



**The Corporation of The Township of Bonfield**  
**AGENDA FOR COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD**  
**April 22nd, 2025 AT 7:00 P.M.**

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Adoption of Agenda**
3. **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof**
4. **Adoption of previous minutes**
  - a. Regular Meeting of Council: April 8th, 2025
5. **Presentations and Delegations**
  - a. David Boghosian – Integrity Commissioner’s 2024 Annual Report
6. **Question Period**
7. **Staff Reports**
  - a. Report from Office Clerk – Update on TD Friends of the Environment Grant Application
8. **Adoption of Committee Minutes/ Motions**
  - a. **Recreation Committee** – April 7, 2025
  - b. **Library Board** – April 14, 2025
9. **Items for Council Discussion**
10. **Resolutions to be Considered for Adoption**
  - a. 2025-2029 Accessibility Plan
  - b. Celebrate Canada 2025 Grant
  - c. By-law 2025-22 – To Establish the Bonfield Public Library and Library Board
  - d. Rockin’ Horse Riding Association – Donation Request
11. **Correspondence**
  - a. Near North Crime Stoppers Annual Golf Tournament
  - b. FONOM Annual General Meeting Minutes - May 5, 2025
  - c. FONOM – Proposed Changes to Ministry of Transportation
  - d. FONOM - 2025 Executive Award
  - e. AMO Policy Update – Speech from the Throne
  - f. Town of Amherstburg - Opposition to Strong Mayor Powers
  - g. Town of Rideau Lakes - Strong Mayor Powers
12. **Closed Session** – None for this session
13. **Confirmatory By-Law**
  - a. Resolution to adopt By-law No. 2025-21
14. **Adjournment**

*Small Community, Big Heart*





**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BONFIELD  
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL  
April 8th, 2025**

PRESENT:                      Narry Paquette, Chair                      Jason Corbett  
                                 Donna Clark                      Dan MacInnis  
                                 Steve Featherstone

STAFF PRESENT:        Andrée Gagné, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer  
                                 Alex Hackenbrook, Public Works Manager  
                                 Nicky Kunkel, CAO Clerk-Treasurer

**1. Call to Order**

**Motion 1**

Moved by Councillor Clark

Seconded by Councillor MacInnis

THAT this meeting be opened at 7:00 p.m.

Carried

**2. Adoption of Agenda**

**Motion 2**

Moved by Councillor Featherstone

Seconded by Councillor Corbett

THAT the agenda presented to Council and dated the 8th day of April 2025, be adopted as presented.

Carried

**3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

**4. Adoption of Previous Minutes**

**Motion 3**

Moved by Councillor Featherstone

Seconded by Councillor Clark

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council meeting of March 25th, 2025 be adopted as circulated.

Carried

**5. Presentation & Delegations**

Norman Sheppard presented a proposal to Council on establishing a Community Garden in Rutherglen again. He obtained estimates to set up fencing to protect the garden from wildlife and will volunteer his time to get this going. Council are in favor of restarting the garden at the Rutherglen Park. However, the estimates for material of \$2,100 are higher than the budgeted amount of \$400.00 that is levied for the gardens. Council agreed to lend the snow fence from public works until his desired fencing can be obtained. It was suggested that requests for donations may be appropriate for him to pursue to get the community garden started.

**6. Question Period**



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**7. Staff Reports**

7.a Public Works Manager - Report to Council - Landfill - Recycling Update April 8th 2025

**Motion 4**

Moved by Councillor Clark

Seconded by Councillor MacInnis

That Council for The Township of Bonfield receives this report and all information contained within it to stay informed regarding the updated provincially mandated recycling practices.

Carried

**8. Adoption of Committee Minutes/ Motions – None for this session**

**9. Items for Council Discussion – None for this session**

**10. Resolutions to be Considered for Adoption**

10.a Municipality of East Ferris - Standing for Canada

**Motion 5**

Moved by Councillor MacInnis

Seconded by Councillor Featherstone

THAT Council for the Township of Bonfield supports the Municipality of East Ferris call to action to the federal and provincial governments to Stand for Canada, to buy Canadian and therefore remove any impediments to municipalities preferring to engage Canadian companies for products and services when appropriate and feasible and encourages the provincial and federal governments to remove trade barriers between provinces in support of Canadian businesses.

Carried

10.b Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury - Motion to Request Landlord Tenant Reforms

**Motion 6**

Moved by Councillor Clark

Seconded by Councillor Featherstone

THAT Council for the Township of Bonfield supports the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury requesting the provincial government to look at ways to implement balanced reforms that protect both small-scale landlords and tenants and ensuring fairness in the rental market.

Carried

10.c Town of Amaranth – Buy Local and Canadian

**Motion 7**

Moved by Councillor Featherstone

Seconded by Councillor Clark

THAT the Council for the Township of Bonfield supports the Township of Amaranth in encouraging all Township residents to “Buy Local and Canadian”.

Carried



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10.d Township of Selwyn – U.S. Tariffs on Canada Purchasing Policies

**Motion 8**

Moved by Councillor Featherstone

Seconded by Councillor Corbett

THAT the Council for the Township of Bonfield supports the Township of Selwyn in urging the federal and provincial governments to take all necessary actions to protect Ontario's interests in trade negotiations with the U.S. and investigate purchasing policies

Carried

**11. Correspondence**

**Motion 9**

Moved by Councillor Featherstone

Seconded by Councillor MacInnis

THAT Council receives the Correspondence circulated with the Agenda of April 8th, 2025.

Carried

**12. Closed Session – None for this session**

**13. Confirmatory By-Law**

**Motion 10**

Moved by Councillor Featherstone

Seconded by Councillor MacInnis

THAT the Council for the Township of Bonfield hereby adopts By-Law 2025-20 to confirm the proceedings of Council from March 25th, 2025 to April 8th, 2025, as presented and is considered read three times and passed this 8th day of April, 2025.

Carried

**14. Adjournment**

**Motion 11**

Moved by Councillor Clark

Seconded by Councillor Featherstone

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Carried

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MAYOR

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CLERK



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April 10, 2025

**VIA EMAIL – [cao.clerk@bonfieldtownship.com](mailto:cao.clerk@bonfieldtownship.com)**

Mayor and Members of Council  
Township of Bonfield  
365 Hwy 531  
Bonfield, Ontario  
P0H 1E0

Dear Mayor and Members of Council:

**RE: BONFIELD INTEGRITY COMMISSIONER 2024/2025  
ANNUAL REPORT**

I am pleased to provide my annual report for the first year of my retainer as your Integrity Commissioner as mandated by s. 223.6 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*.

**Complaints and Investigations**

During this reporting period, there was one Complaint forwarded to me regarding a Code of Conduct violation against one Member of Council. That Complaint was summarily dismissed.

I received no complaints regarding *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act* (“MCIA”) violations during this period.

**Requests for Advice**

I received one request for advice concerning a Code of Conduct matter from one Member of Council.

**Education**

I held an in-person training seminar for Council on February 25, 2025.

**Gifts and Benefits Disclosure Statements**

I did not receive any Gifts and Benefits Disclosure Statements pursuant to Section 6 of the Code of Conduct during this reporting period.

I trust this will be of interest to you. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. Boghosian", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

David G. Boghosian

DGB/dgb/ka

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## REPORT TO COUNCIL

**DATE:** April 22, 2025  
**FROM:** Casandra Klooster, Office Clerk  
**SUBJECT:** Community Garden

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### RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council accepts this report on the Township's application to the TD Friends of the Environment Foundation (TD FEF) for funding to support the Bonfield Community Garden for information purposes.

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### BACKGROUND:

Earlier this year, the Township submitted a funding application to the TD Friends of the Environment Foundation in the amount of \$7,443.06 in support of the Bonfield Community Garden project. The grant was intended to cover the cost of supplies for raised garden beds, trellises, seeds and plants, and materials for creating pathways throughout the garden.

At the time of the application, the Recreation & Fitness Committee, together with Township staff, carefully considered the best location for this initiative. It is important to note that there was no active community garden in Rutherglen at that time. The only existing garden space had consisted of four donated planters, which were unfortunately stolen prior to last summer. In recent years, no volunteer involvement was present, and the space was maintained solely by Public Works staff as part of routine grass cutting.

By comparison, the Bonfield hamlet offered a solid foundation, with existing garden beds, signage, a history of community involvement, and a central, accessible location near the school, seniors' housing, the Bonfield Food Bank and Township facilities. As such, the application focused on enhancing and sustaining the Bonfield Community Garden, while remaining open to future opportunities elsewhere as interest, volunteers, and resources allow.


### UPDATE

The Township has since received a response from TD FEF advising that our application was not selected for funding. A copy of the letter received from TD FEF is attached to this report for Council's reference.

Although this funding application was not successful, the Recreation & Fitness Committee and Township staff remain committed to promoting the Bonfield Community Garden as a welcoming, Township-wide initiative. All residents, including those from Rutherglen and the wider Bonfield Township, are encouraged to participate, volunteer, and help this community space continue to grow.

Respectfully,

I concur with this report,

  
Casandra Klooster  
Office Clerk

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Nicky Kunkel  
CAO - Clerk - Treasurer



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**From:** FriendsOfTheEnvironment, TD <td.friendsoftheenvironment@td.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 14, 2025 1:24 PM  
**To:** Nicky Kunkel <cao.clerk@bonfieldtownship.com>  
**Subject:** TD FEF Grant application (Request #«Request\_ID») has been declined.

You don't often get email from td.friendsoftheenvironment@td.com. [Learn why this is important](#)  
Nicky Kunkel,

Re: Bonfield Community Garden (Request ID: 96935563)

Your application to TD Friends of the Environment Foundation (TD FEF) on behalf Corporation of the Township of Bonfield in the amount of \$7443.06 has been reviewed by the CA: Northern Shield Chapter Advisory Board.

Unfortunately, the Board is unable to support your request for funding at this time.

While we are unable to provide financial support for your current project, TD FEF is committed to working with organizations which share our passion for the environment. Below are some answers to Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) that may help you prepare any future applications for TD FEF funding.

We wish you great success with your project, and we thank you for taking the time to submit an application.

Warm regards,

TD Friends of the Environment Foundation

Email [tdfef@td.com](mailto:tdfef@td.com)



## TD FEF Application FAQs:

Q) I've been declined, should I consider re-applying?

A) Yes! Applications are reviewed based on our funding focus areas and eligibility criteria (<https://www.td.com/corporate-responsibility/fef-grant.jsp>). Applications that meet basic eligibility criteria may be declined for a variety of reasons, including the following:

- Insufficient information in the application. Successful applications often have a clear overview of the project, including a detailed budget, plan specifics, and desired outcomes.
- Funds requested are budgeted for ineligible costs. (<https://www.td.com/corporate-responsibility/fef-grant.jsp>)

Q) I've been declined for funding, I've reviewed the eligibility criteria/funding exemptions, and I still don't understand why. Can I talk to someone before I apply again?

A) Yes! If you've reviewed the funding criteria/exemptions online (<https://www.td.com/corporate-responsibility/fef-grant.jsp>), and still have questions, please contact your local TD FEF Regional Manager for additional feedback and counsel.

Q) I've been declined by a TD FEF Chapter within the past 12 months. When can I re-apply?

A) An organization can apply only once in a 12-month period for a specific project/program/initiative; however, an organization can apply to the same Chapter for a different project within a 12-month period. For example, a local school that applies for funding from the Vancouver Chapter for a garden project in January can also apply to the Vancouver Chapter for a recycling program in July.

Before you re-apply online, please ensure that you make any necessary changes to your application. For full details on TD FEF funding focus areas and eligibility criteria, visit (<https://www.td.com/corporate-responsibility/fef-grant.jsp>)

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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BONFIELD  
Minutes of the Recreation & Fitness Committee Meeting  
April 7th, 2025 at 5:00 pm

a. OAC Grant

An update was provided on the OAC Grant funding. Although one creative submission was received for the Art Installation, it did not fully align with the grant's criteria and as such it was not recommended to Council.

The Recreation Committee recommends pursuing an alternative project such as a mural installation within the park. The Committee feels that a mural will provide a more enduring artistic contribution to the community. Staff will engage with local artists and community arts organizations to explore mural concepts and determine a suitable location in Kaibuskong Park.

b. Canada Day

Staff provided a report on the updated timing of Canada Day events. Based on the Town Hall vote, the fireworks display will be held on Tuesday, July 1st. As a result, the Labour Day event has been cancelled.

Members suggested securing two musical acts; staff will contact local artists. Several volunteers have come forward, and the Committee supports including classic games such as races. Staff will confirm volunteer availability. For children's entertainment, staff will explore options such as rope courses and electronic tag. The Food Bank will be contacted to determine interest in operating the canteen.

## **7. Items for Committee Discussion**

a. Easter Egg Hunt

The Easter Egg Hunt is set for Saturday, April 19th, from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm. The event will be organized by age groups, with children collecting one empty egg of each color to exchange for a goodie bag from volunteers, ensuring all participants receive equal prizes. Donations have been requested and are being accepted at the Library and Township Office. The Reptile Camp will run a colouring contest. Mark Robinson has volunteered to take photos of the event.

b. Community Garden

Staff have been in contact with Ecole Lorraine, and the school would like to manage one of the beds at the Bonfield Community Garden. A call for vegetable donations has been issued. Staff will contact local arborist to obtain wood shavings.

c. Provincial Day of Action

The Committee discussed the upcoming Earth Day and Provincial Day of Action. Staff will reach out to the Lion's Club to discuss partnering with their plans on April 22<sup>nd</sup> to ensure a safe and successful day.

d. 2025 Recreation Budget

The Committee discussed the 2025 Recreation Budget and was tasked with bringing forward any ideas for events supported by the Committee at the next meeting. Additionally, members were asked to propose ideas for developing a 5-year plan for the Committee's actions and initiatives.

e. 2025 Events

In 2024 the suggestion was made to support an Angel Tree initiative for Christmas. Staff will reach out to the Lion's Club to discuss partnering with them as they already have a similar initiative.

## **8. Motions to be Considered for Adoption**

None for this session

## **9. Correspondence**

None for this session.

## **10. Adjournment**

**Moved by** Sheena Whalen

**Seconded by** Holly Brodhagen

THAT the Recreation & Fitness Committee Meeting be adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

**Steve Featherstone, Chair**

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CHAIR

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SECRETARY



REGULAR MEETING OF THE LIBRARY BOARD, Monday April 14, 2025  
365 Hwy 531, Bonfield ON P0H 1E0

PRESENT: Gail Johnston, Britney Morin, Storme Van Rassel, Leslie Larocque

STAFF: Jeannette Shields

EXCUSED ABSENCE: Donna Clark

- 25-24 Moved by: Gail Johnston  
THAT the Library Board meeting be opened at 7:02pm.  
Seconded by: Storme Van Rassel  
Carried: Leslie Larocque
- 25-25 Moved by: Britney Morin  
THAT the Library Board regular meeting agenda be approved as presented.  
Seconded by: Gail Johnston  
Carried: Leslie Larocque
- 25-26 Moved by: Storme Van Rassel  
THAT reports circulated be approved as presented.  
Seconded by: Gail Johnston  
Carried: Leslie Larocque
- 25-27 Moved by: Storme Van Rassel  
The Bonfield Public Library Board approves the revisions and amendments of the  
Bonfield Public Library By Laws 98-08 as presented. Requesting Council to approve  
These by-laws as amended.  
Seconded by: Britney Morin  
Carried: Leslie Larocque
- 25-28 Moved by: Gail Johnston  
The Bonfield Public Library Board approves the revisions and amendments of the  
Bonfield Public Library Remuneration and Expenses as presented.  
Seconded by: Britney Morin  
Carried: Leslie Larocque
- 25-29 Moved by: Gail Johnston  
Be it resolved that the Bonfield Public Library Board accepts with regret the resignation  
Of the Library Occasional Worker Jeannette Martin.  
Seconded by: Storme Van Rassel  
Carried: Leslie Larocque
- 25-30 Moved by: Gail Johnston  
THAT the Library Board meeting be adjourned at 7:38pm  
Seconded by: Britney Morin  
Carried: Leslie Larocque

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Secretary

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Chairperson

BONFIELD  
PUBLIC LIBRARY  
**BY-LAW**

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BONFIELD  
BY-LAW NO. 98-08**

**Being a by-law to establish the Bonfield Public Library ~~Resource Centre~~ in the Township of Bonfield and to determine the size, composition and role of the Bonfield Public Library ~~Resource Centre~~ Board.**

**Whereas the council of the Township of Bonfield hereby establishes a public library ~~resource centre~~ in accordance with Part 1, RSO, 1990, c. P.44, s. 3 of the Public Libraries Act.**

**NOW THEREFORE The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Township of Bonfield ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:**

**Definitions:**

**Can define the Bonfield Public Library ~~Resource Centre~~ Board to be hereafter called the “board” in this document.**

**Can define the Bonfield Public Library ~~Resource Centre~~ to be hereafter called the “Library” in this document.**

**1.0 General Provisions**

- 1.1 ~~A Public Resource Centre Board~~ to be known as The Bonfield Public Library ~~Resource~~ Board is hereby established.
- 1.2 The Bonfield Public Library ~~Resource Centre~~ Board shall manage and direct the Bonfield Public Library ~~Resource Centre~~ in accordance with the Public Libraries Act.
- 1.3 That the Board be appointed by a resolution of Council, for the term of Council.

**2.0 Board Structure**

- 2.1 The Board shall be composed of five (5) voting members appointed by resolution of the Municipal Council. ~~2002, c. 18, Sched. F, s. 3 (8).~~
  - One (1) member shall be a Municipal Council.
  - Four (4) members shall be ratepayers of the municipality who, reside in the Township ~~and/or reside in a contracting municipalities as per section 29~~ and
  - are not employed by the municipality.
  - are qualified to be elected as members of council.
- 2.2 The Chairperson shall be one of the five (5) Members on the Board and shall be ~~selected by secret ballot~~ **voted on by a show of hands** by the Board Members at its first meeting, in a new term. R.S.O. 1990, c. P.44, s. 14 (3).

### 2.3 Role of Chairperson

- Presiding at regular and special meetings of the Board, in accordance with the Public Libraries Act RSO, 1990, chapter P. 44 and other relevant legislation, and with the rules of procedure adopted by the board;
- Serving as an ex-officio member of all Board Committees;
- Representing the Board, alone or with other members of the Board, at any public or private meetings for the purpose of conducting, promoting or completing the business of the Board.
- Determining the responsibility of committees to deal with matters which arise where it is unclear which committee has responsibility, subject to eventual confirmation by the Board;
- Ensuring that vacancies on the Board are filled as expeditiously as possible;
- Advising the Vice-Chairperson, if for any reason, the Chairperson is temporarily unable to perform these functions;
- Shall preside over the conduct of the Board's meetings to ensure that all matters are dealt with a prompt efficient manner in the interest of all concerned;
- Shall be entitled to one vote and to the same extent as the other Board Members.

### 2.4 Role of Vice-Chairperson

- The Vice-Chairperson shall be one of the five (5) members of the Board and shall be selected at the Board's first meeting in a new term ~~by secret ballot~~; **voted by a show of hands.**
- Exercises all powers and performs all duties of the Chairperson, in the absence of the
- Exercise such powers and duties as may, from time to time, be assigned by the board.

### 2.5 The board shall appoint a secretary who shall

- Conduct the board's official correspondence; and,
- Keep minutes of every meeting of the board

### 2.6 The board shall appoint a treasurer who shall

- Receive and account for all the board's money;
- Open an account or accounts in the name of the board in a chartered bank, Trust company or credit union approved by the board;
- Deposit all money received on the board's behalf to the credit of that account or accounts; and
- Disburse the money as the board directs.

### 2.7 The same person may be both the secretary and the treasurer.

### 2.8 The board shall appoint a chief executive officer who shall have general supervision over and direction of the operations of the library and its staff. Shall attend all board meetings, and shall have the other power and duties that the board assigns to him or her from time to time. The Board shall establish a job description, hours of work, salary and benefits for the position.



**3.0 Mandate of the Board**

- 3.1 Shall seek to provide, in co-operation with other boards, a comprehensive and efficient library service that reflects the community's unique needs;
- 3.2 Shall seek to provide library services in the French language, where appropriate,
- 3.3 Shall operate special services in connection with a library as it considers necessary.
- 3.4 May operate special services in connection with a library as it considers necessary.
- 3.5 Shall fix the times and places for board meetings and the mode of calling and conducting them, and ensure that full and correct minutes are kept;
- 3.6 Shall make ~~an annual report to the Municipal Council and make any other~~ reports as requested by council from time to time:
- 3.7 Shall take proper security for the treasurer; and
- 3.8 May appoint such committees as it considers expedient.

**4.0 Board Meetings**

- 4.1 ~~A board shall hold a minimum of 10 meetings per year and at such times as it considers necessary in accordance with the Public Libraries Act, RSO, 1990 Chapter P. 44, Section 16 (1)~~

**A board shall hold at least seven regular meetings in each year. 2019, c. 14, Sched. 12, s. 2.**

- 4.2 A quorum, being three (3) of five (5) board members, shall always be required to be present to held a valid meeting.
- 4.3 Regular meetings of the board shall be public meetings.
- 4.4 Special meetings may be held when a matter urgent in nature, deems it so. Special meetings may be called by the chairperson, or in his or her absence, by the vice-chair or at the request of the majority of members of the Board.
- 4.5 All decisions of the board shall be decided at a properly constituted meeting of the board, by resolution duly moved and seconded and voted on by a show of hands.

- 1. **Board members may attend library board meetings remotely via teleconference or Internet video conferencing call.**

- a) **As all board meetings are open to the public, these meetings must be conducted in such a way that all members participating can hear each other, at the same time, and that the public can also hear the deliberations.**
- b) **A member of the library board or a committee may attend, participate, and vote at an open or closed meeting remotely**
- c) **Members who wish to attend a meeting remotely must give notice two (2) hours before the commencement of the meeting to the Secretary so that the equipment can be made ready**
- c) **Meeting minutes will reflect that a member is participating remotely**  
**Quorum applies to the members attending in person and remotely.**

## **5.0 Agenda**

- 5.1 The chairperson with the assistance of the CEO shall be responsible to prepare an agenda for each and every meeting of the board.
- 5.2 Any matters relevant to the Library or its board from the general public, groups or agencies and governments shall be placed on the agenda of the next regular meeting.
- 5.3 The CEO shall prepare and have the agenda available to all members of the board at least five (5) days prior to any regular meeting.
- 5.4 The ~~agenda of the board and subsequent~~ minutes of the board shall be sent to the Administrator, Clerk – Treasurer of the Municipality.
- 5.5 The minutes of every meeting of the board shall be signed by the chairperson or acting chairperson who presided over the meeting and the Secretary.
- 5.6 The minutes of every meeting shall be open to public inspection and any person desiring a copy thereof may obtain a photocopy upon payment of a prescribed fee as established by the Board.

## **6.0 Legal Transaction**

- 6.1 The board may enter into legal contractual agreements to fulfill services deemed necessary for the benefit of library patrons so long as these agreements and contracts are with the budgeted assessment provided to the Municipal Council on a yearly basis and so approved.
- 6.2 No member of the board has the legal authority to commit the Library or its board and any legal transaction or agreement shall be duly approved by the Board and if required by the Municipal Council.

## **7.0 Expenses**

- 7.1 The board may reimburse its members for proper travelling and other expenses incurred in carrying out their duties as members.
- 7.2 The board may reimburse its staff as per Bonfield Public Library Policy and ~~Procedures Objectives, Revised April 1993~~, for attending meetings and seminars.

## **8.0 Role of the Board**

- 8.1 The board shall be responsible for the administration of all policies, rules and regulations relating to the administration of the Library in accordance with its Policy and ~~Procedures Objectives Document, Revised, April 1993~~.
- 8.2 The board may appoint and remove such employees as it considers necessary, determine the terms of the employment, fix their remuneration and prescribe their duties.

- 8.3 The board may solicit any gifts or bequest of money or services or any donations to be applied, for either the temporary or permanent use of the Library.
- 8.4 The board may generate a user fee schedule as determined in the Public Libraries Act, RSO, 1990, Chapter P. 44 and attach this fee schedule to this document when it has been duly considered and voted on by the members of the board.
- 8.5 The board may impose such fees as it considers proper for,
- a) inter-library loans where a cost to the library is realized,
  - b) The use of library services by persons who do not reside in the area of the board's jurisdiction,
  - c) fees for the use of library equipment loaned to the public or organizations outside of the library.
  - d) Institute user fees where appropriate and expedient in the establishment of library programs and services and, to maintain and sustain these programs for the benefit of the public who use them.
- 8.6 Annually the board shall submit and interpret to the Municipal Council of the Township of Bonfield a budget for its approval and shall make to the Municipal Council full and complete reports as required.
- 8.7 The board may make rules,
- For the use of library services,
  - For the admission of the public to the library,
  - For the exclusion from the library of persons who behave in a disruptive manner or cause damage to library property,
  - Imposing fines for breaches of the rules,
  - Suspending library privileges for breaches of the rules, and:
  - Regulating all other matters connected with the management of the library and library property.
- 8.8 Shall create and maintain a Policy and Objectives document for its members, staff and for the good of the public and municipal councils so as. To clearly establish and guarantee an understanding of the operation and function of the library by its patrons, trustees and staff.

## **9.0 Repeals**

- 9.1 That By-Law 9-73 be hereby repealed in its entirety.

READ A FIRST AND SECOND TIME THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF APRIL, 2025.

READ A THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF APRIL, 2025.

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CLERK

*Remuneration and*

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*Expenses*

## BONFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

POLICY Title: Remuneration and Expenses

Policy Number: 25-28

Policy Approval Date: June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009

Policy Review Date: April 14, 2025

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The Bonfield Public Library Board deems it necessary to establish a reasonable rate of remuneration and expense to reimburse representatives of the Bonfield Public Library when traveling on library business. The following classification of remuneration, expenses and rates will be reimbursed accordingly.

### **1.0 TRANSPORTATION**

- 1.1 Transportation will be reimbursed at a rate of \$0.63/km set by the CRA Kilometric Rates when using own vehicle, receipts are not required. Personal motor vehicle liability insurance coverage is the responsibility of the driver (not reimbursable by the library)... Reimbursement for traffic violations, accident, car repairs or maintenance will not be accepted.
- 1.2 Receipts shall be required when traveling by air, bus or rail.
- 1.3 To claim mileage members should indicate where their journeys started and finished, places visited and the approved duty involved. (*See attached Claim Form Sample*)

### **2.0 ACCOMMODATIONS**

- 2.1 The single rate of accommodation will be reimbursed when it can be appropriately charged; receipts must be produced.
- 2.2 The best rate should be obtained whenever practical.

### **3.0 MEALS – PER DIEM**

- 3.1 Reimbursement will equal the receipted amount up to the predetermined maximum, inclusive of all taxes and gratuities, excluding alcohol.  
Maximum allowable rate are:
  - \$15.00 for breakfast when departing place of residence one hour prior to normal working hours ;
  - \$25.00 for lunch ;
  - \$30.00 for dinner when arriving at place of residence one hour after normal working hours ;
- 3.2 When the cost of any meal exceeds the approved rates established, receipts and Explanations are required prior to approval.

### **4.0 OTHER EXPENSES**

- 4.1 Expenses incurred for taxis and parking when acting on behalf of the Bonfield Public Library will be reimbursed upon submission of receipts.
- 4.2 Other expenses not previously mentioned may be reimbursed at the Library Board discretion.

## **5.0 CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS**

- 5.1 When the Library Board approves the attendance of library employees at conferences and/or workshops the employee shall receive compensation at their regular hourly rate or time in lieu. Such employee must be approved in advance by the Board, or, where this is not possible, by the CEO.
- 5.2 “*Standard mileages*” e.g. home to HQ (*Library*) will be provided to assist employees in making their claims. The standard will always be the shortest route, but if on any occasion it is not possible to take the standard route, then members should detail the route taken, the mileage and the reason for the change.

## **6.0 TRAVEL ADVANCES**

Advances for travel may be obtained upon completion and submission of the “*Travel Advance Request Form*”. Advances will be calculated based on the estimated cost of travel.

## **7.0 TRAVEL EXPENSE CLAIM FORM**

Within five (5) working days of return a “*Travel Expense Claim Form*” must be submitted including receipts where required. A refund of the advance or additional payment will be determined and dealt with accordingly.

## **8.0 COMMITTEE AND BOARD MEMBERS**

Committee and Board Members shall not be compensated for lost wages when traveling on Library Board business.

## **9.0 EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Policy shall take effect on April 14, 2025.

Web Resource address:

<https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/corporate/about-canada-revenue-agency-cra/travel-directive/appendix-a-cra-kilometric-rates-january-2025.html>

**MILEAGE CLAIM FOR USE OF PERSONAL VEHICLE**

Invoice #

Payable:						Date:		
Position:						Account # 1-75-750-577-332		
DATE	FROM	TO:(Destination)	PURPOSE	TOTAL MILEAGE	RATE	SUB-TOTAL	GST	CLAIM
					.63 per km			

Signature

BONFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY – TRAVEL EXPENSE CLAIM FORM

BONFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY  
TRAVEL ADVANCE REQUEST FORM

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF TRAVEL: \_\_\_\_\_

DESTINATION: \_\_\_\_\_

PURPOSE: \_\_\_\_\_

I HEREBY REQUEST THE FOLLOWING TRAVEL ADVANCE

ACCOMMODATIONS/TRAVEL		MEALS		TOTAL
	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	
	\$15.00	\$25.00	\$30.00	
TOTAL ADVANCE REQUESTED:				\$

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE

**CEO AND/OR LIBRARY BOARD REMARKS:**

APPROVED ( )

NOT APPROVED ( )



# **The Corporation of the Township of Bonfield Updated Accessibility Plan**

January 2025 - December 2029



Updated January 10, 2025

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## **Executive Summary**

The purpose of the Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2001 (ODA) is to improve opportunities for people with disabilities and to provide for their involvement in the identification, removal and prevention of barriers to their full participation in the life of the Province.

The ODA is Canada's most far-reaching and comprehensive legislation for people with disabilities. The sections of the ODA affecting municipalities were proclaimed on September 30, 2002, and require every municipality in Ontario to prepare an annual accessibility plan. These plans will provide a road map for all of us as we strive to make Ontario a more accessible province for the 1.9 million people with disabilities.

The ODA establishes the obligation to consult with people with disabilities as defined in the preparation of the municipal accessibility plan. This can be accomplished through an accessibility advisory committee or with people with disabilities in the community. To comply with the ODA legislation, the Township of Bonfield mailed out a brochure to each resident in August 2003 asking for their input and help in identifying accessibility barriers that exist at any municipal building.

In January 2025, a short survey will be made available at all Township of Bonfield's facilities, and it will be posted on our website. A memo will be circulated to the members of Council and Department Heads inviting their comments in identifying accessibility barriers.

This plan was originally made available to the public on September 30, 2003, at the Municipal Office. A magnifying sheet is available to assist the visually impaired. Should a copy in brail be requested, staff will contact the Canadian National Institute for the Blind (CNIB) for translation.

## **About the Township of Bonfield**

The Corporation of the Township of Bonfield is a vast rural area, consisting of the Hamlets of Rutherglen and Bonfield. The Township is located approximately 27 Km east of the City of North Bay, in the District of Nipissing. The Township was established by an act in Parliament in October of 1886, the former Town of Bonfield was established in 1906 and was amalgamated with the Township in 1975. The Township celebrated its 100th anniversary in 1986.

The Township of Bonfield has a population of 2146 with 1080 households and numerous cottages, according to the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation. The total land area of the Township is approximately 205 square kilometres. Forestry and farming were the roots of our community, and although today there are still some small farming operations, forestry, logging and tourism are the main employers of the Township.

The Township of Bonfield offers many recreational activities and facilities to its citizens. We have many snowmobile trails that are part of the OFSC trail system, which provide for excellent riding. There are numerous trails in the area that are excellent for hunting, horseback riding, cross country skiing, hiking and ATV's. The Township also has many sporting facilities such as a tennis court, baseball fields, beach volleyball court, playgrounds, outdoor skating rinks, basketball nets, badminton nets, a soccer field and

several picnic areas. A new waterfront plan has been developed to provide new features to Kaibuskong Park.

The Township of Bonfield is known as a “Small Community with a Big Heart”, with a rich history and a clear vision of its future. Through economic growth and development, the Township is committed to providing the community with the resources and infrastructure required to maintain and improve the quality of life that is currently enjoyed by its citizens.

### **Objectives of this Plan**

The purpose of this plan is to improve opportunities for both residents and visitors with disabilities and to provide for their involvement in the identification, removal and prevention of barriers to their full participation in the life of the Township.

This accessibility plan includes,

- a. The definition of “disability”
- b. The measures the Township undertook to consult all residents.
- c. The measures the Township has taken to identify, remove and prevent barriers to persons with disabilities.
- d. The measures that the Township intends to take in the coming year to identify, remove and prevent barriers to persons with disabilities.
- e. A review and monitoring process.
- f. How the plan will be accessible to the public.

### **A. The Definition of a Disability**

A disability is defined as a person with,

- a. Any degree of physical disability, infirmity, malformation or disfigurement that is caused by bodily injury, birth defect or illness and, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, includes diabetes mellitus, epilepsy, a brain injury, any degree of paralysis, amputation, lack of physical co-ordination, blindness or visual impediment, or physical reliance on a guide dog or other animal or on a wheelchair or other remedial appliance or device,
- b. A condition of mental impairment or a developmental disability,
- c. A learning disability, or a dysfunction in one or more of the processes involved in understanding or using symbols or spoken language,
- d. A mental disorder, or
- e. Any injury or disability for which benefits were claimed or received under the insurance plan established under the Workplace Safety and Insurance Act, 1997; (“handicap”).

### **B. Measures the Township Takes to Consult all Residents**

To ensure that people with a disability, as defined, were consulted in the process of preparing this plan, the Township developed a feedback form inviting input from all residents of the Township. This form asks questions such as “Did we respond to your customer service needs?” “If yes, please indicate your name and contact phone number for further comments”. These two questions allow people with disabilities the opportunity for direct consultation on the accessibility barriers that exist at municipal buildings.

On August 27th, 2003, a brochure was sent to every household in the Township allowing all residents the opportunity to provide input on accessibility barriers. Perhaps a person with a disability overlooks an accessibility barrier that affects another person with a different disability. Mailing the brochure to all municipal residents allowed for better communication, more involvement, more feedback and more ideas.

Of 810 brochures mailed out, 3 were returned to the Municipal Office. One of the three brochures returned was marked as a person without a disability and there were no comments attached. The other two brochures returned were marked as people with disabilities as defined, one is epileptic, and the other is physically disabled. The two people did include their contact information and were consulted in the identification of barriers.

These are the specific recommendations of the two individuals that were included in the brochure as well as comments made to the Township representative.

1. Automatic doors at the municipal office, library and resource centre entrances should be installed.
2. Make seating available in the municipal office foyer.
3. The service counter at the municipal office should be multi-level.
4. The municipal office, library and resource centre should be wheelchair accessible.
5. The public washrooms in the municipal office/library should be wheelchair accessible.
6. Handicap parking at municipal office building in addition to appropriate signage.

In January 2025, the Township will post an updated feedback form on our website to solicit current comments and suggestions. The results will be posted on the website and included in a spring 2025 Newsletter.

### **C. Measures the Township will take to Identify, Remove and Prevent Barriers.**

To ensure the Township does its part in identifying accessibility barriers, the same feedback form will be circulated to all Members of Council and Department Heads for their involvement in identifying accessibility barriers and recommendations thereof. Who would know the municipal buildings better than the employees? This exercise assisted in discovering the barriers within municipal buildings for the potential hiring of persons with disabilities. The barriers identified in the previous exercise included:

#### **Township Garage:**

The entrance to the office and lunchroom should be wheelchair accessible.

1. The washroom at the garage should be wheelchair accessible.

#### **Municipal Library:**

1. The entrance to the library should be wheelchair accessible.
2. The Washrooms should be wheelchair accessible (same public washrooms as the municipal office).
3. The flooring in the library should be replaced to provide complete mobility throughout the library for all patrons, including those with wheelchairs, walkers, canes and other assistance devices.
4. Handicap parking at the library.

**Municipal Office:**

1. Office should be wheelchair accessible.
2. Wheelchair accessible washrooms.
3. Handicap parking.

Staff will conduct a new assessment of these areas to confirm compliance and identify any new issues to be addressed.

**D. Recommendations from Prior Year Accessibility Plans**

Council will budget funds annually in order to be able to undertake selected projects. In the life of this plan, Council would like to accomplish the following.

1. Review and prioritize all recommendations from residents and staff.
2. Investigate sites to determine the needs and develop a cost analysis for those needs.
3. Commitment of annual funds and/or reserve contribution to implement the projects identified in this accessibility plan to the upset cost of budgeted funds.
4. The Township now has a new Asset Management Plan which will provide funding and scheduling of identified accessibility projects.

**E. Accomplishments from Previous Year Accessibility Plans  
2003 – to present**

**Municipal Office**

1. Seating was made available in the Municipal Office foyer and personal service is provided when and as required.
2. Although the Township incurred the misfortune of a fire at the Public Works Garage on June 11th, 2004, this permitted the reconstruction of this facility to include wheelchair access to the building, its office, kitchen and washroom.
3. A resolution of Council passed at the Regular Meeting of May 11th, 2004, accepted the priority for the implementation of identified barriers as follows:
  - a) Automatic Door Openers
    - i. Municipal Office
    - ii. Library
  - b) Ramps/Handicap Parking
    - i. Municipal Office
    - ii. Library
  - c) Wheelchair accessible washrooms
    - i. Municipal Office/Library
  - d) Annual budget for the purpose of completing the priority items noted above. There was \$500.00 allocated in the 2004 Budget for this purpose and shall be transferred to a Reserve for Accessibility Plan Implementation.

1. Provisions were made in the 2005 Budget to install a handicap ramp at the Municipal Office.
2. The Bonfield Public Library will be submitting an application to the Trillium Foundation in November 2005 for funding the construction of a handicap ramp and automatic door openers at the entrance to the Library.
3. A by-law to establish handicap parking for the Municipal Office/Library will was passed in 2005, including proper signage for these locations.
4. In light of the above, the priorities for the implementation of identified barriers was amended as follows:
  - a) Ramps/Handicap Parking
    - i. Municipal Office
    - ii. Library
  - b) Automatic Door Openers
    - i. Municipal Office
    - ii. Library
  - c) Wheelchair accessible washrooms
    - i. Municipal Office/Library
5. The Accessibility Plan was posted on the Municipal Web Site and placed in the foyer at the Municipal Office. There were no comments or recommendations received for the review of the 2005 – 2006 plan.

## **Medical Centre**

1. A handicap ramp was installed at the Municipal Office.
2. The Bonfield Public Library was successful in their application to the Trillium Foundation and proceeded to construct a handicap ramp and automatic door opener at the entrance to the Library. The flooring was also replaced in the library to provide complete mobility throughout the library for all patrons.
3. The Accessibility Plan was posted on the Municipal Web Site and placed in the foyer at the Municipal Office.

### **2006 – 2007**

There were no comments, recommendations or changes received from the review of the 2006 – 2007 plan.

### **2007 - 2008**

1. The Bonfield Medical Centre was identified as a site that required automatic door openers. That has now been accomplished.
2. The following list of outstanding identifiable barriers was circulated to Council on October 23, 2007, for review and further prioritized as noted:

Municipal Office/Library Building. These have now been accomplished.

Wheelchair accessible washrooms;

Handicap parking;

Automatic doors at the Municipal Office

Medical Centre:

- Automatic doors at the entrance of the building;
- Automatic doors at the entrance of the doctor's offices;
- 3. The Township will be taking advantage of upcoming training sessions on Accessibility Standards as they become available.

#### **2008 – 2009**

1. The Bonfield Medical Centre will be installing an automatic door opener at the entrance of the building with intent to complete the entrance of the doctor's offices by March 31st, 2009. This has now been accomplished.
2. Staff will be attending training sessions on Accessibility Standards. This has now been accomplished.
3. Council will be reviewing the outstanding identifiable barriers as noted in Section 2 of the 2007-2008 report for further prioritizing. This has now been accomplished.

#### **2009 – Present**

1. Construction was done to the Municipal Parking lot to make entrances to both the Municipal Building and Library wheelchair accessible. A designated disabled parking area was added.
2. The carpet was removed in the Municipal Building making it more wheelchair accessible.

### **F. Review and Monitoring Process**

The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Bonfield will review the plan on an annual basis to measure its progress and priorities. The contents of this plan and recommendations thereof shall be considered in the development in future plans.

### **G. How this Plan will be Accessible to the Public**

The Accessibility Plan will be published on the Municipal Web Site [www.bonfieldtownship.com](http://www.bonfieldtownship.com) inviting comments and recommendations from the public to be sent to the Clerk at [deputyclerk@bonfieldtownship.org](mailto:deputyclerk@bonfieldtownship.org). All comments and recommendations will be considered in the annual review.

This plan is also available to the public at the Municipal Office.





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April 4, 2025

Nicky Kunkel  
CAO Clerk-Treasurer  
CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BONFIELD  
365 Highway 531  
Bonfield, Ontario  
P0H 1E0

Title: Celebrate Canada Funding Application

Dear Nicky Kunkel:

On behalf of the Minister of Canadian Culture and Identity, Parks Canada and Quebec Lieutenant, it is my pleasure to inform you that your application for funding has been approved.

A grant in the amount of \$1,060 will be awarded to help your organization carry out its activities, under the Celebration and Commemoration Program, Celebrate Canada Component. This funding will be allocated over one government fiscal year 2025-2026 and will be subject to certain terms and conditions, the appropriation of funds by Parliament, and the budget levels of the Program.

One of our program representatives may contact you in the near future to review the terms and conditions and answer any questions you may have related to this funding.

In closing, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and the members of your organization the greatest success in your endeavours.

Sincerely,

Colin Boyd  
Regional Director General  
Canadian Heritage

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# **THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BONFIELD**

## **BY-LAW NO. 2025-22**

### **BEING A BY-LAW TO ESTABLISH THE BONFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY IN THE TOWNSHIP OF BONFIELD AND TO DETERMINE THE SIZE, COMPOSITION AND ROLE OF THE BONFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD.**

**Whereas the council of the Township of Bonfield hereby establishes a public library in accordance with Part 1, RSO, 1990, c. P.44, s. 3 of the Public Libraries Act.**

**NOW THEREFORE The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Township of Bonfield ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:**

#### **Definitions:**

**Can define the Bonfield Public Library Board to be hereafter called the “board” in this document.**

**Can define the Bonfield Public Library to be hereafter called the “Library” in this document.**

#### **1.0 General Provisions**

- 1.1 To be known as The Bonfield Public Library Resource Board is hereby established.
- 1.2 The Bonfield Public Library Board shall manage and direct the Bonfield Public Library in accordance with the Public Libraries Act.
- 1.3 That the Board be appointed by a resolution of Council, for the term of Council.

#### **2.0 Board Structure**

- 2.1 The Board shall be composed of five (5) voting members appointed by resolution of the Municipal Council. 2002, c. 18, Sched. F, s. 3 (8).
  - One (1) member shall be a Municipal Council.
  - Four (4) members shall be ratepayers of the municipality who, reside in the Township and/or reside in a contracting municipalities as per section 29 and
  - are not employed by the municipality.
  - are qualified to be elected as members of council.
- 2.2 The Chairperson shall be one of the five (5) Members on the Board and shall be voted on by a show of hands by the Board Members at its first meeting, in a new term. R.S.O. 1990, c. P.44, s. 14 (3).

#### **2.3 Role of Chairperson**

- Presiding at regular and special meetings of the Board, in accordance with the Public Libraries Act RSO, 1990, chapter P. 44 and other relevant legislation, and with the rules of procedure adopted by the board;
- Serving as an ex-officio member of all Board Committees;
- Representing the Board, alone or with other members of the Board, at any public or private meetings for the purpose of conducting, promoting or completing the business of the Board.
- Determining the responsibility of committees to deal with matters which arise where it is unclear which committee has responsibility, subject to eventual confirmation by the Board;
- Ensuring that vacancies on the Board are filled as expeditiously as possible;
- Advising the Vice-Chairperson, if for any reason, the Chairperson is temporarily unable to perform these functions;
- Shall preside over the conduct of the Board’s meetings to ensure that all matters are dealt with a prompt efficient manner in the interest of all concerned;
- Shall be entitled to one vote and to the same extent as the other Board Members.

#### 2.4 Role of Vice-Chairperson

- The Vice-Chairperson shall be one of the five (5) members of the Board and shall be selected at the Board's first meeting in a new term by a show of hands.
- Exercises all powers and performs all duties of the Chairperson, in the absence of the
- Exercise such powers and duties as may, from time to time, be assigned by the board.

#### 2.5 The board shall appoint a secretary who shall

- Conduct the board's official correspondence; and,
- Keep minutes of every meeting of the board

#### 2.6 The board shall appoint a treasurer who shall

- Receive and account for all the board's money;
- Open an account or accounts in the name of the board in a chartered bank, Trust company or credit union approved by the board;
- Deposit all money received on the board's behalf to the credit of that account or accounts; and
- Disburse the money as the board directs.

#### 2.7 The same person may be both the secretary and the treasurer.

#### 2.8 The board shall appoint a chief executive officer who shall have general supervision over and direction of the operations of the library and its staff. Shall attend all board meetings and shall have the other power and duties that the board assigns to him or her from time to time. The Board shall establish a job description, hours of work, salary and benefits for the position.

### 3.0 **Mandate of the Board**

- 3.1 Shall seek to provide, in co-operation with other boards, a comprehensive and efficient library service that reflects the community's unique needs:
- 3.2 Shall seek to provide library services in the French language, where appropriate,
- 3.3 Shall operate special services in connection with a library as it considers necessary.
- 3.4 May operate special services in connection with a library as it considers necessary.
- 3.5 Shall fix the times and places for board meetings and the mode of calling and conducting them, and ensure that full and correct minutes are kept;
- 3.6 Shall make any other reports as requested by council from time to time:
- 3.7 Shall take proper security for the treasurer; and
- 3.8 May appoint such committees as it considers expedient.

### 4.0 **Board Meetings**

- 4.1 A board shall hold at least seven regular meetings in each year, and at such times as it considers necessary in accordance with the Public Libraries Act, 2019, c. 14, Sched. 12, s. 2.
- 4.2 A quorum, being three (3) of five (5) board members, shall always be required to be present to held a valid meeting.
- 4.3 Regular meetings of the board shall be public meetings.
- 4.4 Special meetings may be held when a matter urgent in nature, deems it so. Special meetings may be called by the chairperson, or in his or her absence, by the vice- chair or at the request of the majority of members of the Board.
- 4.5 All decisions of the board shall be decided at a properly constituted meeting of the board, by resolution duly moved and seconded and voted on by a show of hands.

- 4.6 Board members may attend library board meetings remotely via teleconference or Internet video conferencing call (Zoom).
- a) As all board meetings are open to the public, these meetings must be conducted in such a way that all members participating can hear each other, at the same time, and that the public can also hear the deliberations.
  - b) A member of the library board or a committee may attend, participate, and vote at an open or closed meeting remotely
  - c) Members who wish to attend a meeting remotely must give notice two (2) hours before the commencement of the meeting to the Secretary so that the equipment can be made ready.
- Meeting minutes will reflect that a member is participating remotely  
Quorum applies to the members attending in person and remotely.

## **5.0 Agenda**

- 5.1 The chairperson with the assistance of the CEO shall be responsible to prepare an agenda for each and every meeting of the board.
- 5.2 Any matters relevant to the Library or its board from the general public, groups or agencies and governments shall be placed on the agenda of the next regular meeting.
- 5.3 The CEO shall prepare and have the agenda available to all members of the board at least five (5) days prior to any regular meeting.
- 5.4 The minutes of the board shall be sent to the Administrator, Clerk – Treasurer of the Municipality.
- 5.5 The minutes of every meeting of the board shall be signed by the chairperson or acting chairperson who presided over the meeting and the Secretary.
- 5.6 The minutes of every meeting shall be open to public inspection and any person desiring a copy thereof may obtain a photocopy upon payment of a prescribed fee as established by the Board.

## **6.0 Legal Transaction**

- 6.1 The board may enter into legal contractual agreements to fulfill services deemed necessary for the benefit of library patrons so long as these agreements and contracts are with the budgeted assessment provided to the Municipal Council on a yearly basis and so approved.
- 6.2 No member of the board has the legal authority to commit the Library or its board and any legal transaction or agreement shall be duly approved by the Board and if required by the Municipal Council.

## **7.0 Expenses**

- 7.1 The board may reimburse its members for proper travelling and other expenses incurred in carrying out their duties as members.
- 7.2 The board may reimburse its staff as per Bonfield Public Library Policy and Procedures, for attending meetings and seminars.

## **8.0 Role of the Board**

- 8.1 The board shall be responsible for the administration of all policies, rules and regulations relating to the administration of the Library in accordance with its Policy and Procedures Document.
- 8.2 The board may appoint and remove such employees as it considers necessary, determine the terms of the employment, fix their remuneration and prescribe their duties.
- 8.3 The board may solicit any gifts or bequest of money or services or any donations to be applied, for either the temporary or permanent use of the Library.

- 8.4 The board may generate a user fee schedule as determined in the Public Libraries Act, RSO, 1990, Chapter P. 44 and attach this fee schedule to this document when it has been duly considered and voted on by the members of the board.
- 8.5 The board may impose such fees as it considers proper for,
- inter-library loans where a cost to the library is realized,
  - The use of library services by persons who do not reside in the area of the board's jurisdiction,
  - fees for the use of library equipment loaned to the public or organizations outside of the library.
  - Institute user fees where appropriate and expedient in the establishment of library programs and services and, to maintain and sustain these programs for the benefit of the public who use them.
- 8.6 Annually the board shall submit and interpret to the Municipal Council of the Township of Bonfield a budget for its approval and shall make to the Municipal Council full and complete reports as required.
- 8.7 The board may make rules,
- For the use of library services,
  - For the admission of the public to the library,
  - For the exclusion from the library of persons who behave in a disruptive manner or cause damage to library property,
  - Imposing fines for breaches of the rules,
  - Suspending library privileges for breaches of the rules, and:
  - Regulating all other matters connected with the management of the library and library property.
- 8.8 Shall create and maintain a Policy and Objectives document for its members, staff and for the good of the public and municipal councils so as. To clearly establish and guarantee an understanding of the operation and function of the library by its patrons, trustees and staff.

## **9.0 Repeals**

- 9.1 That By-Law 9-73 and 98-08 be hereby repealed in its entirety.

**READ A FIRST AND SECOND AND THIRD TIME THIS 22nd DAY OF APRIL, 2025.**

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**MAYOR**

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**CLERK**



## Every Dollar Raised Goes Back

### Into The RHRA

When you think about a club show association you don't always think of the non-profit side of the business first. As a non-profit organization the RHRA strives to keep our overhead expenses low so that as many dollars as possible can go back into the association and our members. Keeping the cowboy/cowgirl lifestyle alive.

## Understanding Becoming An

### Event Sponsor

Finding ways to get your business front and center these days is a simple yet complex task. There are so many options available to you for your business. A sponsorship through the RHRA not only allows you to promote your business, but also to be part of something rewarding.

We offer numerous pre-built packages to make your event sponsor journey simple and effective for both parties. If none of our packages fit your needs we can tailor a sponsorship package to fit your individual needs.

## Benefits To You

Becoming an event sponsor puts your business front and center during some of Northern Ontario's greatest western club shows.

- Brand Visibility
- Targeted Marketing
- Consumer Perception
- Community Goodwill
- Business Relationships

## Benefits To The RHRA

We are more than just a club show association, we also work hard to advance the western sport in Northern Ontario.

- Builds our Community
- Allows us to Sponsor our Youth
- Creates Relationships
- Improves the Western Sport.

## Available Packages

RHRA	Bronze \$50-199	Silver \$200-350	Gold \$350 +
Live Announcement throughout Show	X	X	X
Business card or Logo on Social Media	X	X	X
Poster at Booth (supplied by sponsor)	X	X	X
Banner or Sign Displayed at Show (supplied by Sponsor)		X	X
Membership fee Included		X	X
Choice of Class Sponsorship and award			X
Complementary Award			X

### Contact Information

Kelly Brush

Email – [REDACTED]

Number – [REDACTED]



## SCHEDULE A DONATION REQUEST APPLICATION FORM

Group/Organization Applying: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Position(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone or Email: \_\_\_\_\_

What type of donation is being requested?

Monetary Donation \_\_\_\_\_ "In-Kind" Donation \_\_\_\_\_

Donation value being requested: \_\_\_\_\_

How Will Funds Be Used?

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Is Your Group Based in the Township of Bonfield? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If no, how does your group support the residents of the Township of Bonfield?

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Is Your Group Not-For-Profit organization? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

How Many Years Has Your Group/Organization Been in Operation? \_\_\_\_\_

What services or activities does your group provide to members of the Bonfield Community?

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Describe in broad terms the principal objective of your organization.

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## SCHEDULE A DONATION REQUEST APPLICATION FORM

What other sources of funding are used by your organization to provide its services?

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Are annual financial documents included with your application? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
If no, explain why.

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If successful, describe how the Township of Bonfield will be given recognition for this donation:

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Any additional information which you consider necessary for Council to make an informed decision?

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By signing below, I declare that I have the authority to make this request.

Applicant Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_

*Don't forget to submit your event to [officeclerk@bonfieldtownship.com](mailto:officeclerk@bonfieldtownship.com) to be included in our Community Events Calendar.*

### FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY:

Date application received by Township: \_\_\_\_\_

Date at Council Meeting: \_\_\_\_\_

Decision of Council: \_\_\_\_\_



RECEIVED  
APR 10 2025  
P.O. Box 382  
North Bay, ON P1B 8H5  
Tel: 705-497-5555 #7507  
[kim@nearnorthcrimestoppers.com](mailto:kim@nearnorthcrimestoppers.com)

April 01, 2025

Dear Crime Stoppers Supporter,

Near North Crime Stoppers will be hosting its 27<sup>th</sup> annual Golf Tournament at Highview Golf Course on Friday, June 20, 2025.

NNCS serves the Districts of Nipissing and Parry Sound as a registered charitable program, enhancing safety through anonymous tips. Since our inception in 1988, it has received over 23,800 tips, leading to 1,839 arrests, \$4.4 million in cash and recovered property (including 292 weapons), and nearly \$58 million in drugs seized from our communities.

The success of Crime Stoppers relies on community engagement, with businesses like yours playing a key role. By financially aiding Crime Stoppers, you help to ensure safer communities for all.

To support this fundraising tournament, we are seeking tax deductible sponsorships at a cost of \$150. To identify your commitment to Crime Stoppers, your business logo will be displayed at the golf course during the tournament, as well as placed on our website and social media platforms. Alternatively, we welcome donated items for our very popular Silent Auction table.

If you would like to help keep Crime Stoppers active within our region, please make your cheque payable to Near North Crime Stoppers and forward to: Box 382, North Bay, ON P1B 8H5 or e-transfer to [kim@nearnorthcrimestoppers.com](mailto:kim@nearnorthcrimestoppers.com)

For silent auction donations, or if you have any questions, please feel free to call 705-303-4426.

Thank you in advance.

Kim Jones  
Executive Director



**EVERY 14 MINUTES, SOMEWHERE IN THE WORLD, A CRIME IS SOLVED AS THE RESULT OF A CRIME STOPPERS TIP**



Near North  
Crime Stoppers  
Presents:

# 27TH ANNUAL GOLF *Tournament*

**\$120**

Per Golfer:  
18 holes, cart &  
dinner

Shotgun  
start  
1:00PM

**06-20-2025**

**HIGHVIEW GOLF COURSE**

First 20 teams accepted\*

NEAR NORTH  
**CRIME**   
**STOPPERS**

## SAVE THE DATE

Crime Stoppers is a non-profit, charitable organization that relies on fundraising for its operating budget. As such, it relies on events such as this golf tournament to carry on this essential community-based, crime-prevention program

**CRIME**   
**STOPPERS**

**1-800-222-TIPS**

**ÉCHEC**   
**AU CRIME**

**REGISTER NOW**

705-303-4426

[kim@nearnorthcrimestoppers.com](mailto:kim@nearnorthcrimestoppers.com)



# 27<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL NEAR NORTH CRIME STOPPERS GOLF TOURNAMENT

**DATE:** Friday, June 20th, 2025  
**LOCATION:** Highview Golf Course  
**FORMAT:** 4 Person Scramble

**FEES:** \$120 per player  
**REGISTRATION:** 12:00pm  
**SHOT GUN START:** 1:00pm

## PLEASE INDICATE YOUR LEVEL OF PARTICIPATION:

- |   |         |
|---|---------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Team of 4 + Hole Sponsor | (\$630) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Team of 4                | (\$480) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual Golfer        | (\$120) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hole Sponsor             | (\$150) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cash Donation            | (\$___) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> In-kind Donation _____   |         |

**NAME/ BUSINESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TEAM NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **CONTACT:** \_\_\_\_\_

Team Members' Names	Email Addresses
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	

**Your entry fee includes: 18 holes of golf, golf cart, dinner, Longest Drive (ladies & men's), Closest to the Pin (ladies & men's) & \$10,000 Hole in One.**

Please make cheque payable to: Near North Crime Stoppers – PO Box 382, North Bay, On – P1B 8H5 or by e-transfer to: [kim@nearnorthcrimestoppers.com](mailto:kim@nearnorthcrimestoppers.com)

For further information, please call – **705 303-4426**



**For course information contact:**

Dean Harrington  
 Highview Golf Course  
[highview18@yahoo.com](mailto:highview18@yahoo.com)

NEAR NORTH  
**CRIME STOPPERS** 

*Thank you for your Generosity & Support!*

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## FONOM Annual General Meeting

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**From** FONOM Office/ Bureau de FONOM <fonom.info@gmail.com>

**Date** Tue 4/8/2025 1:10 PM

 6 attachments (1 MB)

FONOM 2025 AGM & Draft Minutes of the 2024 FONOM Municipal Conference, Hosted by the City of Greater Sudbury (1).pdf; Mandated Health Unit Programs - Resolution.pdf; Cost of Policing in the North (1).pdf; Provincial-Municipal Fiscal Review.pdf; Extended Producer Responsibility in the ICI Sector.pdf; Addition to the Ministry of Transportation.pdf;

Good afternoon                      Please share with Council and Senior Management.

The Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday, May 5th, at 11:00 am. It will be held at the North Bay Best Western, also the venue for the FONOM Annual Conference, which the City of North Bay hosts.

I have attached the AGM agenda with supporting items for your information. I have also attached the five Resolutions we will discuss during the Annual meeting.

Happy to chat

Talk soon, Mac.

Mac Bain  
Executive Director  
The Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities  
665 Oak Street East, Unit 306  
North Bay, ON, P1B 9E5  
Ph. 705-498-9510



Annual FONOM Northeastern Ontario  
Municipal Conference  
Hosted by the City of North Bay  
May, 5 6, & 7, 2025



# FONOM

## ANNUAL REPORT TO MEMBERS

May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025

### FONOM CONFERENCE & ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

North Bay, Ontario

1. Approval of / Additions to Agenda

2. Introduction of Executive

3. President's Report

4. Approval of Minutes of Meeting Wednesday, May 8, 2024 – (Page 2)  
**(resolution required)**

5. Financial Report – 2024 - 2025 (Page 4) - **(resolution required)**

Presentation of the 2025 - 2026 Operating Budget - (Page 5)

6. Resolutions

- Increase in Provincial share for **Mandated** Public Health Programs
- Policing costs for all communities
- Provincial/Municipal Fiscal Review
- EPR for the OCI Sector
- Integrity Commissioner Complaints

7. Adjourn

**Minutes**  
Annual Conference hosted by the City of Greater Sudbury  
**Annual General Meeting**  
**Wednesday, May 8, 2024**

**Resolution:** That the agenda be approved as presented to the membership

R. Sigouin / S. White

**CARRIED.**

Introduction of FONOM Board of Directors

President's Report (Verbal)

**Resolution:** That the FONOM Financial Report for the year ending March 31, 2024 be accepted as presented. **(See Below)**

J. Curley / M. Signoretti

**CARRIED.**

**Resolution:** That the minutes of the Annual General Meeting on May 10, 2023, be accepted as presented.

R. Carrier / J. Curley

**CARRIED.**

**Resolution:** That the FONOM 2024 -2025 Operating Budget be accepted as presented. **(See Below)**

R. Donaldson / P. Ivens

**CARRIED.**

The **Resolutions** regarding Aerodrome, Joint and Several – Definition of Employer, and Connecting Link were accepted with corrections.

Aerodrome

L. Carleton / B. Kerr

Joint and Several – Definition of Employer

M. Signoretti / E. Benoit

Connecting Link

R. Lapierre / S. Hollingsworth

**CARRIED.**

The **Resolutions** regarding Physician Recruitment and Nurses Recruitment were accepted as presented.

Physician Recruitment

M. Lahay / T. Lundy

Nurses Recruitment

S. Hagman / R. Sigouin

**CARRIED.**

**Resolution:** That the FONOM Annual General Meeting be adjourned at 8:57 am.

M. Signoretti / S. Hollingsworth

**CARRIED.**



**FONOM Board of Directors**  
**2025-2027**

President Danny Whalen Councillor, Temiskaming Shores Representing the District of Temiskaming	First Vice President Dave Plourde Mayor, Town of Kapuskasing Representing the District of Cochrane
Second Vice President Lynn Watson Mayor, Township of Macdonald Meredith and Aberdeen Add'l Representing the District of Algoma	Past President VACANT
Al MacNevin Mayor, Municipality of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands Representing the District of Manitoulin	Terry Kelly Councillor, Municipality of East Ferris Representing the District of Nipissing
Lynda Carleton Mayor, Township of Machar Representing the District of Parry	Renée Carrier Deputy Mayor, Municipality of French River Representing the District of Sudbury East
Sandra Hollingsworth Councillor, City of Sault Ste. Marie	Lorne Feldman Councillor, City of Timmins
Maggie Horsfield Deputy Mayor, City of North Bay	Paul Lefebvre Mayor, City of Greater Sudbury

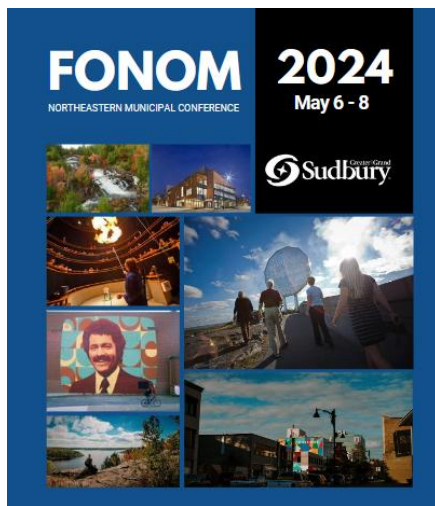
**Staff**  
Mac Bain, Executive Director

FONOM  
Financial Summary  
April 1, 2024 - March 31, 2025

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Yearend</u>	<u>Variance</u>
<b>Revenue</b>			
Membership	32,555.00	35,384.91	(2,829.91)
AMO Reimbursements	4,000.00	7,968.45	(3,968.45)
NOHFC	45,000.00	77,895.40	(32,895.40)
Northern Suite at AMO	7,500.00	15,750.00	(8,250.00)
Investment Interest + Misc	-	20.00	(20.00)
Conference	30,000.00	188,260.60	(158,260.60)
Donations	5,000.00	-	-
FedNor - Promote the North	-	-	-
	<u>124,055.00</u>	<u>325,279.36</u>	<u>(201,224.36)</u>
Service Fees	225.00	458.67	(233.67)
Board Meetings	42,000.00	51,323.46	(9,323.46)
Amo Board Meeting & Mou	16,500.00	18,602.51	(2,102.51)
Provincial Committee Meetings	11,000.00	21,028.29	(10,028.29)
) Advertising - Clark Communications	4,571.00	1,193.28	3,377.72
Insurance	700.00	452.00	248.00
General & Admin	9,300.00	11,168.45	(3,307.23)
Audit And Legal Fees	6,000.00	5,989.00	(328.00)
Staff Wages	34,000.00	35,320.00	200.00
Staff Travel	1,500.00	1,608.83	441.88
Executive Honorarium	5,000.00	5,000.00	-
Northern Hospitality Amo	9,500.00	13,317.88	(1,752.80)
Conference Expense	14,000.00	108,817.62	182.64
GoNorth Campaign	50,000.00	36,431.40	1,160.58
Catch n Release	10,000.00	-	5,462.86
SNOED Program	-	13,692.00	-
Other	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-
	<u>(214,296.00)</u>	<u>324,403.39</u>	<u>(110,107.39)</u>
	<u>(90,241.00)</u>	<u>875.97</u>	<u>(91,116.97)</u>

FONOM  
Financial Summary  
April 1, 2025 - March 31, 2026

	<u>2024-2025 Budget</u>	<u>2024-2025 Actuals</u>	<u>2025-2026 Budget</u>
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Catch n Release	10,000.00	-	5,000.00
SNOED Program	-	13,692.00	-
Other	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-
	<hr/> 214,296.00	<hr/> 324,403.39	<hr/> 227,446.00
	<hr/> (90,241.00)	<hr/> 875.97	<hr/> 139,054.00



## UNLOCKING THE NORTH'S POTENTIAL

Hosted by: the City of Greater Sudbury  
Location: Holiday Inn and Conference Centre

**FONOM**  
Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities

### 2024 NORTHEASTERN MUNICIPAL CONFERENCE

## Thank you to our Conference Sponsors

### PLATINUM

- Ontario Power Generation (OPG)
- Hydro One
- Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA)
- Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO)
- Intact Public Entities
- Enbridge
- FedNor
- Northern Ontario Heritage Fund (NOHFC)

### GOLD

- Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO)

### SILVER

- KWM Consulting
- City of North Bay

### BRONZE

- LAS
- Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC)

### 2024 NORTHEASTERN MUNICIPAL CONFERENCE

## Unlocking the North's Potential

**FONOM**  
Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities

### Monday, May 6, 2024

Time	Activity	Location
11:00 a.m.	Conference Registration Opens & Trade Show Begins	Georgian Lobby
11:45 a.m.	Lunch Sponsor: Intact Public Entities	Solarium Georgian A
12:30 p.m.	Official Opening Welcome: Danny Whalen, FONOM President Welcome: Paul Lefebvre, Mayor, City of Greater Sudbury Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Housing	Georgian D & E
12:45 p.m.	Robin Jones, ROMA President	Georgian D & E
1:05 p.m.	Keynote Presentation Alan Carter, Global News Anchor Massaging the Message Sponsor: FedNor	Georgian D & E
2:00 p.m.	Refreshment Break Sponsor: LAS	Georgian A & B
2:20 p.m.	Keynote Speaker Northern Hydro Opportunities: Investing in a Clean Future Ahmed Al-Ali, Director, Business Development at OPG Paul Norris, President, Ontario Waterpower Association Moderator: Terry Kelly, FONOM Director	Georgian D & E
3:05 p.m.	Honourable George Pirie, Minister of Mining	Georgian D & E
3:20 p.m.	Honourable Stan Cho, Minister of Long-Term Care	Georgian D & E
3:35 p.m.	Honourable Michael Tibollo, Associate Minister Mental Health and Addictions Office	Georgian D & E

### 2024 NORTHEASTERN MUNICIPAL CONFERENCE

### Monday, May 6, 2024 cont'd

Time	Activity	Location
3:50 p.m.	Honourable Graydon Smith, Minister of Natural Resources	Georgian D & E
4:10 p.m.	Honourable Vijay Thanigasalam, Assoc. Minister of Transportation	Georgian D & E
4:35 p.m.	Minister's Forum Moderator: Danny Whalen, FONOM President	Georgian D & E
5:05 p.m.	Welcome Reception at Dynamic Earth Head to the Buses	Lobby
5:10 p.m.	Welcome Reception at Dynamic Earth (Cash Bar) Sponsor: NWMO Buses Return to Holiday Inn at 6:45-7:30	Dynamic Earth
7:00 p.m.	Dinner on your own in Sudbury	

### Tuesday, May 7, 2024

Time	Activity	Location
7:30 a.m.	Full Breakfast Sponsor: Intact Public Entities	Solarium & Georgian A & B
8:30 a.m.	Unlocking the North's Potential Chad Evans, ONTC Chief Executive Officer Moderator: Lynda Carleton, FONOM Director	Georgian D & E
9:05 a.m.	NOMA Update Wendy Landry, President of NOMA Moderator: Lynn Watson, FONOM 2nd Vice President	Georgian D & E
9:20 a.m.	NWMO - An Overview of Used Fuel Transport Ulf Stahmer, Senior Transportation Engineer Moderator: Terry Kelly, FONOM Director	Georgian D & E

### 2024 NORTHEASTERN MUNICIPAL CONFERENCE

### Tuesday, May 7, 2024 con't

Time	Activity	Location
10:00 a.m.	AMO Update Colin Best, AMO President Lindsay Jones, AMO Director of Policy Moderator: Maggie Horsefield, FONOM Director	Georgian D & E
10:30 a.m.	Refreshment Break Sponsor: MPAC	Georgian A & B
10:45 a.m.	Community Collaboration Greater Sudbury's Approach to Addressing Homelessness Gail Spencer, Manager of Housing Stability and Homelessness Cindy Junkala, Co-ordinator of Shelters and Homelessness Moderator: Paul Lefebvre, FONOM Director	Georgian D & E
11:15 a.m.	Natural Resources, Forestry and the Green Economy in Northern Ontario Marc Semé, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Energy & Natural Resources Moderator: Paul Lefebvre, FONOM Director	Georgian D & E
11:40 a.m.	Marit Stiles, Leader of the Ontario NDP Moderator: Lynn Watson, FONOM 2nd Vice President	Georgian D & E
Noon	Lunch Sponsor: Enbridge	Solarium Georgian A & B



### 2024 NORTHEASTERN MUNICIPAL CONFERENCE

### Tuesday, May 7 2024 con't

Time	Activity	Location
1:00 pm	Bonnie Crombie, Ontario Liberal Leader Moderator: Renée Carrier, FONOM Director	Georgian D & E
1:20 pm	Keynote Speaker Hydro One - Energizing Life for People and Communities Alexandra Moskaluk, Sr Manager, Community Relations Sanjiv (Sonny) Karunakaran, Vice President, Strategic Projects & Partnerships Moderator: Terry Kelly, FONOM Director	Georgian D & E
2:00 pm	NOSM, "Delivering on Our Mandate - and Beyond" Dr. Owen Prowse and Dr. Céline Larivière Moderator: Sandra Hollingsworth, FONOM Director	Georgian D & E
2:30 pm	Forestry Update Steve Street, Executive Director of WoodWorks Terry Skiffington, CEO of GreenFirst's Kap Paper Moderator: Dave Plourde, FONOM 1st Vice President	Georgian D & E
3:10 pm	Refreshment Break Sponsor: Intact	Solarium & Room
3:30 pm	MPAC: Sharing Property Insights and Meeting the Evolving Needs of Our Northern Partners Alan Spacek, Chair, Board of Directors Nicole McNeill, President and CAO Carmelo Lipsi, Vice-President, Valuation & Customer Relations and Chief Operating Officer Moderator: Lynda Carleton, FONOM Board Member	Georgian D & E
4:00 pm	Sudbury - Indigenous Fireside Chat Gemma Craig Nootchtai, Atikameksheng Anishnawbek Chief Larry Roque, Wahnapitae First Nation Mayor Paul Lefebvre, Greater Sudbury Moderator: Renée Carrier, FONOM Director	Georgian D & E

2024 NORTHEASTERN MUNICIPAL CONFERENCE

Tuesday, May 7, 2024 cont'd

Time	Activity	Location
4:40 p.m.	<b>Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) - Update</b> <b>Denise Jamal</b> , IESO Director of Stakeholder & Community Engagement <b>Ahmed Maria</b> , IESO Director of Transmission Planning Moderator: John Curley, FONOM Director	Georgian D & E
5:30 p.m.	Head to Buses - Transportation to Caruso Club	Lobby
6:00 - 7:00 p.m.	<b>Pre Banquet Reception (Cash Bar)</b> Jazz Instrumentalist Sponsor: City of North Bay	Caruso Club
7:00 - 9:30 p.m.	<b>Annual FONOM Banquet at Caruso Club</b> <b>Presentation of Executive Award</b> Moderator: Danny Whalen, FONOM President	Caruso Club
9:30 - 10 p.m.	Buses return to the Holiday Inn	Entrance
	<b>Exhibitor Passport Prize</b> Make sure to visit all of our exhibitors for a chance to win a Chilly Moose Cooler.	



2024 NORTHEASTERN MUNICIPAL CONFERENCE

## Exhibitors

Northern Ontario Workforce Planning  
Municipal Finance Officers' Association of Ontario (MFOA)  
Hobson Chahal Advisory Group  
Acorn Information Solutions  
CRCS Recreation  
PSD Citywide  
Ontario Clean Water Agency  
TC Energy  
Nuclear Waste Management Organization  
Ontario Northland  
MPAC  
Intact Public Entities  
Enbridge  
PCL Constructors Northern Ontario Inc.  
Nelson Granite  
Woodworks Ontario  
MIS Municipal Insurance Services  
VC3  
gfd.org  
Edgeworx Solutions  
Ontario Waterpower Association  
MuniSoft  
Association of Ontario Road Supervisors (AORS)  
ONE Investment  
AMO/LAS  
Aviation, Forest Fire and Emergency Services  
Hydro One  
AMO Education  
Wattsworth Analysis Inc  
TBT Engineering Limited  
Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO)  
Pinchin Ltd.  
Colliers Project Leaders  
Destination Northern Ontario  
Ontario Power Generation  
Federation of Ontario Public Libraries  
ParticipACTION  
J.L Richards & Associated Limited

2024 NORTHEASTERN MUNICIPAL CONFERENCE

Wednesday May 8 2024

Time	Activity	Location
7:30 a.m.	<b>Full Breakfast</b> Sponsor: HydroOne	Solarium
8:30 a.m.	FONOM Annual General Meeting	Georgian D & E
9:00 a.m.	<b>GoNORTH Video Premier - Funded by</b> Moderator: Al MacNevin, FONOM Director	Georgian D & E
9:20 a.m.	<b>"Delivering on Our Mandate - and Beyond"</b> <b>Dr. Owen Prowse</b> , Vice-President, Clinical Partnerships and Hospital Relations <b>Dr. Céline Larivière</b> , Provost and Vice President Moderator: Sandra Hollingsworth, FONOM Director	Georgian D & E
10:00 a.m.	<b>Highway Closures in Northern Ontario</b> <b>Superintendent Mike Maville</b> <b>Superintendent Todd Proulx</b> Moderator: Dave Plourde, FONOM 1st Vice President	Georgian D & E
10:30 a.m.	<b>Refreshment Break</b> Sponsor: OPG	Solarium
10:45 a.m.	<b>Immigration Pilot Revisited</b> <b>Meredith Armstrong</b> , Greater Sudbury Economic Development <b>Natasha Penn</b> , North Bay Economic Development <b>Donna Backer</b> , North Bay & District Chamber of Commerce Moderator: Al MacNevin, FONOM Director	Georgian D & E
11:45 a.m.	<b>Invite to North Bay</b> <b>2025 FONOM Conference Host</b> <b>Mac Bain</b> , Councillor	Georgian D & E
11:50 a.m.	<b>Adjournment</b> <b>Danny Whalen</b> , FONOM President	Georgian D & E
Noon	<b>Boxed Lunch to Go</b> Sponsor: IESO	Lobby

2024 NORTHEASTERN MUNICIPAL CONFERENCE

To thank this year's presenters, the FONOM Board has made charitable contributions to the following organizations.

## Raising the Roof and the Rotary Club of Sudbury

### FONOM Executive

<b>PRESIDENT</b> <b>Danny Whalen</b> Deputy Mayor, City of Temiskaming Shores	<b>FIRST VICE PRESIDENT</b> <b>David Plourde</b> Mayor, Town of Kapuskasing
<b>SECOND VICE PRESIDENT</b> <b>Lynn Watson</b> Mayor, Township of McDonald Meredith & Aberdeen Additional	<b>PAST PRESIDENT</b> <b>Vacant</b>

### Board of Directors

<b>Lynda Carleton</b> Mayor, Macfar Township (Representing the District of Parry Sound)	<b>Sandra Hollingsworth</b> Councillor, City of South Simcoe (Representing the City of South Simcoe)
<b>Terry Kelly</b> Councillor, Township of East Ferris (Representing the District of Nipissing)	<b>Paul Lefebvre</b> Mayor, City of Greater Sudbury (Representing the City of Greater Sudbury)
<b>Al MacNevin</b> Mayor, Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands (Representing the District of Manitoulin)	<b>John Curley</b> Councillor, City of Timmins (Representing the City of Timmins)
<b>Renée Carrier</b> Deputy Mayor, Municipality of French River (Representing the District of Sudbury East)	<b>Maggie Horsfield</b> Deputy Mayor, City of North Bay (Representing the City of North Bay)
	<b>Mark Signoretti</b> (alternate) Councillor, City of Greater Sudbury (Representing the City of Greater Sudbury)

The Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) is the unified voice of Northeastern Ontario, representing and advocating on behalf of 110 cities, towns and municipalities.

Our mission is to improve the economic and social quality of life for all northerners and to ensure the future of our youth.

**FONOM**  
Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities

**Contact**  
100 King Street  
North Bay, Ontario P1B 8Z2  
Phone: 705.471.1111  
Email: info@fonom.org  
Website: www.fonom.org

## **Addition to the Ministry of Transportation**

WHEREAS the topography and climate of Ontario, North and West of the Canadian Shield, is uniquely different from that of the balance of the Province

WHEREAS due to that topography, it is more costly to construct or maintain 100 km of Highway in Northern Ontario than the balance of the Province

WHEREAS the highway network in Northern Ontario is vital to connecting our citizens to health care, employment, groceries, and recreation

WHEREAS Highway 11, Highway 17, and Highway 69 are our 400 systems, and the municipal share of Connecting Link has become prohibitive for all communities

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has made and continues to make a significant investment in the Ontario Northland and bring back the Northlander

Every senior politician in Ontario and the balance of Canada noted the Raw Earth Elements deposits in the Ring of Fire. FONOM wants to note that the transportation of the Raw Earth Elements will travel through Northern Ontario

The Nuclear Waste Management Organization has selected the community of Ignace for the location of Canada's deep geological repository for spent nuclear fuel. Therefore, the fuel will be transported through Northern Ontario.

WHEREAS on November 10, 2022, the Province announced, 'Ontario Moving Ahead with First-Ever 2+1 Highway in North America'; on July 14, 2023, the Ministry of Transportation announced, 'Ontario Starting Work on 2+1 Highway', and during the recent campaign, Premier Ford announced his government would 'extend the 2+1 highway another 220 kilometres from Temiskaming Shores to Cochrane'

WHEREAS of May 2025, the Minister has not announced a start date for construction of the initial 2+1 Highway

WHEREAS the annual Ontario Road Safety Annual Report Selected Statistics does not provide a breakdown by region

WHEREAS the 2023 Ontario Road Safety Annual Report Selected Statistics reported that there were 1,504 large truck accidents in Ontario with 107 fatalities



WHEREAS large truck accidents occur daily in Northern Ontario, often resulting in death

WHEREAS accidents in Northern Ontario are the cause of many lengthy closures or detours using municipal infrastructure not designed for highway traffic

WHEREAS many FONOM members have commented that there is a lack of response to their concerns or inquiries from the Ministry and/or regional staff, which is concerning to the Board

THEREFORE, IT WAS RESOLVED that the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities should ask the Premier to either appoint a Deputy Minister of Transportation for Northern Ontario or create an Associate Minister responsible for Northern Ontario Transportation. FONOM believes Northern Ontario will be the economic engine that drives Ontario and Canada for the next 100 years and that the Province needs a dedicated team focused on improving today's network while planning for and acting on future requirements

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED this resolution be sent to Premier Ford, the Minister of Transportation, the Hon. Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria, the Membership of FONOM, NOMA, ROMA, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario

## **Cost of Policing in the North**

WHEREAS Northern Ontario municipalities face insurmountable challenges to fund both upfront investments and ongoing maintenance of their capital assets, including roads, bridges, water/ wastewater and municipally owned buildings, including recreational facilities, libraries and other tangible capital assets

WHEREAS Northern Ontario municipalities' operating needs consume the majority of property tax revenue sources

WHEREAS Northern Ontario municipalities are facing monumental infrastructure deficits that cannot be adequately addressed through property tax revenue alone

WHEREAS in 2015 the provincial government moved to standardized billing for all non-contract O.P.P. (5.1) locations

WHEREAS the annual cost of the Ontario Provincial Police, Municipal Policing Bureau for small rural non-contract (5.1) municipalities is approximately \$428 million

WHEREAS, before a one-time Provincial support transfer, Municipalities across Northern Ontario in 2024 received notices from the OPP with an average annual increase of 17.8%, representing 7.7% of the municipal tax levy

WHEREAS the estimated annual cost of the Ontario Provincial Police, Municipal Policing Bureau for Municipalities in the Northeast is \$43 million

Whereas the police levy in 2025 to the four large cities in Northeastern Ontario is \$174 million after grants

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities calls on the Ontario Government to commit to phasing in a \$100 million Policing Grant over the next three years for the 157 northern communities. After the third year, the fund will increase by the minimum of the annual Consumer Price. Each community should receive a base amount of \$60,000, with the remaining funds allocated based on population. *(Note: If the sum of the base amount and the population-based allocation exceeds the amounts received in 2024 notifications from the OPP, plus the annual Consumer Price Index (CPI), the funding for that community will be capped to avoid surplus situations.)*





AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, the Minister of Solicitor General Michael Kerzner, the Minister of Finance Peter Bethlenfalvy, the Membership of FONOM and NOMA and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario

Below is an example of the impact the funding would have on three of the 157 communities in Northern Ontario. The base year uses the 2025 OPP Billing Invoice or approved Budget. I estimated the CPI to be 3% in years two and three, compounded annually. The Cap amount in the example is a raw estimate, as many of those that did not respond to my OPP survey were smaller communities.

#### **Year one - \$34 million**

$$157 * \$60,000 = \$9,420,000$$

$$\$34,000,000 - \$9,420,000 = \$24,580,000$$

$$\$24,580,000 / 900,000 \text{ people} = \$27.31 \text{ per person}$$

Community of 1513 (cap \$284,949.50)

$$\$60,000 + (1513 * \$27.31) = \$101,320.03$$

Community of 8,057 people (cap \$2,561,265.98)

$$\$60,000 + (8,057 * \$27.31) = \$280,036.67$$

Community of 41,145 people (cap \$21,027,721.92)

$$\$60,000 + (41,145 * \$27.31) = \$1,183,669.95$$

#### **Year two – \$67 Million**

$$157 * \$60,000 = \$9,420,000$$

$$\$67,000,000 - \$9,420,000 + \$2,000,000 \text{ (estimated cap surplus)} = \$59,580,000 +$$

$$\$59,580,000 / 900,000 \text{ people} = \$66.20 \text{ per person}$$

Community of 1513 (cap \$293,497.98)

$$\$60,000 + (1513 * \$66.20) = \$160,160.60$$

Community of 8,057 people (cap \$2,638,103.95)

$$\$60,000 + (8,057 * \$66.20) = \$593,373.40$$

Community of 41,145 people (cap \$21,658,553.57)

$$\$60,000 + (41,145 * \$66.20) = \$2,783,799$$

#### **Year three – \$100 Million**

$$157 * \$60,000 = \$9,420,000$$

$$\$100,000,000 - \$9,420,000 + \$3,000,000 \text{ (estimated cap surplus)} = \$93,580,000$$

$$\$93,580,000 / 900,000 \text{ people} = \$103.97 \text{ per person}$$

Community of 1513 (cap \$302,302.91)

$$\$60,000 + (1513 * \$103.97) = \$217,306.61$$

Community of 8,057 people (cap \$2,717,247.06)

$$\$60,000 + (8,057 * \$103.97) = \$897,686.29$$

Community of 41,145 people (cap \$22,308,310.17)

$$\$60,000 + (41,145 * \$103.97) = \$4,337,845.65$$

**Expand Extended Producer Responsibility to the ICI Sector**

WHEREAS under Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box, producers are fully accountable and financially responsible for their products and packaging once they reach their end of life and are disposed of, for 'eligible' sources only

WHEREAS producers are not responsible for collecting products and packaging sold to the industrial, commercial, and institutional sectors, which include the provincial government and our member municipalities

WHEREAS the products and packaging mentioned in the previous paragraph either end up in landfills or are recycled by the industrial, commercial, and institutional sectors, often at a cost

WHEREAS the landfill capacity in Ontario is nearing a critical point, and the process to site or create a landfill is both lengthy and costly

WHEREAS under the current Extended Producer Responsibility Regulation, a can of soda consumed at home and placed in the Blue Box is considered an "eligible" source, meaning producers are responsible for its recycling. However, if the same soda can is consumed by the same individual at Queen's Park, it is deemed "ineligible." In this case, the government is responsible for managing the collection, transportation, and processing of the recycling, as well as covering all associated costs

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities hereby request that the province amend Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box so that producers are responsible for the end-of-life management of recycling products from all sources, including Industrial, Commercial, and Institutional (ICI) properties

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Todd J. McCarthy, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, the membership of FONOM and AMO.

***F0unding approach for Local Public health agencies***

***Whereas***, the Office of the Chief Medical Officer of Health and the Ministry of Health are undertaking a review of the funding approach for local public health agencies; and

***Whereas***, many northern Medical Officers of Health and Health Units have supported resolutions asking to be included or consulted during the review; and

***Whereas***, seven of the Northern Medical Officers of Health signed a letter to Minister Sylvia Jones, titled ***Perspectives from Northern Ontario for the Public Health Funding Review***, which shared some perspectives unique to the North regarding the current Public Health Funding review; and

***Whereas***, Municipalities have been long-standing financial partners in public health; and

***Therefore***, be it resolved that the membership of the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities ask the Minister of Health that FONOM have an equal role in discussions concerning the funding review of the Public Health Mandated Programs; and

***Further be it resolved***, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Deputy Premier and Minister of Health Sylvia Jones, the membership of FONOM, AMO, and the seven Northern Medical Officers of Health that signed the letter ***Perspectives from Northern Ontario for the Public Health Funding Review***

## **Provincial-Municipal Fiscal Review**

WHEREAS current provincial-municipal fiscal arrangements are undermining Ontario's economic prosperity and quality of life

WHEREAS nearly a third of municipal spending in Ontario is for services in areas of provincial responsibility and expenditures are outpacing provincial contributions by nearly \$4 billion a year

WHEREAS municipal revenues, such as property taxes, do not grow with the economy or inflation

WHEREAS unprecedented population and housing growth will require significant investments in municipal infrastructure

WHEREAS municipalities are being asked to take on complex health and social challenges – like homelessness, supporting asylum seekers and addressing the mental health and addictions crises

WHEREAS inflation, rising interest rates, and provincial policy decisions are sharply constraining municipal fiscal capacity

WHEREAS property taxpayers – including people on fixed incomes and small businesses – can't afford to subsidize income re-distribution programs for those most in need

WHEREAS the province can, and should, invest more in the prosperity of communities

WHEREAS municipalities and the provincial government have a strong history of collaboration

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities request the Province of Ontario commit to undertaking with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities a comprehensive social and economic prosperity review to promote the stability and sustainability of municipal finances across Ontario

FURTHER, THAT a copy of this motion be sent to Premier Ford, the Honourable Rob Flack the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy the Minister of Finance (minister.fin@ontario.ca), the membership of FONOM, and to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

April 2, 2025

Premier Doug Ford  
Legislative Building, Room 28, Queen's Park  
Toronto, Ontario  
M7A 1A1  
Sent Via Email: [Premier@ontario.ca](mailto:Premier@ontario.ca)

Dear Premier Ford,

On behalf of the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) and our 110 municipal members, I would like to congratulate you on unveiling your current cabinet.

We are pleased to see strong representation from Northern Ontario with the appointments of Ministers Fedeli, Rickford, Pirie, Holland, and Smith. We are confident that these Ministers will assist FONOM in fostering growth in the north. We are ready to collaborate with the entire cabinet to strengthen all sectors of our northern economy.

While we appreciate this progress, I must also express our concerns regarding the Ministry of Transportation's approach. I frequently engage with northern municipal representatives to gather feedback on their interactions with the Ministry. The overwhelming response from our members indicates that their concerns are often overlooked or addressed slowly.

This situation stems mainly from Ontario's vast geographical size and the extensive area the north represents. Factors such as weather conditions, traffic patterns, inattentive drivers, regional differences in highway maintenance, and the lack of accountability in commercial motor vehicle driver training contribute to the public's ongoing fears when using our highways.

It is essential to recognize that transportation responsibilities in southern and northern Ontario involve vastly different approaches and planning.

Therefore, with the utmost respect for the current structure of the Ministry of Transportation, we propose an alternative solution: the creation of a **Deputy Minister** or **Associate Minister of Transportation** specifically responsible for **Northern Ontario**. This change could enhance the effectiveness of the current duties.

We are eager to work with you and your government to explore ways to reduce the high rates of fatalities and accidents on our highways.

We would appreciate the opportunity to discuss this approach further. We are willing to accommodate your schedule and travel arrangements for these discussions.

Thank you for allowing FONOM to share our thoughts, concerns, and ideas.

Yours,





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The Federation of Northern  
Ontario Municipalities  
306-665 Oak Street East  
NORTH BAY ON P1B 9E5

Attention: Mr. Mac Bain

Dear Sir:

This is Resolution No. 2025-108 which was passed by Council at its Regular Meeting held Tuesday, March 25, 2025.

Resolution No. 2025-108:

Whereas the mission of the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) is to enhance the economic and social quality of life for all Northerners and to ensure a prosperous future for our youth;

And Whereas the FONOM Executive Award is presented annually at its conference to recognize an individual who has demonstrated outstanding dedication and tireless efforts in enriching the lives of Northern Ontarians while advancing the objectives of FONOM;

And Whereas Victor Fedeli has made significant contributions to Northern Ontario through his service as Mayor of the City of North Bay (2003–2010), as a Member of Provincial Parliament, and as a Minister in the Government of Ontario, consistently advocating for the well-being and prosperity of North Bay, Nipissing, and the broader Northern Ontario region.

Now Therefore Be it Resolved that the Council of the City of North Bay formally nominates Victor Fedeli for the 2025 FONOM Executive Award, recognizing his exceptional and enduring contributions to the enrichment and betterment of the lives of Northern Ontario residents and his unwavering commitment to promoting the mission and objectives of FONOM at both regional and provincial levels.

Further be it Resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to FONOM and the Municipalities in the Nipissing Electoral District.

*Karen McIsaac*

Karen McIsaac  
City Clerk

KM/ck

cc: Municipality of Callander  
Municipality of Powassan  
Town of Mattawa  
Township of Bonfield  
Township of Calvin  
Township of Chisholm  
Township of East Ferris  
Township of Mattawan  
Township of Nipissing  
Township of Papineau-Cameron



## THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MATTAWAN

DATE

April 10, 2025

Resolution No. 2025 - 040

MOVED BY

Councillor EDWARDS

SECONDED BY

Councillor LAHAYE

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Mattawan supports the City of North Bay's Resolution No. 2025-108 in which the Council has formally nominated MPP Vic Fedeli for the 2025 FONOM Executive Award.

CARRIED

Mayor Peter Murphy 

DIVISION VOTE

NAME OF MEMBER OF COUNCIL

YEAS

NAYS

Councillor Bell

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Councillor Edwards

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Councillor Lahaye

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Councillor Lemaire

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**Fw: Correction: AMO Policy Update – response to the Speech from the Throne and launch of health sector survey**

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**From** Nicky Kunkel <cao.clerk@bonfieldtownship.com>  
**Date** Thu 4/17/2025 8:51 AM  
**To** Andrée Gagné <deputyclerk@bonfieldtownship.com>

can you please add this to correspondence as well

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**From:** AMO Policy <policy@amo.on.ca>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 16, 2025 7:45 PM  
**To:** Nicky Kunkel <cao.clerk@bonfieldtownship.com>  
**Subject:** Correction: AMO Policy Update – response to the Speech from the Throne and launch of health sector survey



## **AMO Policy Update - AMO responds to the Speech from the Throne and launches health sector survey**

*Correction: This Policy Update now contains the correct list of points under the Bill 2 section.*

### **AMO Responds to the Speech from the Throne**

Yesterday, the Lieutenant Governor delivered the Speech from the Throne, opening the first session of the 44th Parliament of Ontario.

Key commitments relevant to the municipal sector include:

- Removing inter-provincial trade barriers to recognize inter-provincial labour force credentials and improve free trade within Canada.
- Advancing mega-projects like pipelines, railways, highways, airports, seaports while at the same time committing to “historic” investments in housing-enabling municipal infrastructure

- Investing in other transportation infrastructure including a tunnel under Highway 401, expanding subway and GO train service, and resuming the Northlander passenger train.
- Introducing new legislation to expedite approvals processes for the Ring of Fire and other areas likely to have multiple critical deposits while building new processing capacity in Northern Ontario.
- Further streamlining environmental assessments and evolving Conservation Authorities' role.
- Investing in energy production, transmission and storage, including new nuclear capacity.
- Working with municipalities to lower Development Charge fees. Also standardizing and increasing transparency in Development Charge fees, study requirements, and Building Code permit approvals.
- Re-introducing encampment legislation and using whatever legal tools might be needed to end encampments.
- Connecting all Ontarians to primary care within the next four years and invest billions in hospital and long-term care expansion.

AMO will continue to closely review all proposed legislation and new government announcements for municipal impacts. In particular, AMO will continue work with the provincial government on key municipal interests, including:

- New investments in municipal infrastructure and social housing as the best ways to stimulate the economy and save Ontario jobs.
- Predictable and sustainable long-term funding sources for municipal infrastructure, including development charges.
- Determining how requirements to use Ontario and Canadian construction materials will impact municipal infrastructure projects.

## **AMO Launches Municipal Health Survey**

Building on the successful release of our homelessness report earlier this year, AMO is continuing to expand our focus on evidence-based advocacy with the launch of a survey to understand the challenges municipalities face around access to health.

We know many municipalities are filling gaps in the health care system with significant investments from the property tax base. To better understand this evolving challenge, AMO is conducting a survey of Ontario municipalities about the specific contributions you are making to health services in your communities.

Heads of Council and municipal treasurers have received an email with more information shortly. The success of the project is dependent upon the gaining insights from all municipalities in Ontario. For more information about the project, please contact Daniela Spagnuolo, Policy Advisor at [dspagnuolo@amo.on.ca](mailto:dspagnuolo@amo.on.ca).

## **Intake Launch for \$175M Health and Safety Water Program**

The province is launching [Health and Safety Water Stream](#) applications on April 17. This infrastructure program aims to address aging water infrastructure and protect communities from extreme weather events. AMO and MOI will be hosting webinar for the municipal sector to support strong applications in the coming weeks. This is one of the few provincial infrastructure programs that focuses on asset renewal.

## **Ontario Introduces Procurement Restriction Policy**

The province has released a [Procurement Restriction Policy](#) which applies to provincial ministries, agencies, Ontario Power Generation, the IESO, and broader public sector organizations subject to the BPS Procurement Directive. This policy requires affected organizations to exclude US businesses from procurements unless the procurement cannot be delayed, and a US business is the only viable source for the good/service. Notably, subsidiaries of US businesses are captured by this policy if they have fewer than 250 full-time employees in Canada.

While this policy does not apply to municipalities, it is responsive to AMO's call for the province to provide clarity on the intent and scope of the province's approach to banning US suppliers from government procurement.

## **Ontario Introduces Bill 2 – *Protect Ontario Through Free Trade Within Canada Act***

On April 16, Premier Ford was joined by Nova Scotia Premier Tim Houston and New Brunswick Premier Susan Holt [to announce the introduction of a bill](#) intended to reduce inter-provincial trade barriers, and make it easier for skilled workers from other provinces to work in Ontario. The proposed legislation would:

- Remove Ontario's exceptions under the Canada Free Trade Agreement (CFTA)
- Enable mutual recognition of goods and services regulated by other provinces and territories as acceptable for sale and use within Ontario
- Remove labour mobility barriers to allow skilled workers – including health care workers - certified in other provinces and territories to begin work in Ontario "as of right" while completing a streamlined registration process

The province will also begin consultations to allow American health professionals such as doctors and nurses to work in Ontario under the same "as of right" rules. As part of the announcement, Minister Fedeli announced a new \$50 million [Ontario Together Trade Fund](#) to help Ontario's businesses re-shore critical supply chains, and develop new markets.

AMO will continue to work closely with the province to ensure that Ontario's residents, communities, and industry leave this time of uncertainty even stronger and more economically resilient.

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# Town of Amherstburg

## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Michael Prue, Mayor

April 15, 2025

SENT VIA EMAIL

Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building  
Queens Park  
Toronto, ON, M7A 1A4  
VIA EMAIL: [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

Attn: The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario

Re: Resolution# 20250414-011 - Opposition to Strong Mayor Designation for the Town of Amherstburg

At its regular meeting on **April 14, 2025**, Amherstburg Town Council passed **Resolution 20250414-011** in response to the Province's recent proposal to designate Amherstburg as a "**Strong Mayor**" municipality, effective May 1, 2025.

**WHEREAS** the Province of Ontario has proposed to designate the Town of Amherstburg as a "Strong Mayor" community, granting enhanced powers to the Mayor effective May 1, 2025; and,

**WHEREAS** the Strong Mayor powers significantly alter the balance of governance at the municipal level, undermining the role of Council in decision-making and weakening the fundamental democratic principle of majority rule; and,

**WHEREAS** the Town of Amherstburg has a long history of collaborative, transparent, and accountable local governance built upon a foundation of Council-debate and shared decision-making; and,

**WHEREAS** many municipally elected officials across the province and members of the public have expressed significant concern regarding the imposition of these powers; and,

**WHEREAS** the Town of Amherstburg did not formally request or express a desire to be designated under the Strong Mayor framework; and,

**WHEREAS** a growing number of municipalities and elected officials across Ontario are questioning the appropriateness of the Strong Mayor system and are calling for its reconsideration or repeal;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Amherstburg Town Council formally request that the Premier of Ontario and the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing immediately remove the Town of Amherstburg from the list of municipalities designated under the Strong Mayor legislation;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, all regional Members of Provincial



# Town of Amherstburg

## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Michael Prue, Mayor

Parliament, all Ontario municipalities, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their awareness and support.

We thank you for your attention to this matter and urge you to respect the democratic wishes of our Council and community.

Sincerely,

Michael Prue, Mayor  
Town of Amherstburg

Cc: The Honourable Paul Calandra (Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing)  
Regional Members of Provincial Parliament  
All Ontario Municipalities  
The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)



**TOWNSHIP OF RIDEAU LAKES  
Special Council Meeting**

**RESOLUTION** 104-2025  
**Title:** MSC (PW) Rec #78-2025 re: Strong Mayor Powers (for Council approval)  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 16, 2025

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**Moved by** Councillor Dunfield  
**Seconded by** Deputy Mayor P. Banks

**WHEREAS** at the Municipal Services Committee meeting held April 14, 2025, Recommendation #78-2025 was passed related to the recent announcement from the Government of Ontario on Strong Mayor Powers to an additional 169 municipalities effective May 1, 2025;

**AND WHEREAS** said recommendation further requested that the Province remove Rideau Lakes from the Strong Mayor Powers Legislation;

**NOW THEREFORE** be it resolved that the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Rideau Lakes concurs with MSC Recommendation #78-2025.

**YES: 5      NO: 2      ABSTAIN: 0      CONFLICT: 0      ABSENT: 1**

**Carried**

**YES: 5** Councillor J. Banks Councillor Carr Councillor Dunfield Councillor Hutchings  
Deputy Mayor P. Banks

**NO: 2** Councillor Maxwell Councillor Pollard

**CONFLICT: 0**

**ABSTAIN: 0**

**ABSENT: 1** Mayor Hoogenboom





**TOWNSHIP OF RIDEAU LAKES  
Municipal Services Committee (PW)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** 78-2025

**Title:** Ontario Proposing to Expand Strong Mayor Powers to 169  
Additional Municipalities

**Date:** Monday, April 14, 2025

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**Moved by** Councillor Dunfield  
**Seconded by** Deputy Mayor P. Banks

**WHEREAS** the Government of Ontario has announced an expansion of strong mayor powers to an additional 169 municipalities, effective May 1, 2025;

**AND WHEREAS** these powers allow mayors to unilaterally override council decisions, appoint senior municipal staff, and set budgets without majority council approval, undermining the principles of democratic governance;

**AND WHEREAS** municipal governance functions best through a collaborative decision-making process where elected councils, representing the collective voice of their communities, work alongside experienced municipal staff;

**AND WHEREAS** there is no evidence to suggest that strong mayor powers have increased housing starts, contrary to the provincial government's stated justification for their implementation;

**AND WHEREAS** the Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks, and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO) has raised concerns that strong mayor powers blur the lines between political leadership and administrative expertise, threatening the neutrality of municipal public service;

**AND WHEREAS** the City of Orillia recently experienced a situation where its mayor unilaterally overturned a council decision regarding the hiring of a Chief Administrative Officer, demonstrating the potential for these powers to be misused;

**AND WHEREAS** the Township of Rideau Lakes has also experienced governance challenges resulting from mayoral overreach, further highlighting the risks posed by concentrating authority in a single elected official;

**AND WHEREAS** democratic principles require that municipal governance remain a system of "one person, one vote" rather than granting disproportionate power to a single individual;

**NOW THEREFORE** be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Rideau Lakes:

1. Strongly opposes the expansion of strong mayor powers to additional municipalities, including Rideau Lakes;
2. Calls on the Government of Ontario to reverse this decision and uphold the traditional balance of municipal governance; and
3. Directs the Clerk to send a copy of this resolution to:
  - The Honourable Rob Flack Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
  - MPP Steve Clark
  - The Honourable Premier of Ontario Doug Ford
  - The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
  - The Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks, and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO)
  - All Ontario municipalities for their consideration and support.

AND FURTHER that the Province be requested to remove Rideau Lakes from the Strong Mayor Powers Legislation.

YES: 5      NO: 3 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 0

**Carried**

YES: 5

Councillor J. Banks Councillor Carr Councillor Dunfield  
Councillor Hutchings Deputy Mayor P. Banks

NO: 3

Mayor Hoogenboom Councillor Maxwell Councillor Pollard

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BONFIELD**

**BY-LAW NO. 2025-21**

**Being a By-Law to Confirm the Proceedings of Council**

**WHEREAS** it is the desire of Council to confirm all Proceedings and By-Laws:

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Bonfield **ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:**

1. **THAT** the Confirmatory Period of this By-Law shall be for all Regular Council and Special Meetings from April 8, 2025 to April 22, 2025 inclusive.
2. **THAT** all By-Laws passed by the Council of the Township of Bonfield during the period mentioned in Section 1 are hereby ratified and confirmed.
3. **THAT** all resolutions passed by the Council of the Township of Bonfield during the period mentioned in Section 1 are hereby ratified and confirmed.
4. **THAT** all other proceedings, decisions and directions of the Council of the Township of Bonfield during the period mentioned in Section 1 are hereby ratified and confirmed.

**READ A FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED THIS 22nd DAY OF APRIL 2025.**

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MAYOR

\_\_\_\_\_  
CLERK