

Date:	February 27, 2024	

Resolution Number: 2024-73

Agenda Item # 9.1.1-Amendment to Schedule for 2024 Regular Council Meetings- April dates

Moved By: Councillor

Seconded By: Councillor

WHEREAS

Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin received a tentative Schedule for 2024 Calendar as outlined in the Procedural By-Law By Law 2022-062 on and passed December 12, 2023 by Resolution 2023-338 outlining the Regular Council Meetings.

THEREFORE, Be It Resolved

Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin has been informed by staff that there are 2 dates out of order for the Month of April and hereby approve an amendment to the Schedule for 2024 Calendar to show the Meeting dates in April to be April 9th and 30th and direct staff to update the website to reflect this change.

Results:		
Recorded Vote:		
Member of Council	<u>In Favour</u>	Opposed
Mayor Gould		
Councillor Grant		
Councillor Moreton		
Councillor Latimer		
Councillor Manson		



Date : February	27,	2024
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Resolution Number: 2024-74

Ontario's Energy Board Decision Phase 1 of Enbridge Gas 2024 rebasing application

Moved By: Councillor

Seconded By: Councillor

WHEREAS

Enbridge Gas Inc regarding the Ontario Energy Board's (OEB) decision on phase 1 of the Enbridge Gas 2024 rebasing application, issued in December 21, 2023 and given the survival of Calvin depends on fossil fuels Council directed staff to prepare a resolution to support Enbridge Gas request by Resolution 2024-56 at the past meeting February 13,2024.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

The Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin deems it essential and necessary to take quick action and direct staff to reach out to our local MPP, write the OEB (Ontario Energy Board) about the consequences of reduced access to the natural gas grid to support economic development, housing growth, energy reliability, the need for natural gas and infrastructure in Ontario and to also reach out to our municipal advisor at Enbridge.

Results:		
Recorded Vote:		
Member of Council	<u>In Favour</u>	Opposed
Mayor Gould		
Councillor Moreton		
Councillor Latimer		
Councillor Grant		
Councillor Manson		





January 24, 2024

Your Worship and Members of Council,

I am writing to inform you of our concerns with the <u>Ontario Energy Board's (OEB) decision on Phase 1 of the Enbridge Gas 2024 rebasing application</u>, issued on December 21, 2023. The disappointing decision puts future access to natural gas in doubt and sets a deliberate course to eliminate natural gas from Ontario's energy mix. This decision is about the millions of Ontarians who rely on natural gas to keep their homes warm, and the many businesses throughout Ontario who depend on natural gas for day-to-day operation.

Our 2024 rate rebasing application was designed to provide our customers with safe and reliable natural gas at a reasonable cost, in addition to measured steps to help Ontario advance a practical transition to a sustainable energy future. Natural gas plays a critical role in Ontario's energy evolution mix while supporting the reliability of Ontario's electricity system. Natural gas meets 30 percent of Ontario's energy needs, which can not be easily or quickly replaced.

We are taking action to secure the future of natural gas in your communities. We are filing a motion in late January to review evidence with the OEB and seeking a judicial review of this decision.

Without natural gas, communities across Ontario will feel the impacts of this decision in their everyday lives – the stakes are high.

- Energy Affordability: Those looking to connect to natural gas will be required to pay an upfront fee, which creates a significant financial barrier to all forms of residential and commercial development. This resulting fee adds thousands of dollars to individual consumers' cost to obtain or expand gas service.
- Economic Growth: This decision will put economic developments in your community at risk. The decision limits the ability of future expansion projects to support regional investment to meet the ever-growing energy needs in your community and communities across Ontario. That includes greenhouses, grain dryers, industrial parks, and any new businesses or housing developments seeking access to natural gas.
- Energy Access: Preserving customer choice is critical. Constraining access to natural gas through a reduction in capital will significantly limit the future development of essential energy infrastructure vital to moving manufacturing, agriculture, and the consumer goods industry in Ontario.
- Energy Security: On an annual basis, natural gas delivers twice the energy to Ontario than electricity, and five times the maximum peak capacity of Ontario's electricity grid at a quarter of the cost. Even in the worst weather conditions, our reliable natural gas system delivers.

As local leaders across the province, your voice matters, and we encourage you to take action.

Reach out to your MPP to share your support for the government's <u>quick action</u> and write the OEB about the consequences of reduced access to the natural gas grid to support economic development, housing growth, energy reliability. Use your voice to acknowledge the need for natural gas and infrastructure in Ontario today and into the future while we take a measured step towards energy transition.

We ask that you reach out to your municipal advisor or find us at municipalaffairs@enbridge.com to get started.

Sincerely,

Michele Harradence President

Enbridge Gas Inc.

Deputy Clerk

From:

Kristen Oliver < kristen.oliver@enbridge.com>

Sent:

Friday, January 26, 2024 4:12 PM

To:

Mayor Richard Gould; Councillor Bill Moreton; Councillor John Manson; Councillor Dean

Grant; Councillor Robert Latimer; CAO; Deputy Clerk

Subject:

Important message from Enbridge

Attachments:

Letter from Enbridge.pdf

Good Afternoon,

I am writing to inform you of our concerns with the Ontario Energy Board's (OEB) decision on Phase 1 of the Enbridge Gas 2024 rebasing application, issued on December 21, 2023. The disappointing decision puts future access to natural gas in doubt and sets a deliberate course to eliminate natural gas from Ontario's energy mix.

We are taking action to secure the future of natural gas in your communities – and we encourage you to take action too. Please find attached a letter from our President Michele Harradence with additional details.

Please reach out should you have any questions or need any assistance. I can be reached at this email or by phone at (807) 252-8417.

With thanks, Kristen

Kristen Oliver, She/Her

Senior Advisor, Municipal & Stakeholder Engagement, Northern Ontario

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Date:	Fe	bruary	27,	2024	
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Resolution Number: 2024-75

10.1.1 - MTO Webinar Mayor Gould Attended

Moved By: Councillor

Seconded By: Councillor

Now Therefore Be it Resolved That:

The Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin will receive the Mayor's Report regarding The Ministry of Transportation (MTO) modernization on land development applications using new Land Development Review (LDR) module in the Highway Corridor Management System (HCMS) as attended a recent webinar on February 13 2024.

Results:

From: Mayor Richard Gould < mayor.gould@calvintownship.ca>

Sent: Thursday, February 15, 2024 8:09 AM

To: CAO < CAO@calvintownship.ca >; Deputy Clerk < DeputyClerk@calvintownship.ca >

Subject: planning board stuff

Morning Teresa and Donna

I don't know if either of you will be interested in this but I will be attending today. I can certainly fill you in on the process at a later date. This was originally sent to me by the East Nipissing Planning board and missed the first two dates as it was the day of our meeting and Valentine's day. Its an FYI only. Its at 1:30 today and the link is below.

Thanks,

Rich.

Hello!

The Ministry of Transportation (MTO) is modernizing the way that it reviews and comments on land development applications by moving to an on-line process using a new Land Development Review (LDR) module in the Highway Corridor Management System (HCMS).

We have scheduled three 1.5-hour TEAMS webinar meetings to showcase this new on-line process (HCMS LDR) to our municipal planning partners and to answer any questions that they may have regarding this new process for land development reviews. The meetings will all be the same, so please choose one of the three (3) meetings that best fits your schedule.

The meetings will include a short presentation on MTO Highway Corridor Management and the new HCMS LDR process. MTO staff will be available to answer questions on our review process, HCMS LDR and any other questions you may have about MTO Highway Corridor Management.

We have included some background information below to provide more context on how this new process will benefit you and the work you do.

Please choose one of the 3 webinar dates from the list below:

Tuesday February 13th at 1:30pm to 3:00pm

https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/877e5df5-44dd-4e2c-8fc6-4a09c4480828@cddc1229-ac2a-4b97-b78a-0e5cacb5865c

Wednesday February 14th at 10:30am to 12:00pm

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Please share the meeting invites with other municipal staff, colleagues, consultants, and anyone else involved in land development applications.

We look forward to meeting with you.

Sincerely,

Stephen Kapusta MCIP, RPP

Team Lead Highway Corridor Management Ministry of Transportation - Provincial Office 1355 John Counter Boulevard Postal Bag 4000 Kingston, ON K7L 5A3 Mobile (613)539-7068

Background:

You may already be familiar with the MTO's Highway Corridor Management System (HCMS), including the preconsultation module and the permitting system for MTO permits prior to permits issued under the Building Code Act. The new on-line process for land development applications is the next part of HCMS designed to streamline the review process.

Currently, the MTO receives many land development proposals / planning circulations via email and a small number via direct mail. Internally, Highway Corridor Management staff manage these circulations and send out reports, plans and studies to various resource offices for feedback and comments. Corridor staff then send a response to municipal planners and consultants on those reports and plans relative to the development's eligibility for permits and feedback on changes required for MTO permit approval.

With the launch of HCMS LDR, both the internal and external communication will come through HCMS. The Land development Review module of HCMS will:

- Provide an end-to-end online review process, linking pre-consultations with permitting;
- Enable municipalities, land developers, and other businesses to circulate and track submissions on-line; and
- Allow external clients and MTO staff to correspond using the system to ensure all dialog is captured.

As with all changes to processes, the MTO is committed to assisting our municipal counterparts and how it fits into their current business practices. For example, municipalities will be able to upload Planning Act circulations to HCMS LDR through our HCMS website quickly and easily. By doing so, the municipal planner



Date:

February 27, 2024

Resolution Number: 2024-76

10.1.2 -Bell Canada Universal Broadband Funding

Moved By:

Councillor

Seconded By:

Councillor

WHEREAS

Results

The Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin is in receipt of that attached resolution from the East Ferris Municipality advising that in July and August 2021, East Ferris and area municipalities were informed that Bell had received Universal Broadband funding that would provide 50/10 Mbps service to some 8,566 premises throughout the Nipissing area, Bell informally shared maps with area municipalities, and East Ferris would see 98% of homes receiving fiber optic service;

AND WHEREAS in April 2022, another announcement was made regarding broadband funding for many of the same areas, again under the Universal Broadband program, but interestingly, this time the areas covered by Bell were reduced to a single project in Nipissing to include the communities of Astorville, East Ferris, Bonfield, Calvin, Kiosk, Mattawa, and Rutherglen;

AND WHEREAS in August 2022, the province announced the details of its Accelerated High-Speed Internet Access Program (AHSIP), and many of the areas that had been announced as going to Bell, but did not appear in the April announcement, were now included in this announcement;

AND WHEREAS after winning a contract from the provincial government in 2022 to provide fiber optic internet to 98% of East Ferris homes, Bell Canada has yet to begin construction of the project in East Ferris which has a completion deadline of 2025;

AND WHEREAS since May 2023, the Municipality of East Ferris has repeatedly invited Bell to appear before Council to discuss the project scope, but Bell has continuously declined our invitations and has privately communicated to the Municipality about its intention to descope the project;

AND WHEREAS as of today, we are unaware of the plans by Bell to build a fiber internet network in Calvin and we understand this same situation is also occurring in other communities in northern Ontario;

AND FURTHERMORE, THAT a copy of this resolution be send to MP, Anthony Rota, MPP, Vic Fedeli, Minister of Innovation, Science and Industry, Francois-Philippe Champagne, and the other area municipalities that were included in the joint project.

Update: February 24, 2024-The Province and Bell Canada confirm the project remains on track for completion in 2025. See attached North Bay News Communication.

<u>In Favour</u>	Opposed
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REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

HELD February 13th, 2024

2024-23 Moved by Councillor Champagne Seconded by Deputy Mayor Rooyakkers

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AND WHEREAS as of today, we are unaware of the plans by Bell to build a fiber internet network in East Ferris and we understand this same situation is also occurring in other communities in northern Ontario:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of East Ferris is asking the provincial and federal governments to terminate the said contract with Bell in favor of smaller, regional internet service providers who are ready to start and have a proven ability to deliver;

AND FURTHER THAT NetSpectrum be awarded the East Ferris component of the contract;



AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be send to MP, Anthony Rota, MPP, Vic Fedeli, Minister of Innovation, Science and Industry, Francois-Philippe Champagne, and the other area municipalities that were included in the joint project.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

CERTIFIED to be a true copy of Resolution No. 2024-23 passed by the Council of the Municipality of East Ferris on the 13th day of February, 2024.

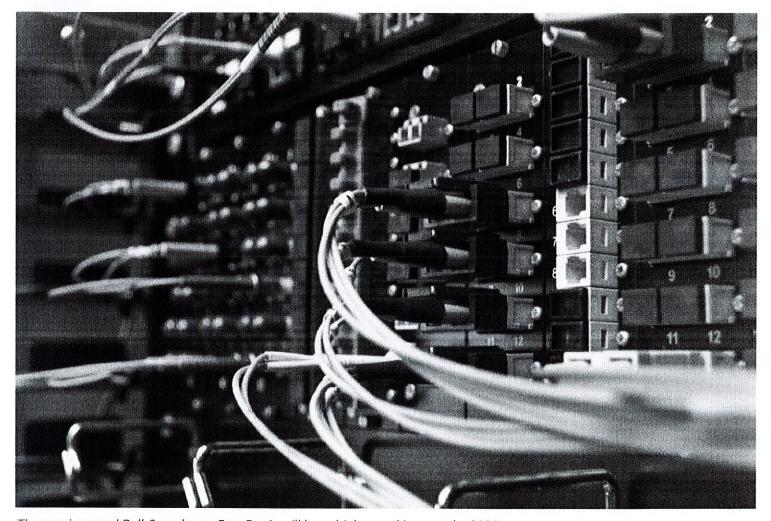
Kari Hanselman, Dipl. M.A. Clerk



East Ferris' and Bell's internet connection re-established



<u>David Briggs, Local Journalism Initiative reporter</u> a day ago



The province and Bell Canada say East Ferris will have high speed internet by 2025

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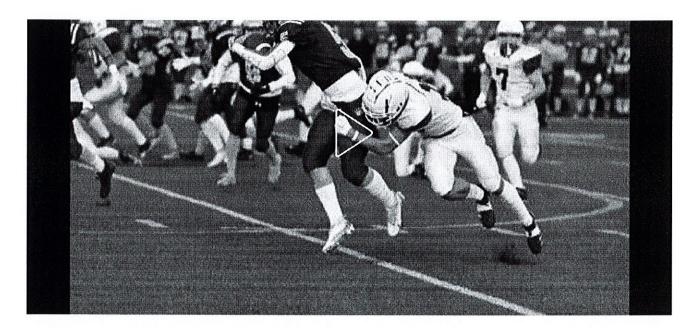
Faster internet is coming, East Ferris.

"The provincial government remains committed to ensuring that all communities have access to high-speed internet by the end of 2025,' stated Sofia Sousa-Dias, the media spokesperson for the Ministry of Infrastructure.

"Ontario and the federal government have entered into transfer payment agreements with Bell Canada to provide high speed internet access in the East Ferris area, and discussions are continuing," she added.

Bell confirmed that all is well with the East Ferris internet project, telling *BayToday* via email that "the project remains on track for completion in 2025, as scheduled. We look forward to working with the Municipality."

The Latest from BayToday



East Ferris was concerned that the fibreoptic internet, which was promised to residents in 2021, was not going to happen. The years have passed, and council grew curious as to what was happening with the work. Last week, East Ferris' Chief Administrative Officer, Jason Trottier, told *BayToday* that "We're left wondering what's going on with the project, and we're not the only community."

See: East Ferris wants Bell's internet expansion contract scrapped

With the project's deadline looming – the work is supposed to be complete by 2025 – East Ferris council passed a motion asking both the provincial and federal governments to dissolve the contract with Bell for the work and offer it to a local company.

Other communities are set to receive faster, fibre optic internet connections. The province and the feds have pledged \$170 million to Northeastern Ontario, with \$12 million earmarked for East Ferris. The governments enter contracts with providers (the municipalities are not involved with the contracts, they are only beneficiaries) to install the fibre optics, and Bell is contracted for East Ferris.

"This project includes the municipalities of North Bay, Nipissing, East Ferris, Callander, Powassan and Chisholm," Sousa-Dias said. "Construction is underway on parts of the project and claims have been paid for work completed to date. We are in discussions about what specific role Bell will have in the community of East Ferris."

"The Municipality of East Ferris is grateful to the Ontario government and Bell Canada for providing an update on the status of the municipality's Internet project," East Ferris' Mayor Pauline Rochefort said.

David Briggs is a Local Journalism Initiative reporter who works out of BayToday, a publication of Village Media. The Local Journalism Initiative is funded by the Government of Canada.



About the Author: David Briggs, Local Journalism Initiative reporter

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Reader Feedback (3)

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PB

I'm not a Bell Canada fan but saying that I am less a Rogers fan. However Bell internet is a good reliable service better than Rogers.

zwicked about 22 hours ago

Nothing but corporate welfare

Paul Belanger about an hour ago

Thankfully with the recent CRTC decision to allow third-parties on fiber lines, we will be able to use the fiber our government paid for to sign up for a non-Bell internet provider once it's all ready to go.



Date: February 27, 2024		
Resolution Number: 2024-77		
Moved By: Councillor Latimer		
Seconded By: Councillor		
Now Therefore Be it Resolved That:		
That Council for the Municipality of Cal road maintenance agreements.	vin discontinue the pract	tice of receiving requests for and issuing
Results:		
Recorded Vote:		
Member of Council Mayor Gould Councillor Moreton	<u>In Favour</u> □	Opposed □ □
Councillor Latimer Councillor Grant Councillor Manson		
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Date: February 27, 2024

By-Law Number: 2024-14 Resolution Number: 2024-78

Agenda Item # 10.1.4-Canadian Ecology Centre Firefighting Services and Equipment Agreement

Moved By:

Councillor

Seconded By: Councillor

WHEREAS

The Municipal Act S.O.2001, c 25 authorizes municipalities to enter into an agreement,

ANDWHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin deems it advisable to enter into an agreement with the Canadian Ecology Centre for the use of certain firefighting services and equipment of Calvin within the described fire area of the Canadian Ecology Centre,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality ratifies the attached agreement as follows:

- 1. That the Mayor and CAO are designated as the Signing Officers and are authorized to execute an agreement on behalf of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin.
- 2. That the "Agreement between the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin and the Canadian Ecology Centre" be hereto attached and form part and parcel of this by-law as Schedule "A".

This agreement shall b			

Results:	
Mayor	CAO

This AGREEMENT made this 1st_day of __April __2024

FIRE AGREEMENT

BETWEEN:

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CALVIN

(Herein called "Calvin")

-And-

THE CANADIAN ECOLOGY CENTRE

(Herein called "CEC")

WHEREAS THE CALVIN TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT was established by By-Law Number 565.

AND WHEREAS By-Laws have been duly enacted pursuant to the provisions of Section 2. (5) of the Fire Protection and Prevention Act. 1997 to authorize an agreement between the said parties relative to the use of certain firefighting equipment of Calvin within the described fire area of the CEC. NOW in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained, it is mutually agreed between the parties, hereto, as follows:

1. TERM

- 1.1 This Agreement shall be for a one (1) year period commencing on the 1st day of April, 2024 and ending on the 31st day of March, 2025.
- 1.2 This Agreement shall not create any obligation on behalf of "Calvin" to renew or extend the term of this Agreement

2. DEFINITIONS

In this agreement:

- (a) "Fire Department" means the Municipality of Calvin Fire Department.
- (b) "Fire Chief" means the Chief of the Municipality of Calvin Fire Department.
- (c) "Fire Area" means all the areas within Canadian Ecology Centre. Boundaries, as described in Appendix 1, attached and forming part of this agreement.
- (d) "Fire Protection Services" means and includes only the following:
 - (1) Fire suppression
 - (2) Auto extrication
 - (3) Water and ice rescue
 - (4) Annual inspections of facilities
 - (5) Fire Protection and Prevention Act. Bill 84 and Ontario Fire Code enforcement.
 - (6) Complaints and inquiries (upon request)
 - (7) Assistance in search and rescue (upon request)

SERVICES

3.1 Calvin will supply except as hereinafter omitted or excluded, "fire protection services" to the "fire area" at the CEC.

- 3.2 The minimum apparatus and personnel of the fire department that will respond to occurrences in the "fire area" will include the following: one (1) pumper, equipped according to ULC specification S515, one (1) tanker unit, a minimum of five (5) firefighters including an officer.
- 3.3 The "Fire Protection Services" provided under this agreement shall be authorized for the complete termination of the emergency, including reporting and the "Fire Chief" shall be in charge of all operations including arranging for additional assistance that may be required. Any additional costs will be at the expense of the CEC.
- 3.4 Fires or emergencies that may occur along roads within the "Fire Area", whether they may be on Crown, Municipal, MTO or private property are the responsibility of the "Fire Department".
- 3.5 The "Fire Chief" may refuse to supply "Fire Protection" in the "Fire Area" if personnel, apparatus and equipment are required in Calvin or elsewhere under the provisions of the East Parry Sound/Nipissing Mutual Aid Plan. Similarly, the "Fire Chief" may order the return of such personnel, apparatus and equipment that is responding to or is at the scene of an occurrence in the "Fire Area". No liability shall attach or accrue to Calvin, the "Fire Chief" or the "Fire Department" for failing to supply the CEC on any occasion or occasions with the said "Fire Protection Services" provided in this agreement.
- 3.6 The "Fire Chief" will submit all claims and Calvin will receive funds recoverable for occurrences at which the "Fire Department" attends in regard to motor vehicles or fires involving MNR firefighting personnel when the "Fire Department" is called, in the "Fire Area".
- 3.7 In the case of an incident in the "Fire Area" pursuant to the Forest Fire Prevention Act and Regulations, the "Fire Chief" will immediately notify the Ministry of Natural Resources. Any claims submitted by the Ministry of Natural Resources arising from such incident will be the sole responsibility of the CEC.

4. LIABILTY

4.1 No liability will attach or accrue to Calvin, the "Fire Chief" or the "Fire Department" by reason of any injury or damage sustained by the personnel, apparatus or equipment of the CEC while the "Fire Department" is engaged in the provision of "Fire Protection Services" in the "Fire Area".

5. PAYMENT FOR SERVICES

5.1 In consideration of the fire protection services undertaken by Calvin to be provided in the "Fire Area" of the CEC, the owners/operators of CEC shall pay to Calvin the sum of \$2200.00 per annum as invoiced by Calvin.

6. PROVISIONS

- 6.1 The CEC will provide the "Fire Department" with:
 - a) Current maps of the access roads, numbered cabins, parking areas
 - b) and any other pertinent information such as water supply routes, hydro mains, water mains, gas lines etc.
 - c) Current drawings of main facility and any safety related equipment, including any structural additions, changes or removal.
 - d) Access at any reasonable time for inspections to the facilities under the *Fire Protection and Prevention Act*.

6.2 That the CEC warrants that all construction meets or exceeds Ontario Building Code and Ontario Fire Code requirements and Calvin assumes no liability for reviewing documents or the inspection process.

7. TERMINATION and RENEWAL

- 7.1 This agreement may be terminated at any time prior to March 31, 2025, by either party giving written notice to the other party ninety (90) days prior to the termination date.
- 7.2 This agreement may be renewed or extended by the mutual consent of the parties after the party desiring the renewal, extension or amendment(s) gives the other party sixty (60) days written notice prior to the original termination date and the party receiving notice must consent within thirty (30) days thereafter. Any notice given shall be done by registered mail to the following addresses:

Canadian Ecology Centre P.O. Box 430, Mattawa, ON. P0H 1V0 Municipality of Calvin 1355 Peddlers Drive, RR#2 Mattawa, ON. P0H 1V0

Notice shall be deemed to be given and received on the third day after mailing.

IN WTNESS WHEREOF the parties have hereunto affixed the signatures of their duly authorized officers together with their corporate seals and or witnesses.

For the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin	For the Canadian Ecology Centre
Mayor Richard Gould	General Manager CEC
CAO Donna Maitland	Authorized Signing Authorit



Date: February 27, 2024

By-Law Number: 2024-15 Resolution Number: 2024-79

Agenda Item # 10.1.5: Lauder Fire Agreement

Moved By: Councillor

Seconded By: Councillor

BEING a By-law to enter into an agreement with the residents in the designated area of the unincorporated townships of Lauder and Boulter

WHEREAS THE MUNICIPALITY OF CALVIN FIRE DEPARTMENT was established by By-Law No. 565;

AND WHEREAS By-Laws have been duly enacted pursuant to the provisions of Section 3(1) of the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997 to authorize an agreement between the said parties relative to the use of certain firefighting equipment of "Calvin" within the described area of Lauder and Boulter Townships.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin enacts as follows:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality ratifies the attached agreement as follows:

- That the Mayor and CAO are designated as the Signing Officers and are authorized to execute an agreement on behalf of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin.
- 2. That the Agreement be hereto attached and form part and parcel of this bylaw as Schedule "A".

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Results:			
	Mayor		CAC

This agreement shall be enacted and if effect upon the signing thereof.



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Telephone 705.744.2700 Fax 705.744.0309 E-Mail: clerk@calvintownship.ca

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CALVIN

BY - LAW NO 2024-15

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 - b) "Fire Chief" means the Chief of the Municipality of Calvin Fire Department.
- c) "Fire Area" means all the areas of Lauder and Boulter Townships, as described in Appendix 1, attached to and forming part of this agreement.
 - d) "Fire Protection Services" means and includes only the following:
 - (1) Fire suppression
 - (2) Auto extrication
 - (3) Public education and Fire prevention
 - (4) Complaints, requests and inquiries
- 2. "Calvin" will supply, except as hereinafter limited or excluded, "Fire Protection Services" to the "Fire Area" in Lauder and Boulter Townships.
- 3. The apparatus and personnel of the "Fire Department" that will respond to fire occurrences in the fire area will include the following: One (1) pumper, equipped according to ULC specification S515, one (1) tanker, with a minimum of five (5) firefighters including an Officer.
- 4. The "Fire Protection Services" provided under this agreement shall be authorized for the complete termination of the emergency, including reporting, and the "Fire Chief" shall be in charge of all operations including arranging for additional assistance that may be required.



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- 5. Fire or emergencies that may occur along roads within the "Fire Area", whether they may be on Crown, Municipal, MTO or private property are the responsibility of the "Fire Department".
- 6. The "Fire Chief" may refuse to supply "Fire Protection Services" in the "Fire Area" if the personnel, apparatus and equipment are required in "Calvin" or elsewhere under the provisions of the East Parry Sound/Nipissing Mutual Aid Plan. The "Fire Chief" may order the return of such personnel, apparatus and equipment that is responding to or is at the scene of an occurrence in the "Fire Area". Similarly, the "Fire Chief" may refuse to supply "Fire Protection Services" in the "Fire Area" if the "Fire Department" is unable to access a "Fire Area" due to snow, ice, tree blow down or other barriers manmade or otherwise. No liability shall attach or accrue to "Calvin" for failing to supply to the townships of Lauder or Boulter on any occasion or occasions the said "Fire Protection Services" provided for in this agreement.
- 7. The "Fire Chief" will be responsible for establishing and notifying in the manner and to the extent deemed necessary, residents and occupants of the "Fire Area" of the procedures for reporting an emergency and of the services provided by the "Fire Department".
- 8. No liability shall attach or accrue to "Calvin" by reason of any injuries or damage sustained by the personnel, apparatus or equipment of the "Fire Department" while engaged in the provision of the "Fire Protection Services" in the "Fire Area".
- 9. The "Fire Chief" will submit all claims and "Calvin" will receive funds recoverable for occurrences at which the "Fire Department" attends on provincial highways in the "Fire Area".
- 10. In the case of an incident pursuant to the Forest Fire Prevention Act and regulations, the "Fire Chief" will be considered a fire warden and will immediately notify the Chief Fire Warden for the "Fire Area" and any other fire wardens that may be necessary. The "Fire Chief" will submit all necessary reports and claims to the Ministry of Natural Resources.
- 11. The fire apparatus and personnel of the "Fire Department" that will be available to respond to occurrences in the "Fire Area" are described in Appendix 2, attached to and forming part of this agreement.
- 12. In consideration of the "Fire Protection Services" undertaken by "Calvin" to be provided in the "Fire Area" of Lauder and Boulter Townships, the Residents in the "Fire Area" of Lauder and Boulter Townships shall pay to "Calvin" the Fees as set out in Appendix 3, attached to and forming part of this agreement.
- 13. This agreement shall be in force and effect from the date of its signing until termination by either party as set out in section #14.
- 14. Notwithstanding section #13, this agreement may be terminated at any time by either party giving written notice to the other party three (3) months prior to the desired termination date. In the case of "Calvin" written notice shall be given to every resident of Lauder and Boulter Townships in the "Fire Area", and in the case of Lauder and Boulter Townships, this written notice must include all signatures of those residents in the "Fire Area".



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15. In witness whereof the parties have hereunto affixed the duly authorized officers together with their Corporate Seals and/or witnesses.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin enacts as follows:

- 1. That THE RESIDENTS IN THE DESIGNATED FIRE AREA OF THE UNINCORPORATED TOWNSHIPS OF LAUDER AND BOULTER and the Municipality of Calvin shall enter into an Agreement outlining all of the terms and conditions which will provide "Fire Protection Services" for the "Fire Area".
- 2. That this Agreement outlining the terms and conditions shall become part and parcel of this by-law as Appendix 1, 2, and 3 attached;
- 3. This By-law comes into force and effect upon the passing thereof.

MAYOR	CAO	



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APPENDIX 1

Coverage of the following cottages and residential units:

#160, #192 and #196 McLaughlin Rd. #150 Floods Rd. #2467 up to and including #4437 Hwy 630 #375 Stewarts Rd.

Also covered is a one hundred (100) meter corridor along Hwy 630 on either side from the southern boundary of "Calvin" to the southern boundary of Lauder Township. This is to ensure coverage for vehicle accidents, brush fires, water and ice rescue.

	ADDRESS	DATE	APPROVAL	METHOD
1	160 McLAUGHLIN RD.		y/n	
2	192 McLAUGHLIN RD.			
3	196 McLAUGHLIN RD.			
4	150 FLOODS RD.			
5	375 STEWARTS RD.			
6	2467 HWY. 630			
7	2568 HWY. 630			
8	2610 HWY. 630			
9	2695 HWY. 630			
10	2923 HWY 630			
11	3227 HWY. 630			
12	3405 HWY. 630			
13	3554 HWY. 630			
14	3677 HWY. 630			
15	3839 HWY. 630			
16	3841 HWY. 630			
17	3843 HWY. 630			
18	3883 HWY. 630			
19	3885 HWY. 630			
20	3899 HWY. 630			
21	4137 HWY. 630			
22	4233 HWY. 630			
23	4437 HWY. 630			7



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APPENDIX 2

FIRE APPARATUS AND PERSONNEL

Minimum of one (1) pumper, one (1) tanker truck and five (5) fire fighters for initial response to all fire incidents in the "Fire Area"

APPENDIX 3

FEE SCHEDULE

Each household within the "Fire Area" shall submit a fee of One Hundred and Twenty dollars (\$120.00) per year to the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin. Invoices shall be mailed by "Calvin" to every household in the "Fire Area" at the beginning of each year and payment shall be received at the office of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin in full within 60 days of each year. This fee shall be subject to change as necessary upon negotiation by the "Fire Chief" and the Council of "Calvin" from time to time.

Payment of annual invoices shall be the responsibility of each household in the "Fire Area". The "Fire Department" shall respond to calls in the "Fire Area" whether or not payment has been received by "Calvin". Where the "Fire Department" has responded to an emergency and the household has not paid for "Fire Protection Services", then the household will be invoiced for the amount of the "Fire Protection Services" based on the current MTO rates for fire protection response.

Current MTO fire response rates for fire vehicles will apply. Every event will include a narrative of actions taken and a description of resources used by the "Fire Department

Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin



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BY-LAW 2024-16 Resolution: 2024-80

Being a By-Law to repeal By-Law 2021-034 Being a By-Law to enter into an agreement with the Township of Chisholm and East Ferris for the enforcement of Municipal By-Laws.

WHEREAS the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin has received an official notice of termination dated December 12, 2023 from the Township of Chisholm advising they will no longer be providing shared By-Law enforcement services to the Communities of East Ferris, Bonfield, Papineau Cameron and Calvin.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 2024-16 hereby be in effect to repeal By-Law 2021-034 being a By-Law to enter into agreement with the Township of Chisholm for By-Law enforcement as it is officially terminated and this be passed and numbered **2024-16**

AND THAT said by-law be signed by the Mayor and Clerk and sealed with the Seal of the Corporation

	_ CAO Donna Maitl	and
Dated: February 27, 2024		
Results:		
Member of Council	<u>In Favour</u>	Opposed
Mayor Gould		
Councillor Grant		
Councillor Latimer		
Councillor Manson		
Councillor Moreton		

Mayor Gould

Regular Meeting of Council February 27, 2024

Corporation of the Township of Chisholm

Municipal Office: 2847 Chiswick Line, RR #4, Powassan, ON P0H 1Z0 (705)724-3526 - Fax (705)724-5099 info@chisholm.ca

Gail Degagne, Mayor Jennistine Leblond, CAO Clerk-Treasurer

December 12, 2023

Municipality of East Ferris Township of Bonfield Municipality of Calvin Township of Papineau Cameron

Mayor and CAO:

Please accept this letter as official notice of termination of an agreement signed December 14th, 2021 that had the Township of Chisholm providing By-Law enforcement services to your communities.

To provide some background to new Mayors and CAOs, Chisholm had offered to share our by-law enforcement officer (MLEO) with the above named municipalities. The MLEO that we had ended up resigning his position in November 2022 so I notified all the municipalities that we temporarily could not provide the services. Chisholm then hired a short term MLEO because of a need in our township. This short term contract has morphed into a long term agreement and we can no longer offer the same services to you.

Council repealed the By-Law for the agreement at their November 28^{th,} 2023 Regular Council meeting. Please find attached a copy of the original agreement for your reference.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Jennistine (Jenny) Leblond

CAO Clerk Treasurer



BY-LAW NO. 2021-034

Being a By-Law to enter into an agreement with the Township of Chisholm, Townships of Bonfield and Papineau-Cameron and Municipalities of Calvin and East Ferris.

for the enforcement of municipal By-Laws.

WHEREAS THE MUNICIPAL ACT S.O. 2001, c. 25 authorizes municipalities to enter into an agreement,

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin deems it advisable to enter into an agreement with the Township of Chisholm, Townships of Bonfield and Papineau-Cameron and the Municipality of East Ferris to provide by-law enforcement services for the municipality.

NOW THEREFORE THE Council of the Municipality of Calvin ratifies the attached agreement as follows:

- That the Mayor and the Clerk-Treasurer are designated as the signing officers and are authorized to execute an agreement on behalf of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin.
- 2. That "The Agreement Between the Townships of Chisholm, Bonfield and Municipality of East Ferris and the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin" be attached hereto and form part and parcel of this by-law as Schedule "A"

This agreement shall be enacted and in effect upon the signing thereof.

Read a first time and second time this 23rd day of November 2021.

Read a third time and finally passed in open council this <u>14th</u> day of <u>December</u> 2021.

MAYOR

CLERK - TREASURER

This is Schedule "A" to By-law 2021-034

Shared Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer services provided by the Township of Chisholm to the Townships of Bonfield and Papineau-Cameron and Municipalities of Calvin and East Ferris.

AGREEMENT

BETWEEN:

The Corporation of the Township of Chisholm having its principal office at 2847 Chiswick Line, Powassan ON P0H1Z0 (herein after called "Chisholm")



AND

The Corporation of the Township of Bonfield having its principal office at 365 Highway 531, Bonfield ON P0H 1E0 (herein after called "Bonfield")

OF THE SECOND PART

OF THE FIRST PART

AND

The Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin
having its principal office at
1355 Peddlers Drive, Mattawa, ON P0H 1V0
(herein after called "Calvin")

OF THE THIRD PART

AND

The Corporation of the Municipality of East Ferris
having its principal office at
390 Hwy 94, Corbeil, ON P0H1K0
(herein after called "East Ferris")

OF THE FOURTH PART

AND

The Corporation of the Township of Papineau-Cameron having its principal office at 4861 Highway 17, P.O. Box 630 Mattawa, ON P0H 1V0 (herein after called "Papineau-Cameron")

OF THE FIFTH PART

THE ABOVE PARTS HEREBY AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING TERMS AND CONDITIONS;

- 1. That the enforcement of Municipal By-laws shall be carried out by the Municipal Bylaw Enforcement Officer, who is an employee of the Township of Chisholm. The employee is not part of the bargaining unit.
- 2. That the Township of Chisholm shall provide an employee, herein called Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer (MLEO) to all other parts of the Agreement to enforce each of their own Municipal By-laws, as well as, but not limited to, assisting with By-Law development and short

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- 15. That each municipality be responsible for their own legal counsel and fees associated with any legal dispute involving the MLEO.
- 16. That this Agreement shall be in effect from January 1, 2022 for a period of three years.
- 17. That any Council may terminate this agreement upon 60 days written notice.
- 18. Should this Agreement be terminated, the Townships of Bonfield and Papineau-Cameron and Municipalities of East Ferris and Calvin shall pay to the Township of Chisholm all outstanding costs up to the date of termination and the Township of Chisholm shall return in good order, all municipal files and records relating to by-law enforcement matters within the terminating municipality.

Signed this <u>14th</u> day of <u>December</u>	, 2021.
For the Township of Chisholm:	For the Municipality of East Ferris:
Mayor, Gail Degagne	Mayor,
CAO, Jennistine Leblond	CAO
For the Township of Bonfield:	For the Municipality of Calvin:
Mayor,	Mayor,
CAO	Clerk-Treasurer
For the Township of Papineau-Cameron:	
Mayor,	
CAO	



Date: Februa	ary 27, 2024			
Resolution Num	nber: 2024-81			
10.1.7-In Suppo	ort to Resolution pa	ssed by the Munic	ipality of	f Wawa Fire Apparatus
Moved By:	Councillor			
Seconded By:	Councillor			
	ratus and equipme et is required to ser			delivery of fire protection services and a safe, reliable
partners, includ	ing the Ontario Fire	e Service Section 2	1 Guidar	ractices, the application of law and recognized industry nce Notes, National Fire Protection Association Underwriters Survey (FUS);
same standards	set by FUS as large	er municipalities fo	r fire equ	trucks, yet, small and rural municipalities must mee the uipment, including additional pressure to move fire a still meet the safety regulations;
attached resolu the clerk as follo protection and f	tion as passed by th ows; attention to th	ne Municipality of ne Fire Underwrite Irance system that	Wawa ar rs Survey : does no	ration of the Municipality of Calvin is in support of the nd directs the Fire Chief to prepare a letter to give to y requesting the creation of a new community firety put all municipalities under the same umbrella, with
Labour, Immigra	ation, Training and nicipalities, The Ass	Skills Developmen	t, Paul Ca	Doug Ford, The Honorable David Piccini, Minister of alandra, Minister of Affairs and Housing, The federation of Ontario (AMO) MPP Vic Fedeli and all 444
Results:				
Recorded Vote:				
Member of Council Mayor Gould Councillor Moreton Councillor Latimer Councillor Grant Councillor Manson		In Favour	Opposed	

The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

Tuesday, February 6, 2024

Resolution # RC24016	Meeting Order: 5
Moved by: Malfield	Seconded by:

WHEREAS By-Law 1070-96, being a By-Law to continue and regulate a Fire Department for the Corporation of the Municipality of Fire Department;

AND WHEREAS apparatus and equipment are directly tied to the delivery of fire protection services authorized by Council in By-Law 1070-96, and a safe, reliable and diverse fleet is required to serve operational needs;

AND WHEREAS fire Apparatus is governed by industry best practices, the application of law and recognized industry partners, including the Ontario Fire Service Section 21 Guidance Notes, National Fire Protection Association Standards, The Occupational Health and Safety Act, and Fire Underwriters Survey (FUS);

AND WHEREAS Fire Underwriters Survey (FUS) is a provider of data, underwriting, risk management and legal/regulatory services focusing on community fire-protection and fire prevention systems in Canada, establishing apparatus replacement schedules based on safety and risk mitigation practices;

AND WHEREAS on January 24, 2024, Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa received the 2024 Wawa Fire Service Review by The Loomex Group that identifies and evaluates Wawa's current and anticipated fire protection needs, Fire Apparatus Fleet Report and noted the budgetary pressures of meeting FUS replacement schedules;

AND WHEREAS no provincial funding is available for new fire trucks, yet, small and rural municipalities must meet the same standards set by FUS as larger municipalities for fire equipment, including additional pressure to move fire trucks out when they reach a specific age, even though they can still meet the safety regulations;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa direct the Mayor to draft a letter to MPP Minister Todd Smith requesting a meeting to discuss the life span of fire apparatus, specifically pertaining to the replacement of fire trucks due to insurance requirements;

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The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

AND FURTHERMORE, THAT the Mayor draft a letter to FUS requesting the creation of a new community fire-protection and fire prevention insurance system that does not put all municipalities under the same umbrella, with distinct categories for rural and urban municipalities;

AND FURTHERMORE, THAT this resolution be sent to Premier Doug Ford, the Honourable David Piccini, Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development, Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing requesting a response on this matter within 30 days of receipt:

AND FINALLY RESOLVE THAT this resolution be shared with all 444 municipalities in Ontario, The Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), The Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO), and The Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus (EOWC).

RESOLUTION RESULT	RECORDED VOTE		
☑ CARRIED	MAYOR AND COUNCIL	YES	NO
□ DEFEATED	Mitch Hatfield		
☐ TABLED	Cathy Cannon		
RECORDED VOTE (SEE RIGHT)	Melanie Pilon		
PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARED	Jim Hoffmann		1,222,000,000,000
WITHDRAWN	Joseph Opato		

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof.

Disclosed the pecuniary	interest and	general	name	thereof	and	abstained	from	the	discussion,	vote
and influence.										
	C	Clerk:								

DEPUTY MAYOR - JIM HOFFMANN	CLERK - MAURY O'NEILL
ah	Marry Offeill
This document	is available in alternate formats.



Date: February 27, 2024

Resolution Number: 2024-82

10.1.8-Amendment to the Occupational Health and Safety Act to Clarify the Definition of

"Employer'

Moved By: Councillor

Seconded By: Councillor

WHEREAS many municipalities in Ontario have seen an increase to their insurance rates due to Joint and Several Liability;

WHEREAS in 2015 the City of Greater Sudbury (the "City") entered into a contract with a contractor experienced in road construction projects to complete a project on Elgin Street in the City's downtown core;

AND WHEREAS the contract provided that the contractor would be the constructor for the project as that term is defined in the Occupational Health and Safety Act (the "Act");

AND WHEREAS an employee of the constructor operating a grader on the project struck an

AND WHEREAS an employee of the constructor operating a grader on the project struck and killed a pedestrian;

AND WHEREAS the City was charged with offences under the Act as the constructor and the employer;

AND WHEREAS after being acquitted at trial and on appeal, the Ontario Court of Appeal, in a decision issued on April 23, 2021, found the City to be liable for contraventions of the Construction Regulations as an employer as it employed quality control inspectors to monitor the quality of work on the project from time-to-time;

AND WHEREAS the Supreme Court of Canada, in a decision issued on November 10, 2023, was evenly divided 4-4 on the issue resulting in dismissal of the City's appeal;

AND WHEREAS the consequence of this decision is that municipalities in Ontario, as well as all other owners of property in the province, who wish to undertake construction, are subject to being charged and convicted as an employer for offences in relation to project sites for which they have no control and have, in accordance with the Act, contracted with an entity to assume plenary oversight and authority over the work on such site as the constructor; AND WHEREAS the potential of an owner being charged as an employer as that term is defined in the Act in circumstances where it has engaged a constructor disregards and renders meaningless the owner-constructor provisions contained in the Act and presents an unacceptable level of increased risk and confusion for owners and contractors throughout the province;

AND WHEREAS the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin believes that the safety of workers is paramount however the safety of workers on construction projects in Ontario is not increased

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin requests that the province amend the Occupational Health and Safety Act to clarify the definition of "employer" to exclude owners that have contracted with a constructor for a project; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this motion be provided to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable David Piccini, Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development, the Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, France Gelinas, MPP for Nickel Belt, Jamie West, MPP for Sudbury, MPP Vic Fedeli, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, Ontario's Big City Mayors, Mayors and Regional Chairs of Ontario, Northern Ontario Large Urban Mayors, the Council of Ontario Construction Associations, the Ontario

Results:		
Recorded Vote:		
Member of Council	<u>In Favour</u>	Opposed
Mayor Gould		
Councillor Moreton		
Councillor Latimer		
Councillor Grant		
Councillor Manson		

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities requests that the province amend the Occupational Health and Safety Act to clarify the definition of "employer" to exclude owners that have contracted with a constructor for a project;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this motion be provided to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario. the Honourable David Piccini, Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development, the Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, Ontario's Big City Mayors, Mayors and Regional Chairs of Ontario, Northern Ontario Large Urban Mayors, the Council of Ontario Construction Associations, the Ontario Chamber of Commerce

Please reach out if you would like a WORD version of the Resolution. Also, note on the second page are the email addresses of those referenced in the last paragraph.

Talk soon, Mac.

Mac Bain
Executive Director
The Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities
615 Hardy Street North Bay, ON, P1B 8S2
Ph. 705-498-9510



WHEREAS many municipalities in Ontario have scene an increase to their insurance rates due to Joint and Several Liability;

WHEREAS in 2015 the City of Greater Sudbury (the "City") entered into a contract with a contractor experienced in road construction projects to complete a project on Elgin Street in the City's downtown core;

AND WHEREAS the contract provided that the contractor would be the constructor for the project as that term is defined in the Occupational Health and Safety Act (the "Act");

AND WHEREAS an employee of the constructor operating a grader on the project struck and killed a pedestrian;

AND WHEREAS the City was charged with offences under the Act as the constructor and the employer;

AND WHEREAS after being acquitted at trial and on appeal, the Ontario Court of Appeal, in a decision issued on April 23, 2021, found the City to be liable for contraventions of the Construction Regulations as an employer as it employed quality control inspectors to monitor the quality of work on the project from time-to-time;

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AND WHEREAS theMunicipality b	believes that the safety of wo	rkers is paramount	nowever			
the safety of workers on construction projects in Ontario is not increased by placing liability on parties						
that do not have control of and are not responsible for the conduct of the work on such sites;						
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Cou		_Municipality				
that the province amend the Occupational Healt	th and Safety Act to clarify th	e definition of "emp	oloyer"			
to exclude owners that have contracted with a co	onstructor for a project;					

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this motion be provided to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable David Piccini, Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development, the Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, France Gelinas, MPP for Nickel Belt, Jamie West, MPP for Sudbury, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, Ontario's Big City Mayors, Mayors and Regional Chairs of Ontario, Northern Ontario Large Urban Mayors, the Council of Ontario Construction Associations, the Ontario Chamber of Commerce and all Ontario municipalities, and the Clerk of the City of Greater Sudbury.

Email address for those individuals or Organizations listed in the last paragraph

premier@ontario.ca; David.Piccini@pc.ola.org; Paul.Calandra@pc.ola.org; fonom.info@gmail.com; info@coca.on.ca; brentedwards@occ.ca; clerks@greatersudbury.ca; info@obcm.ca; KRedman@regionofwaterloo.ca; resolutions@amo.on.ca



Date: February 27, 2024

Resolution Number: 2024-83

10.1.9-District of Nipissing Social Services Administration board (DNSSAB) -The Reaching Home program

Moved By: Councillor

Seconded By: Councillor

WHEREAS

The Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin has received a request from Mark King, Chair of the District of Nipissing Social Services Administration board (DNSSAB) asking for support and notes;

The District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board (DNSSAB) has seen reduced federal funding for the Reaching Home program for 2026-27 and 2027-28 in the amount of \$738,144 for each year. The Reaching Home program provides federal funding to urban, Indigenous, rural, and remote communities to help them address their local homelessness needs. This abrupt change will present significant financial challenges for the funded agencies providing homelessness services and supports with Reaching Home funds. Communities across Canada are advocating with the Federal Government to reconsider the funding cuts, and we are asking you to do the same. The DNSSAB has also written letters to MPs Rota and Serré, also attached, asking them to advocate for reconsideration of the Reaching Home funding decreases.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Councillor Manson

THAT The Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin supports the stabilization of the Federal Government's Reaching Home funding to the District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board as the Community Entity; and,

THAT funding be maintained, at minimum, at current levels for future fiscal years; and, **THAT** this resolution be shared with local federal representatives

Results:		
Recorded Vote:		
Member of Council	<u>In Favour</u>	Opposed
Mayor Gould		
Councillor Moreton		
Councillor Latimer		
Councillor Grant		

Deputy Clerk

From: Marianne Zadra < Marianne.Zadra@dnssab.ca >

Sent: Thursday, February 8, 2024 10:03 AM

To: 'g.degagne@chisholm.ca'; ; 'krochon@westnipissing.ca; Mayor Richard Gould;

mayor@mattawan.ca'; mayor@papineaucameron.ca; npaquette@bonfieldtownship.com;

pauline.rochefort@eastferris.ca

Cc: Melanie Shaye; Mark King; Bryan Martin CAO Clerk/Treasurer; Deputy Clerk; Francine

Desormeau; Jason McMartin Clerk Treasurer; Jason Trottier; Jean Pierre Barbeau, CAO

West Nipissing; Jenny Leblond; JoAnne Montreuil; John Severino; Nicky Kunkel

(cao.clerk@bonfieldtownship.com); Sabrina Pandolfo

Subject: Reduction in Reaching Home Funding Allocations

Attachments: Letter from Chair Mark King-Board Report HS2024-03-Letters to MPs.pdf

Good morning,

Please find attached a letter from DNSSAB Chair Mark King asking for your support in advocacy regarding reductions in Reaching Home Funding, which is used to address homelessness in the District. Also in the attached is Board Report HS2024-03 summarizing the issue, and letters sent to MPs Rota and Serré, asking for their support.

Thank you, Marianne



Marianne Zadra (she/her)

Communications & Executive Coordinator | Communications et Coordonatrice exécutive District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board (DNSSAB) | Conseil d'administration des services sociaux du district de Nipissing (CASSDN)

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February 7, 2024

RE: Reaching Home Funding Allocations

Hello Mayors and Councils of Nipissing District,

I am writing to the mayors and council of the 11 municipalities that form part of the District of Nipissing, to seek your support. The District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board (DNSSAB) has seen reduced federal funding for the Reaching Home program for 2026-27 and 2027-28 in the amount of \$738,144 for each year. The Reaching Home program provides federal funding to urban, Indigenous, rural, and remote communities to help them address their local homelessness needs. This abrupt change will present significant financial challenges for the funded agencies providing homelessness services and supports with Reaching Home funds. Communities across Canada are advocating with the Federal Government to reconsider the funding cuts, and we are asking you to do the same. (See attached Board Report #HS-2024-003 for details on the funding cuts.)

The DNSSAB has also written letters to MPs Rota and Serré, also attached, asking them to advocate for reconsideration of the Reaching Home funding decreases.

We have provided a draft recommendation below should you wish to join this advocacy in support of our district's most vulnerable individuals. We ask that you bring this recommendation or one of your own design to your council and, if passed, to share that resolution with our local federal representatives.

DRAFT RECOMMENDATION

THAT (your municipality) supports the stabilization of the Federal Government's Reaching Home funding to the District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board as the Community Entity; and,

THAT funding be maintained, at minimum, at current levels for future fiscal years; and,

THAT this resolution be shared with local federal representatives.

Thank you sincerely for your continued support,



Kindest regards,

Mark King

Chair, District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board

Cc: Melanie Shaye, Acting CAO, DNSSAB

Enc/ Board Report #HS-2024-003

BOARD REPORT #HS-2024-003

	☐ FOR INFORM	TATION	or		AL	
Date:	January 3	1, 2024				
Purpose:	Reaching	ງ Home Funding	, Allocatio	ns		
Department	Head: Stacey Cy	opeck, Director	of Housing	Services		
Approver:	Melanie S	Shaye, Acting Ch	ief Adminis	trative Officer		
RECOMME	NDATION					
HS-2024-00	THAT the District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board (DNSSAB) approve Report HS-2024-003 outlining the recommended allocation of Reaching Home Winter Unsheltered Incremental funding for the 2023-24 Fiscal year; and,					
	NSSAB receive ar ation for 2024-202		ecommend	ed investment of the	Reaching Home	
THAT the District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board (DNSSAB) advocate to the Federal Government for stabilization of Reaching Home funding, including that the funding in future fiscal years, at minimum, be maintained at current levels, as outlined in the report.						
RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN						
Alignment with Strategic Plan 2022-2042: Healthy, Sustainable Communities						
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BACKGROUND

Reaching Home Funding began in 2019, replacing the Homelessness Partnering Strategy. North Bay/Nipissing is one of 64 Designated Communities across Canada. The funding has Directives that are tied directly to the implementation of Coordinated Access and the compilation of data using the Homeless Individuals and Families Information System (HIFIS).

The DNSSAB, as Community Entity (CE), signed an original agreement with Canada for a total of \$1,190,764 base funding over five years:



Funding	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	TOTAL
Base RH Allocation	\$229,153	\$219,153	\$250,486	\$245,986	\$245,986	\$1,190,764

Figure 1: Original Reaching Home 2019-2024 Funding

Reaching Home funding in Nipissing has been used to fund shelter supports, overflow, and, over the last two years, Warming Centre operations during the winter months. The funding has also been instrumental in the development and implementation of several local pilot projects, including the Housing Unit Stability and Recovery pilot, Suswin Outreach supports, and the Salvation Army's Emergency Rehousing Program.

Reaching Home Community and Capacity Innovation funding has been essential in the development and implementation of Coordinated Access Nipissing.

FINANCIAL AND RISK CONSIDERATIONS

During the pandemic, incremental funding was added to the base amount and this funding had less stringent parameters for eligible expenses. In Nipissing, the incremental funding was primarily used to enhance and supplement funding for agencies continuing to offer services to households experiencing homelessness during the pandemic.

Funding Years	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	TOTAL
Incremental	\$0	\$0	\$603,702	\$548,263	\$540,808	\$1,692,773
Base RH Allocation	\$229,153	\$219,153	\$250,486	\$245,986	\$245,986	\$1,190,764
TOTAL RH Allocation with Incremental	\$229,153	\$219,153	\$854,188	\$794,249	\$786,794	\$2,883,537

Figure 2: Reaching Home 2019-2024 with Incremental Funding

In 2022, the incremental funding was combined in an amended Agreement with the original base funding and, for 2022-23 and 2023-24, Nipissing used the enhanced base funding to fund new core services within the community, including the Warming Centre with the Gathering Place (TGP) and housing supports with the Brain Injury Association of North Bay and Area (BIANBA).

In late November of 2023, Infrastructure Canada (INFC) advised DNSSAB of the funding allocations for 2024-2028:

Funding	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	TOTAL
Incremental	\$492,158	\$492,158	\$0	\$0	\$984,316
Base RH Allocation	\$245,986	\$245,986	\$245,986	\$245,986	\$983,944
TOTAL	\$738,144	\$738,144	\$245,986	\$245,986	\$1,968,260

Figure 3: Reaching Home Funding 2024-28

In 2024-25 and 2025-26, overall funding for the fiscal year decreases by \$48,650 from the 2023-24 total funding. Funding for 2026-27 and 2027-28 will fall back to pre-pandemic levels. This decrease will add significant funding pressure within the system and could result in the loss of services and capacity.



On December 22, 2023, the DNSSAB received notification from INFC that winter incremental funding of \$222,599 was designated to Nipissing for priorities specific to homelessness pressures associated with unsheltered populations over the winter months. The funding may be used for eligible expenses from November 1, 2023, and must be fully expensed by April 30, 2024. Due to the short timelines for the winter incremental funding, Community Advisory Board (CAB) concurrence was not required for allocation decisions and INFC recommended that the funding be used to top up existing projects rather than create new projects. The incremental funding brings the total allocation for 2023-24 to \$1,009,393.

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT the DNSSAB support the following recommendations from the Community Advisory Board (CAB) at the meeting held January 10, 2024:

Incremental Winter Funding 2023-24: CAB Motion #2024-04:

- Fund temporary beds from November 2023 to April 2024 for individuals relocated as the result of an encampment intervention.
- Extend the Peer Outreach Support Team staffing and security weekday and weekend hours with True Self to April 30, 2024
- Enhance the staffing for the Warming Centre and allocate extra costs for security. With these enhancements, the expected total costs will be \$389,460.

Reaching Home Activity Area	Description	Anticipated Funding Allocation (\$)	Service Provider
Temporary Accommodations (new) (e.g., Leasing hotel/motel spaces to temporarily expand shelter space through the winter)	3 Units of temporary housing from November 2023 to April 2024 for individuals from encampment	\$40,020.00	Low Income People Involvement
Client Support Services (e.g. Hiring outreach workers to support those experiencing unsheltered homelessness, purchasing cold-weather supplies,	Street Outreach and Security (extension of POST project to April 30 th , 2024)	\$69,067.96	True Self
expanding service availability)	Extended Staffing and operational funding for Winter Warming Centre	\$24,835.00	The Gathering Place
	Security and other costs	\$55,286.19	DNSSAB
Administration costs associated with the delivery of the above expenditures (up to a maximum 15% of the contribution for the CE)	Administrative tasks for C.E. – reporting, financial accountability to INFC	\$33,389.85	DNSSAB
	TOTAL	\$222,599.00	

Figure 3: Winter Incremental Funding Allocation Recommendations

2024-25 Base Funding



2024-25 Allocations to Sub-Projects: CAB Motion #2024-05:

• At the January 2024 CAB meeting, the CAB passed Motion #2024-05 recommending that all Sub-Project Agreements currently funded through the 2023-24 base Reaching Home Funding have their Funding Agreements amended to extend current funding to March 31, 2025. The funding shortfall will be taken from the Coordinated Access project funding, which will leave a balance of \$17,857.15 to be used for Coordinated Access and a Point in Time (PiT) count that is mandatory in the Fall of 2024.

Budget	Funded Sub-Projects	
\$162,407	CCNB Shelter Supports Rehousing	
\$73,716	CCNB Supporting Youth in Transitional Housing	
\$110,449	BIANBA Housing Support Program	
\$110,993	CCNB Youth Housing Support Program	
\$152,000	TGP Cold Weather Unsheltered Hub	
\$609,565	TOTAL	

Figure 4: 2024-25 Project Funding Allocation Recommendations

- The extension for 2024-25 will allow for service and staffing stability.
- During the 2024-25 fiscal year, a thorough service evaluation and review of all currently funded sub-projects will be conducted jointly with the CAB to plan for 2025-26.

2024-28 Funding Decreases

 The abrupt changes announced for the Reaching Home Funding for 2026-27 and 2027-28 will present significant financial challenges for the DNSSAB and the agencies providing homelessness services and supports that are funded with Reaching Home funds. Communities across Canada are advocating with the Federal Government to reconsider the funding cuts.

NEXT STEPS

- Upon approval, current agreements with Sub-Project Agencies will be amended to reflect the funding allocations for 2023-24 and 2024-25.
- Recommend that DNSSAB communicate via letter with the Member of Parliament for Nipissing District, Anthony Rota, and Member of Parliament for Nickel Belt, Marc Serré, to advocate for reconsideration of the Reaching Home funding decreases.
- Recommend that DNSSAB collaborate with other leadership organizations, including AMO, NOSDA, OMSSA and CAEH within existing advocacy campaigns.

AUTHOR: Stacey Cyopeck, Director of Housing Services



February 7, 2024

Anthony Rota
Member of Parliament for Nipissing Timiskaming
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Re: Reductions in Reaching Home Funding

Dear MP Rota:

The District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board (DNSSAB) has been the Community Entity for the North Bay/Nipissing Community Advisory Board since signing the original Reaching Home Funding agreement with Canada in 2019. Since that time, this community has been in receipt of a total of \$3,106,136 over five years (2019-2024). This includes incremental funding of \$1,919,872 on top of base funding that was added during the pandemic (2021-2024). The additional funding has been essential to the provision of core community services including shelter supports and diversion, overflow beds and, over the last two years, Warming Centre operations during the winter months. The funding has also been instrumental in the development and implementation of several local pilot projects, including the Housing Unit Stability and Recovery pilot, Suswin Outreach supports, and the Salvation Army's Emergency Rehousing Program.

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It has become clear that the pandemic shone a bright light on the issue of homelessness — one that does not seem to have abated. The continued shortage of affordable housing, economic uncertainly and lack of access to mental health and addiction supports means that we are unlikely



to see a decline in need any time soon. Any loss of funding that, in turn, decreases services or capacity can only be expected to exacerbate the situation.

The DNSSAB respectfully requests that the District's MPs advocate for reconsideration of the cuts to Reaching Home Funding, and that the funding in future fiscal years, at minimum, be maintained at current levels.

Sincerely,

Mark King,

Chairperson

District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board

Cc: Marc Serré, Member of Parliament for Nickel Belt

Melanie Shaye, A/CAO District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board

Encl: Board Report HS2024-03 Reaching Home Funding Allocations



February 7, 2024

Marc Serré
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Encl: Board Report HS2024-03 Reaching Home Funding Allocations



	Council No	Solution
Date: February 27, 2024		
Resolution Number: 2024-84 Chief Building Official Report-January	į.	
Moved By: Councillor Seconded By: Councillor		
Now Therefore Be it Resolved That:		
Building Official.	nicipality of Calvin Town	ship has received a report from the Chief
Results:		
Member of Council	<u>In Favour</u>	Opposed
Mayor Gould Councillor Grant Councillor Latimer Councillor Manson Councillor Moreton		



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BUILDING REPORT

MONTH: January, 2024

NUMBER OF PERMITS ISSUED	0
2. TOTAL MONTHLY VALUE	\$0
3. TOTAL FEES COLLECTED	\$0
4. TOTAL BUILDING VALUE TO DATE	\$0
5. TOTAL FEES COLLECTED TO DATE	\$0

COMMENTS:

\$HANE CONRAD

CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL

Building Report

January, 2024

- Jan 03: Submitted Dec. building report to MPAC, CMHC, StatsCan.
 - Submitted Dec. building report to council.
 - -Submitted Year End building report to council
 - Emails and phone calls.
- Jan 05: Call from property owner.
- Jan 10: Emails and phone calls
 - Report on municipal building meeting the requirements of the OBC for barrier free design
- Jan 12: Phone call from property owner.
- Jan 15: Phone call from property owner.
- Jan 17: Travelled to 1398 Peddlers Dr. for inspection
 - Cleaned up office
 - Emails and phone calls.
- Jan 22: Call from property owner.
- Jan 23: Emails and phone calls
 - Worked on permit 23-2022 to achieve occupancy
 - Chapter meeting in EF
 - Traveled to 1398 for inspection
- Jan 29: text from property owner
- Jan 31: Emails
 - Prepared information about a building file for the municipalities lawyer.

Shane Conrad

CBO



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Donna Maitland CAO/Clerk/Treasurer

February 21, 2024

Donna

I would like you to share this letter with the council.

I am writing, to clear up some misinformation that has been circulating.

I would like to explain that I have no authority to make anyone do anything. I can't stop someone from building, I can't make someone get a building permit, I can't make someone tear a building down and I can't evict anyone. What I can do is issue Orders, (Order to Comply, Order to Stop Work etc.) the order is to let the property owner know that they are in non-compliance of either the Ontario Building Code or the municipality's zoning bylaws. For building code infractions, the CBO has one year from the date of becoming aware of the infraction to issue the Order to Comply. Once I issue the order the property owner has an opportunity to work with the me to meet compliance, if there is no effort on the property owner's part to meet compliance, I reach out to the municipality's lawyer, send them all the paperwork on the file, and request they start the legal process to have the case heard before a judge. This my obligation to the Act and Code. The judge is the one who hears the case and decides what action, if any is required from the property owner. They also decide if there are any penalties imposed and if court cost will be awarded to either party involved.

The council should also know that before we get to the Orders stage, I have reached out to the property owner several times, trying to get them to comply.

I started as the CBO in Calvin on September 2018. I have issued two Orders from then until the date of this letter. The first one was in July 2021 for non-compliance with a zoning bylaw and it was from the direction of the council. It has been resolved.

The second one was February 2024 for non-compliance with a zoning bylaw and it was from the recommendation of the municipal lawyer.

SHANE CONRAD

CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL



Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin

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Agencies, Boards, Committee Reports & Minutes

- North Bay Mattawa Conservation Authority-Councillor Moreton
- Mattawa and Area Police Services Board-Councillor Moreton
- East Nipissing Planning Board-Mayor Gould
- Physicians Recruitment-Mayor Gould
- Ad Hoc Code of Conduct Committee-Councillor Grant/Councillor Manson/Latimer



Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin

Agenda Item #12

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

- 1. Mayor Gould
- 2. Councillor Grant
- 3. Councillor Latimer
- 4. Councillor Manson
- 5. Councillor Moreton

February 2024

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Message from the Mayor

-- by Richard Gould

We were all saddened in January of last year when Deputy Mayor Debbie Adams suddenly passed away. Ms. Adams had started her term with energy and enthusiasm and her influence was missed by staff and council. A month later, Bill Moreton became the Deputy Mayor and in March, John Manson filled the empty seat on council.

The last twelve months have seen a lot of changes in Calvin Township, and the number one focus has been on administration and finances. Day-to-day operations were impacted by the backlog of tasks and priorities had to be established, deciding what needed to be done first. This is still a challenge for council and staff.

Nevertheless, it is important that we have pride in the spaces where we live and work. If you visit the Calvin Township office you will see that it is more open and modern and that the recreation centre has been improved. The rusted radiators and damaged ceiling tiles have been replaced. Areas have been repainted and organized. The north-end bathroom has been renovated and now meets AODA code requirements. (continued on next page)



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Outdoor changes have occurred as well. The worn hockey nets have been replaced and there is now a heated washroom replacing the unsanitary washrooms that were on site. The flooring in the changeroom will soon be replaced and an energy efficient heater has been installed along with new windows. In the autumn it was nice to see the grass maintained, new flower gardens, and a generally welcoming environment. Drop by for a visit. Best of all, the cost for these repairs was mostly covered by CCBF funds that would have been lost if they had not been used by December 31st, four years after they were received.

Because of many factors, financial records from 2022 and 2023 were confused and troubled. The Township's accounting and reporting software had been replaced by Quick Books in 2022 and then by Excel worksheets. The good news, however, is that after a phenomenal amount of work by the staff, Vadim (a municipal software) is being reinstalled and the audited financial statements for 2022 have been accepted by Council. Work is now underway for the 2023 year end. Council is confident that we are in the end stages of bringing the financial situation in order, but it will likely take until the end of this year to truly catch up.

Council has been busy with a number of committees. Deputy Mayor Bill Moreton was appointed to the executive of the North Bay Mattawa Conservation Authority Board and he continues to work on the Police Services Board which is going through some major changes. Robert Latimer has been keeping an eye on the Talon Lake Dock project and the newly formed agency that has been set up to rebuild this resource. Dean Grant and I are on the Planning Board where we hope to see many new land severance applications from Calvin Township property owners. And lastly, I am on the Physician Recruitment Committee which has had great success in recruiting new physicians to commit to come to the Mattawa Hospital in the next few years.

The Calvin Fire Department now has a Chief. Mariel Labreche has been working very hard to tighten up the department. Mariel brought a resolution forward in a council meeting to support Bill C310 and it was supported unanimously. Her participation was noted in Baytoday.ca. "People don't realize how little volunteer firefighters actually make for the time they put in," Chief Labreche said, "we don't even make minimum wage." Bill C310, if it passes, would increase the tax credit for volunteer firefighters from \$3,000 to \$10,000. The Fire Department organized the Family Skate Day on February 19, 2024 and there will be a Spring Breakfast (continued on page 3)

Words from Bill

By Bill Moreton, Deputy Mayor

While it has been an eventful first year, and a bit, in Office, I would like to thank the Calvin Residents for supporting various community events. These events are meant to help bring the community together. Staffed by the Calvin firefighters and with much appreciated donations from several Calvin Firefighter's wives, Maxwell Pottery and Tim Horton's in Mattawa the following events took place. A Family Fun Day was held in 2023 and 2024, and in 2023, a Spring Breakfast, Baking and Plant sale, A Spring Clean Up day, and a Breakfast with Santa.



Several people expressed the desire to have a game night, or even an afternoon at the municipal Hall. Euchre is always popular and the Hall is usually available on Wednesday evenings. While I had hoped to begin this activity in 2023, it would appear that the earliest will be the fall of 2024. The ice rink has been used a fair bit with the closure of the Mattawa rink. Staff have been cleaning the ice and the Fire department has been flooding it. The ball diamond (continued on page 3)

(Mayor's message continued from page 2)

in April and Township Cleanup in May. We can't thank the firefighters of Calvin enough for their many contributions.

At our last council meeting we brought forth another fire related resolution. This time to put pressure on the federal and provincial governments to work together to more effectively fight forest fires in Canada. Calvin contains a great deal of forest and last year's smoky skies were a grave warning of the danger posed by uncontrolled forest fires. The resolution was passed and sent to all 444 municipalities and to the Prime Minister, the Premier of Ontario and to various ministers. Information about this was published in the North Bay Nugget Extra on February 15th of this year under the title: "Calvin Township sparks national wildfire measures."

Our roads department is still doing a great job keeping the Township in a condition that is the envy of neighboring municipalities, but one of the two dump trucks also used for plowing had been allowed to become unsafe and unusable. Its condition was known, but it was still in use. It had to be taken off the road. An emergency meeting of council occurred to discuss the situation and an RFP for its replacement was issued. Luckily the weather has been helping and with the assistance of the Acting Road Superintendent, a new truck has been ordered. This truck is currently being fitted and it should come into service in the near future.

The truck recently removed from service, and other equipment that was previously taken out of service in roads and fire departments will soon be advertised for sale. Check our website soon for listings -- www.calvintownship.ca.

We appointed a new Integrity commissioner, Guy Giorno, and the relationship has been very positive. John Manson, Robert Latimer, Dean Grant with the help of Deputy Clerk/Records Management Coordinator Teresa Scroope continue to work on the Code of Conduct by-law. Their meetings are published on the Calvin website.

Bylaws continue to be an important task facing council. In previous years, the Township through E4M, allowed the implementation of copyrighted bylaws. These bylaws cannot be modified, rewritten or copied without the risk of copyright violation. Normally bylaws are created in-house, or brought in from other municipalities, modified and where necessary, approved by legal counsel, but copyrighted bylaws are owned by the copyright (continued on page 4)

(words from Bill continued from page 2)

has been maintained by staff in the summer and a regular group show up on Friday nights for pickup games. It is not unusual to drive by the play area at the back of the town hall and see families using the swings and apparatus.

As council was all new to the job, there were many learning curves and we appreciate your patience as we progressed through our learning. Our job is not done, but we can see a light at the end of the tunnel. We have finally been able to secure the services of a CAO that is helping Council to move the Township forward through the dense backlog of work. Donna Maitland has put together a staff team that we, on council, feel will be successful.

We will continue reaching out to Calvin citizens in this format as some people may not have access to the Calvin website.

What's Coming

- April. Spring pancake breakfast at the Community Center. There will be a bake sale and plant sale. Contact the fire department if you wish to volunteer or donate.
- May. Calvin Environmental Clean up Day. Register to participate. Let's keep Calvin beautiful.
- Attend a council meeting. You're always welcome.
- Info at www.calvintownship.ca
- Find us on Facebook at Municipality of Calvin.

(Mayor's message continued from page 3)

holder and they cannot be copied or modified. Council with staff's help has the gargantuan task of repealing these bylaws and replacing them. Council and staff are working on the Procedural, Code of Conduct, and Fees and Charges bylaws, but there are many dozens of bylaws that also need to be reworked. Again, this is a task that has been added to the priority list.

MOVING FORWARD

Cassellholme is still an ongoing issue and there have been a number of meetings with more to come in the immediate future. This is still a fluid situation and one that will hopefully be discussed in open session in April of this year.

Calvin is currently undertaking an operational review to assess the level and mix of staffing requirements for the Township. This is necessary to meet the needs and goals of good governance. Both council and staff are committed to ensuring public services are delivered in the most effective and efficient manner. When completed, this independent review will be brought before council with ideas about efficiency, economy, and succession planning. The review is also important in light of the ongoing Union collective agreement bargaining activities initiated by former and some current hourly employees.

Two of several reports and studies mandated by the Provincial government were presented to Council in mid-late 2023. The 2022 Asset Management Plan was not completed and council had not seen or adopted the 2022 Bridge Management Plan, but again, while dealing with backlog, these reports have now been completed and accepted by Council. The results along with the annual Accessibility Compliance Report, a mandatory Landfill Capacity Assessment, and a Closure Liability Report are to be completed in 2024. These reports represent a sizeable amount of work and they have implications on the Municipality's short- and long-term budget planning.

Council and staff are anxious to get to work a strategic plan, which will guide the direction for the next few years. Part of the plan is to get as much public input as possible. This project will have to wait for a few months at least as there are other items higher on the priority list.

Tax notices are now going out to residents for the 2024 year. Current staff have responded to a great number of posting errors from previous years and they have resolved all the issues that have come to their attention. We look forward to a smoother 2024 tax year. A reminder that MPAC determines the value of your property in Calvin Township. If you have questions about your tax evaluation you can find information on the MPAC website by going to www.mpac.ca or by calling them at 1 866 296-6722. There is a factsheet that will tell you more about the MPAC that can be found at https://www.mpac.ca/en/News/FactSheet/MPACFactSheet

In closing, I would like to thank all the staff for their hard work during this time of rebuilding and prioritizing. All staff in the office have been working hard to handle the day-to-day responsibilities while dealing with an enormous backlog. The roads staff have been working hard with older equipment, repairs, and clean up, while keeping the roads up to date. The landfill and labour staff have been working hard to beautify and update our facilities. There is a real sense of community growing in the Township. We look forward to a positive future.



Date: February 27, 2	2024					
Resolution Number:	2024-85					
Moved by:	Councillor					
Seconded by:	Councillor					
Now Therefore Be it R	ESOLVED THAT:					
"Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin hereby move into closed session atp.m. pursuant to Section 239 (3)(b) of the <i>Municipal Act</i> , to consider, as follows: 239(3)(b) of the <i>Municipal Act</i> , 2001. An ongoing investigation respecting the municipality, a local board or a municipally-controlled						
to in subsection			Ombudsman Act, an Ombudsman referred or referred to in subsection 239.2.			
Results:						
Member of Council Mayor Gould Councillor Moreton Councillor Latimer Councillor Grant Councillor Manson		In Favour	Opposed □ □ □ □ □			



Date: February 27, 2024						
Resolution Number:	2024-86					
Moved by:	Councillor					
Seconded by:	Councillor					
Now Therefore Be it R	ESOLVED T HAT:					
That Council for the Mu	ınicipality of Cal	vin return to Open Sessi	on at p.m. and report the following:			
239(3)(b) of the <i>Municipal Act, 2001</i> . An ongoing investigation respecting the municipality, a local board or a municipally-controlled corporation by the Ombudsman appointed under the <i>Ombudsman Act</i> , an Ombudsman referred to in subsection 223.13 (1) of this Act, or the investigator referred to in subsection 239.2.						
Results:						
Recorded Vote:						
Member of Council Mayor Gould Councillor Moreton Councillor Latimer Councillor Grant Councillor Manson		In Favour	Opposed □ □ □ □ □ □ □			



Date: February 27, 2024							
Resolution Number: 2024-87							
Moved By: Councillor Seconded By: Councillor							
Now Therefore Be it Resolved That: By-Law 202417_ Being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of Council Results:							
Member of Council Mayor Gould Councillor Grant Councillor Latimer Councillor Moreton Councillor Manson	In Favour	Opposed □ □ □ □ □					

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CALVIN

BYLAW NUMBER 2024-17

BEING A BYLAW TO CONFIRM THE PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

Legal Authority

Scope of Powers

Section 8(1) of the *Municipal Act*, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25, ("Municipal Act") as amended, provides that the powers of a municipality shall be interpreted broadly so as to confer broad authority on municipalities to enable them to govern their affairs as they consider appropriate, and to enhance their ability to respond to municipal issues.

Powers of a Natural Person

Section 9 of the *Municipal Act* provides that a municipality has the capacity, rights, powers and privileges of a natural person for the purpose of exercising its authority under this or any other Act.

Powers Exercised by Council

Section 5 (1) of the Municipal Act provides that the powers of a municipality shall be exercised by its Council

Powers Exercised by By-law

Section 5(3) of the *Municipal Act* provides that a municipal power, including a municipality's capacity, rights, powers and privileges under section 9, shall be exercised by bylaw unless the municipality is specifically authorized to do otherwise.

Preamble

Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin ("Council") acknowledges that many of the decisions it makes during a meeting of Council, regular, special, or otherwise, are done by resolution. Section 5 (3) requires that Council exercise their powers by Bylaw.

Council further acknowledges that the passing of resolutions are more expedient than adopting Bylaws for each decision.

Decision

Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin decides it in the best interest of the Corporation to confirm its decisions by way of Confirmatory Bylaw.

Direction

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin directs as follows:

- 1. The Confirmatory Period of this By-Law shall be for the Regular Council meeting of February 27, 2024.
- 2. All By-Laws passed by the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin during the period mentioned in Section 1 are hereby ratified and confirmed.
- 3. All resolutions passed by the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin during the period mentioned in Section 1 are hereby ratified and confirmed.
- 4. All other proceedings, decisions, and directives of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin during the period mentioned in Section 1 are hereby ratified and confirmed.

Read and adopted by Resolution202487	this 27 th Day of February, 2024.
MAYOR	CAO

This Bylaw takes effect on the day of its final passing.



Date: February 27, 2024		
Resolution Number: 2024-88		
Moved By: Councillor Seconded By: Councillor		
Now Therefore Be it Resolved That:		
"Council for the Corporation of the	Municipality of Calvin ı	now be adjourned @pm."
Results:		
Member of Council	<u>In Favour</u>	<u>Opposed</u>
Mayor Gould Councillor Grant Councillor Latimer Councillor Manson Councillor Moreton		