# CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BILLINGS

## **AGENDA**

October 5, 2021 7:30 p.m.

**Electronic Meeting** 

- 1. OPEN
- 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- 3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST
- 4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES
- a) September 20, 2021 Regular Council Meeting
- b) September 22, 2021 Special Council Meeting

- 5. DELEGATIONS
- 6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) Museum Committee Sept 13, 2021
- b) Economic Development Sept 15, 2021
- c) Community Policing Advisory Board Report September 8, 2021
- d) Lake Kagawong Resource Committee Report Sept 16, 2021

7. OLD BUSINESS

- a) Main Street Construction Update
- b) H&M COFI- Internet Update
- c) Manitoulin Island Cycling Advocates (MICA) E-Bike and Charging Stations

8. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Flywheel Art Selection Panel Representative
- b) Military Service Recognition Book
- c) Manitoulin Navy League
- d) Treasurer Recruitment

- e) Financial/Administrative Support Worker
- f) Draft Vaccination Policy
- g) Dark Sky and Event Permit By-Law Information

9. CORRESPONDENCE

a) Artisans by the Bay

10. INFORMATION

- a) Memo from the Deputy Minister
- b) Bill 177 Resolution Township of Huron and Kinloss
- c) Structure Inventory and Inspections - Township of Scugog
- d) District Services Administration Board – Second Quarter Activity Report & Financials
- e) Healthy Communities Initiative
- f) Lake Kagawong Resource Committee Meeting Minutes – Sept 16, 2021
- g) Library Board Minutes June 2021
- h) Mental Health Addictions Northern Ontario
- 11. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT
- 12. CLOSED SESSION

a) Labour Relations

- 13. CONFIRMING BY-LAW
- 14. ADJOURNMENT

# Memorandum

To: Mayor, Council cc: Staff, Public

From: Staff

Date: September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021

RE: October 5th, 2021 Council Meeting

## 4. Minutes

# a) September 20, 2021 Regular Council Meeting

Please review the minutes for approval.

# b) September 22, 2021 Special Council Meeting

Please review the minutes for approval.

#### 5. Delegations

None.

# 6. Committee Reports

a) <u>Museum Committee Report</u>
Councillor Hunt will report on the September 13, 2021 Museum Committee meeting

# b) <u>Economic Development Committee Report</u> Councillor Alkenbrack will report on the September 15, 2021 EDC meeting

- c) Community Policing Advisory Board Report
   Councillor Barker will report on the September 8, 2021 CPAC meeting
- d) <u>Lake Kagawong Resource Committee Report</u> Councillor Barker will report on the September 16, 2021 LKRC meeting

# 7. Old Business

## a) Main Street Construction Update

The project remains at, or very close to "substantial completion" – we are still at "95% plus." Technically, we are beyond the project end-date, but have had good communication on the major remaining element – the pedestrian barriers/handrails. We are **not** concerned about project completion.

- Many of the pedestrian barriers/handrails components have arrived, and are on-site and we are expecting installation to begin soon.
- The EDO participated in a 2<sup>nd</sup> deficiency walk-through with the engineer on September 23. Most deficiencies have been adequately addressed, and there are a couple of concerns that we will be monitoring through the warranty period.
- We still plan a post-project debriefing session internally, and with the project engineers.

On another Note – Not specific to the Main St. project – but in an overlapping area – The federal department of Fisheries and Oceans has commenced planned remediation on the Kagawong lighthouse site. Please see the correspondence from Fisheries and Oceans in the agenda package.

As always, the EDO is prepared to take questions from Council.

#### b) <u>H&M COFI Update</u>

Please see the latest correspondence from the H&M COFI project, which is in your agenda package. The EDO is seeking an update from Susan Church of Blue Sky Net, with whom we are working on broadband development through the Manitoulin Broadband Committee. Updated information is not available at the time of preparing the agenda, but the EDO hopes to be able to provide a verbal update to Council at the meeting

# c) Manitoulin Island Cycling Advocates (MICA) E-Bike and Charging Stations

Please see the email and photo sent by Maja Mielonen.

Now that MICA has been supplied with their charging stations, they have been in contact with the EDO to finalize the location and details for installation of the Billings unit. The installation will involve "in-kind" work from the Township – a minor excavation to allow the concrete base to be installed, and perhaps a couple of decorative stones to provide a barrier – depending on location - and this will be coordinated with Public Works, as time, and their workload, allows.

#### 8. New Business

#### a) Flywheel Art Selection Panel

#### Recommendation:

That Council selects a member of Council for the Flywheel Art Selection Panel.

On May 4th, 2021 Council passed the following resolution

2021-158 Barker - Alkenbrack

BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct staff to issue a Call to Artists - Request for Quote (RFQ) - for services in creating a new image on the flywheel at the Old Mill Heritage Centre/Municipal Office.

Carried

As the RFQ will be issued shortly, staff asks that Council appoints a member of Council to the Flywheel Art Selection Panel. The Flywheel Art Selection Panel will consist of a member of Council, Staff, the Parks, Recreation and Wellness Committee, the Economic Development Committee, the Museum Committee and a member of the public (a call for a member of the public will also be issued). This group will meet when the RFQ submission deadline has passed and all submissions have been received. One submission will be selected and presented to Council.

#### b) Military Service Recognition Book

#### Recommendation:

That Council authorize a 1/10<sup>th</sup> page full colour advertisement in the Military Service Recognition Book at a cost of \$340 (including HST).

The Royal Canadian Legion is once again soliciting advertisements for their annual Military Service Recognition Book.

#### c) Manitoulin Navy League

#### Recommendation

That Council authorize a donation of \$250 to the Manitoulin Navy League for the Manitoulin Sea Cadet program.

Please see the attached donation request on behalf of the Manitoulin Sea Cadets. Council authorized a donation of \$250 to the Sea Cadets in 2020, 2019 and 2018.

#### d) Treasurer Recruitment

#### Recommendation

That Council directs staff to hire a staffing recruiting agency if no qualified applications are received.

The job is currently being advertised which an application deadline of Friday October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021 @ noon. If there are no qualified applicants, we may want to hire a recruiting agency to find a new Treasurer.

Staffinity has suggested a 3–6-month turnaround time to find a treasurer. Cost is 15-20% of starting salary, with no retainer.

Cambrian Recruiting requires 18-20% of gross annual salary. Fees are 18-20% of gross annual salary. Suggested they should have a normal turnaround time of 1-3 months.

## e) Financial/Administrative Support Worker

#### Recommendation

That Council directs staff to hire Anita Everett for the Financial/Administrative Support Worker.

# f) <u>Draft Vaccination Policy</u>

A DRAFT copy of the Covid vaccination policy has been included in the agenda package for your review and discussion, and to provide any guidance or recommendations.

The draft policy and any recommendations from Council will be brought to the JH&SC for discussion at a JH&SC meeting.

The completed vaccination policy will be brought back to the October 18, 2021 regular Council meeting after the JH&SC has finalized the draft.

Arthur Moran, Health and Safety Coordinator

# g) <u>Dark Sky and Event Permit By-Law Information</u>

Please see the memo/information to Council presented by Arthur Moran, By-Law Enforcement Officer.

#### 9. Correspondence

#### a) Artisans by the Bay

#### Recommendation:

That Council allow Deb Flaxman to rent the vacant portion of the Aus Hunt Marina in 2022 for \$230 per month plus hst. with the same conditions as 2021.

Please review the email received from Deb Flaxman.

The following resolution was passed on May 4th, 2021:

2021-159 Jackson - Hunt

BE IT RESOLVED that the vacant portion of the Aus Hunt Marina be rented to Deb Flaxman for a fee of \$225/month + HST with a completed and signed rental agreement on file. The hours of operation cannot exceed the normal operating hours of the Aus Hunt Marina and they cannot sell products that are available for sale at the marina. Insurance is required naming the Township of Billings as insured.

Carried

## 10. Information

There are a number of items attached for Council's information. Council may move any of these items to new business during the agenda approval for discussion at this meeting, or request that an item(s) be included on a future agenda for discussion.

- a) Memo from the Deputy Minister
- b) Bill 177 Resolution Township of Huron and Kinloss
- c) Structure Inventory and Inspections Township of Scugog
- d) District Services Administration Board Second Quarter Activity Report & Financials
- e) Healthy Communities Initiative
- f) Lake Kagawong Resource Committee Meeting Minutes September 16, 2021
- g) Library Board Minutes June 2021
- h) Mental Health Addictions Northern Ontario

#### 12. Closed Session

There will be a closed session to discuss a matter pertaining to labour relations.

# The Corporation of the Township of Billings Regular Meeting

September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021 7:30 p.m.

Electronically

**Present:** Mayor Anderson, Councillors Sharon Alkenbrack, Bryan Barker, Michael Hunt and Sharon Jackson

Staff: Kathy McDonald, CAO/Clerk; Tiana Mills, Deputy Clerk; Arthur Moran, By Law

Enforcement Officer; Todd Gordon, Economic Development Officer

Media: Tom Sasvari

Members of the General Public

#### 1. OPEN

2021-308 Alkenbrack - Hunt

**BE IT RESOLVED** that this regular meeting of Council be opened with a quorum present at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Anderson presiding.

Carried

#### 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

2021-309 Barker - Jackson

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the agenda for the September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021 regular meeting of Council be accepted as presented.

Carried

# 3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None.

# 4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

a) September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021

2021-310 Alkenbrack - Hunt

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the minutes for the September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021 regular meeting of Council be accepted as presented.

Carried

# 5. DELEGATIONS

None.

# 6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

#### 7. OLD BUSINESS

## a) Main Street Construction Update

Council received update.

# a) Waterfront Project Update – Wastewater Treatment Component

Council received update.

# 8. NEW BUSINESS

a) Bridge Opening Times

#### 2021-311 Barker - Alkenbrack

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council is in support of changing the bridge opening at Little Current to every 2 hours instead of the current hourly.

Defeated

# b) AMO Truth and Reconciliation

2021-312 Barker - Jackson

WHEREAS the Truth and Reconciliation Commission released its final report on June 2, 2015, which included 94 Calls to Action to redress the legacy of residential schools and advance the process of Canadian reconciliation; AND WHEREAS the recent discoveries of remains and unmarked graves across

AND WHEREAS the recent discoveries of remains and unmarked graves across Canada have led to increased calls for all levels of government to address the recommendations in the TRC's Calls to Action;

**AND WHEREAS** all Canadians and all orders of government have a role to play in reconciliation;

AND WHEREAS Recommendation #80 of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission called upon the federal government, in collaboration with Aboriginal peoples, to establish, as a statutory holiday, a National Day for Truth and Reconciliation to ensure that public commemoration of the history and legacy of residential schools remains a vital component of the reconciliation process; AND WHEREAS the Federal Government has announced September 30th, 2021, as the first National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (National Orange Shirt Day) and

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the Township of Billings of Kagawong does hereby commit to recognizing September 30th, 2021, as the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (National Orange Shirt Day) by sharing the stories of residential school survivors, their families, and communities.

Carried

# c) Recommendation from the Economic Development Committee 2021-313 Alkenbrack - Jackson

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council instructs staff to advertise for a volunteer committee member for the Economic Development Committee.

Carried

#### 9. CORRESPONDENCE

a statutory holiday;

a) Landfill Hours

2021-314 Alkenbrack - Jackson

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council keep the landfill hours as is for the Winter 2021/22 and will re-evaluate in the Spring of 2022.

Carried

## b) Speed Limit on Pleasant Valley Road

2021-315 Barker - Hunt

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council authorize the purchase of a portable speed indicator.

Carried

# 10. INFORMATION

a) Minister's Letter: Site Plan Guide

Council received report.

# b) By-Law Report – August 2021

Council received report.

# c) Municipal Modernization Program - Intake 3

Council received report.

# d) Museum Committee Minutes – September 13, 2021

Council received report.

## 11. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

2021-316 Hunt - Barker

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council Authorizes the following accounts for payment:

General Accounts \$276,245.82

and that cheques numbered 6915 to 6933 be authorized for signing as described in the attached register.

Carried

#### 12. CLOSED SESSION

2021-317 Alkenbrack - Barker

**BE IT RESOLVED** that in accordance with Section 239(2)(d) of the *Municipal Act*, 2001 S.O. Chapter 25, this Council proceed to a Closed Session at 8:02 p.m. in order to discuss an item involving labour relations.

Carried

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2021-318 Alkenbrack - Barker

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council move out of Closed Session at 8:33 p.m. and resume their regular, open meeting.

Carried

# 13. CONFIRMING BY-LAW

2021-319 Alkenbrack - Jackson

**BE IT RESOLVED** that By-law 2021-44, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council be given first, second, third reading and enacted.

Carried

#### 14. ADJOURNMENT

2021-320 Barker - Hunt

**BE IT RESOLVED** that this regular meeting of Council be adjourned at 8:34 p.m. Carried

Ian Anderson, Mayor	Kathy McDonald, CAO/Clerk

# The Corporation of the Township of Billings Special Council Meeting

September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 7:00 p.m.

**Electronic Meeting** 

**Present:** Mayor Anderson, Councillors Sharon Alkenbrack, Bryan Barker, Michael Hunt and Sharon Jackson

Staff: Kathy McDonald, CAO/Clerk; Tiana Mills, Deputy Clerk; Todd Gordon, EDO

Media: Tom Sasvari

Members of the General Public

## 1. OPEN

2021-321 Barker - Alkenbrack

**BE IT RESOLVED** that this special meeting of Council be opened with a quorum present at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Anderson presiding.

Carried

## 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

None.

# 3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None.

# 4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

None.

## 5. **DELEGATIONS**

None

## 6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

# 7. OLD BUSINESS

None.

# 8. NEW BUSINESS

 a) Kagawong Generating Station Lease with Oakville Energy Corporation (OEC)

Council received presentation by OEC Representatives, Bill Touzel and Patrick Gillette followed by a public question and answer period.

A zoom recording can be requested by members of the public who may have missed this session.

# 9. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

10.	INFORMATION None.				
11.	ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT None.				
12.	CLOSED SESSION None.				
13.	CONFIRMING BY-LAW None.				
14.	ADJOURNMENT 2021- 322 Barker - Hunt BE IT RESOLVED that this special meeting of Council be adjourned at 8:21 p.m.				
		Carried			
Ian Ar	nderson, Mayor	Kathy McDonald, CAO/Clerk			

# Township of Billings

# **Council Committee Report**

Report To:

Date of Meeting:

Sept 13th/2021

Report By: Michael Hunt

Committee:

Billings Museum

Committee

Highlights/Matters of Interest:

The Museum store has brought in approximately

\$ 1,750.00 since July 16 th.

They also Sold 45 How it all began books and

are now sold out. A second printing is being

considered. Attendance between July 16th to Sept5th

was 2,791.

Hangko the summer student finished up on Friday

Aug 27th. Diane Fraser and Rick Nelson presented

her with a Thank you lard.

The First bug tour of the season curioued

Monday Sept 13th.

A Santa Market on Nou 27th will replace Christmas

in Kagawang. The museum will have a booth with

Rick looking after it. Rick received written permission from the Museum of History to keep the

Empress of Ireland display untill

the end of the 2022 season. The grant was also extended

In other Business some of the signs need replaced

and OJ Graphics and Beacon Images has been asked for

Barb Edwards will be the museum a Quote.

representative to help in the selection for design

and Repainting of the Old Mill Flywheel.

# **Council Committee Report**

Date of Meeting: Sept 15/21

Report by: S. Alkenbrack Committee: EDC

# Highlights:

**EDO** gave a financial update on the cost of the Kagawong Brochure

**EDO updated Committee on projects happening** 

Poetry Boxes were put on hold this year because of construction, being reconsidered for 2022.

Christmas in Kagawong discussion.

# **New Business:**

Discussion on how to support our businesses during winter season, the Committee decided to advertise on fb page and web page that Kagawong is open for winter tourism.

General discussion on fishing and it's importance to our community and is this an area we can promote as another reason to come and visit.

Suzanne Darlaston was elected to sit on the Flywheel Art Project

A request for committee members to think of 5 areas that hold our community back from economic growth. A discussion of those will take place next meeting.

## **COMMITTEE REPORT**

# **COMMUNITY POLICE ADVOSORY COMMITTE**

# 08 September 2021 7:00 pm.

# **VIRTUAL (ZOOM)**

Meeting was called to order by the chair at 7:01 pm. with a quorum present.

**PRESENT:** Insp. Moriarity (OPP), Al Boyd-NEMI, John Turner-Gordon-Barrie Island, Bryan Barker Billings, Dave McDowell-Assiginack, Steve Shaffer- Central Manitoulin, Rick Gordon-Tehkummah, Jack Clark-Gore Bay, Wayne Bailley-Burpee Mills

**REGRETS:** None

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Transition from CPAC to Police Services Board – Process is still underway regarding board makeup. All Island municipalities have indicated that they would like board representation. CPAC still status quo until the new Police Services Community Safety Act is passed in early 2022. MMA has requested that the passing of the legislation be postponed until after the municipal election in 2022 due to the fact that it does not make sense to appoint new members, train them and they may not wish to run for re election or they may not be successful in their bit for re election.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

OPP detachment commander advised:

- Traffic statistics were not included due to the fact that the OPP is transitioning to an E-Ticket system and the stats were not available for this report.
- Cst. Ford has stepped down from the community Safety Officer position and will be replaced by Cst. Tessa Kasch. New CSO will be invited to the next VPAC meeting.
- The Espanola/Manitoulin Island Detachment now has a full complement of officers.
- Due to the increase in drug ad property crimes a new officer has been added to the Street Crime Unit.

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# **ROUND TABLE**

**Central Manitoulin** – Reported a good summer other than the traffic collision the intersection in Mindemoya. Municipality, MTO and OPP are looking into possible solutions.

Marine Unit was out more this summer for increased visibility.

**Gordon/Barrie Island** – Reported renting a speed sign for high-speed area and reported that the sign has proven highly effective. Successful in determining problem areas.

Assiginack – Increase in impaired driving. Other than that nothing new to report

**Billings** – New walkway in Kagawong seems to have helped with the parking and pedestrian traffic. May e too soon to tell. Seems to be more tourists frequenting the hamlet centre. Inquired if there were any parking issues related to the Labour Day festival. None reported. Any future concerns could be addressed with and email or letter for increased public safety.

**Burpee/Mills** – No report

**Tehkummah** – Reported some anti-vaccine protests. OPP are aware and are working with the organizers of these clinic etc.

**NEMI** – Reported good summer. Traffic issues are better at the Tim Hortons due to signage and turn lanes. Traffic increases cause by the bridge back-up is a concern. Two-hour bridge swing has been suggested however, NEMI council is not supportive of the extended swing.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:27pm.

Next meeting 08 September 2021

Submitted by

Councillor Bryan Barker

#### COMMITTEE REPORT

#### LAKE KAGAWONG RESOURSES COMMITTEE

# 16 September 2021 7:00 pm.

# **VIRTUAL (ZOOM)**

Meeting was called to order by the chair at 7:02 pm. with a quorum present.

**PRESENT:** Bryan Barker (Chair), Kathy MacDonald (CAO/Clerk), Brian Foreshew, Bob Clifford, John Hoekstra, Stan Pierce, Sharon Jackson (Councillor)

**REGRETS:** Rob Seifried, Steve Weber

# **OLD BUSINESS**

- **I. Report on Water Levels** Brian Foreshew reported that water levels were with in the allowances of the Rule Curve at 212.78
- II. Report on OEC Website Stan Pierce reported that the OEC website was up to date and showed that the water lake water levels were with in the limits of the Ruel Curve. Web site is being kept up to date. Water levels are noticeably low despite amount of rain but, evidence of water still noticed in the feeder creeks. Water levels enough for yearly salmon run.
- **III. Data gaps in the WMP** Item to kept on the agenda for future research and discussion.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- **I. OEC Lease Extension** Committee was brought up to date regarding the request by OEC to extend the lease agreement with Billings Township.
  - Bob Clifford spoke regarding past violations and court cases. Bob in support of discussion with OEC.
  - Stan Pierce also in support of township not taking over the operation of the power generating station.
  - Discussion regarding the lease and suggestions made that this may be the time to make some changes to the lease agreement.
  - Most changes would have to be made in the Water Management Plan. The township could talk to the Ministry of Natural Resources regarding any suggested changes.

- Suggestion to possibly extend the rule curve to October 15, instead of September 15.
- Township should be having an inspection completed on a regular basis by qualified people.
- Provision in lease that the lease be looked at every five years.
- Oakville should be generating in the wintertime and shutting down for repairs in the summer when the water is low.
- suggestion that a Memorandum of Understanding attached to the lease agreement.
- It has been identified that some signage needs to be put up in a couple of places.
- **II. Review of the Present TOR** Review the TOR for the LKRC to more of a lake stewardship role. Tabled for future agenda.
- **III. Meeting Frequency** Monthly meetings are appropriate. However, a meeting was called for the 07 October 2021 to discuss the 22 September 2021 meeting with OEC.

# **NEXT MEETING**

07 October 2021, 7:00 pm (virtual)

## **MEETING ADJOURNED**

8:45 pm.

Submitted by

Councillor Bryan Barker (Chair LKRC)

# **Tiana Mills**

To: Kathy McDonald

**Subject:** RE: High-Speed Internet for your Community

From: Jo Anne Matheson

Sent: Wednesday, September 22, 2021 12:10 PM

To: Mayor Ian Anderson <mayoranderson@billingstwp.ca>; Kathy McDonald <mcdonald@billingstwp.ca>

Cc: Michael Groh; Georges Bilodeau

**Subject:** High-Speed Internet for your Community

# Billings Township Council:

We understand that the Council of Billings Township has elected to not support H&M COFI's construction of a broadband network, a network that would allow all communities in our catchment, including yours, access to reliable high-speed Internet. Covid has emphasized how underserved the rural north is with respect to high-speed Internet for personal, business, education and health care needs.

Our apologies for any unanswered questions or lack of information that would make your town fail to embrace a means to improve Internet service for your community. Some of our previous correspondence may have been unclear as to the intent of this monumental project. It is our hope that the following might help with your queries and change your mind about providing a Letter of Support (LOS) for this initiative.

In November of 2019, two members of the Broadband Ad-Hoc Committee from The Municipality of Huron Shores attended the Canada's Rural & Remote Broadband Conference. The conference had over 200 representatives from across Canada and northern United States meet in North Bay. (See About Us on our website <a href="www.hmcofi.ca">www.hmcofi.ca</a> – Project Background – Preliminary Report for more details). The purpose of the conference was to discuss the vast discrepancies of broadband delivery and offer as much information as possible to assist rural and remote communities get the Internet they deserve. This information was brought back to the municipality's Council.

The plan to bring reliable and affordable high-speed Internet to our largely underserved region started with this community. H&M COFI Inc., a Non-Profit Corporation, was formed to apply for government funding to construct a new state-of-the art fibre broadband network. The network would serve the area from Garden River First Nation to Nairn Center, including Elliot Lake and Manitoulin and St. Joseph. While the Municipality of Huron Shores could have applied for funding to improve Internet service along the North Shore corridor of Highway 17, it realized that most of its neighbouring communities also faced the same dilemma.

The present network that Internet Service Providers (ISPs) are using to provide service to its customers, fails to cover or offer high-speed broadband to everyone in our region. This network is antiquated, unable to handle the increasing user load as seen during covid. It will continue to struggle to meet the increasing technical demands of the future. Our community's Internet pain is characterized as being:

- Underserved
- Disguised data caps through data throttling
- Always 10 to 20 years behind suburban & urban Canada

- Very expensive service
- Poor service with low speeds
- Limited as far as Internet options

On August 6, 2021, H&M COFI was the **sole** recipient of grant funding to bring high-speed Internet to our region through a new state-of-the-art network. A project of this magnitude cannot be undertaken without funding assistance.

https://www.globenewswire.com/news-release/2021/08/06/2276628/0/en/Huron-Shore-and-Manitoulin-Island-Region-to-Receive-Joint-Funding-from-the-Provincial-Improving-Connectivity-for-Ontario-ICON-and-Federal-Universal-Broadband-Fund-UBF-Programs-for-.html

The link below is the list of the communities that have received provincial (ICON) grant funding to supply improved Internet. You will note that your community is included on this list. It demonstrates the scope and large funding allotment associated with the H&M COFI undertaking as compared to the other projects.

https://news.ontario.ca/en/backgrounder/1000624/ontario-and-canada-bringing-high-speed-internet-to-more-communities

The federal government (UFB) announcement chart indicates the communities that can be covered by this portion of the funding.

Canada-Ontario UBF Echo Announcement Information Sheet

# Northeastern - August 6, 2021 - 10:00am

# **Project list for News Release:**

Proponent / Project Number	Communities	% of households in region
H&M COFI	Wikwemikong, Sheguiandah, Little Current,	100%
Corporation	Richards Landing, Kagawong, Manitowaning,	
UBF-00235	Blind River, Mindemoya, Neebish, Tobacco Lake,	
	West Bay (M'Chigeeng First Nation), Spring Bay,	
	Desbarats, Beech Beach, Sagamok Anishnawbek,	
	Echo Bay, Sowerby, Hilton Beach, Gore Bay,	
	Massey, McGregor Bay, Webbwood, Bruce	
	Station, Sylvan Valley, Iron Bridge, Bruce Mines,	
	Little Rapids, Elliot Lake, Evansville, Sailors	
	Encampment, Sandfield, Birch Island (Whitefish	
	River), Walford, Providence Bay, Tehkummah,	
	Silver Water, Plummer, McKerrow, Espanola,	
	Aundeck-Omni-Kaning, Whitefish Falls, Gordon	
	Lake, Spanish, Meldrum Bay, South Baymouth,	
	Poplar Dale, Spragge, Tolsmaville, Nairn Centre,	
	Bar River, Sheshegwaning, Garden River First	

Nation, Echo River, Sheguiandah, Thessalon, Algoma Mills, Serpent River, Mississauga, Serpent River, Zhiibaahaasing First Nation, Thessalon, Kynoch, Missanabie Cree, Traverse Landing, Wharncliffe, Dunns Valley

Now that H&M COFI has been granted government funding, it will build a complete fibre network including connecting fibre to the homes (FTTH) and businesses of the communities outlined. This network will ensure that high-speed Internet can be made available to all residents and businesses in the entire catchment area. Once the network is constructed and operating, consumers (home and business owners) will buy Internet services from ISPs (just as you do now) only the ISPs will be using the H&M COFI network. ISPs will pay a wholesale or floor rate to H&M COFI for the Internet access they sell. The model allows for a large number of ISPs to offer various services to you, the customer (see FAQ on our website), all while operating on a world-class high-speed fibre network.

While many communities on this list will receive improved service by ISPs on an already taxed and soon to be out-dated network, our region will be provided access through their ISPs to a network that will offer speeds up to 1 Gbps and higher for businesses and institutions with a longevity of 30 or more years.

At present H&M COFI has received 29 out of 31 Municipalities in our region. Although the government funding has been announced, there are stipulations that the remaining First Nation communities and municipalities need to provide LOS. These letters required by each community state that our region fails to be fully served by the minimum federal government broadband allowances of 50 Mbps download and 10 Mbps upload speeds and that the communities support the need for better service.

Without your support, your community appears to be stating that you either don't need or want this service brought to your residents, businesses and organizations. During the construction phase of the H&M COFI project, its technical and engineering partner ROCK Networks, will require access to your community to install the network.

Your municipality's support will allow the project to proceed quickly, which will result in improved Internet service sooner for your constituents. The LoS is just that and not a financial commitment.

H&M COFI has a **secondary** vision with this project - to offer a chance for a "community owned fibre infrastructure" which would allow interested communities to see a return on an equity investment in the project. This is separate from the construction of the network. Otherwise all of the profits from use of the network would leave the region.

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Jo Anne Matheson H&M COFI Board Member <u>Joanne.matheson@gmail.com</u> 705-261-1655

Cc: Georges Bilodeau, H&M COFI Chair Michael Groh, ROCK Networks

We understand that the Council of Billings Township has elected to not support H&M COFI's construction of a broadband network, a network that would allow all communities in our catchment, including yours, access to reliable high-speed Internet. Covid has emphasized how underserved the rural north is with respect to high-speed Internet for personal, business, education and health care needs.

Our apologies for any unanswered questions or lack of information that would make your town fail to embrace a means to improve Internet service for your community. Some of our previous correspondence may have been unclear as to the intent of this monumental project. It is our hope that the following might help with your queries and change your mind about providing a Letter of Support (LOS) for this initiative.

In November of 2019, two members of the Broadband Ad-Hoc Committee from The Municipality of Huron Shores attended the Canada's Rural & Remote Broadband Conference. The conference had over 200 representatives from across Canada and northern United States meet in North Bay. (See About Us on our website <a href="https://www.hmcofi.ca">www.hmcofi.ca</a> – Project Background – Preliminary Report for more details). The purpose of the conference was to discuss the vast discrepancies of broadband delivery and offer as much information as possible to assist rural and remote communities get the Internet they deserve. This information was brought back to the municipality's Council.

The plan to bring reliable and affordable high-speed Internet to our largely underserved region started with this community. H&M COFI Inc., a Non-Profit Corporation, was formed to apply for government funding to construct a new state-of-the art fibre broadband network. The network would serve the area from Garden River First Nation to Nairn Center, including Elliot Lake and Manitoulin and St. Joseph. While the Municipality of Huron Shores could have applied for funding to improve Internet service along the North Shore corridor of Highway 17, it realized that most of its neighbouring communities also faced the same dilemma.

The present network that Internet Service Providers (ISPs) are using to provide service to its customers, fails to cover or offer high-speed broadband to everyone in our region. This network is antiquated, unable to handle the increasing user load as seen during covid. It will continue to struggle to meet the increasing technical demands of the future. Our community's Internet pain is characterized as being:

- Underserved
- Disguised data caps through data throttling
- Always 10 to 20 years behind suburban & urban Canada
- Very expensive service
- Poor service with low speeds
- Limited as far as Internet options

On August 6, 2021, H&M COFI was the **sole** recipient of grant funding to bring high-speed Internet to our region through a new state-of-the-art network. A project of this magnitude cannot be undertaken without funding assistance.

https://www.globenewswire.com/news-release/2021/08/06/2276628/0/en/Huron-Shore-and-Manitoulin-Island-Region-to-Receive-Joint-Funding-from-the-Provincial-Improving-Connectivity-for-Ontario-ICON-and-Federal-Universal-Broadband-Fund-UBF-Programs-for-.html

The link below is the list of the communities that have received provincial (ICON) grant funding to supply improved Internet. You will note that your community is included on this list. It demonstrates the scope and large funding allotment associated with the H&M COFI undertaking as compared to the other projects.

https://news.ontario.ca/en/backgrounder/1000624/ontario-and-canada-bringing-high-speed-internet-to-more-communities

The federal government (UFB) announcement chart indicates the communities that can be covered by this portion of the funding.

Canada-Ontario UBF Echo Announcement Information Sheet

# Northeastern - August 6, 2021 - 10:00am

## **Project list for News Release:**

Proponent /	Communities	% of
Project Number		households in region
H&M COFI Corporation UBF-00235	Wikwemikong, Sheguiandah, Little Current, Richards Landing, Kagawong, Manitowaning, Blind River, Mindemoya, Neebish, Tobacco Lake, West Bay (M'Chigeeng First Nation), Spring Bay, Desbarats, Beech Beach, Sagamok Anishnawbek, Echo Bay, Sowerby, Hilton Beach, Gore Bay, Massey, McGregor Bay, Webbwood, Bruce Station, Sylvan Valley, Iron Bridge, Bruce Mines, Little Rapids, Elliot Lake, Evansville, Sailors Encampment, Sandfield, Birch Island (Whitefish River), Walford, Providence Bay, Tehkummah, Silver Water, Plummer, McKerrow, Espanola, Aundeck-Omni-Kaning, Whitefish Falls, Gordon Lake, Spanish, Meldrum Bay, South Baymouth, Poplar Dale, Spragge, Tolsmaville, Nairn Centre, Bar River, Sheshegwaning, Garden River First Nation, Echo River, Sheguiandah, Thessalon, Algoma Mills, Serpent River, Mississauga, Serpent River, Zhiibaahaasing First Nation, Thessalon, Kynoch, Missanabie Cree, Traverse Landing, Wharncliffe, Dunns Valley	100%

Now that H&M COFI has been granted government funding, it will build a complete fibre network including connecting fibre to the homes (FTTH) and businesses of the

communities outlined. This network will ensure that high-speed Internet can be made available to all residents and businesses in the entire catchment area. Once the network is constructed and operating, consumers (home and business owners) will buy Internet services from ISPs (just as you do now) only the ISPs will be using the H&M COFI network. ISPs will pay a wholesale or floor rate to H&M COFI for the Internet access they sell. The model allows for a large number of ISPs to offer various services to you, the customer (see FAQ on our website), all while operating on a world-class high-speed fibre network.

While many communities on this list will receive improved service by ISPs on an already taxed and soon to be out-dated network, our region will be provided access through their ISPs to a network that will offer speeds up to 1 Gbps and higher for businesses and institutions with a longevity of 30 or more years.

At present H&M COFI has received 29 out of 31 Municipalities in our region. Although the government funding has been announced, there are stipulations that the remaining First Nation communities and municipalities need to provide LOS. These letters required by each community state that our region fails to be fully served by the minimum federal government broadband allowances of 50 Mbps download and 10 Mbps upload speeds and that the communities support the need for better service.

Without your support, your community appears to be stating that you either don't need or want this service brought to your residents, businesses and organizations. During the construction phase of the H&M COFI project, its technical and engineering partner ROCK Networks, will require access to your community to install the network.

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#### Date:

Dear Georges Bilodeau, Chair H&M COFI:

Re: H&M COFI Regional Broadband Project

On behalf of the members of Name of your group/organization I am writing you to express our strong support for the Huron Shore and Manitoulin Island Community Owned Fibre Infrastructure (H&M COFI) Regional Broadband Project in its efforts to obtain funding and establish enhanced regional broadband for our area.

The Government of Canada has planned for 90% of Canadians to have access to unlimited data, speeds of 50 Mbps for downloads and 10 Mbps for uploads by 2021. At the current rate, the province will not be anywhere near the projected speeds, let alone the access to reliable and unlimited data. H&M COFI's proposal to build an infrastructure to provide speeds up to 1 Gigabyte to 100% of underserved communities, businesses, institutions and residents, will meet our collective needs long into the future.

Daily aspects of our lives are increasingly touched by digital technology. Access to reliable, cost-effective, high-speed Internet has become an essential service and a key driver for improving our economic and social well being. Now, more than ever, with events such as the COVID-19 pandemic, the demand for higher speed Internet is evident. The marginal and often lack of service offered to rural areas is magnified. Students are required to learn online, more rural residents are working from home, health care providers are relying more on virtual appointments, business depends on connectivity to survive and grow and many others are affected by low Internet speeds.

For communities such as ours to grow, it is essential that Internet is more reliable, cost-effective and more efficient than at its current status.

Sincerely,

# Tiana Mills

From: Maja Mielonen <majasilk@amtelecom.net>

**Sent:** September 23, 2021 12:48 PM

To: Kathy McDonald

**Subject:** MICA e-bike + charging stations

**Attachments:** img106.jpg

Hi Kathy,

MICA has great news. after nearly two years of negotiations and after receiving and signing the NOHFC contact in late August 2021, MICA is now ready to start finalizing site locations in 7 Manitoulin communities.

We plan to prepare the docking stations foundation and electrical connections by mid to end of October 2021 to be ready for installation by April 2022.

Please see attached the dimensions and look of the chosen docking stations, we would like to speak with someone about the Billings location for the e-bike charging station.

#### Billings will receive 2 e-bikes and one docking station.

We believe, that the e-bike rental is best locvated at a very accessible spot for the public and boaters, it must have with easy acess to electricity, not impeeding with any other movements and current needs and be protected from damage by vehicular traffic.

The rental system is all app driven and will need little to no assistance from anyone.

MICA will hold the insurance.

We have a small \$ 3000.00 inkind municipal input on our grant application that is combine between all municipalities involved.

It includes provision of electricity for the running of the project as Billings has agreed to in principal in a motion about two years ago.

MICA would now like to ask Billings for a little municipal inkind help to gig on the choisen site in preparation for the cement pads, to ensure safety, as your staff has knoledge of existing burried objects on this site.

We would also like some assistance with delivering gravel and sand and cement needed to pour the cement pad for preparation to install the charging stations in April of 2022, all material costs and installation costs are carried by MICA.

We also ask the Municipality to provide a few big limestone rocks for the protection of the bikes from damage by vehicular traffic at the chosen site.

Please call me if you need more info.

Please advise the detailed contact info of the person/s you would like us to work with to finalize the details of connection and installation of the charging stations.

We will have a MICA contractor that will build the forms and install the steel mesh renforcement needed and pour the cement pads.

All electrical will be done by profethional electritions and go through regular inspections.

Thank you very much for all your help with this eciting new tourism product development and please bring this good news and a big thank to your Major and Council.

Maja Mielonen

Manitoulin Island Cycling Advocates (MICA)
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MICA President
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'der technology: user friendly interface, iPhone and Android compatibility, easy-to-use account setup, rental process (ie. starts and endings of rentals), QR scanning, payment processing and verification setup, customized pricing structures, user education and training

Tracking System and User Data: access to bikes, users, trip data, as well as the ability to export the data, ability to designate parking areas, and geofencing

# Docking/Charging (D/C) Station

PDI's Docking/Charging (D/C) station replaces dock-less rideshare programs which have proven to be expensive, as it is costly, and unsustainable due to the physical labour involved in rebalancing and maintenance. Built with aerospace grade aluminum on the outer shell, variable charging ports of 22-72 volts, and with locking/unlocking features, each D/C station will provide MICA with a maximum of 6 ports for its customers to park and charge their E-Bikes.

The below picture is for illustrative purposes only.



# Features include:

Rider technology: one step process to unlock E-Bikes using QR scanning technology, and park and locking technology to finish ride

Charging technology: ability to charge E-Bikes and other micro-mobility products while locked

Tracking System and User Data: integration with PDI's Software App, which enables riders to locate and access E-Bikes

# Dimensions (6-Hub D/C Station): inch (mm)

Length: 201.75 inch (5124.49 mm)

Height: 33.07 inch (840.04 mm)

Width: 28.00 inch (711.2 mm)

Space Between each E-Bike: 30.00 inch (762)



# The Royal Canadian Legion Ontario Command

# "Military Service Recognition Book"

Dear Sir/Madam:

Thank you for your interest in **The Royal Canadian Legion Ontario Command**, representing **Ontario's Veterans**. Please accept this written request for your support, as per our recent telephone conversation.

The Royal Canadian Legion Ontario Command is very proud to be printing 10,000 copies of our 9th annual "Military Service Recognition Book", scheduled for release by October 2022. This unique remembrance publication recognizes and honours our Province's Veterans and helps us fulfill the Legion's role as the "Keepers of Remembrance". Proceeds raised from this annual appeal are also used to support Veterans Transition Programs to help modern day Veterans that suffer from PTSD and other challenges.

The Legion is recognized as one of Canada's largest Veterans Support Organizations and we are an integral part of the communities we serve. This project helps ensures the Legion's continued success. We would like to have your organization's support for this Remembrance project by sponsoring an advertisement space in our "Military Service Recognition Book."

Please find enclosed a rate sheet for your review. Whatever you are able to contribute to this worthwhile endeavor would be greatly appreciated. For further information please contact **Ontario Command Campaign Office** toll free at **1-855-241-6967**.

Thank you for your consideration and/or support.

Sincerely,

Garry Pond President



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1/2 Page b&w 7" X 4.735"	\$646.02	+	\$83.98	=	\$730.00
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1/4 Page b&w 3.375" X 4.735"	\$415.93	+	\$54.07	=	\$470.00
1/10 Page (Full Colour b/card)	\$300.88	+	\$39.12	=	\$340.00
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September 17, 2021

Township of Billings
15 Old Mill Rd, P.O. Box 34
Kagawong, Ontario
P0P 1J0

Attention: Cathy McDonald, Clerk-Treasurer

Re. Request for support Manitoulin Sea Cadets program

# Dear Cathy McDonald, Clerk-Treasurer

One of the things that has remained in place during the COVID-19 turmoil is the Manitoulin Sea Cadet Corps program.

During the 2020-2021 Corps year, the weekly parades were virtual, then in-person, then virtual again.

Through all of this, our Corps officers and volunteers have remained stalwart and the young men and women have also stepped up to participate in untypical ways.

We don't yet have the go-ahead from the Department of National Defence (DND) to meet in person but anticipate this will be granted shortly, as long as all public health measures are adhered to, which of course they will be.

The Annual Review, the last activity of any Cadet year, was virtual and we were pleased to see a long-serving cadet, Quentis Wood, end his Sea Cadet career with appropriate honours, graduate from MSS and, two days later, enter basic training for a career in the Royal Canadian Navy. He accomplished his basic training with flying colours and has been assigned to naval duty, which involves learning his chosen trade, in British Columbia.

The shooting team did well again this year (there was no command competition; prescribed targets for individual shooters were submitted for comparison with other Corps

members from across the north), but there is an expectation that this event will return to normal in 2021-2022.

The Corps Commanding Officer, Lieutenant (N) Sylvain Boucher, has worked timelessly to ensure, during the virtual periods this past year, that there have been lots of activities, online, to engage the young Corpsmen and Corpswomen.

We are on the cusp of returning to normal, likely with the usual cadre of about 25 young people from all parts of Manitoulin.

We need your financial support.

This past year, expenses have been less but not non-existent and the Corps' cashflow and ability to fundraise has been curtailed.

The DND covers much of Cadets Corps' expenses, but by no means all and there is the expectation that the Corps' parent organization (in our case, the Manitoulin Navy League) will fundraise to raise the additional money required.

As you can, please help us in this endeavour as our local Cadet program gives young people this unique opportunity to learn the leadership skills that will stand them in good stead the rest of their lives, as well as the chance to take specialized courses both locally and during the summer in non-pandemic times, across Canada.

If you have questions, please contact me at <a href="mailto:expositor@manitoulin.com">expositor@manitoulin.com</a>.

Please make cheques payable to the Manitoulin Navy League and send then to PO Box 494, Little Current, Ontario, POP 1K0.

They may also be left for my attention at The Expositor Offices in Little Current and Gore Bay.

Thank you in advance for your support,

Rick McCutcheon, fundraising chair Manitoulin Navy League



# **Vaccinations Policy and Procedures**

#### Overview

As a municipality, the Township of Billings is obligated to abide by the provisions of the Occupational Health and Safety Act, Ontario Regulation 364/20 (Reopening of Ontario Act), guidance from the PHSD and current industry practices when developing the procedures on how the Townships Covid Vaccination Policy and Procedure will work.

All of the Townships workers, office and outside workers, have been considered as essential during the duration of the period of the epidemic and the various provincial shutdowns, keeping that in mind, all of the Townships workers and volunteers have had exposures to residents and others while performing their duties. The Township believes that because its employees are essential and that they are required to deal with the public, in person, that there is a requirement for a higher standard of protocols that the Townships employees must follow to protect the ongoing services that the Township is required to provide.

The procedure that will be developed will deal with employees who have been vaccinated, employees who have not been vaccinated and employees who refuse to be vaccinated.

The procedure will not be biased or be an attempt to single out to any of the above-mentioned employees, but it will be consistent with current Provincial regulations and PHSD guidelines and other municipalities vaccinations policies regarding vaccination policy and proof of vaccinations. The Policy will be as follows:

#### 1.0 Persons Affected by this Policy

- 1.1) All full-time Township employees.
- 1.2) All Township Council members.
- 1.3) All part-time workers (including fire fighters and summer student hires).
- 1.4) All volunteers performing duties on behalf of the Township.
- 1.5) All contractors (who will be in contact with Township staff) hired to perform work for and on behalf of the Township.
- 1.6) All persons entering into Township facilities.

#### 2.0 Proof of Vaccinations

- 1)All of the persons identified in section 1.0 are required to provide proof of vaccinations. This proof can be verified with the following items:
- a) Provincially issued "Vaccination Certificate" or "Vaccination Passport".
- b) Proof of vaccination certificates issued at vaccination centres.
- \*Note: Proof of vaccination will be kept on file in the employee personnel file.
- 2)Persons identified in section 1.0 who cannot or will not provide the required proof of vaccination, must provide one of the following:

- a) Written proof of a medical reason, provided by either a physician or registered nurse practitioner, that sets out:
- that the person cannot be vaccinated against Covid-19/Variants; and
- -the effective time period for the medical exemption. (i.e., permanent or time limited)
- 3)Proof that the individual has completed a Covid vaccination educational program approved by the Township.

#### 3.0 Additional Requirements

- 3.1) Persons identified in section 1.0 who elect not to provide proof of Covid-19/Variant vaccinations may/shall be subject to or cause themselves or other employees to be subject to:
- a) taking extra measures such as increased use of face coverings, higher frequencies of workplace sanitization; and
- b) other measures identified by PHSD
- 3.2) Persons identified in section 1.0 may also be subject to additional requirements such as:
- a) Change in work role and duties
- b) Additional Covid testing. (Weekly Covid Rapid testing)
- c) Redeployment or relocation.
- d) Leave of absence or termination.

# 4,0 Municipal Facilities

- 4.1 All persons entering into a Township facility for a Township sponsored/organized event will be required to wear protective face coverings, keep a distance of 2 metres from others, sanitize after coming into contact with frequently touched surfaces and to sign contact tracing forms.
- 4.2 All persons entering into a Township facility for a Township sponsored/organized event will be required to show proof of having received recognized Covid vaccinations. Accepted proof of vaccination will include.
- a) Provincially issued "Vaccination Certificate"
- b) Proof of vaccination certificates issued at vaccination centres.
- c) A certificate for medical exemption that is provided by a physician or a registered nurse practitioner.
- d) The conditions identified in a), b) and c) are subject to change upon Provincial regulatory amendments or PHSD guidelines.
- 4.3 All persons using the Township exercise facility will be required to comply with the provisions identified in provisions 4.1 and 4.2
- 4.4 All persons renting any municipal facility for a public/private function will be responsible for enforcing all current Covid regulations and public health mandates and hygienic recommendations.
- 4.5 All persons renting any municipal facility for a public/private event will be required to sign a Hold Harmless agreement with the Township that will require the lessee to enforce provincial Covid proof of vaccination protocols.

#### 5.0 Contractors

- 5.1 Contractors who will be performing work for the Township will be required to have their employees abide by current legislative regulations and public health protocols regarding hygiene, physical distancing, wearing of face coverings and contact tracing.
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- 5.3 Contractors who are not having direct and regular interaction with Township employees will not be required to provide proof of vaccination.

# 6.0 Implementation

- 6.1) Proof of vaccination for Township employees will be required to be verified within a period of 5 working days after the implementation of this policy.
- 6.2) Unvaccinated employees wishing to provide a medical exemption certificate will be required to provide proof of a medical consultation appointment within a period of 5 working days after the implementation of this policy.

#### 7.0 Policy Enforcement

7.1This policy will be enforced by the CAO/Clerk, Public Works Superintendent, Health and Safety Coordinator and the Bylaw Enforcement Officer.



Date: September 30, 2021

Re: Bylaws

#### **Dark Sky Bylaw**

Over the course of the summer, I have been approached by Township residents to who are requesting that the Township undertake the task of producing a Dark Sky bylaw.

In reviewing the dark sky bylaws of other municipalities, I can see that a dark sky bylaw that will require a commitment from the Township and of all Township residents to achieve the desired effects that some residents are looking to obtain.

Some of the issues that may be encountered are:

- 1) Residents' willingness to change the types of lighting and fixtures currently used on their properties.
- 2) Location of residences within the Township. i.e., Rural/Shoreline/Hamlet requiring lighting changes.

I am asking if Council wishes for me to proceed to create a Dark Sky Bylaw for the Township.

#### **Events Permit Bylaw**

As part of the ongoing process of the Township protecting itself from liability exposures, I believe that it would prudent for the Township to have a bylaw requiring event permits to be a requirement for individuals or organizations who will be organizing or running events that will assist in the following areas:

- 1) Making Council, staff and public works aware that an event is taking place that may be on or includes Township property.
- 2) Giving staff an opportunity to determine if there are any liability exposures to the Township.
- 3) Giving staff and public works an opportunity to have input if there are any effects on the Townships resources.

I am asking if Council wishes for me to proceed to create a bylaw for an event permit requirement for the Township.

Regards

Arthur Moran Bylaw Enforcement Officer Billings Township

#### **Tiana Mills**

To: Kathy McDonald Subject: RE: Austin Hunt Marina

-----Original Message-----From: Deborah Flaxman

Sent: Monday, September 20, 2021 4:06 PM To: Kathy McDonald <a href="mailto:kmcdonald@billingstwp.ca">kmcdonald@billingstwp.ca</a>

Subject: Austin Hunt Marina

September 20, 2021

Kathy and Billings Councillors,

I would like to thank council members for the opportunity to rent the Marina for our co-op, Artisans by the Bay.

Our 2021 season has been very successful and all involved had a wonderful time. I would like to rent the space again in 2022.

Jim and the Marina staff were wonderful to work with. Jim went over and above the call of duty with helping us along the way.

Kindest regards, Deb Flaxman

### Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Ministère des Affaires Municipales et du Logement

Office of the Deputy Minister

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**September 17, 2021** 

**MEMORANDUM TO:** Municipal Chief Administrative Officers and Clerks

**SUBJECT:** Ontario Proof of Vaccination Guidance for Businesses and

Organizations

As the province continues to respond to the fourth wave of the pandemic driven by the highly transmissible Delta variant, the government is further protecting Ontarians through continued actions that encourage every eligible person to get vaccinated and help stop the spread of COVID-19.

On September 14, 2021 the government released the regulations under the Reopening Ontario (A Flexible Response to COVID-19) Act (ROA) and guidance for businesses and organizations to support them in implementing proof of vaccination requirements, which take effect on September 22, 2021. Requiring proof of vaccination will help increase vaccination rates, protect individuals in higher-risk indoor settings, and keep businesses open.

This requirement focuses on higher-risk indoor (unless otherwise stated) public settings:

- Indoor areas of restaurants, bars, and other food and drink establishments without dance facilities
- Indoor and outdoor areas of food or drink establishments with dance facilities, including nightclubs and restaurants, clubs and other similar establishments
- Indoor areas of meeting and event spaces
- Indoor areas of facilities used for sports and recreational fitness activities, including waterparks, and personal physical fitness training with limited exemptions
  - Includes gyms, fitness/sporting/recreational facilities, pools, leagues, sporting events, waterparks, and indoor areas of facilities where spectators watch events
- Indoor areas of casinos, bingo halls, and other gaming establishments
- Indoor areas of concert venues, theatres, and cinemas
- Indoor areas of bathhouses, sex clubs and strip clubs
- Indoor areas of horse racing tracks, car racing tracks and other similar venues
- Indoor areas where commercial film and TV productions take place with studio audiences

In addition to the guidance, there is a <u>questions and answers document</u> to help clarify the requirements for businesses and organizations.

Businesses can contact Stop the Spread information line at 1-888-444-3659 if they have any questions about the guidance.

#### **Compliance and Enforcement**

Businesses and organizations are responsible for ensuring they meet the requirements regarding proof of vaccination outlined in the ROA, <u>O. Reg. 364/20</u> (Step 3).

Patrons are required to ensure that any information provided to the business or organization to demonstrate proof of vaccination or proof of identification is complete and accurate.

Failure of a business or organization or a patron to comply with the requirements in <u>O. Reg. 364/20</u> is an offence under the <u>Reopening Ontario (A Flexible Response to COVID-19) Act, 2020.</u>

As a reminder, for offences under the ROA, police and other provincial offences officers, including First Nation Constables, special constables, and municipal by-law officers, have discretion to either issue tickets to individuals for set fine amounts or issue a summons under Part I of the Provincial Offences Act (POA) or to proceed under Part III of the POA by laying an information.

The 1-800 Enforcement Support Line (1-866-389-7638) and dedicated enforcement email address (EssentialWorkplacesSupport.SolGen@ontario.ca) are intended to provide guidance to policing personnel and other enforcement personnel in relation to the enforcement of provincial orders.

I strongly encourage our municipal partners to work closely with provincial enforcement officers and public health officers to coordinate compliance activities in your communities. To identify opportunities for and to plan coordinated compliance activities in your community, please email Stephen Wilson at: Stephen.J.Wilson@ontario.ca.

Thank you for your support and for joining our shared commitment to work together to protect the health and well-being of Ontarians.

Sincerely,

Kate Manson-Smith Deputy Minister

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# Huron - Kinloss

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September 21, 2021

Ministry of the Attorney General McMurtry-Scott Building 720 Bay Street, 11<sup>th</sup> floor Toronto, Ontario M7A 2S9

Via Email attorneygeneral@ontario.ca

Re: Copy of Resolution #651

Motion No.: 651

Moved by: Don Murray Seconded by: Lillian Abbott

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby supports Northumberland County and the City of Toronto in their plea to include in Bill 177 Stronger Fairer Ontario Act and take immediate action to streamline and modernize this section of the legislation by making it easier and more convenient for the public and prosecutors to engage in resolution discussions and by making it more effective and efficient to administer early resolution proceedings for Part I and Part II offences in the Provincial Offences Court AND directs staff to distribute as they see fit

#### **Carried**

Sincerely,

Kelly Lush Deputy Clerk

c.c all Ontario Municipalities



September 17, 2021

The Honourable Doug Ford Premier of Ontario Legislative Building, Queen's Park Toronto, ON M7A 1A1 sent via email: <a href="mailto:premier@ontario.ca">premier@ontario.ca</a>

Re: Structure Inventory and Inspections

Dear Premier:

At the last regular General Purpose and Administration Committee meeting held September 13, 2021 the above captioned matter was discussed.

I wish to advise that the following resolution was passed which will be going forward for ratification at the September 27, 2021 Township of Scugog Council meeting:

**THAT** Report PWIS-2021-027, 2021 Structure Inventory and Inspections, be received;

**THAT** the Township of Scugog 2021 Ontario Structure Inspection Manual Inventory and Inspection Summary Report, prepared by Planmac Engineering Inc., be received;

**THAT** as part of the annual budget process, the Township continue to increase the amount of funding available for bridges and culverts through the continuation of Roads and Other Infrastructure Levy;

**THAT** as part of the annual budget process, the Township continue to increase the investment in bridge and culvert maintenance and repair through other means including identifying efficiencies and cost savings and applying for grants through other levels of government for major bridge and culvert replacements;

**THAT** the Township follow the principles of Asset Management and prioritize preventative maintenance such as waterproofing decks, repaving decks, repair concrete soffits, parapet walls, abutments and wingwalls, etc.

**THAT** the Province of Ontario and the Government of Canada be encouraged to provide more funding to rural municipalities to support infrastructure projects related to major bridge and culvert replacements; and

THAT a copy of the staff report and resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, Provincial Minister of Finance, Federal Finance Minister, MP Erin O'Toole, MPP Lindsey Park, AMO, Durham Region and all Ontario municipalities."

Should you require anything further in this regard, please do not hesitate to contact Kevin Arsenault, Capital Projects Technologist at 905-985-7346 ext. 138.

Yours truly,

Becky Jamieson

Director of Corporate Services/Municipal Clerk

Encl.

cc:

Kevin Arsenault, Capital Projects Technologist Honourable Chrystia Freeland, Federal Minister of Finance chrystia.freeland@fin.gc.ca

Honourable Peter Bethenfalvy, Ontario Minister of Finance

Lindsey Park, MPP, Durham

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Erin O'Toole, MP

Ralph Walton, Regional Clerk, The Regional Municipality of Durham <a href="mailto:clerks@durham.ca">clerks@durham.ca</a>

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# 2021 Second Quarter Activity Report September 23, 2021

The following is the most recent consolidated Quarterly Report that the DSB will be sending to member municipalities and posting on the public website. Expect Quarterly Reports in February, May, September, and November of each year.

The program statistics are provided separately and updated monthly. They are available on the website by clicking the following link: <u>Monthly Program Statistics</u>

#### **CAO Overview**

The DSB 2021 Second Quarter (Unaudited) Financial Report was presented to the Board and projects a year-end municipal **surplus of \$172,624.** Children's Services and Ontario Works is forecasted to be on budget. This surplus includes Ontario Works forecasted to be on budget. Community Housing is forecasted to be under budget by \$234,491. Paramedic Services is forecasted to be over budget by \$68,160. Interest revenue on non-reserve accounts is forecasted to be \$6,293 more than budgeted.

The DSB quarterly financial reports are available on the DSB website by clicking the following link: Quarterly Financial Reports

#### **Paramedic Services**

#### **COVID-19 Pandemic Response**

Paramedics continue to play an integral role in all things COVID-19 across our service area. Paramedics continue to conduct mobile and in-home COVID-19 testing but have scaled back the support the Manitoulin Health Centre's weekly Assessment Centres due to peak vacation staffing pressures. We expect Assessment Centre activities to decrease as vaccination rates continue to climb for our areas.

#### **COVID-19 Mass Vaccination Campaign**

Leveraging the current COVID-19 Paramedic Response Team (CPRT), Paramedic Services have played an important role in the planning and roll out of vaccines across our region. Since the outset, Paramedics have been utilized to staff mass clinics and deliver "home bound" vaccinations to our most isolated and shut-in populations. In line with the Premier's desire to have a "2 dose" summer, Paramedics continue to support all vaccination campaigns but anticipate a gradual scaling back of activities as vaccines are migrated to the primary health care providers and pharmacies.

#### **Spring Recruitment and Training**

Paramedic Services held another recruitment and were successful at hiring 7 new Paramedics out of over 30 applicants. We concurrently held our spring training sessions where we had 10 sessions and close to 140 staff participate.

#### Peer Support Network - Recruitment, training and PeerConnect deployment

After a very difficult couple of years, The Peer Support Network required rejuvenation in the shape of new members and in-depth training. The Network was able to recruit 4 new Peer Support team members which increased our membership to 13 total. These recruits will allow for a more balanced approach to mental health supports and respite for those members that have been doing the heavy lifting this past year. Training occurred in late June with the entire team spending three intense days with Dr. Ethier refining their Peer Support competencies and learning new methods for early intervention in Post Traumatic Stress. The PeerConnect App deployment is on schedule and is expected to go live for all Paramedics July 23, 2021.

#### **Community Paramedicine for Long Term Care**

After much dialogue and work with OPSEU, a Memorandum of Understanding was agreed to allowing for the recruitment of up to 6 Full-Time Community Paramedics. A posting was issued, and the ensuing competition yielded 4 successful applicants. The start dates for the new Community Paramedics was June 28, 2021. An external posting has been issued for 2 more candidates and is closing on July 5, 2021.

#### **Rapid Antigen Testing**

The first shipments of tests have been received and the Community Paramedicine team will be beta testing both testing and self-testing methods, processes and analyzing results. The beta tests are set to be completed July 23, 2021, where a complete review will be conducted to ensure all of the "bugs" are ironed out before a larger roll out. Paramedic Services will deploy the tests to all 12 stations during the month of August and we are on target for a September 7 roll out and commencement to all other DSB offices.

#### Children's Services

#### **Province Wide Stay at Home Order**

The Ministry of Education (MEDU) shared a <u>memo</u> announcing a province-wide stay at home order starting April 8, 2021. During the stay-at-home order, child care was permitted to remain open. Earlier in the spring, Public Health Sudbury and Districts and local school boards agreed to move to remote learning. Child care providers in the

Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB offered emergency child care to school-aged children for this period.

#### **Time-Limited Public Health Actions Schools and Child Care**

A <u>memo</u> was issued on April 15, 2021 announcing that the government would provide emergency child care (ECC) for school-aged children of eligible workers, free of charge, starting April 19, 2021. The province committed to provide funding support for ECC. Costs for ECC were covered during the period schools were closed for in-person learning. CMSMs and DSSABs were asked to keep track of funding associated with managing and operating ECC sites. CMSMs and DSSABs were asked to submit a planning template for approval to operate ECC programs. All Providers in the Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB applied and were permitted to provide ECC to school-aged children.

The government implemented a broad <u>eligibility list</u> of workers. Child care staff/providers who implemented ECC for school-aged children were asked to create conditions that supported students' engagement in remote learning. All child care settings continued to adhere to strict health and safety measures.

#### **COVID-19 Vaccine Update – Access for Child Care Workers**

A <u>memo</u> was issued by MEDU on April 27, 2021 announcing that beginning on April 29, 2021, child care workers were eligible to book vaccination appointments. Licensees were asked to provide a letter to each eligible employee/provider citing the eligibility criteria.

#### **Child Care Updates**

MEDU issued a <u>memo</u> on June 2, 2021 confirming that ECC would continue in the same manner as it had since April 19, 2021 and that these measures would end on the final day of elementary school instruction. Licensed child care centers were able to resume serving school-aged children for full-days over the summer months in accordance with the ministry's health and safety guidance.

#### Financial Flexibility to Support Early Years

On June 2, 2021, staff received a <u>memo</u> from the Ministry of Education regarding funding flexibility to support sector sustainability as a result of the decision to continue with remote learning.

The Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB may leverage funding flexibility between fee subsidy and general operating funding. This enables the staff to provide time limited and targeted support to licensed child care providers with the intention of providing financial relief to assist with sustainability

Child Care providers are expected to access all federal supports (Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy--CEWS) before staff exercise funding flexibility.

Funding should be prioritized to providers who demonstrate that the financial impact from the school age closure will impact their ability to deliver programs. Staff are currently reviewing provider financial records and viability monthly and will exercise flexibility as needed.

## Updates to the School and Child Care Screener and Ministry of Health Guidance to Public Health Units

On June 8, 2021 MEDU issued a <u>memo</u> to provide updated COVID-19 screening guidance for early years and child care settings. The update to the screening tool (<u>school and child care screening</u> and <u>screening tool for employees and essentials visitors</u>) align with the Ministry of Health's new guidance for individuals who may be experiencing post-vaccine symptoms.

Licensees were asked to strongly encourage all eligible child care staff/providers to receive the vaccination as soon as possible. The Ministry of Health updated their Covid-19 Guidance: School Case, Contact, and Outbreak Management document. Updates to this guidance were made to provide further clarity and to promote alignment with new provincial guidance related to variants of concern.

#### EarlyON Reopening

On June 11, 2021, an email from the Early Years Advisor confirmed that in Step 1, EarlyON Child and Family Centres are permitted to offer outdoor programming for up to 10 people.

An additional email was received on June 25, 2021, confirming that in Step 2, EarlyON Child and Family Centres were permitted to open for indoor and outdoor programming effective June 30, 2021. EarlyON Centres are encouraged to continue to follow the Operational Guidance Documents and to continue to offer virtual programs and telephone supports, where possible.

#### **Ontario Works**

#### **Ontario Works Caseload**

In the second quarter of 2021, the Ontario Works/Temporary Care caseload average was 482. Compared to last year at this time, the caseload has decreased 11.72%.

#### **Social Assistance Vision**

As part of Ontario's New Vision for Social Assistance that was announced on February 11, 2021, the government is proposing amendments to the Ontario Works Act, 1997, within the Supporting Recovery and Competitiveness Act, 2021. The proposed amendments would enable further codesign and re-alignment testing of Ontario Works functions among municipalities, District Social Service Administration Boards, and the

Ministry in support of the new delivery model and support the vision's enhanced focus on life stabilization. This would enable people in receipt of social assistance to achieve greater independence and financial resilience.

A briefing note from the Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO) was shared on May 14, 2021, breaking down the <u>change to the municipal delivery role</u>. Given the role of municipalities and DSSABs in this important work, the province will continue to partner and co-design with Service Managers to improve outcomes for social assistance recipients.

As part of these amendments, the Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB was phased into the Centralized Intake Process on June 21, 2021. This is the first step in moving towards the new division of labour with the province focusing on financial assistance administration and municipal partners focusing on person centered services including navigating employment supports, community and health services. Municipal governments will focus frontline caseworkers to work with people to meet their life stabilization needs and help them navigate to the community and health services that are available to them.

Municipal governments are well positioned to provide integrated human services to people while the Ontario government is the appropriate primary funder for provincial income support programs.

#### **Employment Ontario - Employment Services Transformation**

In 2019, Employment Services Transformation (EST) was first launched as a prototype in three areas. The Ministry of Labour, Training, and Skills Development (MLTSD) has announced the launch of Employment Services Transformation (EST) in a further nine catchment areas across the province. This will be phased in between now and the end of 2023.

The transformation of employment services is a crucial step toward the social assistance vision which will see a division of labour where employment services will be delivered by third party service system managers through the Employment Ontario Network. The progress into more catchment areas will see continued collaboration between MCCSS, MLTSD, and municipal and district partners.

#### **Community Housing**

#### Waiting list (Applicants)

Total applications at end of quarter 2 is 523. The applicant breakdown is as follows:

1 Bedroom	411	(+42)	2 Bedroom	49 (-1)
3 Bedroom	37	(+6)	4 bedroom	26 (+1)

#### **Direct Shelter Subsidy (DSS)**

Staff continue to identify and complete the application process with eligible applicants for the DSS program. All applicants receiving the benefit are deemed housed. As of the end of this quarter there were 218 active DSS recipients.

#### **Income Mixing**

Per DSB Policy, every effort is being made where the waitlist allows, to mix the Community Housing Buildings with RGI, Affordable and Market Rent Tenants. As of the end of this quarter we have successfully secured 11 market rent tenants and 68 affordable rent tenants.

#### Smoke Free Housing - Unit Count-down

As of the end of the 1st quarter of 2021, 177/275 of the portfolio's units are designated as Smoke-free. This represents **64%** of the full portfolio currently. Units are designated as turn-over occurs.

#### Social Services Relief Fund (SSRF) Phase 3

On March 10, 2021 the Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB board chair received <u>important details</u> regarding additional provincial funding being offered to us through the third phase of Ontario's Social Services Relief Fund (SSRF).

This funding was dependent on the Ministry receiving a completed Investment Plan and our sign back to the terms and conditions of the funding.

The Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB has <u>received</u> an additional **\$1,006,274** in provincial funding through a third phase of Ontario's SSRF.

The funding has been provided to support vulnerable individuals protect their health and safety as the province begins to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic. The Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB <u>identified</u> food banks, transitional housing supports, Manitoulin Family Resources, mental health and addictions support to Community Housing tenants, Community Paramedicine, transportation, isolation centers and soundproof pods as priorities in this Investment Plan.

Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB staff will continue to explore ongoing partnerships and other funding through the Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative to sustain these initiatives.

#### 2021 Rent Freeze

In 2020 Bill 204 - Helping Tenants and Small Businesses Act, came into effect, which in part implemented a Rent Freeze throughout 2021. The Bill freezes increases that would have happened in the 2021 calendar year. The rent freeze will end on December 31, 2021.

In October 2020 the Board sent a letter to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing requesting funding to offset revenue losses resulting from this provincial policy change as it will result in a higher levy in 2021 to member municipalities.

On April 23, 2021, the Minister responded to the letter. The Minister states that his government recognizes the critical role of municipal partners and community housing providers in providing safe, stable, and affordable housing to vulnerable members of our communities. As well, he indicates that they are aware of the pressures the broader housing and homelessness sector is facing, and the great steps the community housing sector is taking to protect its residents and communities in response to the COVID-19 outbreak.

The actual financial impact of the Rent Freeze is difficult to predict, as the Rent-Geared-to-Income calculations are based on the tenant's income with annual reviews occurring throughout all of 2021. Staff will continue to complete Annual Income Reviews as scheduled and track the financial impact on an ongoing basis.

#### **Rapid Mobilization Table**

Within the Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB districts there are two Rapid Mobilization Tables (RMT). One operates in the LaCloche area and the other in the Sudbury East area.

RMT uses an integrated team approach based on collaboration across agency mandates to respond rapidly to emerging crisis situations, develop solutions within a circle of care, identify needs and gaps, and build on an engaged and caring community. The purpose of RMT is to identify situations of acutely elevated risk, provide support and a quick collaborative response.

In LaCloche the table launched in October 2018 consists of 22 partner agencies and has had 13 referrals. The Sudbury East table launched in October 2019, consists of 16 partner agencies, and has had 2 referrals.

#### **Infrastructure and Asset Management**

During the quarter (April – June 2021) a total of 186 Work Orders were generated: 118 for Community Housing; 12 for Administration Offices, and 56 for Paramedic Services. There was a total of 99 Work Orders closed or resolved during that time. Work orders are closed if the work is done in-house, or when the invoice is paid if from an outside source.

Work Orders are being caught up now from those not deemed urgent during the lockdown period and staff are working hard trying to get caught up.

#### Little Current Project - New Build

Staff received <u>correspondence</u> from the Municipality of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands confirming a resolution passed at Council donating 1.42 acres of land to the Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB for the purpose of the Seniors Affordable Housing Project on Park Street in Little current.

#### **Capital Projects with Housing Services Corporation**

Encompass has completed the Thermal Scans in Community Housing Buildings for 12 locations. Thermal scans are done to identify any hot spots within a building's main breaker panel and any sub-panels which could cause equipment failure or fire due to power irregularities or over-loading. These scans were recommended due to the age of the buildings and the fact that this equipment is original. A formal report on the findings will be presented in the coming weeks.

Induspec has completed an Investigation study on the Balcony Structures at 9 Community Housing locations. The purpose of this study is to assess the integrity and document the existing condition of the second-floor balconies including the slab, metal decking and guards. Again, a formal report will be presented that will identify any areas requiring attention and recommendations for remediation.

In Sudbury East we have closed a Tender and awarded the contract to Patrick Roofing (Northern) Limited of Sudbury. This Capital Project will see new window installation in St.-Charles as the main project but will also include some brick repairs and the installation of a replacement overhead door. The same tender project will also include the installation of a replacement overhead door and removal and replacement of the exterior sealant in Noëlville.

Work is scheduled to begin in St.-Charles at the end of July.

#### Summary

The DSB had a very busy quarter. If municipal Councils have any questions or would like DSB staff to attend a municipal Council meeting, please feel free to contact me directly.

#### Fern Dominelli

Chief Administrative Officer
Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board

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Child Care	\$	4,034,144	\$	4,890,823	\$	(856,679)	\$	9,654,258	\$	334,019	\$	668,038	\$	668,038	\$	-
Community Housing	\$	1,407,090	\$	1,507,651	\$	(100,561)	\$	2,969,952	\$	1,407,090	\$	2,020,187	\$	2,254,678	\$	(234,491)
100% Funded	\$	114,155	\$	201,062	\$	(86,907)	\$	402,123								
Paramedic Services	\$	7,870,149	\$	8,136,866	\$	(266,717)	\$	15,547,153	\$	3,674,157	\$	6,861,542	\$	6,793,382	\$	68,160
100% Funded	\$	717,769	\$	648,123	\$	69,646	\$	2,565,128								
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$	19,405,096	\$	19,986,611	\$	(581,515)	\$	40,351,411	\$	5,889,423	\$	10,597,193	\$	10,763,524	\$	(166,331)
Interest Revenue	<del>-</del>	(52,728)		(49,583)		(3,146)	-	(99,163)		(52,728)	\$	(105,456)	\$	(99,163)		(6,293)
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$	19,352,367	\$	19,937,028	\$	(584,661)	\$	40,252,248	\$	5,836,694	\$	10,491,737	\$	10,664,361	\$	(172,624)

Variance Analysis June 30, 2021								
Actual to Budget	NET Municipal Variance	Explanation of Unaudited Municipal Share						
Ontario Works	\$ -	Municipal share of administration expenses are forecasted to be on budget.						
Child Care	\$ -	Municipal share of Child Care expenses is forecasted to be on budget.						
Community Housing	\$ (234,491)	(\$91,325) + (\$157,028) + \$13,862 = (\$234,491) surplus  Federal Funding is forecasted to be (\$91,325) more than budgeted.  Direct operated rev & exp and program support allocation is forecasted to be (\$157,028) under budget  - Rental Revenues are forecasted to be (\$186,484) more than budgeted.  - Direct operating expenses are forecasted to be \$29,456 over budget due to: utilities \$47,680 over budget, salaries & benefits for custodians \$15,548 over budget, maintenance expenses over budget \$15,938, other administrative expenses under budget (\$31,162), administration wages & benefits are forecasted to be (\$18,548) under budget  - Program Support Allocation is forecasted to be on budget.  Non-Profit, Rent Supp, and Urban Native expenses are forecasted to be \$13,862 over budget.						
Paramedic Services	\$ 68,160	Paramedic Services is forecasted to be \$381,788 + (\$313,628) = \$68,160 over budget.  The MOHLTC funding is forecasted to be less than budgeted by \$381,788 deficit, this is due to 2021 Funding not allocated as of report date. The forecast is based on the actual funding received.  Medic Staffing is forecasted to be (\$226,322) under budget:  - Regular Wages are forecasted to be under budget by (\$264,897); Covid related wages (unfunded to date) are forecasted to be \$60,253 over budget; Other and Replacement Wages are forecasted to be under budget by (\$21,678)  - Benefits are forecasted to be under budget by (\$151,057) due to WSIB  Administration Wages and Benefits are forecasted to be (\$11,124) under budget  Non Wages are forecasted to be over budget by \$74,875.  - Transportation & Communication is forecasted to be (\$12,472) under budget  - Vehicle repairs and maintenance is forecasted to be over budget by \$28,481  - Building repairs and maintenance, grounds and utilities are forecasted to be \$34,844 over budget  - Supplies are forecasted to be \$24,022 over budget.						
Interest Revenue	\$ (6,293)	Interest Revenue is forecasted to be \$9,702 more than budgeted which results in a municipal surplus.						
	\$ (172,624)							

#### **Tiana Mills**

From: noreply@mail.smapply.net
Sent: September 27, 2021 1:18 PM

To: Tiana Mills

Subject: Update from the Healthy Communities Initiative | Mise à jour du Initiative canadienne

pour des collectivités en santé

#### **CFC Portal / Portail de FCC**

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Hello Tiana,

Thank you for taking time to submit an application for the Healthy Communities Initiative.

We know the impact of COVID-19 is significant and the needs of communities are great. The Healthy Communities Initiative generated significant interest across the country and the first round of the Healthy Communities Initiative was highly competitive. As communities continue to see the impact of the pandemic, we received a combined total of over \$600M in funding requests in both rounds of the Healthy Communities Initiative.

The review team received a high volume of applications in your region and the selection process was highly competitive. Unfortunately, your application for Four Season Space for All! has not been approved for funding. For your reference, your application is 2--0000007037.

Community Foundations of Canada and community foundations were unable to fund all eligible applications, given that funding is limited. Community foundations and Community Foundations of Canada made funding decisions based on the relative strength

of all applications received according to the program-wide evaluation criteria.

Our partner, Canadian Urban Institute, invites you to join their national network of creative leaders, community-builders and placemakers. The Canadian Urban Institute supports Canadian communities and community groups by sharing best practices, building communities of practice, and helping organizations build their capacity. Learn about funding opportunities, resources, and innovative place-based work. Join the network here.

The full list of funded Healthy Communities Initiative projects will be available on CFC's website in the near future.

Thank you for taking the time to apply to the Healthy Communities Initiative and your work to support communities throughout the pandemic.

Thank you,

Support Team
Healthy Communities Initiative
<a href="mailto:chci@communityfoundations.ca">chci@communityfoundations.ca</a>

Bonjour Tiana,

Merci d'avoir déposé une demande à l'Initiative pour des collectivités en santé.

Nous savons que la COVID-19 a des impacts importants, et que les besoins des collectivités sont grands. L'Initiative pour des collectivités en santé a suscité beaucoup d'intérêt au pays et le premier cycle de cette initiative a été très compétitif. Alors que les collectivités continuent de constater les conséquences de la pandémie, nous avons reçu des demandes de financement

totalisant plus de 600 M\$ pour les deux cycles combinés de l'ICS.

L'équipe d'évaluation a reçu un volume élevé de demandes en provenance de votre région, et le processus de sélection a été très compétitif. Malheureusement, votre demande de financement pour Four Season Space for All! n'a pas été approuvée. À titre de référence, l'identifiant de votre demande est 2--0000007037.

Fondations communautaires du Canada et les fondations communautaires n'ont pas été en mesure de financer toutes les demandes de projet admissibles, car le financement est limité. Les fondations communautaires et Fondations communautaires du Canada ont pris les décisions de financement en se basant sur la force relative de toutes les demandes reçues, et en respectant les critères d'évaluation pour tout le programme.

Notre partenaire, l'Institut urbain du Canada, vous invite également à vous joindre à son réseau national de leaders, bâtisseurs communautaires et professionnels de l'aménagement (« placemakers ») créatifs. L'Institut urbain du Canada aide les collectivités et les groupes communautaires au pays en partageant des pratiques exemplaires, en formant des communautés d'échange de pratiques et en renforçant les capacités organisationnelles. Découvrez ses possibilités de financement, ses ressources et son travail novateur, ancré dans la cocréation. Joignez-vous au réseau <u>ici</u>.

La liste complète des projets financés dans le cadre de l'Initiative pour des collectivités en santé sera diffusée très prochainement sur le site internet de FCC.

Nous vous remercions pour votre participation et pour votre travail quotidien, qui vise à soutenir nos communautés face à la pandémie.Merci,

Merci,

Équipe de soutien Initiative pour des collectivités en santé chci@communityfoundations.ca

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# The Township of Billings Lake Kagawong Resource Committee Minutes September 16, 2021

Present: (electronically): Councillor Bryan Barker (Chair), Bob Clifford, Brian Foreshew, Sharon

Jackson (Councillor), Kathy McDonald (staff) and Stan Pierce

Regrets: Rob Siefried and Steve Webber

#### 1. Opening

Councillor Barker called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

#### 2. Approval of the Agenda

Motion by Brian Foreshew, seconded by Stan Pierce That the Agenda be accepted as presented. Carried

#### 3. Additions to the Agenda

None

#### 4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None

#### 5. Adoption of Minutes – June 24, 2021

Motion by Brian Foreshew, seconded by Bob Clifford
That the minutes of the June 24, 2021, meeting be accepted as presented.

Carried

#### 6. Delegations

None

#### 7. Old Business

#### a) Report on Water Levels at the dam – Brian Foreshew

On September 11 the reading at the dam was 212.78

#### b) Report on Status of OEC website - Stan Pierce

Stan Pierce advised the committee that the website was updated to Sept. 12/21. The website is being kept up to date.

Comments were made that the water is getting low but there is still water in the creeks. There is enough water in the river for the salmon.

#### c) Data Gaps in the Water Management Plan

It was decided to keep this item on future agendas to allow for further discussion.

#### 8. New Business

#### a) OEC Lease Renewal

Bryan introduced the topic and by explaining that OEC had requested an extension to the lease agreement. This will give Council a feel for what the public wants. Recent Facebook posts have provided information that was not accurate.

Discussion regarding the lease renewal. Bob Clifford talked about the violations (court cases that have taken place in the past). Bob does not feel that the township is currently in a position to venture into operating the power generating station.

Stan also agreed that the township should not operate the power generating station.

Discussion regarding the lease and suggestions made that this may be the time to make some changes to the lease agreement.

- Most changes would have to be made in the Water Management Plan. The township could talk to the Ministry of Natural Resources regarding any suggested changes.
- Suggestion to possibly extend the rule curve to October 15, instead of September 15.
- Township should be having an inspection completed on a regular basis by qualified people.
- Provision in lease that the lease be looked at every five years.
- Oakville should be generating in the wintertime and shutting down for repairs in the summer when the water is low.
- Bryan suggested a Memorandum of Understanding attached to the lease agreement.
- It has been identified that some signage needs to be put up in a couple of places.

#### b) Review of LKR Terms of Reference

Discussion will take place at a future meeting.

#### c) Meeting Frequency

Monthly is appropriate unless further meetings are required. October 7, 2021, meeting scheduled for a meeting to discuss the September 22, 2021.

#### 9. Correspondence

None

#### 10. Information

None

#### 11. Closed Session

None

#### 12. Recommendations to Council

None

#### 13. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for October 7, 2021

#### 14. Adjournment

Motion by Bob Clifford, seconded by Brian Foreshew That this meeting be adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

#### Minutes ~ Billings Township Public Library Board Meeting Tuesday, June 15, 2021

#### Attendance

Jill Ferguson, C.E.O.

Board Members Present: Gail Los, Michael Hunt, Phyllis Cacciotti, Willa Wilson (recording secretary)

Regrets: Renee Patterson, Barb Erskine, Bill Elliott

#### **Minutes**

The minutes of May 18, 2021 were passed by Gail and seconded by Phyllis.

#### Treasurer's Report

The financial report dated May 31<sup>st</sup> was reviewed. It was noted that Darcy's wages are accounted under the "Wages" line item; this will be reimbursed to the library budget by the township. It was moved by Phyllis and seconded by Gail to accept the financial statement.

#### **Council Report**

- Michael shared that Billings will allocate \$750 for the volunteers at vaccination clinics for Covid
- Application for the money for the outdoor rink improvement was not successful the township will apply for the second application process on June 25, for a rink roof
- The process has begun to buy a new snowplow truck

#### Librarian's Report

For comparison purposes, the report shows numbers from 2019, 2020 and 2021. The total circulation of 340 is fairly good, with an increase on inter-library loans in particular. We look forward to numbers going back up with re-opening.

#### Correspondence

Jill was contacted by Ann Auxier from Manitoulin Family Resources. Her group would be making a "Story Trail" using laminated pages of stories along, for example, the river trail. The goal is to promote reading and family activities. This has been turned over to the township as they will have to okay the idea and a location, but we are in favour of the initiative.

#### **Old Business**

- Emily Patterson will start summer student duties early due to an increase in funding summer hours will begin June 22
- Regret to officially cancel the Book and Bake Sale again this year. Moved by Gail, seconded by Phyllis.
- Fundraiser: FOBL to discuss having a market table at their next meeting selling used books, HAIB book, perpetual calendars, etc. Jill will send out an email to board members to ask for volunteers to person the table, if possible
- **Blind Date with a Book** we will go ahead with this at \$25 per "item". The poster will be done by end of June. Phyllis has plastic holders to help with holding advertising. Jill will send out a list or photos of books to the Board, and interested people may want to help write the blurbs for the blind dates.
- **Trivia night** some discussion about how to do this. Motion to give Jill the go ahead to pursue possible locations with the township to hold such an event, to charge \$5 per team, and to have a 50/50 draw with 50% of the money going to the winning team. Moved by Phyllis, seconded by Gail.

#### **New Business**

**Cleaner**: Jill has put out feelers for a cleaner for the library as the township still does not have a cleaner. There were two people who expressed interest. Jill will forward information regarding this to board members by email – for our input.

**Stage 2, Covid**: The stage we are in now, Stage 1 is status quo except we don't have to quarantine books. Stage 2 in early July will allow patrons in the library.



#### **RESOLUTION 21-83**

DATE: September 23, 2021

MOVED BY: Arthur Hayden SECONDED BY: Richard Malette

WHEREAS Communities across the province are addressing an intensified social crisis, and Northern Ontario is no different. We recognize that creating solutions will require a multi-ministry approach, but if there are lessons to be learned from this pandemic, what were once cracks in the health care foundation, there are now large gaps forming especially around mental health, addictions, and homelessness.

WHEREAS Northern Ontario has significant challenges when it comes to accessing mental health and addictions services for our people in our communities.

WHEREAS over 300 Child care staff who provide services to over 21,000 licensed child care spaces in over 340 locations across the North, and they see the effects of Mental Health and Addictions every day in the children they care for and the parents they support.

WHEREAS over 500 Social Services staff who provide financial and employment assistance to over 15,000 families in 37 delivery sites across over 800,000 square kilometers in the North. The over 300 Community Housing staff who provide safe and affordable housing to over 17,000 families in the North.

WHEREAS Police and over 900 Paramedics responded to 200,000 medical emergency 911 calls, and Paramedics have seen the direct results of the Mental Health and Addictions crisis in the North and some cases becoming ill themselves trying to cope with what they have seen.

WHEREAS FONOM appreciates the efforts of all the agencies that are working to help and support those addicted to opioids. In some districts, over 30 agencies are providing some assistance. But we would like to see the consolidation of these agencies with the input of Municipalities/DSSAB's and local stakeholders. As we believe, a streamlined agency would be able to put the combined funds to better use.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB supports FONOM request that our Northern Ontario Health Teams, in consultation with Municipalities / DSSAB's and local stakeholders support a province-wide strategy that supports such consolidation

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution to be shared with Premier Ford, Christine Elliott, the Minister of Health Elliott, Michael Tibollo, Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addictions, the Leaders of the Provincial Oppositions, AMO, FONOM, NOMA and DSB member municipalities.

MEMBER	YEAS	NAYS	MEMBER	YEAS	NAYS
BEER, JILL			LOVELACE, EDGAR		
BURKE, KEVIN			MALETTE, RICHARD		
GORHAM, VERN			SANTI, DAVID		
HAM, DAVID			SCHOPPMANN, PAUL		

STEPHENS, RICHARD

WHYNOTT, NED

VAN ALSTINE, MAUREEN

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September 24, 2021

Premier Doug Ford Legislative Building, Rm 281 Queen's Park Toronto ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier:

The purpose of this letter is to bring to your attention that, at its regular monthly meeting of September 23, 2021, the Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board accepted the passed Resolution #21-83 that calls to the Province to address it's intensified social crisis.

Northern Ontario has significant challenges when it comes to accessing mental health and addictions services and we are in support of FONOM's request that our Northern Ontario Health Teams, in consultation with Municipalities/DSSAB's and local stakeholders support a province-wide strategy that supports such consultation.

A duly authorized copy of the Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB Resolution # 21-83 is attached.

We look forward to working with the government in addressing this important issue.

Sincerely,

Bruce Killah

Chair of Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB

cc: Minister Elliott

Associate Minister Tibollo

Andrea Horwath Steven Del Duca

AMO FONOM NOMA

Member Municipalities

#### Township of Billings Accounts For Payment from Sept. 17, 2021 to Sep 30, 2021

Cheque No.	Cheque Date	Payee	Amount
6934	Sep 22, 2021	Ministry of Finance	4,700.00
6935	Sep 30, 2021	AKFIT Consultants Inc	158.19
6936	Sep 30, 2021	Beckett, Dennis	70.00
6937	Sep 30, 2021	Bridal Veil Variety	178.92
6938	Sep 30, 2021	Denis Gratton Construction Ltd.	288,209.87
6939	Sep 30, 2021	Douglas Boyd	226.00
6940	Sep 30, 2021	Giffen Lawyers LLP	1,620.70
6941	Sep 30, 2021	Laurentian Business Product	149.04
6942	Sep 30, 2021	Northern Air & Mechanical Systems Inc	540.14
6943	Sep 30, 2021	Ontario Clean Water Agency	3,011.80
6944	Sep 30, 2021	Ontario Property Services	375.00
6945	Sep 30, 2021	Pioneer Construction	2,957.89
6946	Sep 30, 2021	Public Health Sudbury & Districts	2,156.79
6947	Sep 30, 2021	R.J. Burnside & Associates Limited	2,237.40
6948	Sep 30, 2021	The Manitoulin Expositor	192.12
6949	Sep 30, 2021	TMI Brushing	3,842.00
6950	Sep 30, 2021	UCCM Castle Building Supplies	25.41
6951	Sep 30, 2021	Van Houtte Coffee Services	230.64
Preauthorise	ed Payments		
DS	Sep 20, 2021	Rogers-cell phones	288.15
DS	Sep 22, 2021	Bell Canada	566.24
DS	Sep 23, 2021	Hydro One	3,440.03
DS	Sep 24, 2021	Eastlink-	148.81
DS	Sep 27, 2021	LBPC Leasing-copier	175.00
DS	Sep 29, 2021	Payroll	15,647.12
DS	Sep 29, 2021	Canada Life-RSP	1,359.12
		Total	332,506.38