



Council - Committee of the Whole

Resolution # 2024/217
Title: Authorize support resolution re: Sustainable Infrastructure Funding for Small Rural Municipalities
Date: August 13, 2024

Moved by: Councillor Daniel Gagné

Seconded by: Councillor Fern Pellerin

BE IT RESOLVED THAT at the meeting of August 13, 2024, Council for the Municipality of West Nipissing received and supports the following resolutions seeking **Sustainable Infrastructure Funding for Small Rural Municipalities** from the following municipalities:

- Corporation of the Town of Tecumseh, Council passed Motion RCM - 145/24 at its regular meeting held on June 25, 2024
- Township of Georgian Bay, Council passed Resolution C-2024-165 at its meeting held on May 13, 2024
- Corporation of the Township of Pelee, Council passed Resolution 2024-77 at its meeting held on May 28, 2024
- Corporation of the Township of North Glengarry, Council passed Resolution #13 at its meeting held on June 24, 2024

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Prime Minister of Canada, Honourable Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities of Canada, Honourable Minister of Finance for Canada, Honourable Premier of Ontario, Honourable Minister of Infrastructure for Ontario; Honourable Minister of Finance for Ontario, AMO, ROMA, FONOM, FCM, and all Municipalities in Ontario.

CARRIED



Council - Committee of the Whole

Résolution # 2024/217
Titre: Autoriser la résolution de soutien concernant le financement d'infrastructures durables pour les petites municipalités rurales
Date: le 13 août 2024

Proposé par: Councillor Daniel Gagné

Appuyé par: Councillor Fern Pellerin

IL EST RÉSOLU QUE lors de la réunion du 13 août 2024, le conseil de la municipalité de Nipissing Ouest reçoit et appuie les résolutions suivantes demandant un financement pour l'infrastructure durable pour les petites municipalités rurales de la part des municipalités suivantes:

- Corporation de la ville de Tecumseh, Conseil a adopté Motion RCM - 145/24 lors de sa réunion ordinaire tenue le 25 juin 2024.
- Canton de Georgian Bay, Conseil a adopté résolution C-2024-165 lors de sa réunion du 13 mai 2024.
- Corporation du canton de Pelée, Conseil a adopté Résolution 2024-77 lors de sa réunion tenue le 28 mai 2024.
- Corporation du canton de North Glengarry, Conseil a adopté Résolution no 13 lors de sa réunion tenue le 24 juin 2024.

IL EST EN OUTRE RÉSOLU QU'une copie de la présente résolution soit transmise à l'honorable premier ministre du Canada, à l'honorable ministre du Logement, de l'Infrastructure et des Collectivités du Canada, à l'honorable ministre des Finances du Canada, à l'honorable premier ministre de l'Ontario, à l'honorable ministre de l'Infrastructure de l'Ontario, à l'honorable ministre des Finances de l'Ontario, à l'AMO, à la ROMA, à la FONOM, à la FCM, ainsi qu'à toutes les municipalités de l'Ontario.

ADOPTÉ



The Corporation of the Town of Tecumseh

July 4, 2024

The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
premier@ontario.ca

Attention: The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario

Dear Mr. Ford:

**Re: Township of Pelee Support Township of Georgian Bay Resolution
Sustainable Infrastructure Funding for Small Rural Municipalities**

The Council of the Town of Tecumseh, at its regular meeting held June 25, 2024, gave consideration and supported a resolution letter from Township of Pelee, regarding Sustainable Infrastructure Funding for Small Rural Municipalities

At their meeting, Tecumseh Council passed the following resolution:

“Motion: RCM - 145/24

Moved by Councillor Rick Tonial
Seconded by Councillor Alicia Higgison

That the Council of the Town of Tecumseh hereby support the Township of Pelee and Georgian Bay’s resolution calling on the Ontario and Federal Government to implement sustainable infrastructure funding for small rural municipalities;

And that small rural municipalities are not overlooked and disregarded on future applications for funding;

And that both the Federal and Ontario Governments begin by acknowledging that there is an insurmountable debt facing small rural municipalities;

And that both the Federal and Ontario Governments immediately commission a Working Group to develop a plan on how to deal with the impending debt dilemma;

And that this resolution be forwarded to The Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada; The Honourable Sean Fraser, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities of Canada; Michel Tremblay Acting President and CEO, Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation; The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; The Honourable KingaSurma, Ontario Minister of Infrastructure; The Honourable Paul Calandra, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; MP Dave Epp, Chatham-Kent-Leamington; MPP Trevor Jones, Chatham-Kent-Leamington; Irek Kusmierczk, MP, Windsor-Tecumseh, Andrew Dowie, MPP, Windsor-Tecumseh, AMO, ROMA, FCM, and all Municipalities in Ontario.

Please consider this letter as confirmation of the Town of Tecumseh's support on the above matter.

Yours very truly,



Robert Auger, LL.B.
Director Legislative Services & Clerk

RA/kb
Attachments

1. Township of Pelee Support Township of Georgian Bay Resolution – Sustainable Infrastructure Funding for Small Rural Municipalities
2. Township of Georgian Bay Resolution – Sustainable Infrastructure Funding for Small Rural Municipalities

cc: Mr. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario (premier@ontario.ca)
Ms. Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure Ontario (kinga.surmaco@pc.ola.org)
Mr. Dominic LeBlanc, Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs, Infrastructure and Communities (dominic.leblanc@parl.gc.ca)
Mr. Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing (paul.calandra@pc.olg.org)
Ms. Andrea Khanjin, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks (andrea.khanjin@pc.ola.org)
Mr. Dave Epp, MP - Chatham-Kent-Leamington (dave.epp@parl.gc.ca)
Mr. Irek Kusmierczyk, MP – Windsor-Tecumseh (irek.kusmierczyk@parl.gc.ca)
Mr. Trevor Jones, MPP – Chatham-Kent-Leamington (trevor.jones@pc.ola.org)
Mr. Andrew Dowie, MPP – Windsor-Tecumseh (andrew.dowie@pc.ola.org)
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (amo@amo.on.ca)
Rural Ontario Municipal Association (roma@roma.on.ca)



The Township of Georgian Bay Resolutions Council - 13 May 2024

Item 12.(a)

Date: May 13, 2024

C-2024-165

Moved by Councillor Stephen Jarvis
Seconded by Councillor Peter Cooper

WHEREAS Ontario's small rural municipalities face insurmountable challenges to fund both upfront investments and ongoing maintenance of their capital assets including roads and bridges and water wastewater and municipally owned buildings including recreational facilities and libraries;

WHEREAS in 2018, the Ontario government mandated all Ontario municipalities to develop capital asset management plans with the stipulation that they be considered in the development of the annual budget;

WHEREAS small rural municipalities (of 10,000 people or less) are facing monumental infrastructure deficits that cannot be adequately addressed through property tax revenue alone;

WHEREAS the only application approved through the recently awarded Housing Accelerator Fund to a small rural municipality was to Marathon Ontario, who received an allocation of \$1.9 million dollars while over \$1.369 billion going to Ontario's large urban centres, resulting in a 0.2% investment in rural Ontario;

WHEREAS the Ontario Government has committed \$9.1 billion to Toronto alone to assist with operating deficits and the repatriation of the Don Valley and Gardner Expressway;

WHEREAS small rural Ontario cannot keep pace with the capital investments required over the next 20 years unless both the Provincial and Federal Governments come forward with new sustainable infrastructure funding;

WHEREAS it is apparent that both the Federal and Ontario Governments have neglected to recognize the needs of small rural Ontario;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of Georgian Bay call on the Ontario and Federal Government to implement sustainable infrastructure funding for small rural municipalities;

AND THAT small rural municipalities are not overlooked and disregarded on future applications for funding;

AND THAT both the Federal and Ontario Governments begin by acknowledging that there is an insurmountable debt facing small rural municipalities;

AND THAT both the Federal and Ontario Governments immediately commission a Working Group that includes a member of the Eastern Ontario Wardens Caucus, to develop a plan on how to deal with the impending debt dilemma;

AND FINALLY THAT this resolution be forwarded to The Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada, The Honourable Sean Fraser, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities of Canada; Michel Tremblay Acting President and CEO, Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation; The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; The Honourable Kinga Surma, Ontario Minister of Infrastructure; The Honourable Paul Calandra, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; MP Shelby Kramp-Neuman, Hastings-Lennox Addington; MPP Ric Bresee Hastings-Lennox Addington, AMO, ROMA, FCM, Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus and all Municipalities in Ontario.

Carried Defeated Recorded Vote Referred Deferred

Recorded Vote:

	For	Against	Absent
Councillor Brian Bocek			
Councillor Peter Cooper			
Councillor Kristian Graziano			
Councillor Allan Hazelton			
Councillor Stephen Jarvis			
Councillor Steven Predko			
Mayor Peter Koetsier			

Peter Koetsier, Mayor



THE CORPORATION OF THE

Township Of Pelee

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May 29, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau
Prime Minister of Canada
justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca

DELIVERED VIA EMAIL

**RE: Township of Pelee Support Township of Georgian Bay Resolution
Sustainable Infrastructure Funding for Small Rural Municipalities**

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau,

Please be advised that at the Township of Pelee's Regular Meeting of Council held on May 28th, 2024, the following resolution was passed:

Resolution 2024 – 77

Moved By: Mayor Cathy Miller

Seconded By: Councillor Michelle Taylor

WHEREAS Ontario's small rural municipalities face insurmountable challenges to fund both upfront investments and ongoing maintenance of their capital assets including roads and bridges and water wastewater and municipally owned buildings including recreational facilities and libraries;

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AND WHEREAS the Ontario Government has committed \$9.1 billion to Toronto alone to assist with operating deficits and the repatriation of the Don Valley and Gardner Expressway;



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**CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF NORTH GLENGARRY**

Council Meeting

Resolution # 13

Date: Monday, June 24, 2024

Moved by: Jamie MacDonald

Seconded by: Carma Williams

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Carried

Deferred

Defeated



Mayor / Deputy Mayor