,059	23,648	23,648	51,575	51,145	55,525
14	16-724-5 Water & Sewer	12,394	10,337	9,139	9,139	15,000	13,646	15,750
15	16-724-6 Ice Plant	6,266	4,147	2,375	2,375	7,055	3,130	7,535
16	16-724-7 Building Maintenance	40,147	14,209	4,524	4,524	17,500	21,878	16,880
17	16-724-8 Cleaning Supplies	20,932	40,006	15,936	15,936	22,800	19,925	24,900
18	16-724-9 Zamboni	3,503	3,443	1,880	1,880	4,750	3,169	4,750
19	16-724-9 COVID related expenses	9,523	9,872	9,327	9,327	13,500	14,247	8,000
20	16-724-9 Office supplies and uniform	5,892	1,845	2,791	2,791	5,600	5,660	5,600
21	16-724-9 Fire Safety	1,849	3,547	1,266	1,266	3,160	3,475	3,225
22	16-724-9 Snow Removal	6,540	6,895	8,466	8,466	5,350	5,360	5,460
23	16-724-9 Elevator	1,027	1,432	1,165	1,165	2,750	2,355	2,805
24	16-724-9 Skate Sharpener		1,422	0	0	500	270	500
25	16-724-9 Booth Supplies	11,340	7,609	5,046	5,046	4,160	6,289	5,000
26	16-724-9 Training							
27	16-724-9 to be recovered (US)-Telephone-Arena	2,180	4,324	270	270	4,500	1,162	4,500
28	80-123 Capital: Telephone		1,343	1,343	1,343	0	0	0
29	16-725-2 Interest on Telephone Capital Lease	95	61	25	25	0	0	0
30	TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES	354,148	362,579	251,655	259,159	351,423	384,176	399,526
31	NET OPERATING EXPENDITURES	233,408	246,487	232,824	197,687	262,248	264,631	279,676

Arena Revenue Budget Break Down

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Ice Rentals	91,936	90,027	20,436	53,941	76,000	96,600
Public Skating	3,549	3,486	497	76	2,500	2,000
Hall Rentals	5,181	6,314	1,191	4,860	5,300	6,500
Sign Rentals	2,300	1,799	611		2,000	1,550
Skate Sharpening	918	713	259	110	675	900
Concessions	16,610	13,517	5,511	2,492	10,400	12,000
Donations	246	236	326	202	300	300
<b>Totals</b>	<b>120,740</b>	<b>116,092</b>	<b>28,831</b>	<b>61,482</b>	<b>99,175</b>	<b>119,850</b>

estimated 6268 operator hours at 2023 wage rate

estimated 5% increase from 2022 actual

based on recommended rates increase & previous year seasonal usage

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set of rates/setting - repeat to chair boards - normal day to day operations

post COVID sanitizing needs

reduced 5560 for 2023 only because of Capital work

based on 2022 estimates

2% estimated increase on 2022 estimates

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<b>CAPITAL TRANSACTIONS</b>								
35	15-372							
<b>CAPITAL REVENUE</b>								
36	Exhaust Fan Inspection/repairs				24,500	0	0	0
37						0	0	0
38	TOTAL CAPITAL REVENUE	0	0	0	24,500	0	0	0
39								
<b>CAPITAL EXPENDITURES</b>								
40	16-725							
41	Capital Expense		8,040	1,552	34,334	60,050	84,258	
42								
43	Dehumidifier Replacement with Platform							65,000
44	Zamboni Rebuild to extend life							26,000
45	Zamboni Dynasrub							6,500
46	Facility Structure Report							4,000
49	Oil Separators							Moved to 2024
50	Upgrade Relief Pipe/Stack/Size							Moved to 2024
51	Dishwasher							Moved until reimb/ increase of malfunction
52								
53	Safety Valves in Mechanical Room							4,500
54								
55	TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	0	0	1,552	34,334	60,050	64,258	106,000
56								
57	NET CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	0	0	1,552	34,334	60,050	64,258	106,000
58								
59	NET EXPENDITURES	233,408	246,487	234,376	232,021	322,298	328,888	385,676
60								
<b>MUNICIPAL CONTRIBUTIONS</b>								
61	15-672							
62	Airbour	76,599	83,572	77,340	88,867	107,433	109,630	128,559
63	Ryerson	76,599	83,572	77,340	88,867	107,433	109,630	128,559
64	Burk's Falls	76,599	83,572	77,340	88,867	107,433	109,630	128,559
65		229,797	250,716	232,020	266,601	322,298	328,890	385,677

1 mechanical unit with platform - either unit moved to 2024  
 recommendation from Zamboni Co. to extend Zamboni life  
 estimate from Zamboni Co. Quebec  
 legal requirement  
 Moved to 2024  
 Moved until reimb/ increase of malfunction  
 legal requirement

TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON  
AGENDA PACKAGE- APRIL 11, 2023

March 14, 2023

ARBF Memorial Arena  
10 year Capital Plan

Department	Item	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032
Ice Plant	condenser cleaning		1,850	12,000	1,900		1,950		2,000	12,000	2,050
	top end overhaul (6000 hours)										
	top end Rebuilds Compressor #1 & #2		5,000				5,000				
	Safety Valves Inspected/Replaced	4,500									
	Plate/Frame Chiller Regasket			35,000							
	Compressor #1 overhaul (6000 hours)									8,500	
	Compressor #2 overhaul (6000 hours)										8,500
	Compressor #1 Replacement					50,000					
	Compressor #2 Replacement					50,000					
	Compressor Oil Separators		20,000								
	Dehumidifier Replacement & Platform		40,000								
	Evaporator Condenser Replacement		65,000								
	Upgrade Relief Pipe/Stack/Size		15,000		130,000						
	Install Soft Starts										
	Building	Structure report	4,000					4,500			
Replace Gas Range in Kitchen						9,780					
Replace Dishwasher				7,650							
Puck Board Upgrade/Ice Surface				65,000				145,000			
Zamboni Replacement											
Zamboni Rebuild		26,000									
Zamboni Dynascrub (Board Scrubber)		6,500									
Arena Roof							212,000				
Zamboni/Compressor Roof			45,000								
HVAC Replacement				30,000	30,000						
Compact Floor Scrubber											
Lobby Washroom Rubber Flooring						6,500					
Lobby Washroom Upgrades						12,500					
Scorelock			15,000				5,000				
LED Lighting Lobby & Washrooms											
Replace all Dressin Room Benches							22,000				
<b>Totals</b>		<b>106,000</b>	<b>141,850</b>	<b>149,650</b>	<b>161,900</b>	<b>133,780</b>	<b>245,450</b>	<b>145,000</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>20,500</b>	<b>10,550</b>



The Municipality of the  
**VILLAGE OF BURK'S FALLS**

Moved By: SOA Date: March 28, 2023

Seconded By: [Signature] Resolution # 2023-61

Be it resolved;

That the Council for the Village of Burk's Falls hereby adopts the 2023 Arena Budget with a net operating and capital expenditure of \$385,676.00 with the Village's share (1/3) being \$128,559.00.

Recorded Vote requested by: \_\_\_\_\_

Ryan Baptiste	for / opposed
Ashley Brandt	for / opposed
Sean Cotton	for / opposed
John Wilson	for / opposed
Chris Hope	for / opposed

<u>6</u>	_____	_____
Carried	Defeated	Deferred

Pecuniary Interest declared by:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor



NEWS RELEASE

## Join Us at a Capital Redevelopment Community Information Session

(Monday, April 3, 2023, Muskoka, ON) – Muskoka Algonquin Healthcare (MAHC) is looking forward to hosting a second series of community information sessions across our region, both in-person and virtually starting April 17, 2023 to update the community on our capital redevelopment project.

Since the fall, MAHC has been working on [Stage 1.3](#) of the Ministry of Health’s planning process to build a new hospital in Huntsville, on the existing property, and a new hospital in Bracebridge at a new location. These components include the functional program, a financing plan for the community’s share of the cost of the project, and a site selection process for the South Muskoka Memorial Hospital (SMMH) Site.

“Community engagement has been an essential part of the planning process to date and feedback from internal and external stakeholders has helped shape our plan for two new sites,” says MAHC President & CEO Cheryl Harrison. “We look forward to seeing members of the community again at an in-person or virtual information session where we will provide an update on our progress to-date.”

Since engaging our communities in January and seeking feedback through an online survey in February, community input has been helpful to identifying two additional properties for review in Bracebridge.

“In total, five properties meet the minimum criteria for consideration and are being evaluated,” says Harrison. “Feedback has also informed the criteria being used to evaluate the properties and we appreciate everyone’s engagement and involvement in our site selection process for the south campus.”

As MAHC moves closer to completing the site selection component, the second round of community engagement will include an update on the site selection process for SMMH and present the preferred property in Bracebridge.

Please join us at an information session near you:

- April 17 at 7 p.m.: Dwight Community Centre, Lake of Bays**
- April 18 at 7 p.m.: Port Carling Community Centre (2<sup>nd</sup> floor)**
- April 19 at 7 p.m.: Armour Ryerson Burk’s Falls Arena Hall**
- April 20 at 7 p.m.: Active Living Centre (1<sup>st</sup> floor), Huntsville**
- April 22 at 10 a.m.: Terry Fox Auditorium, Gravenhurst Centennial Centre**
- April 22 at 2 p.m.: Bracebridge Rotary Centre for Youth**

Virtual information sessions are scheduled on Monday, April 24 at 7 p.m. and on Wednesday, April 26 at 10:30 a.m. More information and registration for the Zoom link to attend a virtual information session is available at [www.mahc.ca/infosessions](http://www.mahc.ca/infosessions).

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*Muskoka Algonquin Healthcare (MAHC) is a multi-site health care organization accredited with exemplary standing that provides acute care services at the Huntsville District Memorial Hospital and South Muskoka Memorial Hospital in Bracebridge. Find out more about Muskoka Algonquin Healthcare by visiting [www.mahc.ca](http://www.mahc.ca).*

**For more information or to arrange an interview, please contact:**

Allyson Snelling, Manager, Communications & Stakeholder Engagement  
705-789-2311 ext. 2544; [allyson.snelling@mahc.ca](mailto:allyson.snelling@mahc.ca)



**TRI COUNCIL WASTE MANAGEMENT REPORT**  
 March 14, 2023

**BUDGET & FINANCIAL**

- Spreadsheet attached to review revenue generated through mixed containers. It should also be noted that when Waste Connections loses money on sale of commodities it increases the cost of processing, as was seen for the month of February.
  - Regular processing rate = \$244.80/metric tonne
  - February processing rate = \$254.18/metric tonne
- The cost of hauling increased by \$20.50 per lift (\$35/lift increase since 2020)

**ONGOING BUSINESS**

- Letter sent to Circular Materials demonstrating non-eligible sources for collection of Blue Box materials for Armour & Ryerson Townships to be 4.5% versus 25% projected by Circular Materials.
- Transition reports for Armour & Ryerson Townships sent to Resource Productivity & Recovery Authority.

**BAG TALLY – GATE INFORMATION 2023**

BAG TALLY	ARMOUR		BURKS FALLS	RYERSON		TOTAL OF ALL
January + February 2023	1,916	333	225	1,209	44	3,727
<b>2023 % OF TOTAL</b>	60.343%		6.037%	33.620%		100%
January 2022	2,172	250	304	1,248	43	4,017
<b>2022 % OF TOTAL</b>	60.294%		7.568%	32.138%		100%
January 2021	2,559	165	87	1,348	11	4,170
<b>2021 % OF TOTAL</b>	65.324%		2.086%	32.590%		100%



**BLUE BOX PROGRAM - MIXED CONTAINERS - COMP CTED - HAULED - PROCESSED**

	2022			2021			2020		
	Metric Tonnes	Revenue	\$/MT	Metric Tonnes	Revenue	\$/MT	Metric Tonnes	Revenue	\$/MT
January	5.93	\$1,325.68	\$223.55	10.99	\$462.43	\$42.08	9.00	\$45.27	\$5.03
February	5.50	\$639.63	\$116.30	9.55	\$798.30	\$83.59	6.40	\$0.00	\$0.00
March	7.29	\$1,959.86	\$268.84	9.58	\$1,141.15	\$119.12	4.20	\$0.00	\$0.00
April	7.70	\$3,488.78	\$453.09	8.76	\$596.76	\$68.12	7.82	\$0.00	\$0.00
May	7.91	\$3,880.08	\$490.53	8.27	\$1,223.29	\$147.92	10.77	\$0.00	\$0.00
June	15.08	\$5,011.31	\$332.31	13.66	\$3,409.05	\$249.56	7.31	\$0.00	\$0.00
July	14.81	\$4,705.68	\$317.74	15.14	\$3,322.11	\$219.43	15.83	\$466.67	\$29.48
August	14.06	\$3,338.70	\$237.46	16.68	\$5,161.29	\$309.43	14.06	\$0.00	\$0.00
September	16.32	\$2,664.30	\$163.25	13.46	\$5,349.06	\$397.40	10.58	\$410.53	\$38.80
October	10.62	\$377.23	\$35.52	14.74	\$5,576.31	\$378.31	9.65	\$0.00	\$0.00
November	9.16	\$0.00	\$0.00	8.14	\$3,047.08	\$374.33	8.90	\$341.50	\$38.37
December	8.17	\$39.08	\$4.78	7.18	\$1,592.93	\$221.86	8.26	\$528.76	\$64.01
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>122.55</b>	<b>\$27,430.33</b>	<b>\$220.28</b>	<b>136.15</b>	<b>\$31,679.76</b>	<b>\$217.60</b>	<b>112.78</b>	<b>\$1,792.73</b>	<b>\$14.64</b>

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## Judy Kosowan

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**From:** AMO Communications <Communicate@amo.on.ca>  
**Sent:** March 27, 2023 6:03 PM  
**To:** Judy Kosowan  
**Subject:** AMO Policy Update - Codes of Conduct, Changes to Visible Fees, and Fees Charged to Beverage Producers

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## POLICY UPDATE

March 27, 2023

### **AMO Policy Update – Codes of Conduct, Changes to Visible Fees, and Fees Charged to Beverage Producers**

#### **AMO Calls for Legislation to Strengthen Municipal Codes of Conduct and Enforcement**

At its meeting on March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023, the AMO Board reaffirmed its recommendations to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing to strengthen municipal Codes of Conduct and compliance. AMO has written to the [Minister](#) and to the [Premier](#) to request new legislation to enact the recommendations.

In 2021, AMO was asked to provide [recommendations](#) to the Minister to strengthen the application of municipal Codes of Conduct for elected officials. AMO supplied a number of strong recommendations to the Minister including:

- Updating municipal Codes of Conduct to account for workplace safety and harassment
- Creating a flexible administrative penalty regime that could be adapted to the local economic and financial circumstances of municipalities across Ontario
- Increasing training of municipal Integrity Commissioners to enhance consistency of investigations and recommendations across the province
- Allowing municipalities to apply to a member of the judiciary to remove a sitting member if recommended through the report of a municipal Integrity Commissioner

On March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023, the Board also approved a further recommendation to prohibit a member removed through application to a judge from running for election in the term in which removed and the subsequent term of office.

AMO's Board believes that ethical behaviour and respectful civil discourse are fundamental to continued public faith in democracy. The Board further believes that the current tools available to municipal councils to ensure such ethical behaviour and respectful discourse are inadequate and do not meet public expectations. The Board has called on the government to release the results of its 2021 consultations and to work in partnership with AMO and municipal governments to legislate the recommended changes.

AMO has provided [sample resolution text](#) for councils that wish to lend their support to this call.

### **Requirement related to visible fees removed from all Resource Recovery and Circular Economy Act, 2016 Regulations**

The Ontario government has amended the regulations for tires, batteries, electronics and hazardous and special products under the Resource Recovery and Circular Economy Act, 2016 (RRCEA) to remove promotion and education requirements related to visible resource recovery fees ([RPRA's announcement](#)). These changes were not consulted on, but we do understand that a number of business associations like the Retail Council of Canada have advocated for their removal.

The use of visible resource recovery or ecofees have been a concern for municipal governments since [issues related to their use in 2010](#) lead the government to dismantle a substantial proportion of the household hazardous waste stewardship program. As a result, the provincial government downloaded costs back to municipal governments.

Requirements on the use of visible fees have been in place since 2018 for tires and were added for batteries, electronics, and household hazardous waste products at the beginning of the year. The latest changes remove all consumer protection provisions and come just after concerns were raised by the Toronto Star about proposed new visible [fees on beverage containers](#).

### **The Canadian Beverage Container Recycling Association's (CBCRA) fee structure to be implemented June 1, 2023**

CBCRA has released its [plans to start charging fees](#) to beverage producers on June 1, 2023 (see table below). These fees will apply to all sealed and ready to drink beverage containers made from glass, paper or rigid plastic (e.g., pop, water, dairy, juice). CBCRA's communication materials are clear that whether or how the costs might be passed through are at the discretion of producers.

Material Type	CRF (\$/unit)
Aluminum	\$0.01

<b>PET Plastic 0-500ml</b>	<b>\$0.02</b>
<b>PET Plastic &gt; 500ml</b>	<b>\$0.03</b>
<b>All other plastic containers</b>	<b>\$0.03</b>
<b>Bi-Metal</b>	<b>\$0.03</b>
<b>Glass</b>	<b>\$0.03</b>
<b>Polycoat (gable tops, drink boxes)</b>	<b>\$0.03</b>

Figure 1: Chart comparing material types to Container Recycling Fees (CRF) in dollars per unit under the new fee structure to be implemented on June 1, 2023.

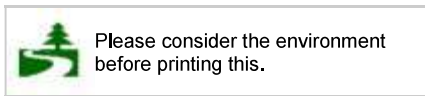
CBCRA expects to raise \$63 million in funding through these fees in 2023 and \$84 million in subsequent years. They project roughly half the costs will be spent on promotion and education and purchasing new public space recycling bins.

Municipal governments will want to be prepared to answer questions from residents if these costs are passed through directly to consumers, especially given the costs may be well before all municipal governments transition their blue box programs and well before any improvements to the system are seen.

Municipal Councils will need to consider how they may answer questions about any savings realized from no longer being required to fund blue box programs once transition is completed in your community.

The Beverage Association has noted they are working with the Retail Council of Canada on a promotion and education campaign for consumers. AMO will work to obtain greater information on this plan.

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## Judy Kosowan

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**From:** Kelly Elliott <kellyelliott@aors.on.ca>  
**Sent:** 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

**Follow Up Flag:** Flag for follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

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](mailto:Kaleed.Rasheed@pc.ola.org)
2. Minister of Infrastructure Kinga Surma – [Kinga.Surma@pc.ola.org](mailto:Kinga.Surma@pc.ola.org)
3. Minister of Energy Todd Smith – [Todd.Smith@pc.ola.org](mailto:Todd.Smith@pc.ola.org)
4. Premier Doug Ford – [Premier@ontario.ca](mailto:Premier@ontario.ca)
5. Association of Ontario Road Supervisors – [kellyelliott@aors.on.ca](mailto:kellyelliott@aors.on.ca)
6. Association of Municipalities of Ontario – [resolutions@amo.on.ca](mailto: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.

**Kelly Elliott** | Marketing and Communications Specialist

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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.*



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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;*

*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,



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Executive Director  
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Kelly Elliott  
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The Honourable Steve Clark  
Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing  
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The Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy  
Minister of Finance  
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*DELIVERED VIA EMAIL*

March 31<sup>st</sup> 2023

**Re: Municipalities Retaining Surplus Proceeds from Tax Sales**

Dear Premier Ford,

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting on March 29<sup>th</sup> 2023, the Town of Plympton-Wyoming Council passed the following motion, supporting the resolution from the Council of the Town of Essex regarding Municipalities Retaining Surplus Proceeds from Tax Sales.

***Motion 14***

*Moved by Councillor Mike Vasey*

*Seconded by Councillor Bob Woolvett*

*That Council support item 'N' of correspondence from the Town of Essex regarding Municipalities Retaining Surplus Proceeds from Tax Sales.*

***Carried.***

If you have any questions regarding the above motion, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email at [dgiles@plympton-wyoming.ca](mailto:dgiles@plympton-wyoming.ca).

Sincerely,



Denny Giles  
Deputy Clerk  
Town of Plympton-Wyoming

cc: Bob Bailey – MPP, Sarnia-Lambton  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
All Ontario Municipalities



**CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF ESSEX**

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**Honourable Steve Clark**

March 22, 2023

Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
College Park 17<sup>th</sup> Floor, 777 Bay Street  
Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

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

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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 blue ink that reads "Shelley Brown".

**Shelley Brown**

Acting Clerk  
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# CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ARMOUR

## RESOLUTION

**Date:** March 28, 2023

**Motion #** 82

That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the 2023 Armour Ryerson Burk's Falls Memorial Arena budget, which includes revenues of \$119,850 and expenditures of \$553,676 for a net budget of \$433,826, with the Township of Armour's share being \$144,609.

**Moved by:**

Blakelock, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brandt, Jerry	<input type="checkbox"/>
Haggart-Davis, Dorothy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Ward, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>
Whitwell, Wendy	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Seconded by:**

Blakelock, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brandt, Jerry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Haggart-Davis, Dorothy	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ward, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>
Whitwell, Wendy	<input type="checkbox"/>

Carried / Defeated 

**Declaration of Pecuniary Interest by:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Recorded vote requested by:** \_\_\_\_\_

<u>Recorded Vote:</u>	For	Opposed
Blakelock, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brandt, Jerry	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Haggart-Davis, Dorothy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ward, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Whitwell, Wendy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



# CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ARMOUR

## RESOLUTION

**Date:** March 28, 2023

**Motion #** 81

That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the 2023 Burk's Falls and District Fire Department budget, which includes revenues of \$5,100 and expenditures of \$567,389 for a net budget of \$562,289, with the Township of Armour's share being \$268,999.

<b>Moved by:</b>	Blakelock, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Seconded by:</b>	Blakelock, Rod	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Brandt, Jerry	<input type="checkbox"/>		Brandt, Jerry	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Haggart-Davis, Dorothy	<input type="checkbox"/>		Haggart-Davis, Dorothy	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Ward, Rod	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Ward, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Whitwell, Wendy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Whitwell, Wendy	<input type="checkbox"/>

Carried / Defeated

**Declaration of Pecuniary Interest by:**

**Recorded vote requested by:**

<u>Recorded Vote:</u>	For	Opposed
Blakelock, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brandt, Jerry	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Haggart-Davis, Dorothy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ward, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Whitwell, Wendy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



# CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ARMOUR

## RESOLUTION

**Date:** March 28, 2023

**Motion #** 83

That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the 2023 Burk's Falls Armour & Ryerson Union Library, which includes revenues of \$42,989 and expenditures of \$220,609 for a net budget of \$177,620, with the Township of Armour's share being \$67,780.

<b>Moved by:</b>	Blakelock, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Seconded by:</b>	Blakelock, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Brandt, Jerry	<input type="checkbox"/>		Brandt, Jerry	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Haggart-Davis, Dorothy	<input type="checkbox"/>		Haggart-Davis, Dorothy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Ward, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>		Ward, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Whitwell, Wendy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Whitwell, Wendy	<input type="checkbox"/>

Carried / Defeated *[Signature]*

**Declaration of Pecuniary Interest by:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Recorded vote requested by:** \_\_\_\_\_

<u>Recorded Vote:</u>	For	Opposed
Blakelock, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brandt, Jerry	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Haggart-Davis, Dorothy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ward, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Whitwell, Wendy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



# CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ARMOUR

## RESOLUTION

**Date:** March 28, 2023

**Motion #** 80

That the Council of the Township of Armour approve the 2023 TRI R Waste Management budget, which includes revenues of \$225,150 and expenditures of \$499,300 for a net budget of \$274,150, with the Township of Armour's share being \$135,883.

**Moved by:**

Blakelock, Rod	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Brandt, Jerry	<input type="checkbox"/>
Haggart-Davis, Dorothy	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ward, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>
Whitwell, Wendy	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Seconded by:**

Blakelock, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brandt, Jerry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Haggart-Davis, Dorothy	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ward, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>
Whitwell, Wendy	<input type="checkbox"/>

Carried / Defeated 

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**Declaration of Pecuniary Interest by:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Recorded vote requested by:** \_\_\_\_\_

<u>Recorded Vote:</u>	For	Opposed
Blakelock, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brandt, Jerry	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Haggart-Davis, Dorothy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ward, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Whitwell, Wendy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



# CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ARMOUR

## RESOLUTION

**Date:** March 28, 2023

**Motion #** 97

That the Council of the Township of Armour supports the increase in the budget for the annual fireworks to \$10,000 and will share the cost, net of donations received, equally with the Village of Burk's Falls and the Township of Ryerson.

<b>Moved by:</b>	Blakelock, Rod	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Seconded by:</b>	Blakelock, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Brandt, Jerry	<input type="checkbox"/>		Brandt, Jerry	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Haggart-Davis, Dorothy	<input type="checkbox"/>		Haggart-Davis, Dorothy	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Ward, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>		Ward, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Whitwell, Wendy	<input type="checkbox"/>		Whitwell, Wendy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Carried / Defeated Carried

**Declaration of Pecuniary Interest by:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Recorded vote requested by:** \_\_\_\_\_

<u>Recorded Vote:</u>	For	Opposed
Blakelock, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brandt, Jerry	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Haggart-Davis, Dorothy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ward, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Whitwell, Wendy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



**MINUTES**  
**Burk's Falls & District Historical Society**  
**Fell Homes, Burk's Falls**  
**Monday, March 20, 2023**

Members Present: Diane Brandt – President  
Nieves Guijarro – Vice-President  
Charlene Watt – Secretary  
Jarv Osborne  
George Sterling  
Kirk Du Guid  
Jenny Hall  
Peter Hall

The Members present constituted a quorum.

**Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.  
Diane Brandt in the Chair.

**Welcome:**

Diane welcomed Members. New members, Kirk Du Guid and Peter Hall were welcomed.  
Regrets from Judy Ransome.

**Delegation:**

None

**Approval & Amendments of the Minutes of the Last Meeting:**

Acceptance and adoption of the February 20, 2023 Meeting Minutes as circulated: **Moved by George Sterling, Seconded by Jarv Osborne. Carried**

**Treasurer's Report:**

Treasurer's / Financial Report presented by Diane Brandt on behalf of Kendra Kellas. Main bank account balance was \$6,354.63 on February 28, 2023. Expenses for March include Net Spectrum automatic withdrawal in the amount of \$56.44. A donation deposit of \$140.00 was made on March 16, 2023. The lottery account balance remains at \$65.00. **Motion to accept the Treasurer's report and pay the monthly invoices: Moved by George Sterling, Seconded by Jenny Hall. Carried**

**Committee Reports:**

Members discussed the Membership Committee and without a designated Member to provide monthly reports, it was agreed that the Treasurer's report will include any future membership updates.

**Nomination and Election of Officers:**

Nominations for the 2023/2024 Officers were made and discussed by Members:

Diane Brandt was nominated as President by George Sterling and seconded by Jenny Hall. Diane Brandt accepted the nomination.

Nieves Guijarro was nominated as Vice-President by Jarv Osborne and seconded by Kirk Du Guid. Nieves Guijarro accepted the nomination.

Kendra Kellas resigned as Treasurer but informed Diane Brandt before the meeting that she would agree to be the interim Treasurer until September 2023 to allow the replacement nominee, Jenny Hall some time to transition into the position. Jenny Hall was nominated as Treasurer by Diane Brandt and seconded by Nieves Guijarro. Jenny Hall accepted the nomination.

Charlene Watt was nominated as Secretary by George Sterling and seconded by Diane Brandt. Charlene Watt accepted the nomination.

**General Business:**

**Heritage Festival Update:**

Members reviewed the written report on the status of the event. Charlene requested direction from Members on the use of wrist bracelets to track attendance. Members agreed as it would be beneficial to have actual attendance figures for future reporting. We will need to acquire volunteers to hand out the bracelets at the event. The vendors market is now over 45 vendors. Members agreed that we need to be cautious of not overbooking the field at this new venue and suggested that we only accept registrations for FOOD VENDORS and COMMUNITY GROUPS that are fundraising or providing information on their services. As we get closer to the event day, we will reassess the availability of spacing. Members discussed the dunk tank and agreed that the funds raised with the attraction will be for the Historical Society due to the anticipated decrease in donations from the change in venue.

Diane provided Members with a verbal update on the dedication ceremony planning. Kelvin Williamson, great great-grandson of Walter Knight confirmed his attendance to Heritage

Festival. Diane indicated that the dedication of Knight Brothers Park will be made after the opening ceremony.

*NOHFC Grant Application:*

Members discussed the NOHFC Community Enhancement Funding Program application for the red building at the Watt Farm House. The Township of Armour has requested approval of the application. Members passed a supporting resolution.

WHEREAS the Council of the Township of Armour has included, in their 2023 budget, a project for the expansion of the Watt Century Farm House Heritage Centre to provide viewing and storage space for the Heritage Centre;

AND WHEREAS this project will expand the functional exhibit and event spaces at the Heritage Centre;

AND WHEREAS this project will increase the preservation and celebration of additional cultural and historical artifacts;

AND WHEREAS to help fund this project the Township of Armour has applied for funding to the NOHFC Community Enhancement Program;

NOW THEREFORE the Burk's Falls and District Historical Society approves the application submitted to the NOHFC Community Enhancement Program – Rural Enhancement Funding and confirms that the Township of Armour will fund their share of the project, estimated at \$16,200, and any shortfall which may occur with this project.

**Moved by George Sterling, Seconded by Jarv Osborne. Carried**

*Knight Family Research by Mike Quinton:*

Diane was provided a package of research by Mike Quinton from Charlene at the meeting. Diane will review the information and create a display at the Farm House for 2023 on the Knight Family. Members reviewed a written summary that Mike provided in the agenda package and thanked Mike for his impressive presentation. Kirk mentioned to Members that in Meaford, Ontario there was a Knight Brothers Milling Company many years ago. Diane will forward the information to Mike Quinton.

**New Business:**

None

**Adjournment:**

The next meeting will be held on April 17, 2023 at Fell Homes. There being no further business, **Jarv Osborne moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m.**

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Recorded by  
Charlene Watt, Secretary

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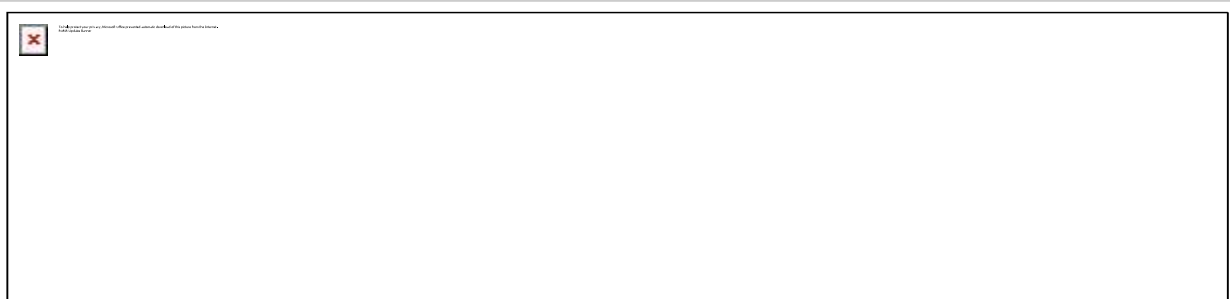
Approved by  
Diane Brandt, President

## Judy Kosowan

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April 1, 2023

### March ROMA Board Meeting Highlights

- **The ROMA Board appointed Carma Williams, Deputy Mayor, Township of North Glengarry to serve as the Zone 7 Representative.** The zone represents areas including the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville as well as the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry (SDG).
- **Building on its *Opportunities for Rural Ontario* paper, the Board endorsed further work to address the challenges of rural access to services.** Public services are critical for residents, key to attracting and retaining a strong workforce, and building strong communities. As well, ROMA will continue to advocate on behalf of its Attainable Housing Task Force Report.
- **The Ontario Budget was announced.** It includes greater investment in homelessness, mental health and addictions and community paramedicine. These are all important to rural communities and appreciated.
- **ROMA continues to monitor and join in AMO's advocacy on the *Drainage Act*.** The Ontario Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs has been supportive of finding a resolution that will ensure railways are responsible for the cost of drainage work on their rail corridors. With the railways now looking for Federal government involvement, ROMA will send a letter to federal Minister of Transport to press the matter further.
- **ROMA and AMO will continue to monitor if the province's \$4-billion Accelerated High-Speed Internet Program is delivering on its promises.** As proposals move through design to construction, timely municipal permits for right-of-way access will be important for meeting timelines. AMO and ROMA continue to advocate for transparent information from the Province on its progress.
- **The ROMA Board also reiterated its support for AMO's recommendations on improved municipal Codes of Conduct and enforcement.** This includes

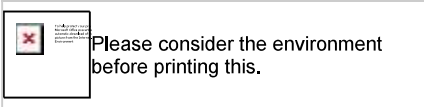
being able to apply to a judge if a municipal Integrity Commissioner recommends it. ROMA is calling on the Minister to move forward.

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