



TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON

A G E N D A

Thursday, March 5, 2020 - 9:00 a.m.

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Announcements**
3. **Additions/Deletions/Approval of Agenda**
4. **Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof**
5. **Approval of Draft Minutes - February 20, 2020**
6. **Business Arising from Minutes**
7. **Point of Privilege or Personal Privilege**
8. **Public Question Period** (Please visit our website under Agendas and Minutes for information on Public Question Period)
9. **Public Works**
 1. Accounts
 2. Other
 1. Hydro One Invoice for damage caused to Hydro One Equipment
10. **Planning**
 1. Applications to Permit
 2. Planning Report & Draft By-law - Secondary Suites
 3. Other
 4. Unfinished Business
 1. OPA - 2577791 Ontario Inc. - West Part of Lots 7 & 8, Concession 2 OS - Notice of Refusal
11. **Strategic Plan**
 1. Effective Governance - 5.2 - Policy Enforcement
12. **Climate Change Initiatives**
13. **Police Services Board**
14. **Committee Reports**
15. **Correspondence**

***Board & Committee Minutes**

1. NDCC Board of Management Special Meeting - January 21, 2020
2. NDCC Board of Management - January 14, 2020
3. Township of Melancthon Roads Sub-Committee - January 15, 2020
4. Shelburne Public Library - Tuesday December 17, 2019

*** Items for Information Purposes**

1. Letter from Kyle Seebach, MP regarding Shelburne Town Hall Meeting on January 24, 2020
2. Dufferin County Forest Annual Report 2019 and Annual Work Schedule 2020
3. Letter from 2690044 Ontario Inc serving as written notice of intent to submit an application to become a holder of Standard Cultivation (Outdoor) Licence under Health Canada's Cannabis Regulations
4. Letter from Wayne Nicholson regarding the County of Dufferin Official Plan Amendment
5. Dufferin County Council in Brief - February 13, 2020

6. Statement of the Treasurer of Remuneration and Expenses Paid as Required By Section 284 (1) of The Municipal Act, 2001 for the Year 2019
7. Email from Anna Dankewich regarding Simcoe County Initiated Official Plan Amendment - Age-Friendly Policies
8. Semi-Annual Groundwater Monitoring and Sampling Report 2019
9. Letter from Douglas Browne, Chief of Emergency Management, Compliance for 2019
10. Notice of Decision from Town of Shelburne - 612 Owen Sound Street
11. Georgian Triangle Development Institute congratulates Councillor McLeod on recent appointment to Vice Chair of the NVCA
12. Letter from EH!tel Networks Inc regarding loss for Broadband Internet
13. Report from Pam Hillock, Clerk/Director of Corporate Services regarding Stop Bus Stop-Arm Enforcement

*** Items for Council Action**

1. Notification for Maintenance and Repair for the Henderson Drain from Ken and Sandra Holmes
2. Report from Roseann Knechtel, Treasury & Taxation Clerk regarding Dispatch Services: Mulmur-Melancthon Fire Department

16. General Business

1. Accounts
2. New/Other Business/Additions
 1. Fire By-law 12-2012, 39-2012 & Fire Permits (Councillor Thwaites)
 2. Motion from Dave Besley in support of the intent of Bill 156
3. Unfinished Business
 1. Horning's Mills Community Hall - Community Meeting - Notice of Meeting and Set Agenda
 2. Melancthon Township Agricultural Roundtable Economic Forum - Update
 3. 2020 Draft Operating and Capital Budget

17. Delegations

1. 9:45 a.m. - Joanne Jordan, Family Transition Place - To highlight goals of the Rural Response Program
2. 10:00 a.m. - Notice of Public Meeting for Zoning By-law Amendment - Nesbitt - East Parts of Lots 29 & 30, Concession 2 OS
3. 11:00 a.m. - Jeff Wilker, Thompson and Rogers - Closed Session

18. Closed Session

1. Approval of Draft Minutes - February 6, 2020
2. Business Arising from Minutes
3. The receiving of advice that is subject to Solicitor/Client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose - LPAT Appeal
4. Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees - Horning's Mills Community Park Board of Management
5. Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees - Property Standards Complaint - Horning's Mills - Update
6. Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees - Tax Arrears Property Registration/Tax Sale - Direction from Council on how to proceed
7. Rise With or Without Report from Closed Session

19. Third Reading of By-laws (if required)

20. Notice of Motion

21. Confirmation By-law

22. Adjournment and Date of Next Meeting - Thursday, March 19, 2020 - 5:00 p.m.

23. On Sites

24. Correspondence on File at the Clerk's Office

• Municipal Planning Services Ltd. •

MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor White and Members of Council
Copy: Denise Holmes, CAO
From: Chris Jones, MCIP, RPP
Date: February 28, 2020
Re: Draft Regulations – Secondary Suites

Further to my memo of May 31, 2019 and Council's direction, attached is a draft zoning by-law amendment that would permit and regulate secondary suites within dwellings and detached accessory garages.

I look forward to discussing the draft amendment in more detail with Council.

Yours truly,



Chris Jones MCIP, RPP

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON

BY-LAW NO. _____

(Secondary Dwelling Units – February 28, 2020)

Being a By-law to amend By-law No. 12-79, as amended, the Zoning By-law for the Township of Melancthon.

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Melancthon is empowered to pass By-laws to regulate the use of land pursuant to Section 34 of the Planning Act, 1990;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Melancthon deems it advisable to amend By-Law 12-79, as amended;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Melancthon enacts as follows:

1. Zoning By-law No. 12-79 as amended, is further amended by adding the following new sub-sections after sub-section xxx):

1.0 Secondary Dwelling Unit Accessory to a Single Detached Dwelling

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this By-law, one secondary dwelling unit is permitted in a detached dwelling in the A1, A2, R1, ER1 or RR Zones provided:

- a) the lot and dwelling are compliant with the zone provisions of their appurtenant zone confirmed by a current plan of survey or real property report;
- b) the principle detached dwelling has a minimum ground floor area of 75 square metres and is otherwise compliant with the provisions of this By-law;
- c) the maximum floor area of the secondary dwelling unit is no greater than 50 square metres and the minimum floor area is no smaller than 30 square metres;
- d) a minimum of three parking spaces are provided on the lot;
- e) the resultant two-unit dwelling is compliant with the Ontario Building Code Act;
- f) both dwellings units are connected to the same septic system which is capable of sustaining both the principle dwelling and the secondary dwelling unit, confirmed by the issuance of a permit from the septic approval authority; and,
- g) where required, a window opening in the secondary dwelling unit having an area of 0.30 square metres is located above grade.

1.1 Secondary Dwelling Unit Accessory to a Detached Private Garage

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this By-law, one secondary dwelling unit is permitted in a detached garage accessory to a residential dwelling in the A1 or A2 Zones provided:

- a) the detached garage is otherwise compliant with the provisions of this By-law;
- b) the floor area of the secondary dwelling unit is no greater than 50% of the ground floor area of the detached garage to a maximum of 50 square metres and is located entirely above grade;
- c) the detached garage shall be designed for vehicle or equipment storage with a suitable entry for vehicles or equipment;
- d) the garage shall not be utilized for a home industry or on-farm diversified use;

- e) a minimum of three parking spaces are provided on the lot;
- f) the detached garage shall be located within 60 metres of the dwelling and shall utilize the same driveway as the dwelling;
- g) the resultant structure is compliant with the Ontario Building Code Act;
- h) both dwelling units are connected to the same septic system which is capable of sustaining both the principle dwelling and the secondary dwelling unit, confirmed by the issuance of a permit from the septic approval authority;
- i) the detached garage shall not have a basement; and,
- k) no accessory structures or uses shall be permitted in conjunction with the secondary dwelling unit.

2. In all other respects, the provisions of By-law 12-79, as amended shall apply.

This By-law shall come into effect upon the date of passage hereof, subject to the provisions of Section 34 (30) and (31) of the Planning Act (Ontario).

READ A FIRST AND SECOND TIME on the xxth day of xxx 2020.

READ A THIRD TIME and finally passed this xxth day of xxx 2020.

Mayor

Clerk



**NORTH DUFFERIN COMMUNITY CENTRE BOARD OF
MANAGEMENT
MINUTES – SPECIAL MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2020 – 5:00 P.M.
NORTH DUFFERIN COMMUNITY CENTRE**



The North Dufferin Community Centre Board of Management known as “The Board” held its meeting on the 21st day of January, 2020 at 5:00 p.m., in the Norduff Room at The North Dufferin Community Centre. Those present:

Those present:

Chester Tupling, Chair, Mulmur
Bert Tupling, Vice-Chair, Melancthon
Keith Lowry, Mulmur
Clayton Rowbotham, Melancthon
Patricia Clark, Councillor, Mulmur
Dave Besley, Deputy Mayor, Melancthon
Debbie Fawcett, Melancthon, Melancthon
Donna Funston, NDCC Secretary, Melancthon
Heather Boston, Mulmur, Treasurer
Tracey Atkinson, Mulmur, CAO
Denise Holmes, Melancthon, CAO

Regrets:

#1 Call to Order by Chair

The meeting starts at 4:55 p.m.

#2 Additions/Deletions/Approval of Agenda

-Moved by Besley, Seconded by Rowbotham the Agenda be approved as circulated. Carried.

#3 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest or Conflict of Interest

None.

#4 Delegation

1. 5:00 p.m. – Sierra Planning – NDCC Recreational Needs Study

Jonathan Hack, Director, Sierra Planning and Management and Richard Dabrus, Principal, WGD Architects Inc were in attendance for the meeting and previously had a full tour of the Arena. The Arena was built in 1965 after the original structure was lost due to fire. The Recreational Study has been broken down into Study A being NDCC and Study B being a Recreational Plan for

Mulmur Township. The survey has been posted online and to date 148 responses have been received. Hopes are to receive around 400 responses and when the survey is complete the Board will receive a copy of the results. The survey is set up so that each computer can only respond one time and the survey closes February 21, 2020.

A Workshop will be held at the Arena on February 4, 2020 that will be open to the public. Request was made that Mulmur email current users of the Facility to make them aware of the survey as well as the February 4th meeting. Also that a notice be put together and placed on the front door of the Arena and have some printed copies of the survey available to be filled out at the arena and placed in a box when completed and that box be collected when the survey has closed.

It was noted that extensive renovations would be needed to keep the current structure ex. washrooms, elevators, accessibility etc. to replace the ice surface alone would be roughly \$500,000 and need to consider the current size (is it big enough), the dressing rooms/showers are in very poor condition, need more girls dressing rooms, gender identity would need to be considered and the Arena needs to be made fully accessible.

The principal consideration should be on function of service the Board is aiming for when putting a plan together for renovation or complete re-build. Renovations can become close to or exceed the cost of a new build. Board needs to consider the fact that a renovation will take the next 20 years to pay, is it better to put the money into renovations now and then in 20 years re-evaluate that section or is it better to put the money into a new arena and pay that over the next 20 years.

Discussed the area around the Arena and that the Fire Hall is a new building and there are no concerns with it. The ball diamond is not used and can be taken out to allow more available space. If a new Arena is the chosen option the Board feels very strongly that the current arena remain in use while the new arena is being built.

The question was asked: why is a change being considered?

- The Arena is in constant need of repair due to age
- It has become a place that people want to be and would like to fill the place all year round not just the winter months.
- Public has a renewed drive to attend the Arena – minor hockey numbers have increased, figure skating has increased, Norduff Room usage has increased, women's league has more teams participating.
- Arena is an Emergency Shelter for Dufferin County

The Board feels there is great community support in the area and feels we could draw from close by Hamlets to increase users. The hope is for people to return to Honeywood that have left in the past to go to another center.

Rough estimate is \$390 per square foot to replace the Arena, a single pad would have 150-200 seats and it was mentioned that the operating costs of a new arena will be much higher than the capital costs.

Grants are available and the two Townships could apply jointly and have a higher success rate. The Energy Audit Group from Mulmur will connect with NDCC Board as they have grants to apply for as well to benefit the Arena.

Jonathan requests Tracey send him the Energy Audit for him to review.

6:10 p.m. Heather Boston leaves.

On February 4th at the workshop Jonathan requests that we set up round tables for groups of 10 to allow more involvement from the public.

#9 Notice of Motion

-None

#10 Confirmation Motion

-Moved by Rowbotham, Seconded by Besley be it resolved that: all actions of the Members and Officers of the North Dufferin Community Centre Board of Management with respect to every matter addressed and or adopted by the Board on the above date are hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed; and each motion, resolution and other actions taken by the Board Members and Officers at the meeting held on the above date are hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed. Carried.

#11 Adjournment

-Moved by Besley, Seconded by Rowbotham that we adjourn the North Dufferin Community Centre Board of Management Special meeting at 6:12 p.m. Carried.

CHAIR

SECRETARY



**NORTH DUFFERIN COMMUNITY CENTRE BOARD OF
MANAGEMENT
MINUTES
TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2020 – 7:00 P.M.
NORTH DUFFERIN COMMUNITY CENTRE**



The North Dufferin Community Centre Board of Management known as “The Board” held its meeting on the 14th day of January, 2020 at 7:00 p.m., in the Norduff Room at The North Dufferin Community Centre. Those present:

Those present:

Chester Tupling, Chair, Mulmur
Bert Tupling, Vice-Chair, Melancthon
Keith Lowry, Mulmur
Nancy Noble, Mulmur
Clayton Rowbotham, Melancthon
Patricia Clark, Councillor, Mulmur
Dave Besley, Deputy Mayor, Melancthon
Debbie Fawcett, Melancthon, Melancthon
Donna Funston, NDCC Secretary, Melancthon
Heather Boston, Mulmur, Treasurer

Regrets:

#1 Call to Order by Chair

Chair Tupling called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

#2 Additions/Deletions/Approval of Agenda

-Moved by Fawcett, Seconded by Clark the Agenda be approved as circulated. Carried.

#3 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest or Conflict of Interest

None.

#4 Approval of Draft Minutes

-Moved by Besley, Seconded by Fawcett, that the minutes of the North Dufferin Community Centre Board of Management held on December 12, 2019 be approved as circulated. Carried.

#5 Business Arising from the Minutes

None.

#6 Facility Manager's Report

James Woods was in attendance for the portion of the meeting.

James reports the Arena was closed due to power outage, the phone lines were down, no working computer and the Saturday bookings had to be cancelled.

The Arena had lots of rented ice time during the Christmas break.

There was a water leak from a drain in the canteen area. James removed the plywood and treated mold that was found on the drywall and wood, new plywood was then put back on.

A security light needs replaced in the Norduff emergency sign, James has contacted Bluewater Fire and Security regarding this.

The roll up door in the canteen is broken, to replace one side will be about \$1600. Currently one side is permanently open and one side is permanently closed. James was directed to get three quotes to replace.

The eye wash station liquid should be changed and James will look into getting this done.

New curtain rods have been ordered for the Norduff Room and the curtains will be washed and re-hung. Debbie Fawcett has offered to make new curtains for the dressing rooms.

Hot water was all programmed separately in mid December, this should make the hydro much less each month.

Currently the ice sits empty every Saturday night from 4PM on. Discussion about making the ice time of 4pm-8pm Saturday night only as non-prime time and try to possibly find another centre that would rent this time at the cheaper rate. Discussed creating a combo rate for special events like birthday parties, this rate would include ice rental and Norduff Room.

#7 General Business

1. Financial
 1. Accounts
 2. YTD vs. Budget comparison
 3. A/R update
 4. 2020 Budget Draft #2
2. NDCC Board of Management
3. Other
4. Unfinished Business
 1. Arena Manager and Part time staff Pay Grids

#1.1 Discussion around hydro bills and how to get them included in the accounts as soon as possible. Board would like to see them current and up to date. Suggestion was made to use the auto debit amount and include that in the accounts instead of waiting for the bill in the mail as there seems to always be delays. Board would like to see December invoice included in the December list of accounts instead of having two or three hydro bills included in one month.

-Moved by Tupling, Seconded by Noble, be it resolved that the accounts in the amount of \$56,206.40 be approved to be paid. Carried.

#1.2 Discussion around YTD figures, Board notes that in 2018 the Arena had a deficit of almost \$30,000 and now in 2019 it is possible to break even.

#1.3 -Moved by Rowbotham, Seconded by Fawcett be it resolved that The amount of \$180 owed by James and Allison Miller from 2018 be wrote off.
Vice-Chair Tupling would like to know the full name of North Dufferin and Agricultural...
Heather will get this information.

#1.4 Board will wait until February before approving budget for 2020.

#2 The meeting date in November will be the 10th all other dates were unchanged.

#4.1 Mulmur has a co-op student in their office which is working on collecting wage information for full-time and part-time Arena staff, this information should be available for the next meeting.

#8 Information

Discussed the RJ Burnside Energy Efficient Plan and the Board would like to see the plan more up to date making the information more useful. Board needs to consider if doing any of the recommendations would there be enough of a savings over a 5 year period as the plan is to replace the front section in that time frame.

-Moved by Fawcett, Seconded by Lowry, be it resolved that items 8.1 and 8.2 be received as information. Carried.

#9 Notice of Motion

-None

#10 Confirmation Motion

-Moved by Tupling, Seconded by Noble be it resolved that: all actions of the Members and Officers of the North Dufferin Community Centre Board of Management with respect to every matter addressed and or adopted by the Board on the above date are hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed; and each motion, resolution and other actions taken by the Board Members and Officers at the meeting held on the above date are hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed. Carried.

#11 Adjournment

-Moved by Tupling, Seconded by Noble that we adjourn the North Dufferin Community Centre Board of Management meeting at 8:21 p.m. to meet again on Wednesday February 12, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at the North Dufferin Community Centre or at the call of the Chair. Carried.

CHAIR

SECRETARY

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON

The Township of Melancthon Roads Sub-Committee held a meeting on January 15, 2020 at 1:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers. The following members were present: David Besley, Chair; David Thwaites, Vice-Chair and Wayne Hannon (1:37p.m.). Also present were: Denise Holmes, CAO/Clerk; Wendy Atkinson, Treasurer and Kaitlin Chessell, Road Sub-Committee Secretary. Chair Besley called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m.

Additions/Deletions/Approval of Agenda

Additions:

Structure 13 Costing

2019 Bridge Study

Moved by Thwaites, Seconded by Besley that the agenda be approved as amended. Carried.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest or Conflict of Interest

No declaration declared at this time.

Approval of Draft Minutes

Moved by Thwaites, Seconded by Besley that the minutes of the Roads Sub-Committee meeting held on January 8th, 2020 be approved as circulated. Carried.

Business Arising from Minutes

5 Sideroad Update

The lawyer for the landowners involved in this matter has been in contact with our lawyer, and they are agreeable to the closing of the bridge provided that they have the opportunity to review the land deed and official survey prior to the closure.

Correspondence Items

None.

General Business

1. Routine Maintenance Cost Identification - Road Management Plan

Discussion ensued about adopting the Road Management Plan and Craig, Public Works Superintendent agreed that the report was much more applicable now since the addendum. Craig is to discuss with Arunas what exactly preventative maintenance entails.

Recommendations:

The Roads Sub-Committee recommends that Council adopt the Road Management Plan prepared by RJ Burnside and Associates dated October 2019, as amended by Memorandum dated January 6, 2020 as part of the Township of Melancthon Asset Management Plan.

The Roads Sub-Committee recommends that Council adopt conceptually the Ten Year Improvement Plan attached to the Memorandum dated January 6, 2020 from RJ Burnside and Associates for purpose of projects and budget planning.

The Roads Sub-Committee recommends that Council approve the projects identified at Line 1 and 2 of the Ten Year Improvement Plan be included in the Townships 2020 Budget together with Lines 3 to 19 of the plan subject to out Public Works Superintendent clarifying preventative maintenance and subject to negotiation with NWN Scientific and that RJ Burnside and Associate be retained to prepare the requisite tender invitations.

The Roads Sub-Committee recommends that Council engage the Municipal Council for Southgate on the matter of the use and maintenance of 2nd Line SW as significant usage has been and is attributable to users from "Southgate". To this end the Township is facing immediate costs in 2020 and 2022 of approximately \$446,000 on the stretch of 2nd Line north from 250 Sideroad based on the Ten Year Improvement Plan.

The Roads Sub-Committee recommends that Council engage the County of Dufferin on the matter of County Rd 21, between 4th Line NE and 5th Line OS, as the satisfactory completion of this County project has impacted and will impact the use, maintenance and planning for rehabilitation on Townships roads, specifically 5th Line and 4th Line NE.

The Roads Sub-Committee recommends that Council engage with our MPP, Sylvia Jones, forthwith on the matter of infrastructure funding available from the Province given the projected astronomical cost the Township is facing over the next ten years on Roads and Bridges.

2. Public Works Superintendent - Grader Options and Costing

Craig, Public Works Superintendent submitted two quotes for a grader but feels like we don't have enough man power to run three graders. Discussion ensued that maybe a truck would be a better option but either way they would likely trade in a truck or grader not add to our fleet. A truck costs approximately \$265,000 with a harness and there is a one year wait from purchase before we would take possession of the truck.

Recommendation:

The Roads Sub-Committee recommends to Council that \$150,000 be put in the 2020 budget to go in the Equipment Reserve for a new truck or grader.

3. Other/Additions

Structure 13 Costing

Chris Knechtel from RJ Burnside and Associates sent over the approximate engineering costs for Structure 13 that is to be going for tender early 2020. The engineering fees are estimated at \$32,700 plus HST.

Recommendation:

The Roads Sub-Committee recommends to Council that they accept the Bridge 13 Rehabilitation quotation for engineering costs from Chris Knechtel at RJ Burnside and Associates for \$32,700 + HST.

2019 Bridge Study

Recommendations:

The Roads Sub-Committee recommends that Council adopt the Bridge/Culvert Report prepared by RJ Burnside and Associates dated September 2019 as part of the Township of Melancthon Asset Management Plan.

The Roads Sub-Committee recommends that Council incorporate into its budget planning, the requisite funding to permit the Roads Department to conduct the required routine and preventative maintenance identified in the Report in consultation with the Public Works Superintendent.

Recommendations to Council

Recommendations has been outlined above.

Public Question Period

None.

Confirmation Motion

Moved by Thwaites, Seconded by Hannon that all actions of the Members and Officers of the Roads Sub-Committee with respect to every matter addressed and/or adopted by the Sub-Committee on the above date are hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed; and each motion, resolution and other actions taken by the Sub-Committee Members at the meeting held on the above date are hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed. Carried.

Adjournment

3:05 p.m. - Moved by Thwaites, Seconded by Hannon that we adjourn this Roads Sub-Committee meeting to meet again on Wednesday February 12th, 2020 at 1:30 p.m. or at the call of the Chair. Carried.

CHAIR _____

SECRETARY _____

*Minutes for Shelburne Public Library Board Meeting
Tuesday, December 17, 2019*

Present: Geoff Dunlop Margaret Mercer Mikal Archer
James Hodder Gail Little Patricia Clark

Also Present: Rose Dotten, CEO/ Head Librarian, Gord Gallaugh, Treasurer

Regrets: Sharon Martin, Paul Barclay, Shane Hall

The Chair, Geoff Dunlop, called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Motion 43-19 M. Archer, M. Mercer
Be it resolved that we approve the Agenda for December 17, 2019, meeting.
Carried

Motion 44-19 J. Hodder, P. Clark
Be it resolved that we approve the minutes of the board meeting dated November 26, 2019.
Carried

Financial Reports:

Motion 45-19 M. Archer, M. Mercer
Be it resolved that we approve the Accounts Payable Register for November 2019, with invoices and payments in the amount of \$31,508.39.
Carried

CEO/ Head Librarian's Report:

- **Statistics**
We include statistics for the month of November, 2019. You will see that our statistic are quite similar to last month's but again, the ILLO number is only about one quarter of last year's which does impact overall statistic. E-books are almost totaling one thousand so we can see the gains there in the e-readership.
- **Silent Auction and Book Sale on November 30, 2019**
We had an amazing Silent Auction and Book Sale in November. The grand total that we raised was the sum of \$5,019. This has been our most successful Silent Auction to date and is a tribute to the generosity of our community and the close connection we have to our patrons.
- **Library Literary Events**
Our upcoming Library Literary Events are as follows:
 - Traveler's Tales—A Night in Australia was postponed from December 17 to January 14/20, at 7 pm in the Library.
- **Coffee, Conversation & Books**

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The next Coffee, Conversation & Books, will be:

- Liz Jansen, Euphoria, on December 18/19, at 7 pm
- Peter Sandor, TBA, on January 15, 2020, at 7 pm

Correspondence: none

Business:

The Board has had some informal discussions regarding the value of the building and other aspects of how BDO calculates other aspects of our enterprise such as books etc. in the annual audit. A very large part of our budget is used for maintenance, heat etc., and we have had some ongoing discussion regarding these costs.

- **Christmas Honorariums for staff**

Motion 46-19 **G. Little, M. Mercer**

Be it resolved that the Shelburne Library approve the year-end honorariums in the amounts \$50 or \$100 to be distributed at the discretion of the CEO.

Carried

- **Year-end Motions required by Treasurer**

Motion 47-19 **P. Clarke, M. Mercer**

That the Board move the following motions:

1. That the treasurer be authorized to transfer the amount of \$7,693.95 from the Building Reserve to cover costs of masonry repair to west steps, eaves trough repairs, security camera repair/replacement, and shelf construction;
2. That the treasurer be authorized to move the sum of \$10,000 from the collection reserves as budgeted, plus an amount to cover any overages in collections cost versus budget;
3. That the treasurer be authorized to transfer \$349.44 from the computer reserve re software upgrade;
4. That the treasurer be authorized to transfer \$1,320 from Special Projects to subsidize student wages, as per donor request;
5. That the treasurer move \$1,500 from special projects to cover costs over budget for literary and program expenses;
6. That the treasurer be authorized, at year end, to transfer any operating surplus/deficit to/from the operating reserve, sufficient to bring income/expense statement into zero balance.

Carried

- **In Camera session—not required**

Motion 48 -19 **P. Clark, J. Hodder**

That we now adjourn at 7:00 p.m., to meet again February 18, 2020, at 7 pm., or at call of the Chair.

Carried



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CANADA

Kyle Seeback

Member of Parliament
Dufferin—Caledon

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FEB 12 2020

January 31, 2020

David Thwaites
Councillor
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**Re: January 24, 2020 Correspondence –
Shelburne Town Hall Meeting (January 23, 2020)**

Dear Councillor Thwaites,

Thank you for your e-mailed correspondence, which I received on January 24, 2020. I greatly appreciate you taking the time to attend my Town Hall Meeting, in Shelburne last week, and for bringing the very serious infrastructure challenges facing municipalities in Dufferin-Caledon to my attention.

I also appreciate you taking the time to write me to share additional information on the specific infrastructure concerns and needs of Melancthon Township. It was immensely helpful to me in preparing my response to last December's Speech from the Throne, which I delivered in the House of Commons on January 27, 2020. In my response, I drew attention to the fact that infrastructure, along with rural broadband and agriculture, were essentially ignored by the current government. I've attached a copy of the Hansard, should you be interested in reading it.

I look forward to working with you in addressing the many important issues facing our community. Please continue to keep me informed. I also look forward to meeting with council in the coming months.

Thank you again for attending last week's Town Hall Meeting and for writing me. It is deeply appreciated.

Sincerely,

Kyle Seeback, M.P.
Dufferin-Caledon

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OFFICIAL REPORT
(HANSARD)

Monday, January 27, 2020

Speaker: The Honourable Anthony Rota

The Address

Although it was true that I had assumed this new position at my family's business, it was not true that this was the reason I was no longer the critic for democratic institutions. The actual reason I was no longer the critic for this file was that I had been relieved of my responsibilities as a consequence of having voted against my party's position on Bill C-45, the Cannabis Act, at third reading.

It goes without saying that if I had said anything at all in the House of Commons on February 5 with respect to my being relieved of this position, it should have been the truth, although a judicious silence would also presumably have been acceptable.

Mr. Speaker, you wisely counselled me to keep my remarks as brief as possible, so I will conclude with what I believe to be an important clarification.

In addition to withdrawing the words in question and apologizing for having misled the House, I want to assure the House that my transgression was entirely my own and that no colleague, nor any other person, prompted me in any way to say these words in the House. The purpose of an apology ought to be to correct the record as thoroughly as possible, and this task would be incomplete if I did not clarify that the responsibility lies entirely upon my own shoulders.

I thank all colleagues for their indulgence in letting me speak about this matter today.

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• (1600)

[English]

RESUMPTION OF DEBATE ON ADDRESS IN REPLY

The House resumed consideration of the motion for an address to Her Excellency the Governor General in reply to her speech at the opening of the session.

The Speaker: Are there any questions for the hon. member for Davenport?

Mr. Ziad Aboultaif (Edmonton Manning, CPC): Mr. Speaker, happy new year to you and to everyone.

Did the Speech from the Throne address the issue of national unity that, as a matter of fact, is happening now and is a big concern in western Canada? I would like a comment from the member opposite on that topic, please.

Ms. Julie Dzerowicz (Davenport, Lib.): Madam Speaker, the Speech from the Throne mentioned quite a bit about the fact that it is not always easy for us to reach a consensus about how diverse we are and that there is a diversity of opinion across this country, and we have talked about the different factions across Canada.

I assure the member that national unity is of the utmost importance to our Prime Minister, our Deputy Prime Minister and everybody in this government. I assure the member that it is a top priority for us. Every province and territory is of equal importance. We are stronger when we are together and when we move forward together in addressing the key issues of each of our regions.

Mr. Mark Gerretsen (Kingston and the Islands, Lib.): Madam Speaker, my question for the member relates to the topic of pharmacare, which came up in the Speech from the Throne. We know that many Canadians are making the difficult choice between taking their medications or paying for other necessities of life, like rent, food or the other things they need to survive.

Could the member comment on how important it is that we move forward with a pharmacare plan and what impact it will have on middle-class and lower-income Canadians?

Ms. Julie Dzerowicz: Madam Speaker, I know that pharmacare is important to the middle class and to vulnerable Canadians, but in my riding of Davenport, the number-one group that mentions it to me is seniors. It is their top issue. They say that they have to make choices between their living expenses and housing and prescription drugs.

Seniors were elated to hear that we will be putting in a national pharmacare program in this upcoming term. I have told them that we have taken some of the initial steps. We have started on the drug formulary, which they were happy to hear about, and have also created the Canadian drug agency, which will help to establish prices for the drugs that would be covered under national pharmacare.

We still have one final step, which is to negotiate with each of the provinces and territories. We have to do this because the pharmacare program would actually be delivered through our provinces and territories.

• (1605)

[Translation]

Ms. Elizabeth May (Saanic—Gulf Islands, GP): Madam Speaker, I thank my colleague from Davenport for her speech.

[English]

I want to get to this question about pharmacare again, as I have been concerned. The Minister of Health recently said to the media that she is not certain that the current government can bring in universal pharmacare. An overwhelming number of voters chose parties that had pharmacare in their platform. The New Democrats, the Greens and the Liberals all promised that universal pharmacare could be accomplished.

I wonder if my hon. colleague from Davenport, who has spoken about the work that has already started with the formulary, can assure Canadians that we will establish a national plan of bulk-buying pharmaceutical drugs to bring down prices. The provinces could then decide if they want to buy from that. I was disturbed by the comment from the Minister of Health that somehow nothing could move unless all provinces were on board.

Ms. Julie Dzerowicz: Madam Speaker, I am not quite sure what the Minister of Health has mentioned to the media, but there is unequivocal and strong support from this government to put in universal pharmacare across the country. It is never easy to negotiate with the provinces and territories. That always takes a bit of time. However, I know that provincial and territorial leaders will be listening to their constituents, who will be saying that this is of the utmost importance. Ultimately, we all want the same thing, and that is to serve Canadians to the best of our abilities.

Mrs. Jenica Atwin (Fredericton, GP): Madam Speaker, it is my pleasure to stand today in the House to address not only my fellow members but the many Canadians across this country who are tuning in to hear what their representatives on this floor have to say on their behalf.

I want to recognize that today is the international day of remembrance for the Holocaust. We are also on the cusp of Black History Month, which begins this weekend. In 2020 it is crucial to recognize the lessons history have taught us, the progress we have made on human rights and all the work that remains to be done. I also want to recognize the victims and the families of flight PS752.

Many of us have had the privilege of spending almost two months in our home communities connecting with constituents.

[Translation]

Over the past few weeks, I have had the pleasure of meeting hundreds of people during public events and my first round of community gatherings.

[English]

The people of Fredericton, Oromocto, Marysville, Maugerville and surrounding communities are engaged, and I am so proud to represent such a dynamic riding.

[Translation]

Fredericton is the capital of Canada's only officially bilingual province.

[English]

Indigenous leadership in the arts is putting New Brunswick on the map. We are also a riding where consistent, devastating floods are making climate change real to people, and where parents are standing up to demand more support for their children struggling with mental illness. I am proud to stand with and beside them as their MP.

I want to address the Speech from the Throne. I was, in all honesty, very pleased to see where our priorities have landed: addressing climate change, healing regional divides and acknowledging the need to further advance forward relationships with indigenous peoples. I was ready to support the speech. I thought if there was ever a Speech from the Throne to support, this would be it.

However, then I was reminded of the last four years. I was reminded of the reason I decided to run in the past election and the promises I made to my constituents to hold the government accountable and challenge pretty words and superficial statements. As a wife and a mother to two indigenous sons, I must stand in the House to protect their future, to protect their inherent collective

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rights and be firm in my affirmation that their rights are non-negotiable.

I want to speak for a moment on the proposed legislative and policy framework, the Prime Minister's two-track approach to a pan-indigenous policy. It is being called the "two-track termination plan" by many indigenous scholars and traditional leaders. It is reminiscent of the white paper on Indian policy from 1969. People have real, valid issues with what is being proposed, indigenous people, those directly impacted by this legislation. We owe it to them to listen.

The Government of Canada has been consistent in its top-down approach. The patriarchal relationship remains: Canada like a father to its children. Indigenous communities are not Canada's children. Their roots run the deepest on this land and they have the right to self-determination. We have convoluted, confused and complicated our end of the bargain, and that has gotten us where we are today: a deadlock over the land, the land we agreed to share. Canada's definition of sharing is not something I would feel comfortable teaching my children.

Reconciliation means giving back where we took too much. It is achieving an equilibrium. I have heard critics say that we are all Canadian, that we should all be treated equally and that there should be no special treatment. That only works if we are in fact equal.

I am not going to rattle off statistics to describe the disparity that exists. We know what they are. What they mean is that we have to do better. We need real action, real negotiations that find parity in the voices represented.

• (1610)

[Translation]

In Canada, the right to consultation is closely tied to free, prior and informed consent. That means issues must be considered at the individual level and that consultations must involve participants who truly reflect the views of indigenous peoples. The idea is certainly not that powerful and influential organizations and corporations at the top should have a greater say.

[English]

When Canada continues to ignore the voices of grassroots community members, traditional and hereditary chiefs, we have outrage and activism in the streets.

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The delays on certain energy projects like Coastal GasLink or fracking in New Brunswick are not to be blamed on the demonstrators. It was the wilful ignorance of the players involved from the beginning who made indigenous voices an afterthought. To see that indigenous considerations have been prioritized is very encouraging, but forgive me if I remain suspicious.

I was pleased to hear the mandate for UNDRIP in the throne speech.

[Translation]

I hoped those words signalled that real change was coming soon.

[English]

However, in the past few weeks we see the way the government has behaved in the unceded territory of the Wet'suwet'en peoples. It bears a striking resemblance to the behaviour of a previous government in my backyard in 2014, when traditional elders of the Mi'kmaq nation and Elsipogtog built a camp to protect the land and water from the encroachment of a fracking company. At that time, it was only the member for Saanich—Gulf Islands, on behalf of the Green Party of Canada, and David Coon, on behalf of the Green Party of New Brunswick, who stood with the Mi'kmaq hereditary and traditional chiefs.

[Translation]

The RCMP's deplorable colonial practices in dismantling a peaceful demonstration made headlines across the country.

[English]

I have a personal connection to this history, as I had to see a family member, a traditional chief, handcuffed with zip ties and arrested as he was conducting a pipe ceremony.

A lot has changed since 2014. We have come through the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's report of findings. Canada has reversed its opposition to the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Persons and has been working on legislation to see it enshrined in Canadian law.

The inquiry into missing and murdered indigenous women and girls has published its final report, including the testimony of 2,380 survivors and family members of those lost.

[Translation]

I am proud to be a member of a party that understands what this really means and does not shirk its responsibility for the need to work tirelessly on reconciliation across Canada.

[English]

Unfortunately, Canada seems queued up to repeat the same mistakes it has been making for generations, the same mistakes it made in 2014.

Despite my support for some of the words in the Speech from the Throne, I have little confidence in the Liberal government to understand its responsibilities or to implement the changes we need.

• (1615)

[Translation]

I strongly believe that when we establish a real nation-to-nation relationship with the Indigenous peoples, our relationship with mother earth will be much better.

[English]

Our relationship with indigenous peoples is a step forward for climate action.

Earlier today my fellow Green Party members both spoke about the urgency of climate change. Ridings across New Brunswick have been hit in each of the last two years by historic flooding. The river systems at home are jammed. The snow is piling up in our forests. Our wetlands and buffer zones are compromised. We are seeing an increase in precipitation. All signs point to another bad flood season this spring.

Action is required. The Prime Minister and his government know that. I want them to know I am committed to working with them to make progress on adapting to climate change and that I am committed to helping facilitate the rapid transition that our economy must also undertake.

I want to talk for a minute about that.

I am so excited by the opportunities that lay before us in the new economy. We know we have to end our dependency on fossil fuels and I am convinced we can do it, while looking out for workers who will need new careers. We have always been and will continue to be a resource-driven economy. [Just look at the bounty of the resources we have to offer toward renewable energy: our long sunny summer days; powerful river systems across the country; beautiful forests; and right at home in New Brunswick, the highest tides in the world.

This new economy brings with it the promise of new jobs for electricians, mechanics, manufacturers, truck operators and the list goes on.

In New Brunswick, renewable energy companies are already accomplishing amazing things, showing leadership, sharing expertise and building capacity. One solar company in Fredericton has already trained 200 people in solar panel installation work, half of which has come from the Alberta oil sands.

[Translation]

This is an opportunity that will help reunite New Brunswick families. At the same time, this will allow workers to participate in the economy of the future.

[English]

The people of my riding are ready and willing to be part of the new economy and they are eager to reduce their own carbon pollution. It is up to the government to give them the way forward.

What is the plan to expand public transit and increase electric vehicle uptake? Where is the plan to help everyday Canadians make their homes most efficient to—

The Assistant Deputy Speaker (Mrs. Alexandra Mendès): I am sorry, but time is up.

Questions and comments, the hon. member for Sherwood Park—Fort Saskatchewan.

Mr. Garnett Genus (Sherwood Park—Fort Saskatchewan, CPC): Madam Speaker, it is a pleasure to congratulate you on taking on the role of chair occupant, as well as to extend my best wishes to the new member.

I suspect the hon. member and I may agree on some things and disagree on some others, coming from a riding that is very dependent on the energy sector. I would make the case for my province as well as for her province that the Canadian energy economy is very important.

For the foreseeable future, the world is going to be using hydrocarbon. Right now people in New Brunswick have jobs that involve the importation of foreign oil at world prices. It seems to be logical that as long as there is refining happening in her province, would it not be better if we could connect the country from coast to coast with pipelines so that western Canadian oil could be feeding jobs and opportunity in New Brunswick and in other parts of eastern Canada?

Given the reality that the energy sector exists and that right now we are importing foreign oil into eastern Canada, why not seize this opportunity for more Canadian innovation as we continue to grow and develop and try to improve our environmental performance?

Mrs. Jenica Atwin: Madam Speaker, we have been criticized by some, saying that we cannot turn the taps off now as there has to be that transition. We understand that. We are not turning the taps off. We know that we need to get some of what we have in the ground to market. I do not think that building the pipeline is the way to do that. We have existing infrastructure that can continue to fuel our current energy demands. As we ramp up renewables, we can decrease that dependency. I do not see the need for that pipeline.

I also do not agree that connecting those resources would necessarily mean that we are off our foreign oil resources. That will continue. It is more that I want to see the concrete steps toward this future plan we hear about. I need to see the actual steps forward.

I continue to support the member's province and what is happening there, but not by building new pipeline infrastructure.

• (1620)

Mr. Mark Gerretsen (Kingston and the Islands, Lib.): Madam Speaker, I congratulate the member on her maiden speech in the House. My question comes out of some of the comments she made. She started by talking about the Speech from the Throne, that she very much liked the words that were in it and what it had to offer. However, she then seemed reluctant to support it based on her interpretation of what happened over the past four years.

I am curious if it is more important, in the spirit of trying to work together, to try to collaborate in a way that brings us together and

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that we approach this from a place of trying to have some trust in each other to bring forward ideas and to present them to the House.

Would the member not agree, at the very least, given that and given what she said, that she does support the Speech from the Throne, notwithstanding the fact that she might have reservations about voting for it based on her interpretation of what happened over the last four years?

Mrs. Jenica Atwin: Madam Speaker, I thought that this is the Canada of which I want to be a part. This is the government I would like to support. However, holding the government accountable for its actions over the last four years is certainly a part of this process. I cannot just take the Liberals' words for it anymore.

My colleague from Saanich—Gulf Islands read some pieces from the 2015 Speech from the Throne. We cannot be kind of duped into believing that this is the time to believe.

As much as I want to be supportive, as much as I think the speech was great and well-intentioned and believe that even steps forward on reconciliation and on climate change are well-intentioned, the government is still missing the mark. I need the government to start hitting that mark because time is of essence. I have two little children who need a future they can live in, breathe clean air and have clean water.

Mr. Alistair MacGregor (Cowichan—Malahat—Langford, NDP): Madam Speaker, I can remember visiting Fredericton in 2016 when I substituted on the special committee on electoral reform. It was great to see strong support from the residents there. I know the member is disappointed in the previous comments, as I am.

I met some renewable energy contractors who were specializing in tidal energy. I would like the member to talk about some of the energy projects in the Bay of Fundy. I remember operators telling me that the tides were so strong there that their first prototype broke. I wonder if the member could talk more about those renewable energy projects.

Mrs. Jenica Atwin: Madam Speaker, that turbine remains at the bottom of the ocean on our coastline. We were prepared with the technology to harness that amazing power we would have with tidal. I would like to see our technology catch up.

There are also great opportunities for offshore wind, but we need our provinces and some regulations to change as well. We need a willingness on the part of government to support some of these changes. There are so many exciting things that are so possible and are ready to be deployed. However, we continue to invest in old, outdated infrastructure that holds us back as Canadians.

Mr. Garnett Genus (Sherwood Park—Fort Saskatchewan, CPC): Madam Speaker, I will be sharing my time with the member for Kenora.

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Rising now as a member of the 43rd Parliament, I appreciate the opportunity to address the government's agenda and at the same time present my vision and priorities for this Parliament.

I represent Sherwood Park—Fort Saskatchewan, located in Alberta on Treaty 6 territory, the traditional meeting grounds and a travelling route to the Cree, Saulteaux, Blackfoot, Métis, Dene and Nakota Sioux.

Fort Saskatchewan's history as a community goes back to the 19th century, when it started as a fort for mounted police. It was put on the transcontinental rail line in 1905. Fort Saskatchewan is proud of its past and its present.

Sherwood Park and Strathcona County, where I live, has grown out of Edmonton as a politically and culturally distinct suburban community. The greater municipality of Strathcona County includes the large urban community of Sherwood Park and various small hamlets, acreages and farms. Whether one likes urban or rural, Strathcona County is a great place to live, work and raise a family.

The whole of my riding depends heavily on the energy sector and, in particular, on the downstream refining and upgrading activities that turn extracted products into everyday household items.

Opponents of our energy sector should remember that it is not just airplane fuel and diesel that come from oil, but also toothbrushes, election signs and many things in between.

I recall seeing Coroplast signs in the background when the candidacy of the Minister of Canadian Heritage was announced. He is a well-known opponent of the energy sector but I still presume, although I cannot say for sure, that he uses a plastic toothbrush from time to time. Therefore, as the MP for Canada's industrial heartland, I would like to thank him and others for keeping at least some energy workers on the job as we fuel the fight against halitosis.

Although I come here from Sherwood Park—Fort Saskatchewan, I am conscious as I take my seat of the immortal words of Edmund Burke, who told the electors of Bristol:

Parliament is not a congress of ambassadors from different and hostile interests...parliament is a deliberative assembly of one nation, with one interest, that of the whole; where, not local purposes, not local prejudices, ought to guide, but the general good, resulting from the general reason of the whole. You choose a member indeed; but when you have chosen him, he is not member of Bristol...he is a member of parliament.

Therefore, as the deliberative assembly of one nation, we confront what I suspect will be the greatest challenge of the 43rd Parliament: the question of national unity. I see the question of national unity as broad in scope. Yes, it is a question of how we reconcile divisions between different regions of this country, but it is also about reconciliation of, and solidarity across, other divides.

We must be a country where people of all faiths, of all cultures and of all linguistic backgrounds see themselves as belonging to one nation. We are a community of communities, where the particular attachments that unite particular communities are good and right, but also must be transcended in the creation of a greater national community of shared commitments, of intertwining histories and of unifying solidarity.

I recently finished reading the beautiful novel *Sybil*, written by former British prime minister Benjamin Disraeli. I have never read a book before that so combines sublime romantic narrative with weighty, provocative political theory and would recommend it to all members. Since I know the member for Spadina—Fort York will ask, the book is also available with pictures.

In the 1840s, while writing this book, Disraeli observed a society divided along lines of class. Class divisions did not primarily arise from differences in economic productivity but rather from moments of conquest, such as the Norman invasion and the quasi-conquest of the English reformation, in which the vast church land previously available for common uses was reallocated to the well-connected and wealthy friends of the new religious regime.

This process of redistribution, effectively from the people to the wealthy and well-connected, invested the newly enriched in the success of the new system and created a new oligarchy that could both oppose the monarch and oppress the people.

This appears to have been Disraeli's view of his country's past, but it is also deeply relevant to our own country's present. Taking from the people and giving to well-connected elites in the name of progress is central to the big-government agenda of our current cabinet.

The disproportionate privileges of the wealthy and well connected and the sufferings of ordinary people are often falsely blamed on free markets, when the real culprit is government expropriation from the middle class and government subsidy to the well connected. The unequal application of the carbon tax and so-called super-cluster subsidies are particular examples of this phenomenon in our day.

Disraeli's novel *Sybil* is the story of a romance between Charles Egremont, whose family was enriched through the disbursement of church property after the English reformation, and Sybil Gerard, a working-class Catholic woman who intends to become a nun.

• (1625)

In the midst of overarching social injustice, there are well-intentioned and ill-intentioned people on both sides of the sharp class divide. Disraeli shows how understanding and solidarity between the classes, as opposed to class warfare, is the harder path, but is the only desirable way forward.

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Friedrich Engels' famous book *The Condition of the Working Class in England* was published in the same year that *Sybil* was published. Marx and Engels recognized the same class divisions that Disraeli did, but instead of intercommunal harmony, they argued for the inevitability of heightened division and therefore the justness of class warfare. They said that the privilege hierarchy would be inverted through a dictatorship of working people.

Disraeli's ideas were in many ways more radical than those of Marx and Engels. Marx and Engels proposed to change who was at the top of the social hierarchy, but Disraeli sought to challenge the moral condition and the lack of understanding, solidarity and community that led to injustice in the first place.

Similarly, the problem with today's social justice warriors is that they are not radical enough. They seek to invert structures of privilege while still singling people out for bad or good treatment based on characteristics that they cannot control.

The prevailing SJW norms of call-out culture, wokeness and privilege inversion do not emphasize the truly radical and much more elevated messages of unity, universal solidarity and shared progress.

Disraeli's philosophy was called one-nation conservatism. He sought to re-establish the bonds of community and solidarity among different social classes and to engage all classes in the enactment of meaningful reforms to the conditions of working people.

He was part of a long and proud tradition of reform-minded conservative leaders. In particular, many of the great reforms of 19th-century Britain, most notably the abolition of slavery, were a conservative legacy.

Disraeli played a crucial role in the passage of the Second Reform Act, which gave some working people in Britain the franchise for the first time. He showed how intercommunal solidarity, as opposed to intercommunal division, is ultimately the basis for the advancement of justice.

One-nation conservatism is not a term we use often, but it is a concept that I believe we particularly need in this country, in this time, in this 43rd Parliament.

Canada faces divides not just of economic position, but also of region, of ethnicity, of religion, of religiosity, of social values and more. As in Britain, the most powerful moments of national reconciliation in our history have always been achieved under the leadership of Conservative prime ministers.

These were people like Sir John A. Macdonald, who reconciled English and French Canadians and connected our country from coast to coast; like Brian Mulroney, who came the closest of any leader since Macdonald to achieving national constitutional reconciliation; and like Stephen Harper, who recognized the aspirations of Quebec and therefore presided over the political decimation of the Bloc Québécois while building pipelines expanding opportunity in every region of the country.

Conservatives have always believed in Canada as a community of communities, emphasizing both the legitimacy of particular local attachments and the necessity of shared common values.

Canada needs a one-nation vision today, but this throne speech fails to advance that one-nation vision. It fails to even discuss the critical issues facing many regions and communities within Canada. It completely ignores the challenges of our natural resource sector, not only in Alberta but across the country. It fails to discuss the vital issue of economic development for indigenous communities, for whom hope and opportunity are key elements of reconciliation.

It has nothing to say about the badly needed reforms to our immigration system, such as the urgent need for reform to our system of refugee sponsorship so that private organizations can sponsor vulnerable refugees without facing massive wait times, arbitrary caps and unjustifiable red tape.

New Canadians are waiting for an immigration system that is fair to those who follow the rules. With this throne speech, they will have to wait a little longer.

The throne speech notes the ambition of the government to join the UN Security Council, but makes no mention of the ambitions of people around the world to be out from under the thumb of oppression, to live as we live, with freedom, democracy, human rights and the rule of law. The throne speech marks the continuation of a foreign policy that puts the Security Council ambitions of the government ahead of our nation's fundamental values.

Unsurprisingly, the throne speech makes no mention of the threats to the fundamental freedoms of many Canadians such as freedom of speech, association, religion and conscience.

Our sense of national solidarity should include goodwill towards the indigenous energy worker in Alberta and the francophone petroleum product manufacturer in Ontario, the Sikh public servant in Montreal and the Catholic palliative care nurse in Delta.

It should include concern for the well-being, the traditions and the rights of all Canadians. It should not seek, in the first instance, to decide whose rights or whose sufferings are more important but rather seek a national reconciliation of interests and concerns.

This is what a country does when it truly sees itself as one nation to which all belong. This is the work of the 43rd Parliament, the deliberative assembly of one nation.

• (1630)

Mr. Ken Hardie (Fleetwood—Port Kells, Lib.): Madam Speaker, I would like to ask the hon. member to think about his home territory and the petroleum sector. He refers to it as the energy sector, and in that there is a problem, because when we use petroleum for energy we burn it, and when we burn it, we contribute to climate change, at least a lot of people believe that.

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I would be interested to know what the member hears at home from that industry about its innovations in the non-energy side and the sorts of things that will continue, like the toothbrush that the hon. member mentioned, which have a need and a place in our economy.

• (1635)

Mr. Garnett Genuis: Madam Speaker, in response to the hon. member, it is an important point to make that many of the policies we have seen from the government have put all sorts of barriers in front of the extractive sector in general, which obviously greatly impacts the petroleum manufacturing sector that is important in my riding as well as the use of energy in other contexts.

There are all kinds of innovations happening in our energy sector, and I think the member knows that. However, on this side of the House, our view is that we should have responsible policies that incentivize the development of new technology in the context of that sector, which is why in the last election we proposed a business tax rate reduced to 5% for those directly earning revenue from a green patent.

Development is already happening, but this green patent incentive would have encouraged further, more rapid development in terms of technological improvements. I think the path forward is to encourage development and innovation at the same time.

Policies like the carbon tax advanced by the Liberal government unfortunately will push investment out of the country to less environmentally friendly jurisdictions. They will not help us as a global community in our response to our environmental challenges. They will just hurt Canada's economy. However, we can incentivize the development of green technology while encouraging development. That would be the policy we would recommend on this side of the House.

Mr. Mark Gerretsen (Kingston and the Islands, Lib.): Madam Speaker, I enjoyed listening to the remarks from my colleague, in particular some of the more jestful ones, such as the notion that perhaps Stephen Harper decimated the Bloc Québécois. I would argue that the only thing Stephen Harper decimated was the former Progressive Conservative Party that he hijacked the branding for and turned into what we now see as the former Reform Alliance Party of Canada.

Nonetheless, what we have here is obviously a difference of opinion from the member in terms of the throne speech. There are so many initiatives that have had huge success over the last four years and those are looked to continue on in the throne speech and through this government.

The member spoke a lot about the international relations that exist, but I wonder if he could pick up on just one thing in the throne speech that perhaps he is supportive of. Even though he will vote against it, I am curious if there is just one thing that he liked in there.

Mr. Garnett Genuis: Madam Speaker, first of all, I know it is a well-worn line, but one is entitled to one's own opinion but not to one's own facts. It is an objective reality, with all due respect to my friends in the Bloc Québécois, that after a majority term of the current Prime Minister we have had a resurgence of the Bloc

Québécois and we have had an unprecedented resurgence of separatist sentiment in western Canada. That is not Stephen Harper's fault.

We had a period during which the fortunes of separatism in all parts of the country were waning dramatically and then, all of a sudden, as a result of four years of Liberal government, of lack of respect for different parts of the country, a failure to build national unity, we have had the return of separatist sentiment in not one but multiple parts of this country. I certainly would invite the member across to visit my riding and observe the frustration that exists there in terms of what is going on.

In terms of whether there are one or two things in the throne speech that I like, it is a throne speech that sets out the program for the government, what it will do and will not do, and I think that the direction is fundamentally wrong.

I highlighted during my speech the fact that the government is really not identifying and responding to the key problems that we face, but that does not mean that there will not be things from time to time that the government does that we agree with.

However, the frustration is that the government is not attentive to, and does not really seem to care about, the biggest problems and challenges that are facing many Canadians, and many of those things are not even mentioned.

[*Translation*]

The Assistant Deputy Speaker (Mrs. Alexandra Mendès): It is my duty pursuant to Standing Order 38 to inform the House that the questions to be raised tonight at the time of adjournment are as follows: the hon. member for Sherwood Park—Fort Saskatchewan, Foreign Affairs; the hon. member for Langley—Aldergrove, Natural Resources; the hon. member for Nanaimo—Ladysmith, The Environment.

[*English*]

Resuming debate, the hon. member for Kenora.

• (1640)

Mr. Eric Melillo (Kenora, CPC): Madam Speaker, as this is my maiden speech, I would like to congratulate all of my colleagues on their new or returning roles. I take the opportunity to thank the people of the Kenora riding for placing their trust in me to serve. I thank all of my volunteers and campaign team who worked so hard to make this possible, with a special mention of my good friends and family for supporting me along the way. To my parents, Joe and Charlene, who have always been there to help, and to my partner, Danaka, who has shown tremendous strength in adjusting to the challenges that public life presents, I express my thanks for their support.

Many people in my riding have shared concerns about the throne speech and how it will impact northwestern Ontario. My riding is rather unique. It is the largest in Ontario by land mass and it is the smallest by population. It is home to many first nations and municipalities, each with very different localized concerns. There are many challenges that we face in this region, from access to health and social services to broadband Internet, and a way of life that has been under attack by the Liberal government.

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However, there are also many opportunities in this region. For example, people from all around the globe choose the Kenora riding as a tourist destination each year. I happen to know that my good friend, the member for York—Simcoe, is often one of them. Across all sectors there is untapped economic potential and resilient citizens who are working hard to see our region grow.

When we talk about growth and economic potential, residents in my riding want to see a responsible government spending plan that is focused on attracting investment and lowering the deficit. However, the government is unfortunately continuing with its high tax and reckless spending plan, which has Canada lagging behind others in the G7. We in the Kenora riding feel those effects, with many businesses struggling to get off the ground or closing up shop and a dwindling industry that has resulted in jobs and opportunities leaving the riding.

With that in mind, I was particularly concerned to see that there is very little support for the natural resource sector in the Speech from the Throne. There is no hope provided to miners in Red Lake and across my region, and there is absolutely no mention of softwood lumber or our forestry industry. In fact, there is actually a plan that will restrict forest access even further. Conservatives understand that sustainable forest management and, more broadly, resource management play a pivotal role in growing our economy, protecting our environment and providing a more prosperous future for the next generation.

I spoke very briefly earlier about our way of life. I must mention that firearms are important tools for people's way of life in my riding. Whether for law-abiding sport shooters belonging to a gun club, or hunters that rely on their firearms to feed their families, this is an issue that unites people from all walks of life in my riding. I have even heard from many people who do not own firearms, but who are concerned that this overreach, the government's proposed blanket ban and confiscation of firearms from everyday Canadians, will not be beneficial. The experts all agree that this ban will not do anything to combat the very important issue of gun crime and gang violence in our cities. In fact, in my riding, it may make rural and remote Canadians feel less safe.

I was recently in Fort Severn First Nation. This is the most northern community in Ontario and sits right along the edge of Hudson Bay. This community is only accessible by plane, by barge or by an ice road when the proper weather conditions permit. The people of this community rely on their firearms to provide for their families, especially given the disproportionately higher cost of living that they face. They also rely on these firearms to protect themselves from the threats of bears and other dangerous wild animals that live near, but more often within, the community.

I have spoken with these residents directly and they are worried that the ambiguous term "military-style firearm" may lead to them losing their guns and actually jeopardize their way of life and their safety. The Liberals have yet to provide us with their definition of what "military-style" means. I believe that Canadians deserve to know exactly what that is so we can know what the government's intentions are and have a thoughtful, fact-based debate about how we can best combat gun violence. To put it simply, we must focus on criminals and not law-abiding hunters and sport shooters.

Rural and remote communities also face unique challenges when it comes to Internet access. A lack of reliable high-speed Internet hinders the ability of rural Canadians to access information, receive services and compete in the Canadian economy. Rural broadband access must be prioritized so that our students, workers and business owners can participate equally in society.

• (1645)

I was disappointed, as were many in the Kenora riding, that the throne speech made no mention of rural connectivity. Many of my constituents felt ignored by the throne speech. I believe I have made that very clear in my remarks so far.

However, I was very glad to hear that reconciliation will be a priority for the government. First nations and northern communities in my riding are underfunded and under-resourced. The people in these communities need access to health and social services. They need infrastructure investments to fix water systems and mould-infested homes. They need access to medical and mental health care and addiction treatments.

I hope to be able to work productively with the government to secure real results for these communities in my riding. This is, unfortunately, one of the files on which the government has been all talk with very little action. I do believe that in this minority Parliament we have a tremendous opportunity to work collaboratively and deliver meaningful supports.

I would like to take this opportunity to tell the Minister of Indigenous Services that I look forward to working together to achieve practical results. I appreciate his advocacy and collaboration on issues important to my riding. I hope we will continue this positive working relationship into the future.

This speech also makes mention of one important thing to me, and that is ambitious infrastructure investments. I will be urging the government to ensure that the twinning of the Trans-Canada Highway from the Manitoba border through my riding of Kenora will be a top priority. This is not only a local issue for us, but it is also a national issue. When there is a crash on the Trans-Canada Highway in my riding, our entire economy shuts down. Our country is literally split into two. These highway conditions are notoriously dangerous. This project is tremendously important for the safety of all travellers.

The construction would also reduce barriers to economic activity in the region, and allow for further future development. We must ensure that we have funding from all levels of government in order to get this project done.

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I will conclude my remarks there, but before I yield my time, I would like to thank the Speaker for the opportunity to share with this House some of my thoughts and some of my constituents' concerns with the Speech from the Throne. I believe that the priorities of northwestern Ontario can and should be much better represented in the throne speech and in the government's agenda. My riding and my region have great potential, but this Parliament must be able to work constructively to deliver the necessary support and investment to get the region moving again.

[Translation]

Mr. Louis Plamondon (Bécancour—Nicolet—Saurel, BQ): Madam Speaker, I listened carefully to my hon. colleague's speech. I agree with him on many points.

However, he surprised me when he spoke about the forestry industry's problem. He said that the government was being stingy with forestry companies and with this sector that is very important to his native northern Ontario.

I remember during the 2008 crisis, when the Conservative government rightly decided to invest \$10 billion in the auto sector. These loans were never repaid. For example, Chrysler, received a \$4-billion loan, and this debt is still on the books. The government bought shares in General Motors, which it sold at a loss.

During the same period, the forestry industry was also going through a crisis. However, the Conservative government invested just \$75 million in this sector, even though it employed 600,000 workers, compared to the 400,000 employed by the auto sector.

Does my colleague not think that the Liberal Party is carrying on the Conservative Party's policy?

[English]

Mr. Eric Melillo: Madam Speaker, in regard to 2008, I will not speak to that specifically. I was only 10 years old in 2008. However, what I do know is that the government's plan to restrict forestry access even further is going to make it much more difficult for the forestry workers in the industry in my region.

Over on this side of the House, Conservatives understand that responsible forestry management would actually help us reduce carbon emissions by planting new trees and sequestering more carbon. It would provide good jobs for people in my riding and across the country. I hope to be able to work with all parties in the House to support the forestry sector.

• (1650)

Mr. Mark Gerretsen (Kingston and the Islands, Lib.): Madam Speaker, I congratulate my colleague on his maiden speech in the House.

The member spent some time talking about firearms and the government's plan with respect to firearms. What we have been talking about is the banning of military assault weapons. The reality of the situation is that people do not need to be walking around with or have the ability to own firearms that are designed to kill people. A lot of people say these firearms are already banned, but a lot of them have not been banned; they are just restricted, and there is a difference between being banned and being restricted.

The bottom line is we are saying that people do not need to have these weapons. A lot of hunters will say the same thing. My father-in-law and my uncles are hunters. They will say the exact same thing, that they do not need a military-style weapon to hunt for sport.

Would the member agree that the vast majority of law-abiding citizens who use firearms in a law-abiding way for sport or recreational purposes would agree that that style of weapon is not required?

Mr. Eric Melillo: Madam Speaker, I wish I could answer my colleague's question. The Liberal government has refused to tell us what it means when it refers to military-style assault weapons. It is a very ambiguous term and it is creating a lot of unease in people across Canada, from sport shooters to people that rely on these firearms to provide for their families.

The Conservative Party will always stand on the side of law-abiding firearm owners. We understand that creating more laws for people that already follow the rules would do nothing to combat this important issue.

Mr. Arnold Viersen (Peace River—Westlock, CPC): Madam Speaker, I want to congratulate my hon. colleague on his great first speech in the House.

I am wondering if he could outline how the carbon tax is affecting people where he lives.

Mr. Eric Melillo: Madam Speaker, there is no debate that the carbon tax has hit northwestern Ontario and my riding of Kenora particularly hard. The cost of living has increased all across the region. Fort Severn is a community where the cost of everything has inflated even more drastically.

We are going to continue to fight for a more affordable life for all Canadians.

Mr. Ryan Turnbull (Whitby, Lib.): Madam Speaker, I want to let you know that I am splitting my time with the hon. member for Milton.

It is an honour to rise in this chamber on behalf of the people of Whitby to speak to the government's Speech from the Throne.

In the throne speech, it was mentioned how young our country is. While in the context of world history this may be true, our predecessors have left very big shoes to fill indeed. It was on these grounds that nation-shaping events took place and decisions were made in the past: the Charter of Rights and Freedoms in 1982, the legalization of same-sex marriage in 2005, the implementation of universal health care in 1966, declarations of war in some of the world's greatest conflicts, the Canadian Bill of Rights in 1960 and the original NAFTA in 1994.

We, as Canadians, have accomplished so much throughout our history. These decisions should guide us along the way as we make the most of our time here in this 43rd Parliament. As Pierre Trudeau once said, "The past is to be respected and acknowledged, but not worshipped; it is our future in which we will find our greatness." Building a better future, and a sustainable future I might add, for our country is not only our job, but it is our obligation as the temporary agents of change in the seats of this chamber.

Today, the world is facing new challenges, not unlike the past, but staying focused and grounded on the people who sent us here will be key to success. Collaboration, no doubt, will be critical. The throne speech was clear. We are working hard to build a better future for our children and generations to come. We need to look far past the "short term-ism" that government is often criticized for and look to the long-term change process that will advance our collective vision for a sustainable future.

Over the last four years, our government has achieved bold progress on an ambitious agenda they were elected on in 2015. We worked hard to strengthen the middle class, grow the economy and protect our environment. That is not to mention the many other things that we have championed as a government, including reducing poverty and homelessness, and advancing women's equality. The last four years are a testament that environmental action does not come at the cost of economic growth. In fact, we have seen substantive progress on both fronts at the same time.

In the last Parliament, the Liberal government developed and delivered on one of Canada's most ambitious environmental and climate action plans in our history. Canadians spoke loud and clear about the need for climate action when we went to the polls in October. As the member for Whitby, I hear regularly from constituents about how concerned they are about climate change. Climate change is no longer an idea spoken about by scientists as some far-off event. It is a reality people face in their everyday lives. We have seen wetter, wilder and unpredictable weather become the norm. Extreme climatic events are regularly in the news, and action can no longer wait. Our historical apathy and inaction under previous governments on this issue has been our greatest challenge. I am proud to be part of a team that is serious about climate action.

Over the last few years, people in Whitby and along the shores of Lake Ontario and many of the Great Lakes have experienced unprecedented flooding. This has caused property damage and shoreline erosion. The cost of inaction is simply too great. I am happy to see that the Minister of Infrastructure will be working with other levels of government to help fund the building of climate-resilient infrastructure. The government is also committed to working toward the completion of all flood maps in Canada and introducing a new low-cost national flood insurance program. This will allow for better planning policies at the local level to help avoid significant damage from climate change-related disasters.

There are many progressive measures for addressing climate change from our platform and the Speech from the Throne that I know many Canadians will support. One such promise I am particularly excited about is the commitment to help Canadians make their homes more energy efficient through \$40,000 interest-free loans. This will enable many deep retrofits to homes that could achieve significant reduction in energy consumption. This will re-

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duce costs for Canadians, putting more money in their pockets; and alleviate stress on electricity grids, which will prevent power outages in peak season.

• (1655)

The throne speech also mentioned that the government will work with businesses to make Canada the best place to start a clean-tech company. A 50% reduction in taxes for businesses that create net-zero products is no mediocre incentive. The riding of Whitby, and Durham region more broadly, is a hub of innovation. I look forward to working with the world-class entrepreneurs, business owners and education facilities like Durham College in the region to promote sustainable innovation and green jobs.

Our government is also committed to preserving 25% of our land and 25% of our oceans by 2025, and then working toward 30% by 2030. This is an ambitious and necessary goal. The numbers on declining biodiversity in our country are disheartening, to say the least. Six hundred species are at risk. Fifty per cent of the species monitored by the World Wildlife Fund are in decline. Humans have altered over 40% of the natural environment to the detriment of many species. Studies show that biodiversity is in more of a decline now than at any other time in human history.

Protecting natural areas is not only needed but is necessary for the sustainability of the environment. I am proud to be part of a government that, in the last Parliament, delivered the biggest investment in nature conservation and preservation in Canadian history. Thanks to the work of the former minister of environment and climate change, we invested \$1.3 billion in nature conservation in the budget of 2018. Protecting 25% of our land and oceans by 2025 will build on the work completed over the last four years. We have significantly increased the amount of protected oceans and land in our country.

Building on this, I am thrilled that the government will partner with municipalities to help them expand and diversify urban forests as well as plant two billion trees. Canada accounts for around 30% of the world's forest coverage and this is an important part of the fight against climate change.

We will also work to ban single-use plastics.

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Climate change is the challenge of our generation and it is a global challenge. Canada must continue to do its part and be an international leader.

Now I want to talk about the economy. People in Whitby are concerned about building a strong, vibrant local economy. This is not unlike many of the other ridings across the country. A strong local economy is the work of all levels of government and all stakeholders working in collaboration. I look forward to working with all members, the government and other levels of government to help support the growth of our local economy in Whitby and across Durham region as a whole.

In 2019, we were elected on an ambitious agenda of continued investments in Canadians to grow our economy. Canadians created over one million jobs in four years. We continue to have one of the fastest-growing economies in the G7. This strong record of economic growth under our government has allowed Canada to have the best balance sheet among G7 countries.

As the Speech from the Throne outlined, we will cut taxes for all but the wealthiest of Canadians. We will reduce the cost of cell-phone bills by 25%. We will make before and after school care more affordable and accessible for Canadian families. We will strengthen pensions for seniors and increase the federal minimum wage.

We believe that everyone deserves a safe and affordable place to call home. Housing affordability has become a major concern for families in Whitby and across the country. Housing costs continue to rise and an affordable place to call home is out of reach for many. The government made housing affordability a priority from the beginning of the last Parliament. The government brought in the first-ever national housing strategy, a 10-year plan and \$55-billion investment to boost housing supply and give more Canadians a place to call home. This will set the direction of housing policy in this country for years to come, help reduce chronic homelessness by 50% and remove 530,000 families from housing need. It is clear that we are serious about ensuring that every Canadian has a place to call home.

I am proud to be part of a government that takes investing in Canadians seriously. From trade to poverty reduction, housing affordability to national pharmacare, economic growth and real climate action, this government under this Prime Minister has stepped up to the plate. This throne speech is a blueprint for where we will go in the new Parliament. I am honoured to stand in this House and I look forward to working with all members to continue the path forward.

• (1700)

Mrs. Karen Vecchio (Elgin—Middlesex—London, CPC): Madam Speaker, it was very interesting. I heard the member talk about the fact that he is from Whitby in the Durham region. I know that in Durham one of the fastest-growing economies is agriculture.

Just last week, as I was sitting at a kitchen table with one of the farmers, his \$7,000 gas bill for drying his corn had a \$1,200 carbon tax. What are the farmers in the member's area saying about the carbon tax? The farmers in Elgin—Middlesex—London are against it.

Could the member explain how \$1,200 is good for the economy when it is going to the carbon tax, out of the pockets of farmers?

Mr. Ryan Turnbull: Madam Speaker, what I see in the food system is that our government actually developed the first-ever national food policy to support agriculture in this country. Never before, since the emergency war provisions of World War II, have we had a national food policy.

Farmers are a part of the food system, and are clearly benefiting from policies that are designed to increase their economic growth.

The carbon tax is actually designed to target industry players and disincentivize pollution. That is exactly what we are doing.

• (1705)

Mr. Mark Gerretsen (Kingston and the Islands, Lib.): Madam Speaker, I congratulate my colleague on a great speech addressing the Speech from the Throne.

The member hit on a very important point, and that was that we have seen unprecedented results in the last four years that the government was in power. We have the lowest unemployment rate since we started recording unemployment. We have one of the fastest-growing economies in the world, as he mentioned. The member mentioned our balance sheet. We have the best debt-to-GDP ratio amongst the G7 countries.

Would the member comment on how he sees this Speech from the Throne lining up with the previous one, and if he sees that continuing to push forward on progressive ideas and investing in Canadians is going to continue to produce the results we have been seeing over the last four years?

Mr. Ryan Turnbull: Madam Speaker, I have seen nothing but economic progress since the last election in 2015. We have seen almost every sector grow, and incredible numbers of jobs being created.

For me to hear the Prime Minister's words in the Speech from the Throne read out loud was clearly inspiring. We are building a sustainable economy in this country. That is what my whole life has been about. The only reason I ran in the election was because of the significant progress that I saw the government making. Here I am in this honourable House as a result and as a true testament to the great work that was done in the last four years.

[*Translation*]

Mr. Louis Plamondon (Bécancour—Nicolet—Saurel, BQ): Madam Speaker, I listened carefully to the speech by the new member for a beautiful region in Ontario. He spoke about the environment, but does he not think that his government is talking out of both sides of its mouth? It is investing billions of dollars in developing pipelines, while at the same time it is talking about meeting the Paris targets. That seems a bit contradictory.

I have one last question. During the election campaign, the Bloc spoke about introducing a bill that would enshrine the government's Paris commitments in legislation. If this bill is introduced, will the member commit to supporting it?

[English]

Mr. Ryan Turnbull: Madam Speaker, building the economy and fighting climate change are complex issues and no extreme position, one side or the other, will really do justice to the issue. Building a sustainable economy and transitioning off fossil fuels is going to be challenging, to say the least.

With regard to the member's question about the legislation, or bill that he is planning to propose, I believe there are important tracking and metrics that need to be tracked towards building a green economy. I would fully support that.

Mr. Adam van Koevorden (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Diversity and Inclusion and Youth and to the Minister of Canadian Heritage (Sport), Lib.): Madam Speaker, a few days ago I was on Twitter and uncharacteristically came across a story that warmed my heart. It was the story of a young third grade boy who came to Newfoundland as a refugee from Syria with his family. I learned that this young boy knew that some of his classmates played hockey and he wanted to play too, but there were a few barriers in his way. He did not know how to play, he did not have anyone to teach him and he did not have any equipment. However, he did know the most important lesson of hockey. Wayne Gretzky said it himself, "Hockey is a unique sport in the sense that you need each and every guy helping each other and pulling in the same direction to be successful." It sounds like another sport with which I am familiar.

After some of his classmates told their parents about this young boy who wanted to play hockey, that is exactly what the town did. Residents came together working toward the same goal, to help get him on the ice. The whole community got together to make sure that nothing got in the way of him playing hockey. Before anyone knew it, there was no shortage of hockey gear, people willing to coach him and after this viral tweet, fans from across Canada and the world.

This heartwarming story is a good reminder of two very important things.

The first is that being Canadian is about the kindness that we strive for every day, our commitment to making everyone feel welcome and respected and the things we can accomplish when we come together.

The second is the reminder that issues affecting Canadians do not exist in vacuums. Nor are they unrelated. Being able to participate in sports is not a question of desire or ambition. There are barriers in front of our youth who wish to participate.

For some, it is a question of affordability. For those living in rural areas with little or no public transportation, it can be a question of access. The barrier can also be an absence of spaces that are culturally appropriate for some Canadians.

Sport is not just play. Sport is health and mental health. Sport is peace and community building, it is personally empowering and a

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connection to our natural environment. Sport is educational, employs thousands of Canadians, drives our economy and helps define us as a nation. Sport has a place in every kid's life and a place in every portfolio in this government.

As Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Diversity and Inclusion and Youth as well as for Sport, this story emphasizes the intersection of my portfolios. For me, being raised by a single mother in co-op housing, I was very fortunate to have found the sport of kayaking. It quite literally changed my life. However, what if certain barriers had gotten in the way of that? What if the fees at the kayak club were just too high and made it impossible for my mother to pay? I took public transit to and from the canoe club every day. What if the town I grew up in did not have public transit? These barriers to participation are exactly the sorts of things I hope to be able to identify and dismantle in the coming years.

Given the opportunity that I have with this role, I am ready to listen, learn and find solutions so all Canadians can access sport, recreation and physical activity. This includes examining the barriers that women in leadership roles face inside and outside the sport industry, working on expanding Canada's anti-racism strategy and ensuring easier access to sports and community activities for newcomers to Canada.

One of the reasons I find the Speech from the Throne to be such an ambitious action plan for the government's vision for Canada is because it understands this very thing, that no issue exists in a vacuum. The government has put forward goals and targets that are well balanced, interconnected and complementary. No ministry is working alone, but rather, working as a team toward the same goal of a better future for all Canadians. It is incumbent on every member in the House to collaborate and work together to that end.

Next let us talk about the government's plan on climate change.

The implications of climate change are being reminded to us every day. The Australian wildfires have destroyed the natural habitats of almost 100 species. The polar ice caps are melting and sea levels are rising. Youth are looking at us and demanding action. We must not ignore them.

Climate change is hurting the economy and when the economy suffers, it is the marginalized who suffer the most. This an urgent matter of public and global safety. Health concerns that we have never anticipated before are popping up worldwide because of bad air quality and toxins in our food.

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Our government understands that climate change is a multi-faceted issue and we have set ambitious goals to meet the challenge. We are committing to protecting 25% of our land and 25% of our oceans by 2025. We are also committing to reduce plastic pollution to zero to help keep our oceans and lakes clean. Our government is launching a program to plant two billion trees, a program that will support 3,500 seasonal jobs, help conserve and restore our forests, as well as help cities expand and diversify their urban forests.

We have a responsibility to tackle climate change and we have put a plan together that gets us to net-zero carbon emissions by 2050. The government is setting targets that are not only ambitious, but achievable as well. We need to do a better job for all Canadians, but especially for the youth and the most vulnerable. The impacts of climate change disproportionately affect the most marginalized people in our society, such as indigenous, racialized and economically disadvantaged populations.

• (1710)

A big part of doing better means strengthening our middle class and helping more Canadians join it. Working toward a poverty-free Canada is a priority that this government has taken on, and as a co-op kid myself, it is one I feel very strongly about.

During its last mandate, this government made historic gains in lifting families and children over the poverty line, and the Speech from the Throne only reaffirms this commitment to do more.

The government will continue its vital investments in affordable housing, exactly the sort of housing I grew up in with my family. Without access to safe and affordable housing, my mother would have had to choose between paying rent and buying healthy groceries or enrolling my brother and I in sports and after-school activities. Building affordable housing gives Canadians across the country the opportunity to succeed, and co-ops should be included in that plan. Our goal as a government is not just to help our citizens get by; our goal is to help them thrive.

With initiatives like the Canada child benefit, the government has made life easier for parents and families trying to get ahead. In my own riding of Milton, in a typical month the government gave an average of \$550 to 15,000 families from 2016 to 2018. I have heard that Milton is the youngest riding in Canada with the most kids, so it is possible it will receive the most, but in the last four years that is an average of \$180 million. It is historic.

This opens countless doors for so many families and their children. To a family just getting by, \$500 makes a huge difference. It means that one parent might not have to give up his or her career or perhaps can stay in college because the family can now afford child care. The Canada child benefit makes this possible.

Studies show that growing up in poverty hurts children very early on and the effects of poverty will follow them into adulthood. No child should have to face food insecurity. No child should think that access to adequate and culturally appropriate health care is a privilege. In the Speech from the Throne, the government makes it clear that it is taking the steps to ensure these facts become realities in Canada.

The government is aware of the challenges that many Canadians are currently facing in accessing quality health care. All Canadians, regardless of where they live, should be able to access a primary care family doctor.

When we talk about the intersection of issues, mental health is one that is so deeply intertwined with every aspect of our lives. With Bell Let's Talk Day coming up this Wednesday, we need to celebrate all the work that has been done to decrease the stigma around mental health. However, a lot of work still remains and cannot slow down now.

We need to ensure that workplaces across Canada have mental health standards in place. People who want to access mental health services should not have to wait months on end before they get the help they need. These are exactly the sorts of problems our government will tackle, by working to introduce relevant workplace mental health standards and ensuring Canadians can access services when they need them.

We are living in an uncertain time. Many Canadians across the nation are worried about their future. We acknowledge those valid anxieties Canadians might have and we promise to work tirelessly toward a safer Canada.

This government has already taken historic action against gun crime and organized gang activity. We must not wait until the next tragedy to ban military-style assault rifles, a top priority for this government. It will also work with municipalities to empower those that want to ban handguns. We need to take actions that keep Canadians safe. We must also do what is possible to help the rest of the world become a safer place as well.

I now want to take a few moments to talk about the events of the past few weeks. Our country is still mourning the death of the people we lost on Flight PS752. This devastating national tragedy is heavy on the hearts of Canadians from coast to coast to coast. Over the past few weeks, I have seen communities come together to support the families and friends of the victims through this most difficult time. I attended a vigil in Oakville with my colleagues and neighbours to light a candle and remember, and it was a sad but important moment.

Tragedies like this one should never happen again. Our responsibility extends beyond our borders to the poorest and most vulnerable people in the world. The government's commitments to providing international development aid and assistance, such as investing in education and gender equality, will create pathways to opportunities, better futures for people worldwide and a more peaceful world. Together, with the help of our allies, we will work together to champion human rights and achieve peace in areas affected by war, poverty and disease.

As we look toward the future, we must ask ourselves what our vision is for Canada. I want to go back to the story of the young boy in Newfoundland who I talked about at the beginning of this response. As a rookie MP, I often find myself asking two questions.

The first one is, "Who am I here to represent?" The answer to that question is easy; it is the people of Milton. As long as the people in the riding of Milton elect me to be their representative, I will be a fierce advocate for them in Ottawa.

The second question is, "Why am I here?" This one is a little trickier, but the story of this young boy made me realize that at the heart of it what we are here to do is work toward a Canada where every young boy and girl, and every Canadian for that matter, can succeed no matter where they come from. When I look at the vision of our government and the goals we have been set, I see us working toward this Canada together.

• (1715)

As I have said throughout my campaign and throughout my time here, I believe there are good ideas on the right and there are good ideas on the left, and we are much stronger when we work together as team Canada.

Mrs. Cathy McLeod (Kamloops—Thompson—Cariboo, CPC): Madam Speaker, I congratulate my colleague from Milton on both his election and his maiden speech, which I thought was very well done.

The member talked about a lot of things that were important to him, such as the child benefit and co-op housing. However, what he did not talk about was the balanced equation of a government needing to have the revenue in order to do the things it wants to do for the citizens of the country. He left out one side of the equation.

Does the member believe that when we support the children of today, it is fair that the grandchildren of tomorrow will ultimately have to bear the burden of that debt or is it important to look at that balanced side of the equation and perhaps look at having something in the Speech from the Throne that actually supports revenue generation in the country?

• (1720)

Mr. Adam van Koevorden: Madam Speaker, that question came up often at the doors: What about the deficit?

I will talk about the deficit and the debt to GDP ratio, which is more important than a raw number.

We can talk about the price of gas all we want. We can talk about the price of one thing, which is just one direction. However, what we have to focus on is the relationship between the debt and the amount of money the country makes. The truth is that the debt to GDP ratio is more sound than it has ever been. It is the strongest in the G7, and it will continue to be. The debt of this nation is under control. We are gold star rated, and we will continue to be under this government.

Mr. Alistair MacGregor (Cowichan—Malahat—Langford, NDP): Madam Speaker, there was reference in the throne speech to a national pharmacare plan, but the words that were left out were "universal", "comprehensive" and "public". The NDP, through our leader, the member for Burnaby South, has put forward as its first

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bill a framework much in the same vein as the Canada Health Act, which would allow us to implement this system and set up a road map for provinces to join it.

Will the member follow us on our plan and go beyond the Liberal promise of just a national pharmacare plan and make one that is universal, public and comprehensive, so we fully fund this very key missing link in our health care system?

Mr. Adam van Koevorden: Madam Speaker, this is an important topic in my riding as well.

I attended a forum on universal health care and universal pharmacare. Indeed, we are the only country in the world with universal health care that does not have a comprehensive universal pharmacare. We have promised to pursue just that.

We are going to sit on committees together and we are going to work together. I am excited to collaborate in the effort to make Canada a better, stronger, healthier place, but it is going to take effort, collaboration and the spirit of team work from all of us to keep working for team Canada.

Mr. Francis Scarpaleggia (Lac-Saint-Louis, Lib.): Madam Speaker, we talk about deficits and how we have to think of future generations, and of course that is important. However, when I was growing up, before I even got to school, the Quebec government was investing massively in schools and roads, which meant that when I got to be a certain age to go to school, there was a school for me to go to. Therefore, that deficit, that financing, that spending actually benefited me as a future generation.

The money that we are investing today in the labs in the universities, those labs will be there for my kids if they decide to pursue a career in science.

Could the member comment on how investments made today, even if sometimes a deficit is incurred, can actually benefit future generations?

Mr. Adam van Koevorden: Madam Speaker, indeed, there are different types of debt and different types of deficits. We know there is good debt and bad debt. When this government took over from the previous government, there was a huge structural deficit. The previous Conservative government was not building things, but now we are. The country is on the right track, and we are determined to not leave our next generation with an environmental debt. We are working extremely hard to ensure our economy and infrastructure are sound.

As I said, while there are different types of debt and deficits, it is also important to recognize who owns most of our debt. In Canada, most of our debt is owned by Canadians in the form of bonds. We certainly want to ensure that it remains low, but at the end of the day, we are truly investing in ourselves.

Mrs. Cathy McLeod (Kamloops—Thompson—Cariboo, CPC): Madam Speaker, I will be sharing my time with the member for Dufferin—Caledon.

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As this is the first time I have had the opportunity in the 43rd Parliament to stand and speak, I would like to thank the people of Kamloops—Thompson—Cariboo for giving me the honour of representing them again.

Everyone in the House owes so much gratitude to the people who volunteer for their campaign, the people who donate money, the people who do so much to ensure that democracy is strong and vibrant and that their goals and values are heard as we go through the election process.

A new parliamentary session is always opened with a Speech from the Throne. People watching on TV might be wondering about the purpose of the Speech from the Throne. The throne speech outlines the government's agenda for the upcoming session. In actual fact, in the 42nd Parliament, it outlined the government's agenda for the entire four years. The throne speech is a really important document in terms of the government's plans and where it is going to take this country.

On December 18, many of us in the House either went over to the Senate chamber to hear the speech or listened to it on TV, and in preparation for our comments about the Speech from the Throne, we had an opportunity to reread it.

On reading it again in the new year, I saw a number of statements that struck me as significant, not only in terms of what was said but more importantly in what was not said. We had some real concerns about what was not mentioned. If we partner that with ministers' mandate letters, which state how they are going to implement their plans, we realize that what was not said was not just a miss in a document that by nature has to be somewhat limited, but that there were really some big gaps in terms of what the government was going to do moving forward.

I want to first talk about fiscal discipline. The Liberal government is spending money that it cannot afford to spend. In many cases that money will not be spent in important areas like student loans, but rather will be wasted in many other areas.

The Liberals talk about a debt-to-GDP ratio, but they are using old figures. They have not looked at the more recent trends and the more recent numbers. They are on a very concerning path. The Liberals are talking about debt to GDP and saying Canada is in great shape, but they are also projecting significant deficits. Interest rates will not stay at historically low levels. We are spending more per capita adjusted than we ever have in the history of this country.

The Liberals not only lack fiscal discipline; they do not understand where that money comes from. They are moving forward on a position that over time will erode the revenue base that we in this country count on for paying for the important programs that my colleague from Milton talked about. We all care about having important programs such as support for students and seniors and support for health care, but we cannot do that if we destroy what drives our economy.

I want to start by talking a bit about the natural resource development sector, which is the portfolio I am delighted and honoured to focus on.

Out of the thousands of words about how the Liberals are going to support Canadians, about how they are going to spend money, about how they are going to do many things, natural resources came up in only one sentence. In the entire Speech from the Throne, there is only one sentence about natural resources, and that sentence is basically just lip service to the importance of natural resource development to this country. That sentence is not about the opportunities for our natural resource sector but rather an acknowledgement by the government of the hardships that our natural resource sector has experienced and a claim that it cares about those hardships.

• (1725)

It was not about opportunity. It was not about creating wealth. It was that people have had a hard time and we do need to care about that issue.

It is a huge problem if Liberals do not understand the importance of our natural resource sector to the economy of our country. I am going to be giving some more examples specifically as they relate to forestry and mining.

In 2017, the Prime Minister said that he was going to get a new softwood lumber agreement with President Obama. He did not get the job done. I do not question that we have a more challenging environment for arriving at a softwood lumber agreement, but there has been no effort to get it done. With the NAFTA agreement, the biggest trade irritant for the last 20-plus years in this country has been softwood. Did the Liberals attach this issue to the negotiations for NAFTA? The answer is no.

When the U.S. wanted to talk about having an agreement around minerals, did they say they would be willing to talk about minerals but that they also wanted to talk about the softwood lumber agreement? Did they do that? No. Are those issues in the minister's mandate letter? No.

We have 10,000-plus jobs there in British Columbia. New Brunswick is having its challenges as well, and this is adding approximately 20% to the cost of our products going over the border. Workers are hurting and suffering, but the government has not even put solving this issue in the mandate letter. Quite frankly, that is absolutely shameful.

I saw a presentation last week, and in terms of the lumber agreement, British Columbia is now the highest-cost producer in the world. It is not about labour or the cost of machinery and equipment. It is about the cost of doing business. It is about carbon taxes. It is about the eight pieces of legislation and the thousands of regulations, both federal and provincial, that are adding to the cost. B.C. is the highest-cost producer in the world in terms of its product. No wonder that its businesses are moving to the U.S. and fleeing the country.

I had another conversation with someone who wanted to add value to his products. He builds a very good product and has two factories where he does value added. When he hits the U.S. border, it is on the value added. He is not even paying 20%; he is paying significantly more in terms of the tariffs at the U.S. border. The Liberal government did not care, so what was his ultimate decision? He set up a factory in Everett, Washington, because he could not afford to do business anymore in Canada. He moved the jobs down to Everett, Washington. This softwood lumber agreement needs to be done, and it is shameful that the government has not made it a priority.

Mining is an increasingly non-competitive place to do business. We talk about the carbon tax. We talk about the clean fuel standards that will be added. We talk about all those additions.

I was at presentation where I learned Alaska exploration is going through the roof. What is happening in the Yukon and British Columbia is that they are worried about exploration. Why are they worried about exploration? The reason is the government has created a situation that makes it not competitive or appropriate for them to do business anymore.

The Liberals had a very unusual line in the Speech from the Throne about our being inextricably bound to the space-time continuum and the same planetary spaceship. I would like to suggest that maybe they have left energy workers off that spaceship. They are not on the same spaceship. Liberals have given areas like forestry and mining the lower berth and continue to support their favourite industries.

I am very worried about a blind spot of the government. I am very worried about our competitiveness and the generation of revenue, and I am certainly very worried about the Speech from the Throne and the direction it is going to take our country.

• (1730)

Mr. Mark Gerretsen (Kingston and the Islands, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, the member talked about deficit spending and debt spending. If it is such a deeply rooted principle within Conservatives not to run debt, could she explain why both Brian Mulroney and Stephen Harper ran debts? Of the 19 budgets they brought in, 16 ran deficits. Could the member explain why Doug Ford continues to run debts in Ontario, and in fact is paying more to service that debt than Kathleen Wynne was previously? Why do Conservatives run debt?

In case the member does not know, I have the answer: It is because they understand the principle that as long as the economy is growing faster than debt is being taken on, it is being done in a responsible way.

Could the member at least acknowledge that every Conservative government in this House over the last 30 years has run deficits in almost every single budget?

• (1735)

Mrs. Cathy McLeod: Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to address the issue. From 2006 to 2008, Conservatives paid down approximately \$30 billion of the debt that was owed.

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There was something called a global recession. At the time, the former minister of finance presented a five-year plan. He presented it and said that in the global recession, we were going to have to spend a specific amount of money. Then he brought us back to a balanced budget within five years. Conservatives did exactly what we presented to Canadians.

I would like to contrast that with the Liberals, who, when they ran for office in 2015, said they were going to have a little deficit for a short period of time and that in 2019 the budget would be balanced. What happened?

Hon. Marc Garneau (Minister of Transport, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, my colleague mentioned that between 2006 and 2008, Conservatives paid down some of the debt, and that is true. The reason they were able to do so was that massive surpluses were given to them as a result of the responsible government that preceded them under Prime Minister Martin.

Nevertheless, between 2006 and when the Conservatives finally lost in 2015, they managed to grow the debt by \$150 billion in that period of time. Could my colleague please tell us how that jibes with the fact that the Conservatives say they are horrified by the idea of any debt?

Mrs. Cathy McLeod: Mr. Speaker, we built on the debt reduction that Prime Minister Martin took on because he was forced to as a result of things getting so out of control.

However, this is not the Liberal government of Prime Minister Martin, which actually focused on getting fiscal responsibility on the table; this is a government that committed in 2015 to returning to balanced budgets, but the Liberals are not there. The interest on the debt will pretty soon be more than what we transfer to the provinces for health care. To be frank, that is shameful.

Mr. Ziad Aboultaif (Edmonton Manning, CPC): Mr. Speaker, just as a matter of correction, the Harper government had to pay \$230 billion in interest for the years of the previous governments of Chrétien and Martin. Along with that, we left with a \$30-billion surplus, so we were paying on the interest, more or less. We were cleaning up the mess of the previous Liberal governments. This has been our destiny in the history of running this country.

Could my hon. colleague comment on that?

Mrs. Cathy McLeod: Mr. Speaker, we could sit and talk about debt and deficits, but I think we can all agree that we are at the point where it is not like paying a mortgage on a house. The government is at the point where it is going into debt for operating costs, and that is absolutely unsustainable in the long term.

What we have is a government that cannot control its spending. More importantly, the Liberal government has enjoyed significant revenues over the last couple of years because of the policies of the previous government. What is happening with its new policies is that capital is fleeing the country, and we are going to be in a really challenging situation.

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• (1740)

Mr. Kyle Seeback (Dufferin—Caledon, CPC): Mr. Speaker, there is an old phrase, absence makes the heart grow fonder. I can say that my absence from this place has only made my fondness for it grow stronger over the last four years. It is great to be back here representing the great riding of Dufferin—Caledon. I want to quickly do a shout-out to our former member of Parliament, David Tilson, who retired and represented this riding so well from 2005 to 2019.

Unfortunately, I am going to say that this throne speech does not represent the riding of Dufferin—Caledon nearly as well as David Tilson did or how I hope to represent it. I am going to talk about three things that the throne speech either ignores or really gives short shrift to. These three things are infrastructure, rural broadband and agriculture.

When we talk about infrastructure, there is no mention in the throne speech of investing in transit for rural and small communities in this country. Let me say that these communities desperately need investments in infrastructure and in transit.

Let me give an example. Orangeville, one of the municipalities in my riding, is trying to buy new buses to expand bus routes. The current government is one that allegedly cares about climate change. Why would the Liberals not be investing in transit?

The project is \$2.1 million. The provincial government has stepped up with \$667,000, its one-third share. It is in the bank. Where is the answer from the federal government? As of January of this year, the Orangeville transit task force has told me it has heard crickets from the current government. It is disrespectful and it is neglecting small communities.

One of the things my constituents talk about is exactly that: the need for transit and the need for investments. The government seems to be able to invest in all kinds of things, allegedly. The deficit is \$20 billion or \$25 billion a year, but there is absolutely nothing for rural Canada and small-town Canada when we talk about transit. In addition to that, the Liberal government cancelled the transit tax credit, which was always a benefit.

In the riding of Dufferin—Caledon, there are critical infrastructure deficits for small municipalities. I held a town hall meeting in Shelburne, another small municipality in my riding, last week. In Shelburne, people are talking about the urgent need for investments in bridges and roads in their communities.

The Township of Melancthon is an agriculture-based municipality. It has 248 kilometres of roads as well as 51 bridges and other structures. The municipality had an engineering report come out in 2019 dealing with roads, bridges and culverts that desperately need repair. Many of them are at the absolute end of their lifespan. It will take \$6 million just to deal with that problem. When they deal with all of their infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges and culverts, it is another \$6.6 million over 10 years.

This is a township that has an annual budget of \$4 million. How is it going to repair these bridges? Where was the mention in the throne speech, the Liberals' document to outline the priorities for this country over the next four years? There was not a single mention.

In the Township of Amaranth, eight bridges have to be replaced in the next year alone, which is \$5.3 million. Its annual budget is also approximately \$4 million.

Are these types of critically needed investments mentioned in the government in its throne speech? They are absolutely not there, yet the government will talk about what the Liberals would call a buyback of guns as part of their program.

They are not buying back. They would require law-abiding Canadians to sell their guns to the government with estimated costs of \$250 million to \$1 billion to buy these things back, force people to sell them back to the government, which will add nothing to public safety because these are law-abiding citizens. However, the Liberals do not have any money for small and rural municipalities. That is disgraceful, and they should be doing better.

At my town hall meeting, the frustration and the anger from small-town Canada and rural Canada are palpable. Those people are not being heard by the government. They are not mentioned in the throne speech and they know they are not a priority.

• (1745)

What people do know is that the priority of the government is to buy votes in the larger urban centres. That is all it cares about. In the rest of Canada, it is too bad, so sad.

With respect to rural broadband, I used to represent a riding in Brampton. Someone can drive 15 minutes north from Brampton into Caledon and guess what. There is almost no broadband. Cellular service is awful and rural broadband is awful. Again, was this mentioned in the throne speech? This is a critical infrastructure investment across this country and it does not even get a mention, not even a small little blurb.

I talked to the farmers in my riding. They have to drive into town to Tim Hortons to download software upgrades for their machinery and equipment. That is a wonderful solution, is it not?

They have to do the same thing if they want their children to get access to homework and other online tools that all school districts now provide. They have to leave their house and drive to Tim Hortons where they can get reliable Wi-Fi. Where was that again in the throne speech? It was just completely ignored.

The lack of service is killing small businesses in my riding and in ridings similar to it all across this country, and the response from the government is absolutely nothing. After winning an election a party is supposed to govern for all the people in the country, not just the people who gave it votes. I would ask my friends across the aisle to please rethink the strategy toward rural and small-town Canada, because it is suffering under the government.

Again, the Province of Ontario is stepping up to help with this. It is investing \$315 million over five years for unserved and underserved areas. This is expected to generate up to \$1 billion of total investments when it is matched by the private sector. These are the kinds of investments that the government should be making, not spending \$250 million to \$1 billion forcing law-abiding gun owners to sell their legally purchased guns back to the government.

The final point I want to raise is with respect to agriculture and farmers. Again, farming was almost completely neglected in the throne speech. Farmers are facing huge challenges, not just in my riding but all across the country. I would love it if members of the government would come and sit down in my community and hear what the farmers have to say.

These are hard-working people, hard-working families who are suffering as a result of a lack of access to markets for soy and canola. They are suffering as a result of a carbon tax to dry their corn and dry their wheat. This was a very wet year in Ontario. If one wanted to get corn processed one had to dry it, and the carbon tax that is being charged to farmers to dry their corn and grain is highway robbery. They cannot afford it. They are struggling and they do not even merit a mention in the throne speech.

The U.S. government is stepping up for its soy and canola farmers. It has a \$28-billion market facilitation program. I asked the minister about this back in December. She said they were going to talk, meet, do this and do that. Now we are at the end of January and there has still been no substantive action taken on this.

In Ontario, we lost processing capacity for the beef industry. This is critical. In talking with some of the farming families in my riding, I can tell my colleagues that when they looked for an alternate place to have their cattle processed, they were told in November that it would be handled in April.

Those families have to pay to feed their cattle for the next five months at cost. Also, the cattle are going to be oversized and the families are going to have to pay more in penalties to have the cattle processed. What is the response from the government? What has it done? Was it mentioned in the throne speech? These are hard-working Canadian families who are suffering and they do not even merit a mention in the throne speech. It is having a devastating effect.

I have to say that I will be voting against this throne speech as there is absolutely nothing in it for the residents of my riding and for residents across this country in small towns and rural communities.

• (1750)

Mr. Kody Blois (Kings—Hants, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, coming from a rural community myself in Nova Scotia, and given that the member for Dufferin—Caledon mentioned agriculture, I want him

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to rest assured that there are members on this side who are focused on those issues. I look forward to working collaboratively with him in the days ahead.

The crux of his speech was about infrastructure. I do not know if this member was paying attention for the last four years, but there have been historic investments on this side of the aisle in terms of investments in Canada.

Four times the amount of infrastructure projects have been approved in the last four years alone, versus the Harper government from 2011 to 2015. We have doubled the gas tax infrastructure. I assume his municipality would be a part of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities; we have put more money into that.

While the member may suggest that we are not investing, I ask him to look at the investments we have made in the last four years, investments that he and his opposition voted against.

Mr. Kyle Seeback: Mr. Speaker, for Melancthon county the gas tax is \$91,000 this year. That is \$91,000 for six million dollars' worth of infrastructure that is desperately needed.

Maybe all this infrastructure money is flowing into ridings like his and Liberal-held ridings in Toronto, but I will say that after meeting with the Reeves and Councillors and Wardens in the rural municipalities that I represent, I learned the money is not flowing to them. That is the issue, and that is what I am here for, to fight for them and to make sure that they get some fair share of the giant deficit that the Liberal government is running.

[Translation]

Ms. Andréanne Larouche (Shefford, BQ): Mr. Speaker, I would like to thank my colleague for his speech.

I am from a rural riding too. I wonder if my colleague would be prepared to vote with the Bloc Québécois in defence of supply management, or at least what is left of it, in order to protect our agricultural sector.

[English]

Mr. Kyle Seeback: Mr. Speaker, in the riding of Dufferin—Caledon, we have a large dairy industry and I am absolutely fully supportive of supply management. We will always vote in favour of it.

Mr. Alistair MacGregor (Cowichan—Malahat—Langford, NDP): Mr. Speaker, I am really glad to hear my colleague represent the topic of agriculture, because it was sadly lacking in the throne speech. I have now had the opportunity to serve as our party's agriculture critic for the last two years.

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I too represent a rural riding that has a very long and storied history in agriculture that goes back beyond Confederation. One thing that we heard from farmers is that they are very much on the front lines of climate change. That happened repeatedly at the Standing Committee on Agriculture.

The wet weather that we have seen, which has resulted in the high cost of drying grain, is going to continue in the future. We are going to see more adverse weather affecting farmers who will see their crops be affected by climate change. There are tools available, like business risk-management programs, that can take care of the high costs.

I am wondering, given the fact that farmers are facing this challenge head on, what his answer is to his constituents in fighting climate change. What policies does he think can actually help them weather these storms?

Mr. Kyle Seeback: Mr. Speaker, farmers are always great stewards of the land and they are always very interested in making sure that we have an environment that allows them to farm both sustainably and responsibly. One thing I am not in favour of is a carbon tax, because it is going to do absolutely nothing to affect climate change.

What we have to realize, in this House and in this country, is that climate change is global. We can reduce our emissions to zero in this country and all that CO₂ space will be used up by China with its growing emissions in six months.

If there is not concerted international action with respect to the big emitters around the world, nothing we do in this country is going to prevent the harmful effects of climate change, and that is where the Liberal government needs to start working.

Mr. Francis Scarpaleggia (Lac-Saint-Louis, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, the member said there was nothing in the throne speech about agriculture, but the throne speech and the election platform include a commitment to create a Canadian water agency. I would suspect that a great focus of that agency will be on water and agriculture. We know that water is the lifeblood of agriculture, so if we can solve irrigation challenges, we can give a boost to agriculture.

Does the member not agree that this is one element of a strategy for addressing agricultural concerns?

• (1755)

Mr. Kyle Seeback: Mr. Speaker, a broken clock is right twice a day. Coming up with one program that might address one small thing actually does not address any of the needs of the farming community in my riding and ridings all across this country. There is nothing on soy and canola. There is nothing to help farmers in the beef industry in Ontario. These are the critical things that are going on in my riding right now. While that might be a great program, that and a \$1.50 will get the farmers in my riding a double-double and nothing else.

Mr. Kody Blois (Kings—Hants, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, I will be splitting my time this evening with the hon. member for Pickering—Uxbridge.

[*Translation*]

This is my second opportunity to speak in response to the throne speech. I appreciate this opportunity to explain why I think all MPs should vote in favour this evening.

[*English*]

I want to begin this speech talking about climate change, which was a predominant theme in the Speech from the Throne, and rightfully so, given its importance to all of us, not only here in Canada but across the world.

This past weekend, I held pre-budget consultations in my riding of Kings—Hants. The consensus was clear. People are expecting their government to do more as part of a global effort. This is key. Not only does Canada need to continue along its path of transition, we need to build an international framework to put pressure on countries that have not yet taken this issue seriously.

I also believe it is important that we recognize the important role the private sector will play in ensuring we meet our international targets. Incentives, like the 50% corporate tax cut for companies focused on zero-emissions technologies, will help to ensure Canadian ingenuity and technology is at the forefront of the necessary work ahead. I suspect this should resonate with many of my opposition colleagues, particularly Her Majesty's loyal opposition, who highlighted this point last month.

In Kings—Hants, we are home to the highest tides in the world in the Bay of Fundy. We are very fortunate to be able to call this place home and are well positioned to bring tourists from around the world to Nova Scotia. However, the highest tides in the world are also a stark reminder that, with rising sea levels, our coastal communities are vulnerable. For me, this is a reminder every day of the important work that needs to continue.

Canada is a trading nation and the export of our products and services around the world is important to maintaining quality jobs and ensuring a high standard of living for our people. The Speech from the Throne outlined the importance of CUSMA. This week, I know debate will begin on the ratification of this important piece of legislation.

I want the House to understand the importance of international trade for Kings—Hants. The Annapolis Valley is known for our delicious apples, particularly the Honeycrisp variety, which our farmers and processors ship around the world, particularly to the United States. We are home to a Michelin plant that produces tires, many of which are sent to the United States as part of an integrated supply chain. Our sawmills export lumber for residential home building and construction. I could go on, but simply put, whether we are discussing Kings—Hants or any other of the 337 ridings in this country, CUSMA represents a crucial trade deal with our largest partner.

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To those who would criticize our work on this important file, I remind them that the former interim leader of the Conservative Party has openly said that this is the best deal that could have been struck. I expect all parliamentarians to ensure Canadian jobs and our economy are not put at risk unnecessarily by delaying the ratification of this legislation.

Canadians expect their government to be focused on growing the economy and creating the conditions for the private sector to create jobs. Over the last four years, this government, in partnership with Canadians from coast to coast to coast, has created over one million jobs, including 35,000 in December and 340,000 for 2019 alone, many of which were full-time work.

[Translation]

I was pleased to see that an emphasis was put on the economy in the Speech from the Throne, and I want to focus on two topics that I believe will be important in the days to come.

The commitment to cut red tape for business owners is excellent. It is an initiative that was launched by my predecessor during the last Parliament, when he was the president of the Treasury Board.

I think it is a good thing for us to take every chance we get to make it easier for business owners and entrepreneurs to interact with our government.

• (1800)

[English]

In Kings—Hants, the seasonal agricultural worker program is an important federal tool to ensure our farmers have access to the labour they need to grow their businesses and ensure our Canadian agricultural products reach markets both domestically and around the world. While this program is absolutely crucial, I believe there are ways we can streamline the process to make it even easier for our farmers and applicants in our communities.

That leads me to my second point. One of the priority issues I hear about in Kings—Hants is access to labour and having the workforce to fill the jobs required to grow our economy in rural Nova Scotia. In order to ensure we have vibrant rural communities and a workforce that will ensure they remain viable, we need to continue to focus on bringing immigrants from around the world to Canada, who will bring their energy and talents to not only drive our economy forward but also make our communities even better places to live.

I want to highlight a specific example of a couple in my riding of Kings—Hants, Chris and Melissa Velden, who immigrated from Germany to Summerville, a small community located on the Bay of Fundy in Hants County. They brought a work ethic and vision second to none and in the process, have started the Flying Apron Inn & Cookery. One key feature of their business is the ability to dine on the ocean floor at the highest tides in the world at Burntcoat Head Park in East Hants. Every year, in under one minute, 120 couples from around the world reserve their right to have this unique opportunity. In fact, their business was recently highlighted in the week-end edition of *The Globe and Mail's* must-do tourist experiences. This is but one small example of the benefit of ensuring Canada

continues to attract talented people from across the globe to our shores.

[Translation]

Health care is a priority for Canadians across the country, especially in rural communities in Atlantic Canada.

In the region I represent, there was a coordination effort between the local government, provincial authorities and the chamber of commerce to ensure a coordinated recruitment process to attract and retain family doctors.

[English]

While, of course, the administration of health care is a provincial responsibility, the federal government plays an important role in partnering with the provinces. This government has contributed more money to Nova Scotia than ever before to support health care, but we know there remain challenges. I know our government will continue to do more to ensure the health and safety of Canadians across the country.

[Translation]

I want to highlight other important points in the Speech from the Throne. With respect to working with Indigenous peoples, no other government in Canada's history has taken this relationship more seriously, and we know that the work will continue in the days to come.

[English]

On the natural resources sector, our primary industries across the country provide important jobs and revenue to support public spending on areas such as health care, infrastructure and education. In Nova Scotia, it is the forestry sector that faces uncertainty at the moment and I am happy to know that our government is focusing on ensuring a sustainable industry moving forward.

[Translation]

Investing in the middle class has been a priority for the government since 2015. The results are indisputable: almost one million people have been lifted out of poverty and more than one million jobs have been created. The unemployment rate is proof of the government's economic stewardship.

I am pleased to see that our government will continue to focus its efforts in this area.

[English]

The Speech from the Throne contains important priorities for Canadians from coast to coast to coast. It speaks to the needs of Canadians, regardless of where they call home, and I hope all members will be supporting this speech at tonight's vote.

• (1805)

Mr. Greg McLean (Calgary Centre, CPC): Mr. Speaker, I congratulate the member for his first speech in the House of Commons and welcome him here.

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I noted one thing he said. He talked about taking this debate on climate change to other countries so they would take it more seriously. I am wondering what the member thinks that leaders of billions of people around the world are not understanding about the climate crisis at this point in time. I wonder if it could perhaps be because getting people out of poverty is one of the most important items on their agenda at this point in time. The access to inexpensive power and environmental fuel is probably a much more important step than virtue-signalling about what fuel we are producing.

In that vein, would the member and his province commit to getting Canadian resources, such as natural gas and other environmentally friendly hydrocarbons, to markets in areas around the world where we would drastically reduce the impact of CO₂ in a closed environmental system?

Mr. Kody Blois: Mr. Speaker, it really has to be both. We need to continue to move forward on the transition, and I hope the member opposite recognizes this needs to happen, but we also have to balance this against affordability.

I live in a riding that is quite rural. When I was on the doorsteps, affordability remained a challenge for Canadians. The right hon. Prime Minister talks about balancing the economy and climate change and fighting it, but we need to do both.

The price on pollution allows us to establish a framework, one which could be coordinated around the world within our international community. Letting the market decide who pays for this is inherently a Conservative idea. Why would Conservatives not believe in something that allows the market to decide instead of trying to get government to force its way into solving this problem?

Mr. Kevin Lamoureux (Parliamentary Secretary to the President of the Queen's Privy Council for Canada and to the Leader of the Government in the House of Commons, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, I appreciate my colleague's well-thought-out comments. We hear a great deal about the fact that virtually from day one this government has given very special attention to Canada's middle class. We have seen tax breaks. In 2015, the first legislation introduced dealt with tax breaks. Additional tax breaks are going to be coming up in this budget. We have seen the enhancement of social programs, such as the Canada child benefit and so forth.

Could the member reflect on the importance of the middle class and give us his thoughts on that from his constituency perspective?

Mr. Kody Blois: Mr. Speaker, my colleague hits on something that is really important for me. I grew up in what could be best described as a working class family. My father was a truck driver. My mom was an administrative assistant at the local school. There were times when I was younger when we would go to the grocery store and if my father had made a purchase that day and had not told my mother, there was not enough money to pay for the groceries.

When I look at my ideology and why I sit on this side of the chamber, in 2015 we were a government that was focused on supporting middle income people who needed help the most.

In Kings—Hants, many people talk about the Canada child benefit, but one mother in particular in a small community in Canning was moved to tears by the Canada child benefit. It meant she could pay for groceries for her two young girls and ensure they had op-

portunities to be involved in recreation. That has been the mandate of this government and it will continue to be. I am proud to be part of it.

Mr. Martin Shields (Bow River, CPC): Mr. Speaker, Canada has many beautiful parts and Kings—Hants is one of those. I visited that riding a number of times even before the member was born. However, it is an agricultural area and one of the things in the throne speech that was missed was agriculture. Agriculture is critically important to the member's riding as it is to mine. My constituents were aggravated and upset by the lack of commitment to agriculture in the throne speech.

Maybe the member could respond to that.

• (1810)

Mr. Kody Blois: Mr. Speaker, it is always nice to find members in the House who come from a rural community and know the importance of agriculture to the entire Canadian economy.

The member was spot on. Kings—Hants is a region that is heavily reliant on agriculture. We have to remember that the Speech from the Throne is a high level document that outlines high level priorities. Agriculture was mentioned.

I know the Minister of Agriculture is committed and is working hard on this front. I look forward to working with the member opposite to ensure that both our communities and their respective agricultural sectors can have a prosperous future in the days ahead.

Ms. Jennifer O'Connell (Pickering—Uxbridge, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise today to speak to the Speech from the Throne, the roadmap that will be guiding the government.

However, first, as I am rising for the first time in our 43rd Parliament, I would like to take a moment to thank my constituents of Pickering—Uxbridge for re-electing me as their member of Parliament. I am incredibly honoured to be here, and I will continue to work hard to make my community and this country a better place to live. I would also like to thank the countless volunteers who helped with my campaign. Their strong desire and ambition to improve our beautiful country was inspiring, and it is something I will remember and carry with me throughout my time here.

No campaign can be done without family, so I want to highlight in particular my mother Doreen, who has been by my side knocking on doors since my first election in 2006. It is with her help that I am here today, and I am forever grateful.

During these past months, I had the pleasure of meeting constituents across my riding to hear about the issues that mattered most to them. Thanks to their support, I am here today to speak about our government's priorities and how we will deliver for them.

The concern I heard the most while knocking on doors was clearly climate change. From children to seniors, students to parents, the current state and future of our environment is of grave concern. Natural disasters are on the rise, the earth is warming and animals are becoming endangered. The days of inaction are over. I am glad to see in the Speech from the Throne that our government has concrete, tangible goals to combat climate change.

What I am most proud to see, though, is that our government's strong plan to fight climate change does so in a manner that also grows the economy and improves affordability for Canadians.

We are currently at a point in time where Canada has the opportunity to become a leader in the low-carbon economy and to spur green economic growth at home and help develop it abroad, making a difference not only here in our country but also around the world.

This past September, during the climate action strike that took place in Uxbridge, I heard calls from members of my community to reduce greenhouse emissions and plastic pollution. These are two main contributors to climate change and need to be addressed in a smart and efficient manner.

At the climate action strike, I was proud to share that in the previous Parliament our government put a price on pollution. Through this effective pricing mechanism, we are reducing greenhouse emissions and encouraging innovation, overall creating an environment that is cleaner and healthier and an economy that is more diverse and robust.

This measure also puts more money in the pockets of Canadians through the climate action incentive by holding the large emitters accountable for their pollution. It is estimated that a family of four in Ontario is receiving \$307 a year as a result of this rebate, which is more than the average family of that size is paying. As a result, the price mechanism and rebate are encouraging Canadians and businesses to make decisions that reduce their carbon footprint, such as investing in greener infrastructure and technologies.

Over the coming term I look forward to working with my colleagues to strengthen our price inclusion plan, a measure that one of the 2018 winners of the Nobel Prize for economics wrote about and continues to support, as it leads to economic growth.

My community was also glad to hear that we plan on taking action to further reduce plastic pollution. Single-use plastics are currently being found in overwhelming amounts in our landfills, shorelines and oceans, threatening the health of our wildlife and environment. I plan to work hard with our government to further strengthen our legislation to reduce plastic pollution and support the industries that are finding innovative solutions to address this issue.

The Speech from the Throne also set out a goal of reaching net-zero emissions by 2050. This ambitious but necessary target will see our government implementing measures that help Canadians make their homes more energy efficient and therefore more cost effective. It will help Canada to be the best place to start and grow clean-tech companies.

Climate change may be our generation's greatest challenge, but it can also be our economy's greatest opportunity. I am proud to see

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our government acknowledging and embracing the situation. By continuing to invest in Canadians, our country will become a leader and innovator in the low-carbon industry.

• (1815)

Over the past four years, we have seen an incredible amount of growth in our economy. In 2019 alone, we saw the lowest unemployment rate on record, and since the Liberals took office, over one million jobs have been created. It is because of our smart investments and meaningful legislation that more Canadians are working, businesses are growing and our economy is diversifying.

In the last Parliament, our government introduced the Canada child benefit. This generous, tax-free benefit is giving more money to the families who need it most and has been credited with lifting almost 300,000 children out of poverty.

During my time back home, I heard the stories and saw the real success of these developments in my community. For example, families in Pickering—Uxbridge have been receiving payments of \$550 on average every month, which is benefiting 10,180 families and 17,820 children. Thanks to this tax-free benefit, families are able to put this money toward the things they need most, from nutritional food, to winter clothing, to paying bills, to enrolling in extracurricular activities. Putting money directly in the hands of parents allows them to use it in ways that better suit their needs.

However, I know there is still more work for us to do, and I am proud that this government is continuing to support Canadians in all walks of life. By further strengthening the Canada child benefit, our government will continue to support Canadian families by helping them worry less about finances and focus more on spending valuable time together.

The rising cost of living is a major concern for the residents of Pickering—Uxbridge, and I am proud to share with them that in our first week back, we tabled legislation to amend the Income Tax Act to lower taxes for the middle class while ensuring that the wealthiest Canadians do not benefit. Once this is fully rolled out, nearly 20 million Canadians will benefit, saving a single person close to \$300 a year in taxes and a couple or family close to \$600. This tax cut would help Canadians put more money toward groceries, schooling or retirement.

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I am also aware that there is a strong need for affordable housing in the Durham region. During the last Parliament, the region saw a great investment, with over \$78.6 million in funding, which is being put toward building and repairing 2,535 units. Even with this investment, there continues to be a strong demand for affordable housing.

The Speech from the Throne states that the government plans to continue its critical investments in affordable housing. Ensuring Canadians have a safe and secure place to call home is how we help Canadians realize their full potential, and when that happens, we all benefit. The value of having a home is far greater than just financial. These are the kinds of measures and investments that will truly make a difference in my community, and they will help grow our middle class and help hard-working Canadians keep more of their hard-earned money.

Actions speak louder than words, and our government has clearly demonstrated its commitment to Canadians, as this speech outlines a plan that addresses their concerns and will make our country a better place to call home. By addressing climate change and investing in Canadians, we are innovating, driving the economy, creating jobs and improving our environment for future generations. This is a win-win solution and a direction I am glad to see our government continuing to take.

I was re-elected to be the member of Parliament for Pickering—Uxbridge because my constituents know I will continue to voice the changes we would like to see in our country and communities. I am proud that the Speech from the Throne has laid out an ambitious plan for our government and it is one that I am proud to support. It will bring about meaningful change not only for our generation but for generations to come.

• (1820)

Mr. Greg McLean (Calgary Centre, CPC): Mr. Speaker, I applaud the member for her support of the Speech from the Throne. I latched on to two things she said very clearly: actions speak louder than words and we are looking for a win-win scenario here. I love these platitudes, but actions do speak louder than words.

Could the member across the way demonstrate what happened, for instance, when New Zealand committed to carbon reductions? They were finalized at the beginning of 2020 and how far along did they get? New Zealand recommitted to 2050 because it is further down the road.

Where is the win-win scenario from holding up infrastructure for resource delivery to markets with an opaque regulatory regime that reduces the amount we receive for resources at ports to a level far below the world price for those resources? That is a failure of government and is obviously a failure for our economy and country going forward.

Could the member comment on how all that spells win-win as far as the government's agenda goes?

Ms. Jennifer O'Connell: Mr. Speaker, let me talk about a few actions from the Conservative Party. Let us go back to a time when the Conservatives had the lowest growth since the Great Depression. They had no plan for climate change in 10 years in office and

they continue to have no plan for climate change, hence one of the main reasons they continue to remain on that side of the House.

The Conservatives continue to remain out of touch with Canadians, while on this side of the House we are growing the economy, with over one million jobs created, while tackling climate change. We are ensuring that we are going to reduce emissions and that generations to come will be proud of us.

It is time for the Conservatives to get with the program and care about what Canadians are talking about, and that is addressing climate change while growing the economy.

[Translation]

Ms. Monique Pauzé (Repentigny, BQ): Mr. Speaker, I listened to the last two speeches, which were given by the member for Kings—Hants and the member for Pickering—Uxbridge. They both spoke a lot about the environment. They were bragging about all the green investments they are making. However, the report submitted to the UN on December 31 indicates that Canada will not meet its greenhouse gas reduction targets.

Does the member know how Canada will turn things around and meet its greenhouse gas reduction targets?

[English]

Ms. Jennifer O'Connell: Mr. Speaker, it is refreshing to actually get a question about climate change and on taking more action on this critical issue.

One of the most effective ways to address emissions is by putting a price on pollution, which is precisely what we did in this government, but there is no question that we have to do more. I encourage all parties on all sides of the House to come together to come up with innovative ideas on how we can reduce emissions, but we have to make sure that we are keeping in touch with average Canadian families and ensure that we do this in a meaningful way that also focuses on affordability while growing the economy.

We have a unique opportunity, and I encourage all members to help us move forward and deliver on what Canadians expect.

[Translation]

Mr. Louis Plamondon (Bécancour—Nicolet—Saurel, BQ): Mr. Speaker, the member just said that we need new ideas and that all parties need to participate in the fight against climate change. During the election campaign, the Bloc Québécois promised to introduce a bill in the House of Commons that would enshrine the Canadian government's Paris commitments in law, thereby forcing the government to keep its commitments and meet the targets.

Is the member willing to vote in favour of such a bill?



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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Dufferin County Forest consists of fourteen tracts that together form a 1,066 hectare (2,636 acre) forested area owned and managed by the County of Dufferin. The Forest serves important functions in terms of erosion and water control, natural heritage protection, biodiversity, wildlife habitat, recreational opportunities, and support of the rural economy through timber production and employment opportunities.

From the first purchase of land in 1930 until the mid-1990s the Forest was managed by what is now the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNR) through agreements made under the *Forestry Act*. In 1995, the County completed a long-term, comprehensive management plan for the Forest properties, the first County in Ontario to do so. Following completion of the plan, a County Forest Manager was hired to implement it.

In 2013, work began on a new twenty-year forest management plan. *Our Forest, Our Future: Dufferin County Forest Management Plan 2016-2036* was approved by County Council in March, 2016. The new management plan includes an operating plan for 2016-2021.

The following are some highlights from the past year:

Environmental Sustainability

- i. 36 hectares of hardwood stands and conifer plantations were marked for selection harvesting.

Economic Sustainability

- i. due to unforeseen circumstances, there were no timber sales in 2019.

Social Sustainability

- i. the information available at the kiosk at the Main Tract parking lot was expanded and updated;
- ii. a self-guided driving tour to take people to all fourteen of the Forest tracts was developed;
- iii. wayfinding signs were installed at key locations throughout the Main Tract;
- iv. signs in the Forest were replaced as needed;
- v. thirteen larger-scale recreational events took place;
- vi. two forest walks took place, wildflower identification and tree identification;
- vii. there was one meeting of the Dufferin County Forest Advisory Team; and
- viii. the Friends of the Dufferin County Forest met early in the year and were involved in trail maintenance and invasive species removal activities during the year.

Next year, 2020, will see the continuation of various activities. There will be signs posted, forest walks, tendered timber sales, monitoring of harvesting operations, enforcement of the County Forest by-law (2017-39 as amended), a number of larger-scale recreational events, and a land use agreement with the Mansfield Outdoor Centre. Strategies to measure the number of users, particularly at the Main Tract will be further developed and implemented. A five-year operating plan for the period 2021-2026 will be written and presented to County Council for approval.

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Dufferin County Forest consists of fourteen tracts that together form a 1,066 hectare (2,636 acre) forested area owned and managed by the County of Dufferin. The Forest is divided into fourteen tracts located in all of Dufferin's rural municipalities: Amaranth, East Garafraxa, Grand Valley, Melancthon, Mono, and Mulmur. The largest single area is the Main Tract (607 hectares, 1,501 acres) in Mulmur Township. Figure 1 (next page) shows the location of the individual tracts within Dufferin County.

The Dufferin County Forest serves important functions in terms of erosion and water control, natural heritage protection, biodiversity, wildlife habitat, recreational opportunities, and support of the rural economy through timber production and employment opportunities.

Although the Dufferin County Forest is, and always was, owned by the County of Dufferin, from the first purchase of property in 1930 until the mid-1990s, the Forest was managed on behalf of the County by what is now the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNR).

In the early 1990s, Dufferin was the first County in Ontario to take the lead in developing a management plan for its forest properties. The County decided to develop a comprehensive management plan due to increased demands on the forest properties, as well as changes to the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry's Agreement Forest Program.

On June 8, 1995, Dufferin County Council approved *Our Forest, Our Future: Dufferin County Forest Management Plan 1995-2015*. Throughout the process, there was participation from the MNR, a Forest Advisory Team, and the general public, all of whom provided valuable input and comments.

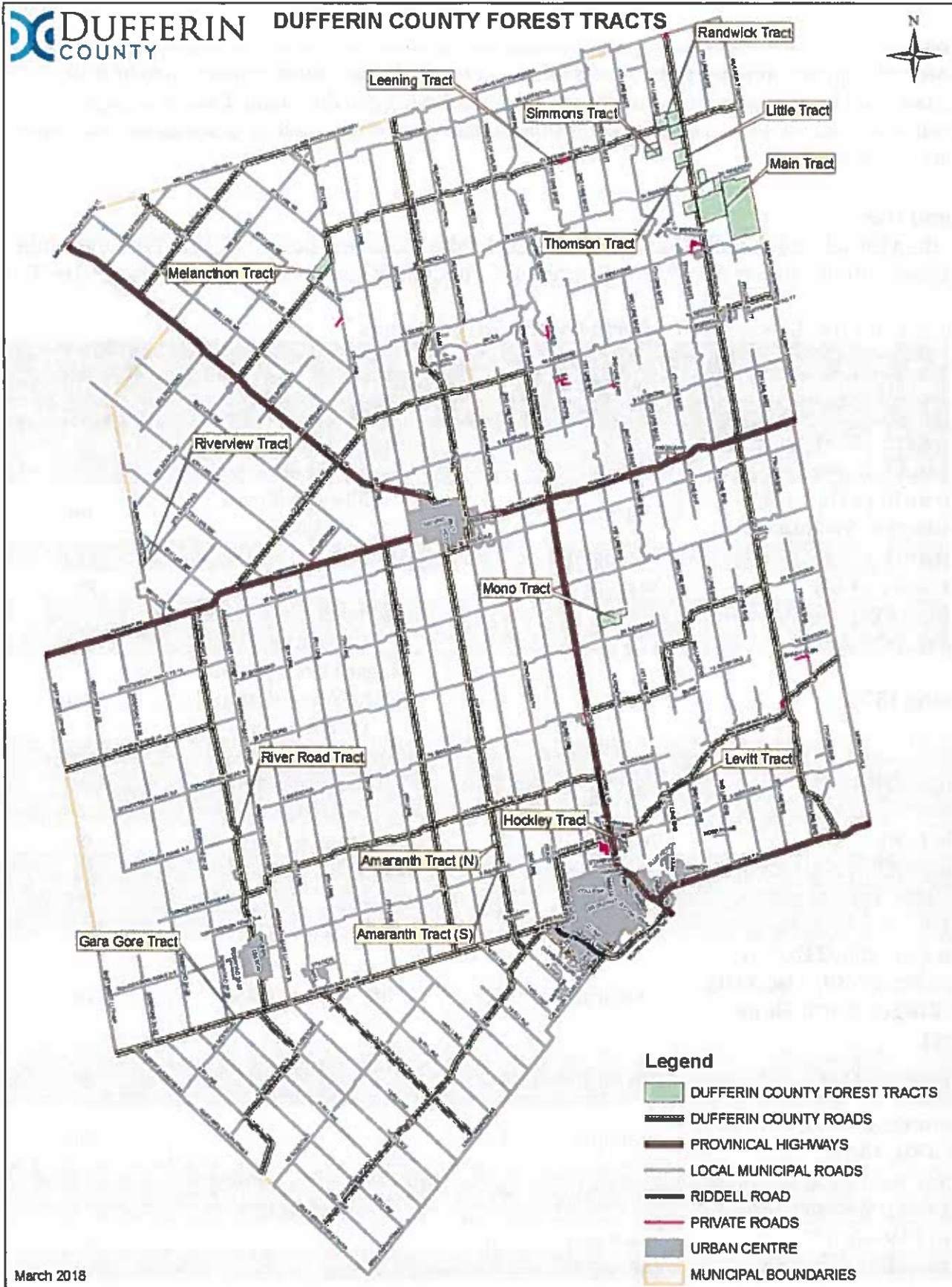
In 2001, the County was recognized for its management of the County Forest, and for its partnership with the Dufferin Simcoe Land Stewardship Network, with a national award – the Forest Stewardship Recognition Program award.

In 2005, the Dufferin County Forest celebrated its 75th anniversary.

With the impending expiration of the management plan passed in 1995, in 2013 the County began work on a new long-term management plan for the County Forest. By this time, the recreational use of the forest properties had grown to such an extent, that it was decided that a separate recreational use policy for the County Forest was necessary. The consultative process involved the participation of County Councillors, members of the County's Forest Plan Advisory Team and Forest Operations Review Committee, residents adjacent to the Forest properties, and the general public. *Our Forest, Our Future: Dufferin County Forest Management Plan 2016-2036* was approved by County Council on March 10, 2016. The recreational use policy for the County Forest was approved on May 11, 2017.

This annual report is divided into sections that correspond with those in *Our Forest, Our Future: Dufferin County Forest Management Plan 2016-2036* and the embedded operating plan (2016-2021) and coincides with the County's fiscal year, January 1 to December 31.

Figure 1: Tracts of the Dufferin County Forest



2.0 OUR FOREST, OUR FUTURE: DUFFERIN COUNTY FOREST MANAGEMENT PLAN 2016-2036

2.1 Goal

To protect the quality and integrity of ecosystems in the Dufferin County Forest, including air, water, land and biota; and, where quality and integrity have been diminished, to encourage restoration or remediation to healthy conditions; while providing a variety of social and economic benefits to the public.

2.2 Land Use

Other than the addition of the Thomson Tract, the land use classes shown in Table 1 are unchanged from those outlined in *Our Forest, Our Future: Dufferin County Forest Management Plan 2016-2036*.

Table 1: Land Use Classes for Dufferin County Forest Tracts

Tract (Compartments)	Land Use Class	Area (ha)	Conservation Value	Standard Forest Management ¹
Amaranth (42a), Laurel Wetland Complex	natural	12	provincially significant wetland	no
Amaranth (43b, 43c), Farmington Swamp	natural	10	locally significant wetland	no
Amaranth (43a)	managed	2		yes
Gara-Gore (44a)	managed	15		yes
Hockley (49), Orangeville Wetland Complex	natural	20	provincially significant wetland	no
Leening (50)	natural	8	Niagara Escarpment Rural Area; donor restrictions	no
Levitt (51)	natural	4	Niagara Escarpment Natural Area; donor restrictions	no
Little (48)	natural	47	developing old growth	no
Main (7-10, 12-19, 21a, 22, 23a, 23b, 24b, 24c, 25b, 25c)	managed	316		yes
Main (11, 20a, 21b, 23c, 24a, 25a, 26-30, 31a, 31d), Oak Ridges South Slope Forest	natural	266	life science ANSI	no
Main (31b, 31c)	natural	24	locally significant wetland	no
Melancthon (32a, 32b, 32c, 33a, 33b, 33d)	managed	12		yes
Melancthon (33a, 33c, 33d, 34a, 35a), Melancthon 1	natural	48	provincially significant wetland	no
Mono (39-40, 46)	managed	68		yes
Randwick (1-4c, 5-6)	managed	115		yes

Tract (Compartments)	Land Use Class	Area (ha)	Conservation Value	Standard Forest Management ¹
Randwick (4d), Walker's Creek Wetland	natural	2	locally significant wetland	no
River Road (45)	managed	3		yes
Riverview (36, 37b, 37c, 37d, 37e, 38a, 38b)	managed	27		yes
Riverview (37a, 38c, 38d), Melancthon 2	natural	13	locally significant wetland	no
Simmons (47)	managed	42		yes
Thomson (52)	managed	12	creek	yes
Total		1066		

¹In areas designated as "no" removal of hazard trees and invasive species may occur, as well as forest management activities that maintain or enhance notable features.

2.3 Environmental Sustainability

Sustainable Timber Harvesting

Marking is the operation that designates the trees within a stand that are to be commercially harvested. The marking follows a silvicultural prescription written specifically for the stand. The prescription and subsequent marking are the most important functions in determining the future structure and composition of any forest stand. The number, size, and species of trees that are removed has a significant impact on the growth and development of the remaining trees. Since all harvesting in the Dufferin County Forest is done by some variation of the selection cutting system, all stands are marked prior to harvesting. The marking is generally done by a crew hired on contract.

Annually, wood is harvested on a sustainable basis from the Dufferin County Forest. The wood is sold by open public tender.

Due to unforeseen circumstances, there were no timber sales in 2019.

Evaluation of Insect and Disease Populations

The County of Dufferin will assess insect and disease populations based on information provided by the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry's (MNR) Forest Health Technicians, County Forest staff, and the Canadian Food Inspection Agency. Emerald ash borer, Asian long-horned beetle, Sirex woodwasp, gypsy moth, beech bark disease, butternut canker, and red pine decline are of primary concern. Gypsy moth, beech bark disease, butternut canker, and red pine decline are all known to be present in the Dufferin County Forest. Monitoring of these key insects and diseases will continue and management strategies will be developed as necessary.

Oak Wilt

Oak wilt is an exotic invasive disease that kills all species of oak, preferring those in the red oak group (red oak and black oak). The Canadian Food Inspection Agency (the lead agency in dealing with exotic invasives) is working hard to keep oak wilt out of Ontario, but it is currently only 500 m

from the border (on Belle Island in the Detroit River). Infected red oak trees can die in as little as 30 days. Red oak is a significant component of a number of stands in the Dufferin County Forest, particularly in the Main Tract. Many of these stands are also part of the Oak Ridges South Slope Area of Natural and Scientific Interest, which is recognized in part for its oak component. In addition, in 2005 red oak was declared as the official tree of Dufferin County.

Prior to oak wilt being found in Dufferin County, the following strategies are being implemented:

- i. public education to increase the number of people able to identify oak wilt and therefore increasing the chances of finding it and identifying it before it is widespread;
- ii. public education regarding the dangers of moving firewood, therefore reducing the chances of oak wilt arriving in Dufferin County through that avenue;
- iii. in the Dufferin County Forest, an immediate stop to harvesting of stands containing more than 5 m²/ha of red oak between April 1 and July 31. During this time of year, the sap-feeding beetles, which spread oak wilt and are attracted to open wounds on oak trees, are most active; and
- iv. public education to discourage private landowners from pruning or harvesting red oak between April 1 and July 31.

Once oak wilt is found in the Dufferin County Forest, management strategies such as trenching to break root grafts will likely have to be implemented in order to eradicate or contain it.

Emerald Ash Borer

In 2013, the presence of emerald ash borer was confirmed in Dufferin County, at the south end of Orangeville. Public education regarding this pest is ongoing through events, information at the County Forest office and on the website, and responses to inquiries. Since there is relatively little ash in the County Forest, and it has been in ill health since before the advent of emerald ash borer, it is anticipated that the impact of the emerald ash borer will not be significant in the County Forest itself. Dead or dying ash that are considered to be hazard trees due to their proximity to trails will be removed as soon as possible after they are identified. Stands with an ash component will be managed in accordance with the strategies outlined in *Managing Ash in Farm Woodlots; Some Suggested Prescriptions* (Williams & Schwan, 2011).

Alien Invasive Plants

During the 2019 growing season, ongoing monitoring and removal of the dog-strangling vine at the Mono, Main and Randwick Tracts was conducted.

Scots pine was removed in conjunction with field work and litter/garbage pick-up.

Data was collected on the garlic mustard plots at the Melancthon, Mono, and Randwick Tracts. These plots were established in 2016 to monitor the growth of garlic mustard.

2.4 Economic Sustainability

Financial Stability

One of the County's objectives for the Dufferin County Forest is that it generate revenue to support operations. At the same time, it is important to remember the non-monetary contributions of the Dufferin County Forest:

- i. the Main Tract is one of few, large, publicly-accessible natural areas in Dufferin County;
- ii. the Forest contributes significant ecosystem services;
- iii. the Forest, and in particular the Main Tract, is important for outdoor recreation and;
- iv. the Dufferin County Forest properties add to the value of the areas in which they are located both in aesthetic and monetary terms.

Due to unforeseen circumstances, there were no revenues generated from timber sales in 2019. There are many factors that affect the value of the timber sold from the Dufferin County Forest, some of which are difficult to predict from year to year. These factors include the price of wood locally and regionally; the location, size and species of trees offered for sale; and the supply of wood of various species and sizes in a given year. Timber sale revenues were supplemented by land use, forest use, and recreational event permits. For details of the budget, please refer to the County of Dufferin's Budget 2019.

Besides staff, the majority of expenses in 2019 included signs, advertising, and promotion.

2.5 Social Sustainability

Recreational Use of the County Forest Policy

Implementation of the recreational use policy and associated by-law (2017-39 as amended) continued in 2019.

Dufferin County Forest Advisory Team

In 2019, there was one meeting of the Dufferin County Forest Advisory Team. Topics addressed by the five public members and one representative from the Infrastructure and Environmental Services Committee included: measurement of use, especially at the Main Tract; strategies for attracting users to tracts other than the Main Tract, and changes to the designated trail network in the Main Tract.

Friends of the Dufferin County Forest

In 2019, the Friends of the Dufferin County Forest group had one meeting and were involved in trail maintenance and invasive species removal activities during the year. The Friends of the Dufferin County Forest is a volunteer group comprised of individuals who are committed to supporting approved activities within the properties collectively known as the Dufferin County Forest.

Recreational Events

Table 2 gives details of the thirteen larger-scale recreational events that took place in the County Forest in 2019. Unless otherwise noted in Table 2, the events took place at the Main Tract. In total, the events generated revenue of just over \$2,000 for the County.

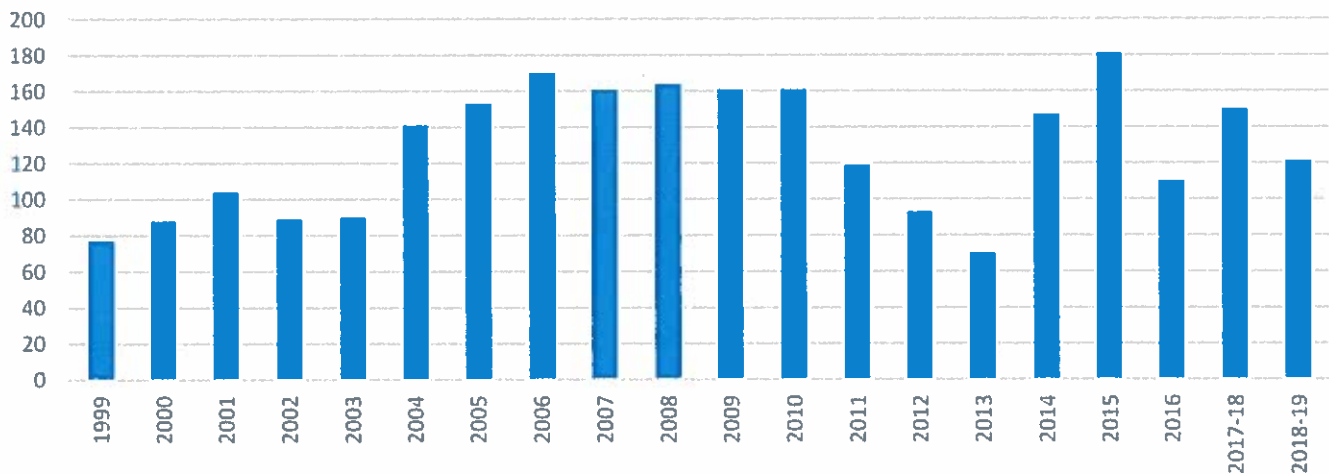
Table 2: Larger-Scale Recreational Events in the Dufferin County Forest 2019

Date of Event	Type of Event	Number of Participants
April 20	Substance Projects Mountain Biking Event	117
May 4-5	OCTRA Horseback Riding Event	68
May 10-12	OTRA Horseback Riding Event	13
May 22	Pivot Bicycles Demo Event – Mono Tract	15
May 23-27	Chesley Saddle Club Horseback Riding Event	10
June 7-9	OTRA Horseback Riding Event	18
June 15-16	OCTRA Horseback Riding Event	89
July 5-7	OTRA Horseback Riding Event	26
August 2-5	OTRA Horseback Riding Event	12
August 10	Trail Ride for Breast Cancer	99
September 21	Chase the Coyote Trail Run Event - Mono Tract	149
September 27-29	OTRA Horseback Riding Event	12
October 5-6	OCTRA Horseback Riding Event	71

Forest Use Permits (Hunting)

Figure 2 shows the number of Forest Use Permits (Hunting) that have been issued in the last twenty years.. In 2018, the permits transitioned from an effective period of January 1-December 31 to an effective period of October 1-May 31. For the transition year, the number of permits sold from January 1, 2018-May 31, 2018 was added to the number sold during 2017. These permits generated revenue of about \$3,500 for the County.

Figure 2: Forest Use Permits (Hunting) Issued for the Dufferin County Forest 1999 to 2018-19



Mansfield Outdoor Centre

In 2019, the Mansfield Outdoor Centre once again leased cross-country ski trails in the south portion of the Main Tract, generating revenue of \$500 for the County.

Access

In 2019, gate posts at the Randwick and Mono Tracts were repaired. The entrance to the Little Tract

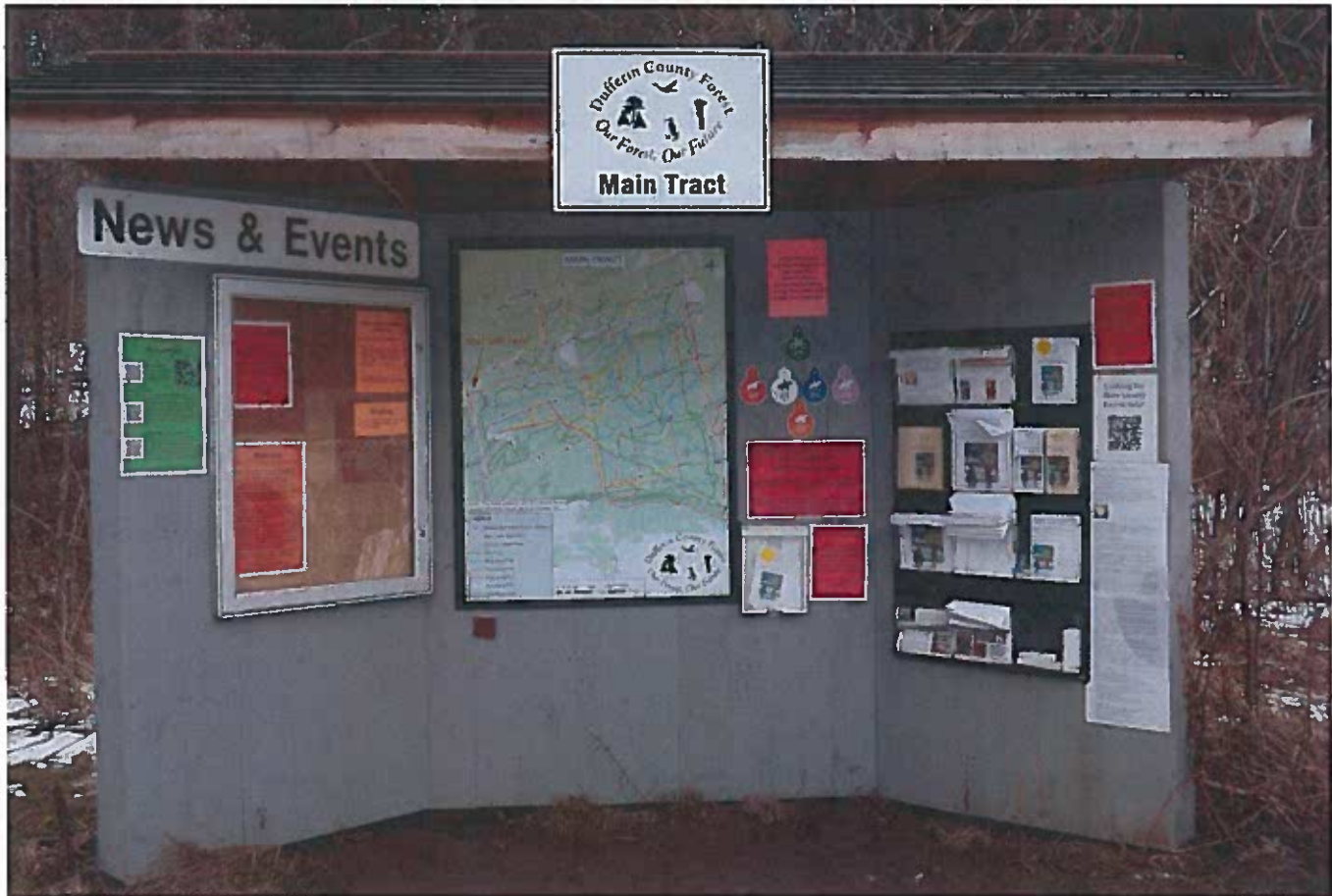
was graveled and graded. At the Main Tract, the main entrance, as well as a portion of the unopened Mulmur-Tosorontio Townline south of 20 Sideroad, were graveled and graded.

Human Health

Information about west nile virus, lyme disease, and poison ivy continues to be available on the County Forest website, at the new information kiosk at the Main Tract parking lot, and by request.

Main Tract Information Kiosk

In the spring of 2018 an information kiosk was installed at the Main Tract parking lot at 937513 Airport Road. The kiosk includes information about upcoming events in the Main Tract, hunting seasons, a large-scale trail map, and numerous information brochures about the County Forest. In 2019, a lockable cabinet was installed for notices, as they were being removed.



Signs

The installation of wayfinding signs at key locations throughout the Main Tract was completed in 2019.



Temporary signs were posted at a number of the tracts showing the dates of the spring wild turkey hunt, the fall wild turkey shotgun hunt, and the two five-day periods of the fall deer shotgun hunt. This was done to inform users that there would be a concentration of hunters in the Forest during those periods. Additional signs urging hunters to “Exercise Extreme Caution” were posted around the southern section of the Randwick Tract from before the start of the fall wild turkey shotgun hunt until the end of the spring wild turkey hunt (beginning of October to May 31). The “No hunting” signs that were posted along the boundary between the southern section of the Randwick Tract and the private land to the west in 1999 were monitored; no new signs were necessary.

The local Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs (OFSC) member clubs (Dufferin, Orangeville, and Alliston & District) posted signs indicating the location of the OFSC trails through the Main, Randwick, Simmons, Riverview, and Mono Tracts of the Dufferin County Forest.

Information Notices

In order to make non-hunting users of the Dufferin County Forest aware of the main hunting seasons, notices advising of increased hunting activity were placed in the Orangeville, Shelburne, Creemore, and Alliston newspapers as follows:

- i. prior to the beginning of the spring wild turkey shotgun hunt;
- ii. prior to the beginning of the fall deer and fall wild turkey bow hunt;
- iii. prior to the beginning of the fall wild turkey shotgun hunt;
- iv. prior to the first five-day period of the deer shotgun hunt and;
- v. prior to the second five-day period of the deer shotgun hunt.

Information Products

In 2019, the production and periodic updating of various information products, including a general County Forest brochure; a recreational use brochure; a hunting brochure; a brochure describing the Little Tract interpretive trail; a brochure describing the Main Tract interpretive trail; a trail map brochure for the Main Tract; and a brochure describing the driving tour continued.

The *Hunting in the Dufferin County Forest* brochure/information package was distributed to the hunters who purchased forest use permits, at the Main Tract information kiosk, as well as on a

request basis. Email inquiries were first directed to the website for information.

Numerous phone and e-mail requests for information on the Dufferin County Forest and forests and forestry in general were answered. The information that was distributed consisted mostly of Dufferin County Forest pamphlets, maps of the Main Tract, and information on various insects and diseases that affect trees.

The County Forest information on www.dufferincounty.ca/residents/county-forest was updated throughout the year to provide forest users and other interested members of the public with timely information about events and activities.

Presentations, Schools, Walks, and Tours

The County held two guided forest walks in the Little Tract in co-operation with the Dufferin Simcoe Land Stewardship Network. On June 1 a wildflower identification walk; on June 22 a tree identification walk.

On April 16, County Forest staff gave three forestry presentations to a total of almost 100 Grade 7 students at Alloa Public School in Caledon.

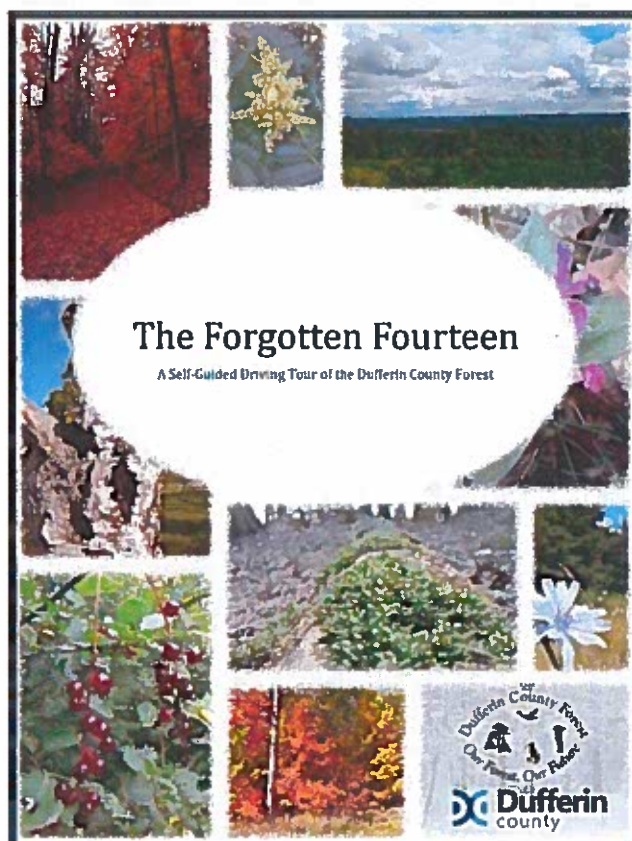
Interpretive Trails

The interpretive trails at the Main Tract, Little Tract, and Hockley Tract were maintained.

In co-operation with Credit Valley Conservation, work began on the implementation of some of the elements for the visually impaired trail at the natural playground at Island Lake.

“The Forgotten Fourteen”: A Self-Guided Driving Tour of the Dufferin County Forest

The Forestry Summer Student developed a self-guided driving tour to encourage people to explore all fourteen tracts of the County Forest, many of which are unknown to even those who use the Main Tract on a regular basis. The tour includes clues that will complete a phrase that relates to the County Forest. If you complete the phrase correctly, you win a prize!



Cultural Heritage Resources

No further work occurred with regard to what appears to be a building foundation at the Simmons Tract. County Forest staff will continue to attempt to make contact with archaeological classes that would be willing to excavate the site at little or no cost.

3.0 MONITORING

In 2019 the primary monitoring activities were:

- i. inspections conducted during commercial harvesting operations;
- ii. monitoring signs and gates at the forest properties and arranging for replacement when and where necessary;
- iii. monitoring of hunting activity (particularly during the two five-day deer shotgun hunt periods);
- iv. monitoring of recreational events; and
- v. monitoring of general recreational use.

Cut inspections were done to ensure that the loggers complied with the terms and conditions of the tenders. There were no significant violations of tender terms and conditions in 2019.

Inventories were conducted to determine which stands would be subject to forest management operations, as well as for stands that had recently undergone forest management operations.

Monitoring of invasive species was conducted as part of ongoing field work.

4.0 THE FUTURE OF THE PLANNING PROCESS

Some of the activities described in the twenty-year management plan are specific to the period of the embedded operating plan (2016-2021), but most will continue over the entire period of the management plan (2016-2036). Three additional five year operating plans will be written to fulfill the management plan; for the periods 2021-2026, 2026-2031, and 2031-2036. The operating plans will be supported by Annual Reports and Annual Work Schedules.

Toward the end of the twenty-year management plan, a new twenty-year plan will be written for the period 2036-2056. This plan will include a five year operating plan for the period 2036-2041.

5.0 ANNUAL WORK SCHEDULE – 2020

The specific activities for 2020 are described in the following sections.

5.1 Environmental Sustainability

It is anticipated that there will be 35 hectares of red pine and hardwoods marked in 2020. The breakdown of the areas is shown in Table 3.

Table 3: Areas Planned to be Marked in the Dufferin County Forest for 2020

Tract (Compartment)	Species	Area (ha)
Randwick (4a)	red pine	7
Main (21a, 22a)	red pine	13
Gara Gore (44a)	white spruce, ash	15
Total Area		35

As in the past, the number of trees and the volume to be harvested will be known once the tree marking is completed. Stands will be publicly tendered in the late summer of 2020.

Information about oak wilt and emerald ash borer and how to manage trees and woodlots in their presence will continue to be distributed to the general public.

5.2 Economic Sustainability

For details of the budget, refer to the County of Dufferin’s Budget 2020.

5.3 Social Sustainability

Implementation of the recreational use policy will continue in 2020.

A new sign will be erected at the entrance to the Main Tract to provide information about recreational events, hunting seasons, and general reminders about recreational use. Other signs being considered for the Main Tract include “You Are Here” style maps, intersection signs, and signs indicating permitted trail uses.

Further work will be done on initiatives to attract users to tracts other than the Main Tract.

It is expected that the Main Tract will host a number of recreational events.

In 2020, it is anticipated that the Mansfield Outdoor Centre will lease cross-country ski trails in the Main Tract.

The interpretive trails at the Main, Hockley, and Little Tracts will be maintained.

5.4 Monitoring

In 2020, the monitoring program will focus on five broad areas:

- i. inspections conducted during commercial harvesting operations;
- ii. monitoring signs and gates at the forest properties and arranging for replacement when and where necessary;
- iii. monitoring of hunting activity (particularly during the two five-day deer shotgun hunt periods);
- iv. monitoring of recreational events; and
- v. monitoring of general recreational use.

Anecdotally it is clear that the recreational use of the County Forest, and in particular the Main Tract, is increasing. However, very little data has been collected to support these observations. In 2020, the County will embark on a program to measure use. This program will initially include in-person counting/surveying of users, trail counters, and traffic counters at the Main Tract. Other tracts may be added to the program over time.

5.5 Planning

In 2020, an operating plan for the period 2021-2026 will be developed. The process will include public consultation opportunities.

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Date Provided: February 18, 2020

Township of Melancthon
Mayor Darren White
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Ph: 519-925-5525

Re: Written Notice

Dear Mayor White,

This is a written notice to inform you of my intent to submit an application to become a holder of a Standard Cultivation (Outdoor) Licence under Health Canada's Cannabis Regulations. The application will include licenced activities:

Pursuant to 11(1)

- (a) to possess cannabis;
- (b) to obtain dried cannabis, fresh cannabis, cannabis plants or cannabis plant seeds by cultivating, propagating and harvesting cannabis;
- (c) for the purpose of testing, to obtain cannabis by altering its chemical or physical properties by any means; and
- (d) to sell cannabis

The site where the above-mentioned activities will be conducted is 117287 2nd Line SW, Melancthon, Ontario, L9V 2C9. The application will be submitted to Health Canada in February 2020.

Yours in good health,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Nathan Nienhuis".

Nathan William Nienhuis
Responsible Person
2690044 Ontario Inc.
nate.nbindustries@gmail.com

INFO #3
MAR 05 2020

Denise Holmes

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 18, 2020 7:45 PM
To: Denise Holmes; [REDACTED]
Subject: Council Meeting
Attachments: County Council Public Meeting.docx

Hi Denise.

I am hoping this can be added to the agenda. I would like a discussion to see if there is any support towards my proposal at the Township level. With the County Public meeting early next month I don't think waiting until the next meeting will allow enough time.

Thank you Wayne Nicholson

February 17, 2020

Mayor and Council:

**Re: Notice of Public Meeting Dufferin County Official Plan
Review**

Thank you for allowing me to submit a request to Council regarding the Public Meeting being held on March 12, 2020. The process of creating, maintaining and amending the Official Plan is a monumental task and I am thankful the public is asked for involvement. I'm hoping the townships that represent our County will also voice their concerns regarding limitations the existing Official Plan present. Council(s) must be faced with issues that frustrate their constituents regarding land use and mapping within their townships. I'm requesting Township Councils address these concerns at this Public Meeting as their input as corporations will have greater impact then the individuals they represent.

When I look through Melancthon's Strategic Plan, I see that "respondents stressed the need to identify appropriate lands for growth and development so as to ensure that prime farmland is protected but that the Township of Melancthon continues to attract growth and development". Many residence have issues with the mapping of the Official Plan as it is was done on a large scale. Areas that could have adjustments made to correct these issues are not dealt with under Committee of Adjustment or Official Plan Amendments as they are usually restricted be the Agriculture

designation. Many of the County residence value the protection of Prime Ag land and don't want to reduce it. This statement can be made with the understanding that there are parcels of land that haven't or won't be of Agricultural value because of different characteristics. These lands are of little to no value with regards to Agricultural production so I'm proposing we take steps to allow them to be productive by adding them to Rural Residential designation. Mapping changes/amendments could allow this to happen. The lands will start producing financial benefits including adding much needed tax base funds and help relieve the ever present housing shortage we feel in our township, county and province. There are also Agriculture designations that have the ability to have a dwelling built on the parcel as they have had one previously. With the ability to open areas within the Townships/County the land may be able to be returned to Ag production. With the current shortage of building lots, farm land won't be given up as the value outweighs the owners social conscience. It would be an achievement of our local governing bodies to balance the land use with effective changes to the Official Plan. The landowners, given options may finally be able to return land to production without facing financial loss.

Looking at the Official Plan Maps, I understand how complex the task must be. By allowing an (Official Plan Mapping) Application process to help identify lands that are subject to a review, it would serve everyone equally. This would help Officials identify areas that might be missed by the magnitude of the process while allowing individuals the opportunity to have their request addressed. The Application would be subject to an appropriate fee schedule and would need to meet minimum standards before being eligible for submission.

Standards ranging from existing Township/County infrastructure, Minimum Distance Separation Formulas, support from neighbouring residence, etc. would need to be meet. This process would have time constraints and would need to have an application period consistent with timing of the next Official Plan update.

I am submitting this request to ensure that anyone having concerns with a current Official Plan Map will have an avenue for actions to be taken. The application will identify the land/area for review and make it easier for officials to eliminate reviewing the entire County acre by acre.

Thank you for any support council can give whether in whole or in part, it is appreciated.

Wayne Nicholson

██████████ 3rd Line Melancthon

Denise Holmes

From: Dufferin County <info@dufferincounty.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, February 18, 2020 2:23 PM
To: Denise Holmes
Subject: Dufferin County E-Newsletter - Council in Brief

Dufferin County's Official E-Newsletter

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COUNCIL IN BRIEF

For February 13, 2020

The following highlights from the February 13, 2020 Dufferin County Council Meeting are provided for general information purposes. [For the full agenda and minutes, please visit our website by clicking here.](#)

Upcoming Meetings

Upcoming committee meetings will be held on February 27, 2020 in at 55 Zina St, Orangeville in the Sutton Room at the following times:

Infrastructure & Environmental Services Committee – 1 pm

General Government Services – 3 pm

Heart & Stroke Month Month: February 2020



Pictured above: Tom Reid, Chief Paramedic & Gary Staples, Deputy Chief Paramedic accepting the proclamation from Warden White.

Warden White proclaimed February as Heart and Stroke Month in the County of Dufferin.

Tom Reid, Chief Paramedic and Carly Jackson, Public Access Defibrillator Specialist, addressed Council with respect to Heart & Stroke month. Chief Reid, along with Heather LeBlanc, St. John's Ambulance Service, presented the St. John Ambulance Life Saving Award to Hayden Pritchett, Stephanie Cochrane, Chris Bragger and John Neilson.

Warden White presented Good Business Awards to Jim and Lee-Anne Mohr, No Frills Orangeville and Jessie Tippling and Tyler Robins, Athlete Institute Mono for having the life saving AEDs.

Dufferin County Climate Change Collaborative

(DC4)

On June 6, 2018, the County of Dufferin committed to acting on climate change and transitioning the community towards a low-carbon future by joining the Partners for Climate Protection (PCP) Program. Milestone two in the PCP framework is the establishment of carbon reduction targets. Milestone three follows in the creation of a Climate Action Plan, both on the corporate and community level, to reach the set targets. In preparation for these milestones in the community stream, the PCP requires a broad stakeholder group of sector experts to inform the process. The Municipal Climate Change Working Group (MCCWG), an existing group of staff representatives from Dufferin's member municipalities, assisted in the development of a Terms of Reference for the Dufferin County Climate Change Collaborative. It is expected that the MCCWG will dissolve and be rolled into the creation of DC4. The Chair of the DC4 will be County of Dufferin's Climate Change Coordinator.

Accessibility Advisory Committee



The Town of Orangeville and Dufferin County are establishing a Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee. This Committee will be managed by the Town, with County staff attending. Staff are working on a Terms of Reference for the Committee and further discussion on roles and responsibilities are

ongoing.

Emergency Health Services Modernization



Paramedic services comprises part of a larger emergency health services system that includes Ministry of Health (Ministry) regulators and Ministry operated ambulance communications centres known as Central Ambulance Communication Centres (CACC's). In 2001, the Ministry transferred responsibility for local paramedic services to upper and single tier municipalities. Since then, the County of Dufferin contracted services to Headwaters Health Care Centre to operate land ambulance service within the County of Dufferin.

On November 18, 2019, the Ministry released two discussion papers on the modernization of Emergency Health Services and Public Health that set the context and scope for the consultation process. [A copy of the papers can be](#)

[found here.](#)

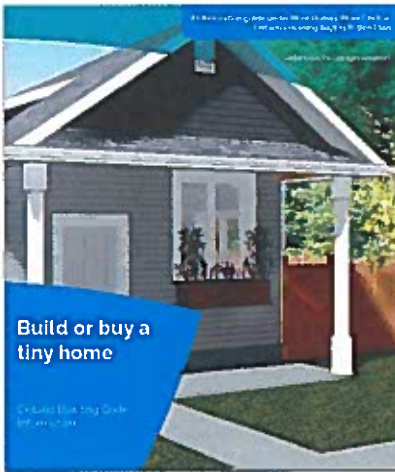
2020 Food For Thought Grants



The “Food For Thought” Grant (FFTG) program is funded by the County of Dufferin in support of registered charities or not-for-profit organizations who are providing Direct Food Services to individuals and families in Dufferin County. Direct Food Services are considered outcomes-based, innovative, food nourishing programs, food access programs, and nutrition education programs that assist in the reduction of poverty and provide services to residents of Dufferin County who are in need.

This year, the following organizations are receiving a Food For Thought Grant: Caledon Meals on Wheels, Children's Foundation of Guelph & Wellington, Orangeville Food Bank, Primrose Elementary School & the Shepherds Cupboard Food Bank Shelburne.

Tiny Homes & the Ontario Building Code



What is a Tiny Home?

The tiny home innovation guide defines a tiny home as - a “tiny home” is a small, private and self-contained dwelling unit with living and dining areas, with kitchen and bathroom facilities, with a sleeping area and intended for year-round use.

The classification of a small residential building as a “tiny home” has helped broaden the populations view on what could be considered standard living. The Ontario Building Code does not specifically address or define a “tiny home” but it does give definition of a dwelling unit and further gives us the minimum requirements for this use.

Where a municipal zoning by-law gives permissions or allowances for a “tiny home” design on a property or a group of “tiny homes” on a property that corresponds with the requirements of the Ontario Building Code the concept of a “tiny home” could be a viable option.

The full report can be found in the [Committee agenda package here \(Item #5\)](#).

Business Retention & Expansion Project: Professional, Scientific & Technical Sector



Dufferin County Economic Development, in partnership with economic development functions at the Town of Orangeville and Town of Shelburne, completed a Business Retention and Expansion (BR+E) study on the Professional, Scientific and Technical (PST) Sector in Dufferin over the course of 2019. BR+E projects are highlighted as "...core objectives of economic development programs", in accordance with the Dufferin County Economic Development Strategy (2017, pg. 28).

Overall, a total of 63 businesses in the PST Sector throughout the County were visited and participated in the Retention Survey created by OMAFRA, which asks questions about business information, business climate, future plans, business development, workforce and community development.

Based on information collected throughout this project, the County along with the Town of Orangeville and Town of Shelburne have collectively analyzed the data and created complimentary reports and action plans for each of the three jurisdictions.

To view the full report and action plan, please visit the [Council Agenda package](#) (Item #6.5).

NEW Building By-Law



Following the Public Meeting for consultation on the new Dufferin County's new Building By-Law, the new by-law was adopted by Council County on February 13, 2020. By-Law 2020-14 will come into effect on March 1, 2020 and the previous Building By-Law 2010-24 and all its amendments (2011-03, 2014-34, 2014-38 and 2015-42) are repealed. To view the new Building By-Law, please visit the [agenda package here](#) (Item #10 - By-Law 2020-14). All of our by-laws can be found on [our website here](#).

Service Review - Project Launch & Discovery



The Chief Administrative Officer provided an update on the Service Delivery Review Project (SDR). Phase 2 of the SDR project is underway. Phase 2 will focus on gathering information both in person and through document collection

to assess the current state of the in-scope services. This process will involve staff at each municipality and the County. The consultants plan to conduct on-site focus groups and interviews over the next several weeks. In addition, to staff engagement a project will be available on Join In Dufferin for members of the public. The first public survey will request residents to identify which of the services under review they have previously accessed and to rate their experience. Please visit <https://joinindufferin.com/service-delivery-review> to complete the survey.

The complete agenda and minutes from the February 13, 2020 County Council meeting will be available on the [County website](#).

There will be a Public Meeting regarding the Dufferin County Official Plan on March 12, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town of Orangeville Council Chambers, 87 Broadway, Orangeville, ON followed by a regular meeting of Council.

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**STATEMENT OF THE TREASURER OF REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES PAID
AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 284(1) OF THE MUNICIPAL ACT, 2001
FOR THE YEAR 2019**

		Salary Taxable	IT Allowance Taxable	Meetings Taxable	Mileage	Meals	Total Paid	Conference Costs
Council Members								
Darren White	Mayor	\$ 17,134.32	\$ -	\$ 1,220.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 18,354.32	
Dave Besley	Deputy Mayor	\$ 11,877.12	\$ 900.00	\$ 1,240.00	\$ 345.00	\$ -	\$ 14,362.12	\$ 1,337.12
Wayne Hannon	Councillor	\$ 10,709.16	\$ 900.00	\$ 1,620.00	\$ 582.50	\$ -	\$ 13,811.66	
Margaret Mercer	Councillor	\$ 10,709.16	\$ 900.00	\$ 1,420.00	\$ 814.65	\$ -	\$ 13,843.81	\$ 1,356.79
David Thwaites	Councillor	\$ 10,709.16	\$ 900.00	\$ 2,600.00	\$ 83.00	\$ -	\$ 14,292.16	
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Council Totals for year 2019		\$ 61,138.92	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 8,100.00	\$ 1,825.15	\$ -	\$ 74,664.07	\$ 2,693.91

All Council Members with the exception of the Mayor receive an IT Allowance of \$75.00 per month

Payments are made under the authority of By-law 63-2018

Public Members		Meetings	Mileage	Total Paid
Allan Blundell	Police Services Board	\$ 360.00	\$ 96.00	\$ 456.00
Kate Martin	Police Services Board	\$ 300.00	\$ 102.00	\$ 402.00
Total		\$ 660.00	\$ 198.00	\$ 858.00

INFO #6
MAR 05 2020

Denise Holmes

From: Dankewich, Anna <Anna.Dankewich@simcoe.ca>
Sent: Thursday, February 20, 2020 4:38 PM
To: Dankewich, Anna
Cc: Pechkovsky, Kristin; Parks, David
Subject: Simcoe County Initiated Official Plan Amendment - Age-Friendly Policies
Attachments: Circulation Memo EXTERNAL SC-OPA-1902.pdf; Schedule A - SC-OPA-1902-AF Proposed Text Mods.pdf

Good afternoon,

Please find attached a circulation memo detailing a proposed Simcoe County initiated Official Plan Amendment (File No. SC-OPA-1902) to incorporate Age-friendly policies within the County Official Plan.

All of the supporting material can be accessed from the County's website by following the link below and expanding the Age-Friendly Policies tab:

- <https://www.simcoe.ca/dpt/pln/amendments-and-current-applications>

If you or your department/division have any comments on the proposed amendment, please forward those comments by March 27, 2020. Otherwise, please consider this circulation for information purposes. Public consultation including an open house and/or statutory public meeting will likely occur in the spring and summer of 2020.

If you have any further questions or concerns at this time, do not hesitate to contact the undersigned or Kristin Pechkovsky, Senior Policy Advisor at Ext. 1986.

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CIRCULATION

TO: Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing and Partner Ministries through One-Window Consultation

LOCAL MUNICIPALITIES

Township of Adjala-Tosorontio, Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury, Township of Clearview, Town of Collingwood, Township of Essa, Town of Innisfil, Town of Midland, Town of New Tecumseth, Town of Penetanguishene, Township of Ramara, Township of Severn, Township of Springwater, Township of Tay, Township of Tiny, Town of Wasaga Beach, Township of Oro-Medonte

ADJACENT MUNICIPALITIES (LOCAL AND REGIONAL)

City of Barrie, City of Orillia, City of Kawartha Lakes, County of Dufferin, County of Grey, District Municipality of Muskoka, Regional Municipality of Durham, Regional Municipality of Peel, Regional Municipality of York, Town of Blue Mountains, Township of Brock, Town of Caledon, Town of East Gwillimbury, Township of Georgian Bay, Town of Gravenhurst, Township of King, Township of Melancthon, Town of Mono, Township of Mulmur, Township of Muskoka Lakes

CONSERVATION AUTHORITIES

Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority, Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority, Toronto Region Conservation Authority, Grey Sauble Conservation Authority, Severn Sound Environmental Association

SCHOOL BOARDS

Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board, Simcoe County District School Board, Conseil Scolaire Viamonde, MonAvenir Conseil Scolaire Catholique

Niagara Escarpment Commission, Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit

INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES

Alderville First Nation, Beausoleil First Nation, Chippewas of Georgina Island, Chippewas of Rama First Nation, Huron-Wendat Nation, Curve Lake First Nation, Hiawatha First Nation, Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation, Huron-Wendat Nation, Saugeen Ojibway Nation, Williams Treaty First Nations Claims Coordinator, Metis Nation of Ontario

FEDERAL AGENCIES

Canada Post, Department of Fisheries and Oceans, Canadian National Railway Properties Inc., Canadian Pacific Railway, Transport Canada, TransCanada Pipelines Limited, Indian and Northern Affairs Canada

UTILITIES

Hydro One Networks Inc., Ontario Power Generation, Enbridge Gas Inc., Bell Canada, Rogers Communications

FROM: Kristin D. Pechkovsky, Senior Policy Advisory (Planning)

DATE: February 20, 2020

FILE NO.: SC-OPA-1902

RE: Request for Comment
County Initiated Official Plan Amendment – Age-Friendly Policies

PROPOSAL

The County of Simcoe adopted a Positive Aging Strategy in 2017 that provides the framework for the County's age-friendly principles. Guided by the Strategy, the County is working to further these principles by implementing age-friendly policies through a County Official Plan Amendment.

Age-friendly design of our communities and physical settings is an important component in creating a healthy aging environment. An Age-Friendly Community is a place that encourages "active aging" by optimizing opportunities for health, participation and security in order to enhance quality of life as people age. In 2007, the World Health Organization (WHO) conducted a comprehensive study of older persons that identified eight key dimensions that are central to creating an Age-Friendly Community. These include: outdoor spaces and buildings; transportation; housing; social participation; respect and social inclusion; civic participation and employment; communication and information; and community support and health services. (WHO, 2007). With this research, and an improved understanding of what is important to older persons, including the eight WHO principles is essential in creating communities for older persons. An age-friendly philosophy values, respects, and supports our older persons by enhancing and creating; affordable housing options, opportunities for volunteerism; regular communication tools; and a full suite of services to support their health and daily living needs. The County Age-Friendly Official Plan Amendment is being modified to incorporate these age-friendly principles into a regional policy framework to assist our local municipalities in introducing land-use policies to support our senior populations, including the provision of housing and services to meet their needs.

The proposed amendment to the County of Simcoe Official Plan includes:

1. Adding additional goals to section 1.3
2. Adding demographic information specific to older persons to sections 2.3 and 2.4
3. Enhancing policy language throughout the Plan to be specifically inclusive of all people
4. Adding an additional objective to section 3.5
5. Adding additional encouragement policies to section 3.5.27 related to downtown settlements
6. Adding an additional policy to section 4.3.2 to encourage local municipalities to develop supportive age-friendly policies within their official plans
7. Adding enhanced policy language throughout section 4.8 regarding Transportation
8. Adding a new section 4.10 specific to Age-Friendly Planning
9. Adding new definitions:
 - a. Active Aging
 - b. Age-Friendly
 - c. Aging in Place

The complete list of proposed amendments to the current County of Simcoe Official Plan is attached to this memo as Schedule A.

The relevant materials are available on the County's website at the following link: www.simcoe.ca/age-friendly-policies. The County has tailored the circulation packages including hard copies of the application materials, to the individual recipient. If you require a hard copy, or additional copies of any of the supporting documentation, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

The County is circulating the supporting materials in accordance with Section 17(15) of the *Planning Act*.

Please note that the County of Simcoe will hold an open house and/or a statutory public meeting on a date to be determined and that further notice of these meetings will be provided in accordance with the *Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.P. 13*.

Your comments on this proposal as it relates to your individual interests is requested by **March 27, 2020**. If your agency has no interest in this application, please consider this circulation for information purposes only and no response is required. If you require more time for review or require additional information or materials, please feel free to contact Anna Dankewich, Planner II at anna.dankewich@simcoe.ca or the undersigned at kristin.pechkovsky@simcoe.ca. When responding to the County, please be sure to quote County File No. SC-OPA-1902. This will speed communications and assist in timely decisions being made.

Sincerely,
The Corporation of the County of Simcoe

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kristin D. Pechkovsky', written in a cursive style.

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Schedule A - SC-OPA-1902 - County Initiated Official Plan Amendment – Age-Friendly Policies
County of Simcoe Official Plan
Summary of Proposed Official Plan Policy Modifications

#	Type of Modification	OP Chapter reference	Sections	Original Text	Text Modification
1	new section	TOC	Table of Contents		Added new section 4.10 Age-Friendly Planning
2	new goal	1.3	Goals of the Official Plan		To positively influence the creation of built environments within the County for people of all ages and abilities, which serve to establish complete healthy communities and enhance the quality of life for our residents;
3	new goal	1.3	Goals of the Official Plan		To promote socially and physically accessible rural and urban communities;
4	new statement	2.3	Settlement		There is a higher than average percentage of older persons residing in the County, than the Provincial and National averages.
5	added language to end of sentence	2.4	Resources and Economic Base	Other service sector activities, including recreation, are growing in concert with population growth.	Other service sector activities, including recreation, are growing in concert with population growth and changing aging demographics across the County.
6	new statement	2.4	Resources and Economic Base		The movement of people and goods is essential to the economic and social well-being in the County.
7	added language to end of sentence	3.2	Population and Employment Projections/Allocations Growth Management Framework 3.2.6	The County as a whole will plan for and invest for a balance of jobs and housing to reduce the need for long distance commuting and promote alternative transportation choices and usage.	The County as a whole will plan for and invest for a balance of jobs and housing to reduce the need for long distance commuting and promote alternative transportation choices and usage for people of all ages and abilities.
8	move some language to new sub-section b)	3.2	Growth Management Framework 3.2.12 a)	Provides for a mix of land uses, including residential, employment, recreational and human services as appropriate based on the settlement hierarchy and role of each settlement area as determined by the local municipality, to enable people to live, work and play in close proximity;	Provides for a mix of land uses, including residential, employment, recreational and human services as appropriate based on the settlement hierarchy and role of each settlement area as determined by the local municipality;
9	new sub-section b)	3.2	Growth Management Framework 3.2.12 b)		Provides an integrated composition of land use designations that considers how to enable people of all ages and abilities to safely and independently live, work and play in close proximity
10	numbering change	3.2	Growth Management Framework	3.2.12 b)	3.2.12 c)
11	numbering change	3.2	Growth Management Framework	3.2.12 c)	3.2.12 d)
12	numbering change	3.2	Growth Management Framework	3.2.12 d)	3.2.12 e)
13	numbering change	3.2	Growth Management Framework	3.2.12 e)	3.2.12 f)
14	new objective	3.5	Settlements new 3.5.5		To promote healthy, complete, and accessible urban and rural communities that are in proximity to amenities, support services, and transit.
15	numbering change	3.5	Settlements 3.5.6	3.5.5	3.5.6
16	numbering change	3.5	Settlements 3.5.7	3.5.6	3.5.7

17	additional wording	3.5	Settlements 3.5.7	Municipalities with primary settlement areas will, in their official plans, identify primary settlement areas, identify and plan for intensification areas within primary settlement areas and ensure the development of high quality urban form and public open spaces within primary settlement areas through site design and urban design standards that create attractive and vibrant places that support walking and cycling for everyday activities and are transit-supportive.	Municipalities with primary settlement areas will, in their official plans, identify primary settlement areas, identify and plan for intensification areas within primary settlement areas and ensure the development of high quality urban form and public open spaces within primary settlement areas through site design and urban design standards that create attractive, inclusive and vibrant places for residents of all ages and abilities that support walking and cycling for everyday activities and are transit-supportive.
18	numbering change	3.5	Settlements 3.5.8	3.5.7	3.5.8
19	numbering change	3.5	Settlements 3.5.9	3.5.8	3.5.9
20	additional wording		Settlements 3.5.9	Only where appropriate based on the hierarchy, settlement areas are encouraged to develop as complete communities with a diverse mix of land uses, a range and mix of employment and housing types, high quality public open space and easy access to local stores and services.	Only where appropriate based on the hierarchy, settlement areas are encouraged to develop as complete communities with a diverse mix of land uses, a range and mix of employment and housing types, high quality public open space and easy access to local stores and services for all residents as their needs change throughout their lives.
21	numbering change	3.5	Settlements 3.5.10	3.5.9	3.5.10
22	numbering change	3.5	Settlements 3.5.11	3.5.10	3.5.11
23	numbering change	3.5	Settlements 3.5.12	3.5.11	3.5.12
24	numbering change	3.5	Settlements 3.5.13	3.5.12	3.5.13
25	numbering change	3.5	Settlements 3.5.14	3.5.13	3.5.14
26	numbering change	3.5	Settlements 3.5.15	3.5.14	3.5.15
27	numbering change	3.5	Settlements 3.5.16	3.5.15	3.5.16
28	numbering change	3.5	Settlements 3.5.17	3.5.16	3.5.17
29	numbering change	3.5	Settlements 3.5.18	3.5.17	3.5.18
30	numbering change	3.5	Settlements 3.5.19	3.5.18	3.5.19
31	numbering change	3.5	Settlements 3.5.20	3.5.19	3.5.20
32	numbering change	3.5	Settlements 3.5.21	3.5.20	3.5.21
33	numbering change	3.5	Settlements 3.5.22	3.5.21	3.5.22
34	numbering change	3.5	Settlements 3.5.23	3.5.22	3.5.23
35	numbering change	3.5	Settlements 3.5.24	3.5.23	3.5.24
36	numbering change	3.5	Settlements 3.5.25	3.5.24	3.5.25
37	numbering change	3.5	Settlements 3.5.26	3.5.25	3.5.26
38	numbering change	3.5	Settlement Form 3.5.27	3.5.26	3.5.27
39	new policy bullet	3.5	Settlement Form 3.5.27		Encouragement of community support services and health care services
40	new policy bullet	3.5	Settlement Form 3.5.27		Encouragement of safe and healthy urban food systems
41	new policy bullet	3.5	Settlement Form 3.5.27		Encouragement of opportunities for reliable transit access within communities and between communities for all people and all abilities
42	numbering change	3.5	Settlements 3.5.28	3.5.27	3.5.28
43	numbering change	3.5	Settlements 3.5.29	3.5.28	3.5.29
44	numbering change	3.5	Settlements 3.5.30	3.5.29	3.5.30
45	numbering change	3.5	Settlements 3.5.31	3.5.30	3.5.31
46	added language to end of sentence	3.5	Settlement Form 3.5.31	It is a policy of this Plan that in the development of settlements that a range of types of housing, including detached, semi-detached, townhouse, and apartment units, be provided, along with a mix of affordable housing, to meet a variety of housing needs.	It is a policy of this Plan that in the development of settlements that a range of types of housing, including detached, semi-detached, townhouse, and apartment units, be provided, along with a mix of affordable housing, to meet a variety of housing needs for residents of all ages and socioeconomic status.
47	numbering change	3.5	Settlements 3.5.32	3.5.31	3.5.32

48	added language to end of sentence	Part 4 Policy Statements	Healthy Communities and Housing Development 4.1.7	<i>Local municipalities</i> shall make available: sufficient quantity of housing, taking into account demand to improve choice; and, housing development in suitable locations, which offers a good range of <i>public service facilities</i> and proximity to jobs, key services, and <i>infrastructure</i> .	<i>Local municipalities</i> shall make available: sufficient quantity of housing, taking into account demand to improve choice; and, housing development in suitable locations, which offers a good range of <i>public service facilities</i> and proximity to jobs, key services, and <i>infrastructure</i> , recognizing the needs and abilities of all residents .
49	new policy	4.3	Affordable Housing 4.3.2		The <i>County</i> encourages the <i>local municipalities</i> to develop policies in their official plans to support and provide opportunities for residents to <i>age in place</i> within their mixed communities with integration of affordable and appropriate housing, community facilities and support services that are suitable to meet the needs for all people .
50	numbering change	4.3	4.3.3	4.3.2	4.3.3
51	numbering change	4.3	4.3.4	4.3.3	4.3.4
52	numbering change	4.3	4.3.5	4.3.4	4.3.5
53	numbering change	4.3	4.3.6	4.3.5	4.3.6
54	numbering change	4.3	4.3.7	4.3.6	4.3.7
55	numbering change	4.3	4.3.8	4.3.7	4.3.8
56	numbering change	4.3	4.3.9	4.3.8	4.3.9
57	numbering change	4.3	4.3.10	4.3.9	4.3.10
58	numbering change	4.3	4.3.11	4.3.10	4.3.11
59	additional wording	4.8	Transportation	The following transportation policies relate to a comprehensive and sustainable transportation system within the County of Simcoe, including both the road network and alternate transportation infrastructure for walking, cycling, and transit. Specific and detailed implementation guidelines are set out in the County of Simcoe Transportation Master Plan, as updated from time to time and subsequent supporting documents, standards, and guidelines.	The following transportation policies relate to a comprehensive, accessible and sustainable transportation system within the County of Simcoe, including both the road network and alternate transportation infrastructure for walking, cycling, and transit. Specific and detailed implementation guidelines are set out in the County of Simcoe Transportation Master Plan, as updated from time to time and subsequent supporting documents, standards, and guidelines.
60	additional wording	4.8	4.8.1	Considering the needs of pedestrians and cyclists in road design.	Considering the needs of pedestrians and cyclists in road design, where feasible .
61	additional wording	4.8	4.8.2	To plan for a more flexible <i>transportation system</i> including Transportation Demand Management (TDM) strategies, cooperative transit initiatives and supportive land use strategies which facilitate TDM and transit providing choices amongst walking, cycling, transit, and the automobile for all users.	To plan for a more flexible <i>transportation system</i> including Transportation Demand Management (TDM) strategies, cooperative transit initiatives and supportive land use strategies which facilitate TDM and transit providing choices amongst walking, cycling, transit, and the automobile for all users, which includes considering the needs of all ages and abilities .
62	additional wording	4.8	4.8.4	To plan for <i>active transportation</i> as a mode of transportation that supports healthy living, economic development, and tourism opportunities.	To plan for <i>active transportation</i> as a mode of transportation that supports healthy living, aging in place , economic development, and tourism opportunities.
63	additional wording	4.8	Transportation Planning Policies 4.8.6	The <i>County</i> will support opportunities for <i>multimodal</i> use where feasible, in particular prioritizing transit and goods movement needs over those of single occupant automobiles.	The <i>County</i> will support opportunities for <i>multimodal</i> use where feasible, in particular prioritizing transit, walking, cycling and goods movement needs over those of single occupant automobiles.
64	additional wording	4.8	4.8.13 e)	Providing guidelines for cycling facilities where cyclists may be accommodated within existing cross-sections to enhance a presence and sense of permanence;	Providing guidelines for age-friendly signage and clearly marked cycling facilities where cyclists may be accommodated within existing cross-sections to enhance a presence and sense of permanence ;
65	new policy	4.8	4.8.13 h)		Ensuring that sidewalks, trails and active transportation infrastructure are designed with consideration for the needs of all ages.

66	additional wording	4.8	Transportation Demand Management 4.8.54	The County will work with local municipalities to determine the feasibility of providing carpool spaces at local municipal facilities.	The County will work with local municipalities to determine the feasibility of providing carpool spaces and age-friendly considerations for parking standards at local municipal facilities.
67	additional wording	4.8	Transit 4.8.57	Local municipalities which operate or plan to operate transit services are encouraged to work cooperatively with neighbouring municipalities to expand transit service to Simcoe area residents.	Local municipalities which operate or plan to operate transit services are encouraged to work cooperatively with neighbouring municipalities to expand transit service to Simcoe area residents using the family of services principles.
68	new policy	4.8	4.8.58 g)		The role in service stop standards in the design of Transit links, bus stops and shelters, in consideration of the needs for all ages and abilities, and in compliance with the Accessibility for Ontario Disabilities Act (AODA).
69	additional wording	4.8	4.8.60 a)	The development of a network of sidewalks, pedestrian trails and bicycle facilities that provide access to transit nodes and/or routes;	The development of a network of sidewalks, pedestrian trails and bicycle facilities that provide access to transit nodes and/or routes, and considers users of all ages and abilities;
70	new policy section	4.10	Age-Friendly Planning		4.10 Age-Friendly Planning
71	new objective	4.10	4.10.1		To build an Age-Friendly Simcoe County by valuing and supporting older persons in our communities;
72	new objective	4.10	4.10.2		To celebrate and support diversity, refute ageism and reduce inequalities by recognizing older persons' contributions to our region.
73	new policy	4.10	4.10.3		The County encourages the provision of age-friendly social and physical environments, including services and programs, to enhance the independence and quality of life for all people.
74	new policy	4.10	4.10.4		The County encourages land use decisions to consider accessible, inclusive, and age-friendly communities.
75	new policy	4.10	4.10.5		The County will work with local municipalities to identify gaps and opportunities to better support people of all ages within our communities.
76	new policy	4.10	4.10.6		The County encourages the local municipalities to develop policies in their official plans to support health, wellness and security for all residents so that they can remain in their communities as long as possible.
77	new policy	4.10	4.10.7		The County encourages local municipalities to develop policies in their official plans to support residents to age in place within their mixed communities, integrating affordable /appropriate housing, community facilities and support services.
78	new policy	4.10	4.10.8		The County will create a 'Healthy Development Framework Tool', which may be implemented in full or in part by local municipalities through their development application process, to assess the health impacts of land-use development in order to support independent, active and healthy aging for all residents, through a standardized approach.
79	new policy	4.10	4.10.9		The County encourages the use of universal design guidelines and best practices to inform local municipalities of the evidence-based elements and standards for various components of the built environment including age-friendly policies to assist in creating healthier and safer communities.

80	new policy	4.10	4.10.10		The County will ensure that County Transit programs consider age-friendly multi-modal elements in terms of accessibility, design, proximity and geographic location.
81	new policy	4.10	4.10.11		The County promotes innovative ideas to plan for older persons in both rural and urban communities within the County.
82	numbering change	4.11	Local Municipal Official Plans 4.	4.10 Local Municipal Official Plans	4.11 Local Municipal Official Plans
83	numbering change	4.11	4.11.1	4.10.1	4.11.1
84	numbering change	4.11	4.11.2	4.10.2	4.11.2
85	numbering change	4.11	4.11.3	4.10.3	4.11.3
86	numbering change	4.11	4.11.4	4.10.4	4.11.4
87	numbering change	4.11	4.11.5	4.10.5	4.11.5
88	numbering change	4.11	4.11.6	4.10.6	4.11.6
89	numbering change	4.11	4.11.7	4.10.7	4.11.7
90	numbering change	4.11	4.11.8	4.10.8	4.11.8
91	numbering change	4.11	4.11.9	4.10.9	4.11.9
92	numbering change	4.11	4.11.10	4.10.10	4.11.10
93	numbering change	4.11	4.11.11	4.10.11	4.11.11
94	numbering change	4.11	4.11.12	4.10.12	4.11.12
95	numbering change	4.11	4.11.13	4.10.13	4.11.13
96	numbering change	4.11	4.11.14	4.10.14	4.11.14
97	numbering change	4.12	Implementation 4.12	4.11 Implementation	4.12 Implementation
98	numbering change	4.12	4.12.1	4.11.1	4.12.1
99	numbering change	4.12	4.12.2	4.11.2	4.12.2
100	numbering change	4.12	4.12.3	4.11.3	4.12.3
101	numbering change	4.12	4.12.4	4.11.4	4.12.4
102	numbering change	4.12	4.12.5	4.11.5	4.12.5
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105	numbering change	4.12	4.12.8	4.11.8	4.12.8
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111	numbering change	4.12	4.12.14	4.11.14	4.12.14
112	numbering change	4.12	4.12.15	4.11.15	4.12.15
113	numbering change	4.12	4.12.16	4.11.16	4.12.16
114	numbering change	4.12	4.12.17	4.11.17	4.12.17
115	numbering change	4.12	4.12.18	4.11.18	4.12.18
116	numbering change	4.12	4.12.19	4.11.19	4.12.19
117	new definition	5.8	Definitions		ACTIVE AGING means: The opportunity for older persons to live in security, enjoy good health and continue to be engaged both socially and physically in society, regardless of age, income, or ability level.
118	new definition	5.8	Definitions		AGE-FRIENDLY means: A concept that utilizes policies, services and structures related to an inclusive and accessible physical and social environments, which are designed to support and promote "active aging" – that is, to live in security, enjoy good health and continue to participate fully in society.
119	new definition	5.8	Definitions		AGING IN PLACE means: The ability to live in one's own home and community safely, independently, and comfortably, regardless of age, income, or ability level.

SEMI-ANNUAL GROUNDWATER MONITORING AND SAMPLING REPORT 2019

**Township of Melancthon Landfill Site
Lot 12, Concession 4
Melancthon Township, Ontario**

Project No. BG-689

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Dear Ms. Holmes:

**Re: 2019 Semi-Annual Groundwater Monitoring and Sampling Report,
Township of Melancthon Landfill Site, Lot 12, Concession 4
Melancthon Township, Ontario**

Bluewater Geoscience Consultants Inc. (Bluewater) was retained by The Corporation of the Township of Melancthon to complete the 2019 Semi-Annual Groundwater Monitoring and Sampling Report for the Melancthon Township landfill property located on Lot 12, Concession 4 in Melancthon Township, Ontario. The Township operates a municipal landfill site at the property and requires the Groundwater Monitoring and Sampling Program for their MECP Certificate of Authorization (C of A) for the operation.

The scope of work, observations, analytical test results, and our conclusions and recommendations for the 2019 Semi-Annual Groundwater Monitoring and Sampling Report are presented in the following report.

We trust that this report is complete within our terms of reference and suitable for your present requirements. If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Sincerely,
BLUEWATER GEOSCIENCE CONSULTANTS INC.



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1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Corporation of The Township of Melancthon (Township) retained Bluewater Geoscience Consultants Inc. (Bluewater) to complete the 2019 landfill (LF) groundwater monitoring and sampling program and to generate the annual report detailing the findings. The landfill site monitoring was undertaken to continue to assess any environmental impacts to surface and groundwater created by the LF operations. This landfill monitoring report was completed in accordance with the requirements of the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) Certificate of Approval for the LF site.

The site monitoring included completing two site inspections, measuring groundwater levels in all 34 observation wells during the Spring and Fall of the year and determination of the resulting groundwater flow patterns in and around the LF. Groundwater sampling was conducted on 31 selected sampling wells during both the Spring and Fall of each year. The groundwater samples for 2019 were submitted to a CAEAL-accredited analytical laboratory for analysis. The results of the completed laboratory analyses were compared to MECP's Ontario Drinking Water Standards (ODWS) (for on-site monitors) and the Reasonable Use Policy (RUP) for off-site monitors.

2.0 PREVIOUS INVESTIGATIONS

2.1 R.J. Burnside & Associates Limited – Annual Groundwater Monitoring Reports 1993-2000

Annual groundwater monitoring reports for the LF were completed by R.J. Burnside & Associates Limited (Burnside) from 1993 – 2000. These reports included the sampling and analysis of groundwater samples from seventeen existing monitoring wells located in and around the LF site. Eleven of the monitors are located in the overburden aquifer while six are installed within the underlying bedrock aquifer. A summary of these reports indicates that no exceedance of the MOE RUP had been determined during the groundwater sampling events. In general, on-site monitoring locations indicated that exceedance of the MOE's ODWS for on-site monitors were rare and not sustained.

2.2 Rubicon Environmental Inc. – Groundwater Monitoring and Hydrogeological Investigations – Spring 2001

During 2001 Rubicon added another fourteen groundwater monitors to the existing network of monitors in and around the LF site. Eight of these monitors were installed in the overburden aquifer while six were installed in the bedrock aquifer.

During the 2001 investigations, the existing monitoring wells installed by Burnside were sampled and analysed. The additional monitoring wells were tied into the site survey, but not sampled.

2.3 Rubicon Environmental Inc. – Groundwater Monitoring and Hydrogeological Investigations – Spring 2002

This report included results of the Spring and Fall 2002 site monitoring and groundwater sampling and analysis program. The monitoring and sampling included the new monitors added during 2001.

2.4 Rubicon Environmental Inc. – Landfill Monitoring – March 24, 2004

This report provides details of the 2003 LF groundwater monitoring and sampling program completed at the site. The report details that some minor exceedances of the ODWS were determined for on-site monitoring wells.

2.5 Bluewater Geoscience Consultants Inc. – Annual Groundwater Monitoring and Sampling Reports 2004 - 2018

These reports detail the 2004 - 2018 LF groundwater monitoring and sampling program completed at the site. The report details that some minor exceedances of the ODWS were determined for on-site and off-site monitoring wells.

3.0 SITE BACKGROUND

The LF site has been in operation since ~1973 at its current location at Lot 12, Concession 4, Township of Melancthon, County of Dufferin. The LF serves the population of ~2,400 people in the Township. The nearest residence is located ~450 m south of the LF site. The location of the LF is remote and distant from any significant population centres.

The LF presently operates under Provisional Certificate of Approval (C of A) A180703. The total LF property comprises an area of ~33.038 ha., of which 6.1 ha. has been approved for landfilling. During 2013 the County of Dufferin assumed waste collection and disposal services in the Township of Melancthon. Further waste disposal at this landfill is not anticipated should County of Dufferin services be found adequate.

3.1 Site Inspection

During both Spring and Fall monitoring events, a site inspection was completed. The main refuse disposal area has been covered with soil and grades have been established to reduce the amount of rainwater infiltration into the waste pod. Temporary fencing has been placed around portions of the fill area to control windblown waste. There was no waste placement at this landfill during 2019.

During the Spring 2006 inspection it was noted that OW-4S had been destroyed, likely by equipment working in the area. OW-4S is located within the current filling are. During the Fall inspection it was noted that OW-4D had been destroyed during the summer months. OW-4D was also located within the current filling area. During 2015, monitor OW-17 was destroyed and is no longer part of the monitoring network.

4.0 GROUNDWATER MONITORING WELLS AND METHODOLOGY

4.1 Existing Monitoring Wells in 2019

Thirty-four groundwater-monitoring wells were in existence at the commencement of the 2019 monitoring period. All wells were inspected and found to be in good order, with the exceptions noted just above.

Seventeen monitoring wells had been installed by Burnside pre-2001. Six of these were installed in the deeper bedrock aquifer (denoted "D" for deep) while eleven were installed in the shallow overburden aquifer (denoted "S" for shallow). All existing monitoring wells were constructed of 50 mm diameter Schedule 40 PVC pipe and are fitted with steel protective casings and locks. The locations of all monitoring wells are presented on the Base Site Plan (Figure 1B, Appendix A). A brief description of each monitor locations is provided below:

- OW 1 is installed in the overburden aquifer and is located between two former refuse disposal areas
- OW 2S and OW 2D are located downgradient (east) of the current refuse disposal area
- OW 3S and OW 3D are located immediately downgradient (east) of the current refuse disposal area
- OW 4S and OW 4D are no longer present
- OW 5S is installed in the overburden aquifer and is located north of the disposal area, near the northern property boundary. This monitor is frequently dry in Fall
- OW 6S and OW 6D are located near the south property boundary and had been intended to represent background water quality
- OW 7S and OW 7D are located near the northeast property corner, northeast of the former refuse disposal area
- OW 8 is installed in the overburden aquifer and is located in the main refuse area. OW 8 is considered a 'leachate' well
- OW 9S and OW 9D are located off-site, northeast of the landfill and in the east ditch of the 4th Line
- OW 10S and OW 10D are located east of the main refuse disposal area
- OW 11S and OW 11D are located northwest of the main refuse disposal area. These monitors were intended to provide further clarification of groundwater flow patterns and are not included in the sampling program
- OW 12S and OW 12D are located west of the main refuse disposal area. These monitors were intended to provide further clarification of groundwater flow patterns and have been included since the 2006 sampling program;
- OW 13S and OW 13D are located immediately south of the main refuse disposal area. These wells were located to provide better delineation of the groundwater mounding in the refuse area and provide chemical data south of the refuse area;
- OW 14S is located southeast of the main refuse disposal area and was intended to help clarify groundwater flow patterns distant from the refuse disposal area;
- OW 15S and OW 15D are located southeast of the main refuse disposal area and were intended to help clarify groundwater flow patterns distant from the main refuse disposal

area. These monitors were sampled for the first time during 2006;

- OW 16S and OW 16D are located along the north property boundary. These monitors were intended to provide clarification of groundwater flow patterns and provide chemical analysis of groundwater at the north property boundary. These monitors were sampled for the first time during the 2006 program;
- OW 17S is located off-site in the overburden aquifer. The monitor is located in the east ditch of the 4th Line. This monitor was intended to provide better information on shallow groundwater flow patterns and potentially provide chemical data regarding the contribution of road salt to noted groundwater impacts. This monitor was destroyed in 2015 and has not been replaced;
- OW 18S and OW 18D are located off-site east of the 4th Line. These monitors were intended to help refine groundwater flow patterns in the overburden and bedrock aquifers and provide chemical data in that area.

4.2 Wells Installed in 2006

During 2006 an additional six monitoring wells were installed at the landfill. The six new wells consisted of three sets of two wells (OW-19S and 19I, OW-20S and 20D and OW-21S and 21D). The locations of the new wells are shown on Figure 1B, Appendix A. A description of the location and rationale for each of the new wells is presented below:

- OW-19S and OW-19I are located in the southeast corner of the landfill property, just west of the 4th Line. These wells were installed to provide additional points for determining groundwater flow patterns and to provide chemical data at this downgradient property boundary. OW-19S is set in the shallow till overburden while OW-19I (intermediate) is set in a lower till unit. These two wells were included in the 2007 sampling and lab analysis program for the first time;
- OW-20S and OW-20D are located just southeast of the 'old closed landfill' in the northeast portion of the landfill property. These wells will provide further groundwater flow data as well as providing additional chemical data. OW-20S is set in the shallow overburden, just above the bedrock. OW-20D is sealed into the bedrock. These two wells were included in the 2007 sampling and lab analysis program for the first time;
- OW-21S and OW-21D are located along the north landfill property boundary, well west of the active landfilling area. These wells will be utilized to provide additional groundwater flow information as well as providing chemical data at locations well upgradient of the fill area. OW-21S is set in the shallow overburden, just above the bedrock. OW-21D is sealed into the dolostone bedrock. These two wells were included in the 2007 sampling and lab analysis program for the first time;

All groundwater-monitoring wells have been surveyed relative to a geodetic datum and ground surface and top of monitoring well pipe elevations have been recorded. During 2006, waste placement was taking place in the immediate area of OW-4S and OW-4D. These wells were destroyed by the heavy equipment. OW-17 was destroyed during the winter of 2014-2015 and is no

longer part of the monitoring network.

4.3 Water Level Monitoring

On May 22 and October 23, 2019 groundwater levels were measured in all 34 existing monitoring wells installed at the LF. The depth to water relative to the top of monitoring well pipe was measured using a Solinst water level gauge. The determined water depths were recorded and the resulting groundwater elevations were determined. Table 1, Appendix B provides the tabular representation of the groundwater elevation data, including historic groundwater levels.

After completion of the water level measurements, the monitors selected for sampling were thoroughly purged of a minimum of 3 casing volumes of water in anticipation of the groundwater sampling.

4.4 Groundwater Sampling

The 2019 groundwater sampling and analysis program consisted of sampling up to 30 selected groundwater monitoring locations at and around the LF property. Samples were obtained from both overburden and bedrock aquifer wells. Prior to obtaining the groundwater samples, the selected monitors had been purged of a minimum of three casing volumes of water in order to facilitate provision of representative samples.

Groundwater samples from the selected monitoring wells were obtained using dedicated Waterra tubes and foot valves and were placed directly into the laboratory-supplied sample bottles. The groundwater samples were obtained and submitted for analysis of the volatile organic compounds (VOC's), general water chemistry and heavy metals parameters. The heavy metal samples were field filtered and preserved. The groundwater samples were chilled in coolers prior to being submitted under Chain of Custody to ALS Laboratories of Waterloo, ON for analysis. ALS is a CAEAL (Canadian Association of Environmental Analytical Laboratories) accredited laboratory.

4.5 Surface Water Sampling

Surface water sampling was completed during the Spring 2019 at the designated surface water sampling location SW-3 (Figure 1). This location is a small dugout (possible former gravel extraction pit) located on the property adjacent to the north. It is our understanding that the Township has now purchased this property.

4.6 Groundwater Flow

The determination of groundwater flow patterns in both overburden and bedrock aquifers are essential in determining the potential for off-site impacts and contaminant distribution. In general, groundwater levels in both overburden and bedrock aquifers were lower (~1m) in the Fall than the Spring monitoring. The measured groundwater elevations for each aquifer were determined and plotted on the site plan. The resulting groundwater flow patterns were determined based on this

distribution. Figures 2 and 3 present the groundwater flow patterns for the Spring monitoring while Figures 4 and 5 provide the Fall 2018 aquifer flow patterns.

As may be noted from these Figures, mounding of groundwater in both aquifers within the refuse disposal area is occurring. This phenomenon is typical of landfill sites and should be expected to continue. The mounding creates radial flow, outwards, apparently in all directions away from the refuse disposal area. The flow then comes under the influence of background flow patterns. Based on the findings of this, and previous, monitoring events, the overburden groundwater flow is towards the northeast while the bedrock groundwater flow is more-directly eastwards.

Groundwater flow is driven by the gradient of the groundwater. This produces head differences between locations creating the conditions for groundwater movement. The horizontal hydraulic gradient in the overburden aquifer has been determined to be on the order of 0.007 m/m. Based on this gradient, and the characteristics of the overburden, the lateral groundwater flow velocity may be approximately 74 m/yr. The horizontal hydraulic gradient in the bedrock aquifer is lower; approximately 0.002 m/m. Based on this gradient and the characteristics of the aquifer, velocities of approximately 0.03 m/yr are estimated.

Vertical hydraulic gradients between the overburden and bedrock aquifers create the conditions for downward migration of groundwater impacted in the refuse disposal area. Downward vertical gradients allow downward movement of water into the bedrock aquifer. Downward vertical gradients are found in the refuse disposal area allowing shallow impacted groundwater to potentially enter the bedrock aquifer. This is significant because the bedrock aquifer is utilized as a potable water source within the Township and the bedrock aquifer is less able to attenuate groundwater contaminants.

5.0 GROUNDWATER QUALITY

5.1 Groundwater

Groundwater sampling and analysis for the LF site has been undertaken since 1993. Additional wells were added to the sampling regime in 1999 and selected monitoring wells installed in 2001 were added to the sampling list during 2002. Groundwater quality data for the 2019 program are provided in the Tables in Appendix B along with chemistry data from 2011 - 2019. Copies of the detailed Certificates of Analysis for the 2019 monitoring data are provided in Appendix C.

Inorganic parameters such as chloride, sulphate, hardness and alkalinity are frequently utilized to determine the extent of landfill leachate impacts in groundwater. Hardness and alkalinity are naturally elevated at the landfill property and throughout Melancthon Township. Chloride levels in both overburden and bedrock aquifers are elevated in the refuse disposal area. In general, concentrations in the bedrock aquifer are slightly higher than in the associated overburden wells. This is a reflection of the downward gradient from the overburden to the bedrock coupled with the lower attenuation capabilities in the bedrock. None of the on-site or off-site monitors exceeded the MECP ODWS concentration for chloride during the 2019 monitoring events. None of the wells sampled during 2019 exceeded the MOE RUP for chloride (125.5 mg/L) concentration. Elevated

chloride concentrations in this vicinity of the 4th Line, east of the LF, may be partially attributable to the application of road salt during winter. OW –18 S and D (as well as OW-9S and D) are located within the roadside ditch of the 4th Line and are likely to collect runoff from the road. Chloride concentration was also elevated (but below RUP) at OW-3D, located just downgradient of the current fill area.

In general, the background groundwater quality at the LF site consists of hard water with elevated hardness, alkalinity, manganese and iron content. During the 2019 monitoring, all wells sampled had determined hardness in excess of the ODWS. Alkalinity concentrations in excess of the ODWS were noted at OW's 2S, 2D, 3D, 7S, 7D, 9D, 12S and 18S. Iron concentrations in excess of the ODWS were determined at all sampled wells including upgradient locations. Manganese concentrations in excess of the ODWS were determined for OW's 2S, 2D, 3S, 3D, 6S, 6D, 7S, 7D, 9S, 9D, 10S, 10D, 13S, 13D, 15D, 16S, 16D, 17S, 18S, 18D, 19S, 20S and 20D. As this list includes all sampled location except OW-1, OW-5 and OW-8 these elevated concentrations are likely reflective of background groundwater quality in the area. The lack of significantly elevated manganese concentrations at OW-8, which is considered a leachate well and displays elevated sulphate concentrations, further suggests that elevated manganese concentrations are not landfill related.

The sulfate concentration at OW 8 of 547 mg/L in Spring 2019 was in excess of the ODWS of 500 mg/L and RUP of 253.9 mg/L. The Fall 2019 concentration for sulfate was 635 mg/L, above the ODWS and RUP values. These elevated concentrations are likely related to leachate groundwater impacts in the main refuse disposal area. No other on-site or off-site monitor exceeded the RUP for sulphate.

Parameter concentration trends through time for sulphate, chloride and manganese for selected off-site, property boundary and downgradient wells reviewed. Manganese concentrations trends do not suggest rising levels as would be expected if landfill related. Chloride trends do not suggest rising concentrations for these wells. In fact, several locations have shown slightly declining levels over the last few years. This is likely reflective of an effort on Township personnel's behalf to reduce salting in the area of the landfill entrance after several elevated chloride concentrations were detected in past years. As suggested at that time, those past elevated chloride concentrations appear to have been affected by these road salting activities.

The sulfate concentration trends for the selected wells show generally rising concentrations at OW-2S and OW-2D. Sulfate concentrations at the other selected wells do not indicate any discernible rising trends. Sulfate concentrations are generally higher in Fall than Spring. A site plan showing concentration distribution during Spring 2019 for shallow groundwater wells is provided in Figure 6 and for deep groundwater wells is provided in Figure 8, Appendix A. A site plan showing concentration distribution for Sulfate during Fall 2019 for shallow wells is provided on Figure 10 and for deep groundwater wells is provided on Figure 12, Appendix A.

A site plan showing chloride distribution during Spring 2019 is provided in Figure 7 for shallow groundwater wells and in Figure 9 for deep groundwater wells. A site plan showing chloride distribution during Fall 2019 is provided in Figure 11 and for shallow groundwater wells and in Figure 13 for deep groundwater wells.

Trace concentrations of VOC parameters, well below ODWS's and close to method detection limits, were determined for the 2019 monitoring at OW's 2D, 3D, 7S, and 10S. While these VOC concentrations are likely landfill related, they are not considered to be of significance at this landfill.

There was a general trend towards higher parameter concentrations during the Fall monitoring compared to Spring concentrations. This is a continuing trend, consistent with past findings and normal groundwater conditions.

Bluewater has evaluated the long-term trends in groundwater quality at the LF site. Most parameter concentrations have remained fairly steady over the past several years suggesting that dilution and attenuation are dealing adequately with the refuse area derived leachate impacts.

5.2 Surface Water

Surface water sampling was completed during the Spring 2019 monitoring events from the dugout located just north of the landfill. This dugout was noted to be dry during the Fall monitoring.

5.3 Methane Monitoring

Methane gas is a by-product of waste decomposition and will be generated in the waste unit until all the organic matter is completely decayed. Methane, while it is a potential explosion hazard, is not a major concern provided that no building is ever permitted within approximately 30 meters of the refuse disposal area. The shallow water table and relatively permeable cover material at the Melancthon landfill are expected to prevent significant migration of methane. Gas produced by the landfill is expected to vent naturally to the atmosphere. It should be noted however, that ice, snow cover, and frozen ground in the winter may prevent methane gas from venting and cause methane gas to migrate laterally from the refuse disposal area.

If methane is present in concentrations between 5% and 15% in air it can become explosive. Below this range, there is an inadequate amount of methane for explosion. Above this range, there is an inadequate amount of oxygen for explosion. Therefore, 5% is considered the Lower Explosive Limit (LEL) and 15% is considered the Upper Explosive Limit (UEL) for methane.

Headspace methane monitoring was completed on all wells during both Spring and Fall 2019 monitoring events. The results of the methane monitoring are presented in Table 2 Appendix B. A slight detectable methane concentration was determined for OW-8 however no other of the monitors had detectable methane concentrations during the Spring or Fall 2019 monitoring events. On-going methane monitoring should be incorporated in future monitoring events.

6.0 LANDFILL VOLUMES AND CAPACITY

The Melancthon landfill has a current design capacity of 297,000 m³ on the approved 6.1 ha area. At the completion of 2012, 89,326 m³ of the total volume had been filled. The volume survey completed during October 2013 determined that the landfill volume used during 2013 was 10,636 m³

meaning the total volume used to the end of 2015 is 99,962 m³. The 2013 volume included the importation of ~ 2,000 m³ of clean fill to cover the current fill area based on the end of waste receiving at the site. No waste was added during 2019. Based on this figure, the remaining fill volume for this design is 197,038 m³.

7.0 SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

The following section summarizes the findings of the 2019 Annual Groundwater Monitoring Report:

- The Township of Melancthon operates a ‘natural attenuation’ landfill site in a remote, sparsely populated area of the Township. Surrounding land use is predominantly agricultural and the nearest residence is located ~450 m south of the site;
- During 2013 The County of Dufferin assumed waste collections and disposal responsibilities for Melancthon Township. No waste was imported to the landfill during 2019. At this time, further waste placement at this landfill is not anticipated given adequate service is maintained by the County;
- Two main hydrogeological units exist in the subsurface of the site. The upper unit, referred to as overburden, consists of sand and gravel and silty sand soils. The groundwater level in the overburden is unconfined and shallow (<2m) and shows seasonal fluctuations with Spring levels generally higher than those in Fall. This fluctuation is likely the result of the addition of snow melt water during the Spring. The second, deeper hydrogeological unit is the underlying dolostone bedrock aquifer. The water level in the bedrock is generally lower than in the overburden. This creates a downward vertical hydraulic gradient that allows landfill-generated impacts to potentially enter the bedrock aquifer;
- Mounding of groundwater occurs within both hydrogeological units within the refuse disposal area. This mounding creates a radial flow pattern in the refuse area that drives flow in all directions away from the mound. The groundwater then comes under the influence of the background (natural) flow regime. Groundwater flow in the overburden aquifer is northeast towards the entrance to the landfill in the northeast corner of the property. Flow in the bedrock aquifer is more-directly to the east and the eastern property boundary;
- Comparison of the laboratory analytical data from the Spring and Fall 2019 monitoring events to the applicable ODWS and RUP objectives indicates that background water quality exceeds ODWS Standards for hardness, alkalinity, iron and manganese;
- Exceedance of the MOE RUP objectives for parameters such as hardness, alkalinity, manganese and iron were determined at most sampled locations during 2019. These concentrations are likely at least partially unrelated to landfill impacts and reflect general water quality in Melancthon Township. No chloride RUP exceedance was noted for any off-site or on-site wells. Exceedance of the RUP for other leachate-indicators such as sulfate was not noted during 2019 near property boundaries. Exceedance of the RUP and ODWS for sulfate occurred at OW-8, located immediately downgradient of the principal fill area.

- Significant methane concentrations were not determined during 2019;
- The site is currently in compliance with the terms and conditions of its C of A.

8.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

The following recommendations are made regarding the future Groundwater Monitoring and Sampling Program at the Township of Melancthon landfill site:

- Continuation of the semi-annual groundwater monitoring and sampling program including a routine site inspection, recording of static water levels at all 34 monitoring locations and groundwater sampling and laboratory analysis of the selected monitoring wells in both Spring and Fall;
- Preparation and submission of an Annual Monitoring Report to MECP for review.
- Natural dilution of contaminants derived in the refuse disposal area coupled with natural attenuation in the overburden appears to be dealing with derived groundwater impacts adequately at this time. The widespread occurrence, including upgradient locations, of ODWS and RUP exceeding manganese, iron, hardness and alkalinity concentrations appears to be more a function of natural geologic conditions than landfill-derived impacts. Lab results for monitors downgradient of the principal fill areas show more elevated chloride and sulphate concentrations, which are not similar to findings in the northeast corner of the property.
- Monitoring for headspace methane concentration in all wells should be continued for the 2020 program.

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10.0 LIMITATIONS

This report was prepared for the exclusive use of The Township of Melancthon. This report is based on information and data collected during the completion of an environmental investigation of the Site carried out by Bluewater Geoscience Consultants Inc., and is based solely on the site conditions encountered at the time of the assessment and the applicable guidelines in place at the time of this investigation.

It should be noted that the observations and recommendations presented in this report are limited to the actual locations explored and laboratory parameters analyzed. The information presented in terms of the thickness and types of the sub-soils encountered, groundwater levels and chemical testing results, etc., are only applicable to the actual locations explored. Variations may be present between these locations. Should significant variation become apparent during later investigations, it may be necessary to re-evaluate the recommendations of this report. The results of an investigation of this nature should, in no way, be construed as a warranty that the site is free from any and all contamination from past or current practices since conditions may be different from the locations tested. This assessment was carried out using existing historical information as available from various agencies and no assurance is made regarding the accuracy or completeness of this information.

If new information is discovered during future work, including excavation, borings or other studies, Bluewater Geoscience Consultants Inc. should be requested to re-evaluate the conclusions presented in this report and to provide amendments as required. The analytical test results are assumed to be correct and performed according to all current regulations. No audit of the laboratory's methods or procedures was performed.

This assessment does not include, nor is it intended to include, any option regarding the suitability of any structure on the site for any particular function, the integrity of the on-site buildings or the geotechnical conditions on the site. Inspections of buildings do not include compliance with building, gas, electrical or boiler codes, or any other federal, provincial or municipal codes not associated with environmental concerns. Should concerns regarding any issue other than

environmental matters arise as a result of our investigations, appropriately qualified professionals should address them.

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11.0 CLOSURE

Bluewater Geoscience Consultants Inc. operates under a Certificate of Authorization from The Association of Professional Geoscientists of Ontario (APGO). Breton Lemieux is a registered Qualified Person (QP) with MECP and is a licensed Professional Geoscientist with over thirty-five years of international environmental consulting experience. Mr. Lemieux has a Geologic Technologist Diploma from Fleming College in Lindsay, Ontario, an Honours Bachelor of Science degree in Geology from the University of the West Indies in Kingston, Jamaica and a Master of Science degree in Earth Sciences from the University of Waterloo. His experience includes conducting Phase I, II and III ESAs at a wide variety of contaminated sites, underground storage tank removal supervision, water supply development, environmental building science and other site and landfill environmental monitoring projects.

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February 15, 2020

Your Worship Darren White
Township of Melancthon
157101 Hwy 10
Melancthon, ON L9V2E6

Dear Mayor:

As the Chief of Emergency Management for Ontario, it is incumbent on me to monitor, coordinate and assist municipalities with their respective municipal emergency management programs in accordance with the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act (EMCPA). To confirm municipalities are in compliance with the EMCPA, every municipality in Ontario submits a compliance package to Emergency Management Ontario on a yearly basis.

The Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management (OFMEM) has reviewed the documentation submitted by your Community Emergency Management Coordinator (CEMC) and has determined that your municipality was compliant with the EMCPA in 2019.

The safety of your citizens is important, and one way to ensure that safety is to ensure that your municipality is prepared in case of an emergency. You are to be congratulated on your municipality's efforts in achieving compliance in 2019. I look forward to continuing to work with you to ensure your continued compliance in 2020.

If you have any questions or concerns about this letter, please contact your Emergency Management Field Officer; their contact information is below.

Name: DrewMaddison
Email: Drew.Maddison@ontario.ca
Phone: 519-495-9995

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Browne", written over a horizontal line.

Douglas Browne
Chief of Emergency Management

cc: Steven D. Murphy - CEMC
Drew Maddison - Field Officer - Bruce Sector

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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF SHELburnE

NOTICE OF DECISION

Date of Decision: February 10, 2020
Date of Mailing Decision: February 21, 2020
Last Day for Appeals: March 12, 2020
Condition Date: February 21, 2021
File No.: B20/01 – 612 Owen Sound Street
Applicant: Pascuzzo Planning Inc. on behalf of G.P. Carpentry Inc.

Enclosed is a copy of the Resolution of the Committee of Adjustment for the Town of Shelburne in respect of the above-noted application.

The Committee of Adjustment received a written submission from the public at the public meeting held on February 10, 2020, prior to the decision, regarding concern of potential stormwater drainage on an adjacent property. Condition 3 of the provisional consent includes the requirement for the owner to obtain the Town's approval of a lot grading and drainage plan and to enter into an agreement with the Town that will require the owner to complete the grading and development of the lot to direct stormwater drainage to a proper outlet in accordance with the plan.

Any person or agency may appeal to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal in respect of the decision or any condition imposed by filing with the Clerk of the Corporation of the Town of Shelburne, not later than the last day for appeals noted above, a notice of appeal setting out the reasons for the appeal accompanied by the prescribed fee required by the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal in the amount of \$300 payable to the "Minister of Finance".

Only individuals, corporations, and public bodies may appeal decisions in respect of applications for consent to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal. A notice of appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a notice of appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or group on its behalf.

You will be entitled to receive notice of any changes to the conditions of the provisional consent if you have made a written request to the Town Clerk to be notified of changes to the conditions of the provisional consent.

Dated at the Town of Shelburne this 21st day of February 2020.

Jennifer Willoughby, Secretary Treasurer
Committee of Adjustment
Town of Shelburne
203 Main Street East
Shelburne, Ontario, L9V 3K7
Phone: 519-925-2600
Fax: 519-925-6134

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COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT DECISION
THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF SHELBURNE

IN THE MATTER OF Section 53 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, C.P.13, as amended; and

IN THE MATTER OF an application for consent by Pascuzzo Planning Inc. on behalf of G.P. Carpentry Inc. dated December 23, 2019.

G.P. Carpentry Inc. is the owner of land at 612 Owen Sound Street described as Lot 13 on Registered Plan 78, in the Town of Shelburne. The Owner has applied to sever a new residential lot. The proposed severed parcel is 357 square metres in area and will have approximately 10.67 metres of frontage onto Owen Sound Street. The retained parcel will have a remaining land area of 357 square metres and will retain 10.67 metres of frontage on Owen Sound Street. The subject land is currently vacant.

Moved by: Fegan

Seconded by: Benotto

After considering the application the Committee is satisfied with allowing this consent for the purpose of severing 357 square metres of land from the original 715 square metres of lot area. The Committee, having regard to those matters under subsection 51(24) of the Planning Act R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13, as amended, resolves to grant provisional consent subject to the following conditions being fulfilled:

1. That the Secretary-Treasurer's Certificate under subsection 53(42) of the Planning Act R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13, as amended, shall be issued and the Secretary-Treasurer's fee be paid;
2. The payment of cash-in-lieu of parkland at the rate of 5% of the value of the newly created lot;
3. That the owner enter into an agreement with the Town addressing site servicing and drainage requirements and the details of all servicing connections, modification and improvements to existing services including sanitary sewers, water supply, storm sewers, roads, hydrants, utilities, and any required easements deemed necessary by the Town in accordance with Town standards and to the satisfaction of the Town's Director of Development and Operations and the Town's Engineer;
4. That the Secretary-Treasurer is provided with a solicitor's undertaking to maintain and register the existing easements for the sanitary sewer and any utilities, where required, on title for the severed lot;
5. That approval of the draft reference plan, as applicable, shall be obtained at the Committee of Adjustment office (Town of Shelburne) and the required number of prints (3) of the resultant deposited reference plan shall be received; and
6. That the conditions are to be fulfilled and the consent is to be finalized on or before one year from the date of the issuance of the Committee's notice of decision.

Stipulated Consent – subject to Subsections 50(3) and (5) of the Planning Act. Yes [] or No [X].

Application **APPROVED** on conditions as stated.

Dated at the Town of Shelburne on the 10th day of February, 2020.

THE DECISION OR ANY CONDITION IS SUBJECT TO APPEAL TO THE LOCAL PLANNING APPEAL TRIBUNAL BY FILING WITH THE SECRETARY-TREASURER OF THE COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT A WRITTEN NOTIFICATION, GIVING REASONS FOR THE APPEAL, ACCOMPANIED WITH THE PRESCRIBED FEE ON OR BEFORE

W. Mills, Chairman

S. Anderson, Vice-Chairman

W. Benotto, Member

L. Buffett, Member

K. Fegan, Member

S. Hall, Member

L. Wegener, Member

I certify this to be a true copy of the Committee's decision given on February 10, 2020.

J. Willoughby, Secretary-Treasurer

Notes: The decision to give provisional consent shall be deemed to be refused if the conditions of provisional consent have not been fulfilled on or before one year from decision mailing.

February 21, 2020



GEORGIAN TRIANGLE DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE

Councillor McLeod
Town of Collingwood
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Collingwood, ON L9Y 3Z5

Dear Councillor McLeod,

The GTDI would like to congratulate you on your recent appointment to Vice Chair of the Nottwasaga Valley Conservation Authority (NVCA). We know that you will represent the interests of Collingwood and the member municipalities well.

The GTDI believes that flood plan management is the very base of good planning.

From your motion adopted by Town Council on January 20, 2020, we take solace in knowing you share the same understanding.

To that end, the GTDI would like to work with the NVCA, Town and Community to ensure that planning decisions are made in a public, transparent, inclusive, and scientifically based manner. Specifically, the GTDI would request that:

1. Updates to the NVCA Mapped Regulated Area ARE Subject to a Public Process.
2. The Permission to Develop or not to Develop in a Mapped Regulated Area are NOT delegated to staff. Rather, the NVCA Board makes these decisions based on reasoned recommendations by Staff.
3. Any agreements entered into between the Town of Collingwood and NVCA follow the Town of Collingwood Procurement Policy and any further recommendations made as a result of the Judicial Inquiry.

The GTDI believes that these requests will ensure that the Public Interest is preserved.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ken Hale', written over a light grey rectangular background.

Kenneth S. Hale, MCIP, RPP
Past President

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Robert Voigt', written over a light grey rectangular background.

Robert Voigt, MCIP, RPP
President

CC: Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Council, NVCA Member Municipalities, Minister Yurek, Minister Clark



EH!tel Networks Inc
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PRESS RELEASE

February 26, 2020

Big Loss for Broadband Internet

It is not often that I bring forth concerns or issues of any kind. However, it appears significant parts of Southgate, Grey Highlands and Melancthon rural residents may have lost an opportunity to see fibre optic broadband services brought closer to their communities, businesses and homes.

There are 5 common technologies utilized to provision Internet service:

- 1) Fibre Optic – Best reliability, low latency, virtually unlimited capacity and future proofed.
- 2) Cable – Good with some capacity and distance limitations, typical in urban networks.
- 3) DSL – Good close to main distribution centres, quality and speed diminish with distance.
- 4) Wireless – Fair due to Spectrum limitations, capacity limitations, penetration limitations, and subject to environmental factors.
- 5) Satellite – Poor due to high latency, expensive, capacity limitations and subject to environmental factors.

It has long been recognized by local, provincial and federal governments that Ontario's rural communities lack the ability to operate efficiently & competitively in today's global market due to a lack of economically priced, highspeed Internet services. Notably there is an absence of infrastructure needed to bring these services into rural communities since the cost to do so is often seen as prohibitive.

SWIFT, which stands for Southwestern Integrated Fibre Technologies, is a nonprofit municipally-led broadband expansion project, created to improve Internet connectivity by funding internet infrastructure development in "underserved" communities and rural areas across Southwestern Ontario (<https://swiftruralbroadband.ca>).

Service providers, funded through SWIFT, are required to offer a minimum of 50/10 services (50Mb.s download & 10Mb.s upload) at \$115/month or less, allow for future growth in their network design, and allow open access to the network so that competition in the area is fostered.

A "served" area, which is excluded from SWIFT funding, is based on the availability of the minimum 50/10 service. SWIFT relies on the public and existing service providers for metrics to determine if the area is "served". SWIFT maintains a map of "served" vs "underserved" areas. This map was recently updated rendering the bulk of Southgate, Grey Highland and Melancthon as "served" and thus ineligible for SWIFT funding. The map can be viewed through this link: <https://swiftruralbroadband.ca/resources/our-service-map/>.

Due to confidentiality, SWIFT is not permitted to share which service provider(s) claimed the area as "served". EH!tel wishes to advise the public, we did not claim these areas as "served" (with the exception of minor sections of road served by EH!tel fibre optics). These communities have lost an opportunity for service providers to construct new fibre infrastructure through an application to SWIFT. EH!tel's fibre optic provisioned unlimited 50/10 Internet is at \$80/month, less than half of the traditional wireless pricing.

EH!tel is committed to provision quality and affordable Internet to the rural communities in which we live.

Sincerely,

Antonius Peeters
CEO/President
EH!tel Networks Inc.

WFO #12
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Denise Holmes

From: Michelle Hargrave <mhargrave@dufferincounty.ca>
Sent: Thursday, February 27, 2020 12:25 PM
To: Denise Holmes; Fred Simpson; Jane Wilson (jwilson@townofgrandvalley.ca); Jennifer Willoughby; Karen Landry; Mark Early; Michelle Smibert; mtownsend (mtownsend@townofgrandvalley.ca); Sue Stone
Cc: Pam Hillock; Michelle Dunne
Subject: Stop Bus Stop-Arm Enforcement
Attachments: CC 2020-02-13 School Bus Stop-Arm Enforcement.pdf

Good Afternoon,

Please find attached the recent report presented to Council by the Clerk/Director of Corporate Services regarding school bus stop-arm enforcement.

Thank you,

Michelle Hargrave

Michelle Hargrave | Administrative Support Specialist | Corporate Services
County of Dufferin | Phone: 519-941-2816 Ext. 2506 | mhargrave@dufferincounty.ca | 55 Zina Street,
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REPORT TO COMMITTEE

To: Warden White and Members of Council
From: Pam Hillock, Clerk/Director of Corporate Services
Date: February 13, 2020
Subject: **School Bus Stop-Arm Enforcement**

In support of Strategic Plan Priorities and Objectives

Good Governance - ensure transparency, clear communication, prudent financial management

Inclusive and supportive community – support efforts to address current and future needs for a livable community

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide council with the information staff has gathered regarding school bus stop-arm enforcement.

Background and Discussion

Council, at its meeting held November 14, 2019 had a presentation from BUSPATROL, a private sector company that equips school buses with technology to gather evidence of Highway Traffic Act violations, specifically Sections 175(11) and (12).

Bill 174 amended the Highway Traffic Act to add Section 206 to allow for automated school bus camera system "that may be used in accordance with this part and the regulations made under it respecting an alleged offence under section 175 of this act".

Section 175 of the Highway Traffic Act refers to the duty of drivers when school buses are stopped.

Staff met with representatives from BUSPATROL. Their process is to install a digital camera system on every school bus transporting children to and from schools. This camera system would automatically gather high quality video evidence of vehicles failing to stop when required by law.

On December 10, 2019 staff coordinated a meeting with stakeholders to explore the possibilities of this proposal. Representatives from BUSPATROL, Attridge Transportation, First Student, the Student Transportation consortium, the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) and Dufferin County attended the meeting.

The owners of the school buses and the STWDSTS were receptive to the program and reported that they receive reports of stop-arm violations from their staff every day from the bus drivers.

If a local municipality wanted to implement this type of program, the following points would need to be considered:

- Determine if the legislative framework is in place.
- Determine what body would be coordinating the project.
- Determine who the lead agency would be moving forward.
- A privacy impact assessment would have to be conducted to ensure that captured data does not violate privacy laws.
- BUSPATROL is requesting office space.
- The consortium, bus companies and the school boards would need to be involved.
- The OPP and local police would have to be trained on their role in the process.
- A comprehensive public education campaign would have to be undertaken to support this initiative.

BUSPATROL advises that pilot programs are currently underway in Ottawa, the Regional Municipality of Peel and the Regional Municipality of York.

As of the time of writing, inquiries to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs were made and they have no information about the required regulations being enacted.

During an AMO hosted webinar on January 31, 2020, representatives from the Ministry of Transportation advised that the use of cameras is currently permitted however, until legislated changes are proclaimed, a witness must go to court with the video evidence. The MTO also advised that the use of Administrative Monetary Penalties is not permitted at this time and that passing an extended stop-arm is not part of the school bus passing offence. The offence is based on the flashing upper red lights.

The MTO anticipate having the required regulations for the Provincial Offenses Act framework in the summer of 2020. The framework for the Administrative Monetary Penalties should be completed by the summer of 2022.

Financial, Staffing, Legal and IT Consideration Impact

It is not clear what the funding model is or how much revenue would be realized by the municipality.

Recommendation

THAT the report of the Clerk/Director of Corporate Services, dated February 13, 2020, regarding School Bus Stop-Arm Enforcement, be received.

Respectfully submitted

Pam Hillock, Clerk/Director of Corporate Services
Prepared by: Steve Murphy, CEMC

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NOTIFICATION FOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR
SECTION 79, THE DRAINAGE ACT, 1990

Date: September, 2019

The Mayor and Council,

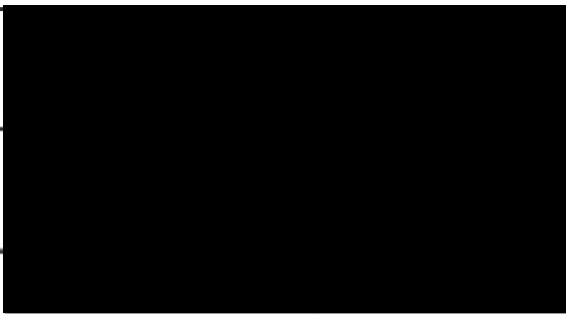
Township of Meluncheon

The undersigned, being owner(s) of the lands assessed on the
Henjerson Municipal Drain, herewith
serve notice that the condition of said drainage works injuriously affects the
following lands and that it is herewith respectfully requested to have the said
drainage works repaired, improved, extended or altered, if necessary, under the
provisions of the Drainage Act.

Lot 21 Con. 5

Signature of Owner

LOT 21 CON 6





STAFF REPORT

TO: COUNCIL
FROM: Roseann Knechtel, Treasury & Taxation Clerk
MEETING DATE: March 4, 2020
SUBJECT: Dispatch Services: Mulmur-Melancthon Fire Department

PURPOSE:

To inform Council of the impending termination of dispatch services for the Mulmur-Melancthon Fire Department and request approval for the participation in a co-operative purchase venture to secure dispatch services with the Shelburne & District Fire Department and Grand Valley & District Fire Department.

BACKGROUND:

Notice was received from the Orangeville Police Services Board on February 19, 2020 stating that the dispatch services for the Mulmur-Melancthon Fire Department are to be terminated at a date no later than August 31, 2020.

Bell requires a minimum of 90-120 days notice to transition communication services for dispatch, which leaves a date of May 1-31, 2020 to secure new dispatch services for the Mulmur-Melancthon Fire Department. To ensure the safety of our residents, it is of utmost importance to ensure communication channels for the emergency services in Mulmur Township remain uninterrupted.

Chief Lemaich of the Shelburne & District Fire Department and Chief McNeilly of the Grand Valley & District Fire Department have been working together to reach out to potential dispatch providers. The Chiefs have been invited to attend the upcoming Mulmur-Melancthon Fire Board meeting on March 17, 2020 to discuss their findings and request permission to work collaboratively with Chief Davison.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

3. Growing a Supportive Mulmur: Providing local services to support the needs of Mulmur residents and businesses

FINANCIAL IMPACTS:

Our procurement policy encourages the responsible management of public funds. Through collaboration with the Shelburne & District Fire Department and Grand Valley & District Fire Department, we will be able to share the startup costs associated with transitioning our dispatch services. Collaboration will ensure the best value is achieved for procuring a new dispatch service, as the costs of transitioning independently will be substantially greater.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Mulmur Council authorize Chief Davison to participate in a co-operative purchase venture to secure Emergency Dispatch Services for the Mulmur-Melancthon Fire Department alongside the Shelburne & District Fire Department and Grand Valley & District Fire Department.

AND THAT Mulmur Council grant one-time authority to the Mulmur-Melancthon Fire Board to enter into a co-operative contract for the purchase of dispatch services.

Respectfully submitted,

Roseann Knechtel

Roseann Knechtel, Treasury & Taxation Clerk



Orangeville Police Services Board

390 C Line, Orangeville L9W 3Z8

Chair - T. Taylor • Vice Chair - I. McSweeney • K. Krakar • M. Rose • S. Brown

NOTICE OF TERMINATION

February 13, 2020

Chairperson
The Mulmur-Melancthon Fire Board
c/o The Township of Mulmur
758070 2nd Line East
Mulmur, Ontario
L9V 0G8

Dear Sirs:

Re: Emergency Fire Dispatch Agreement between The Orangeville Police Service Board and The Mulmur-Melancthon Fire Board effective May 1, 2017 (the "Agreement")

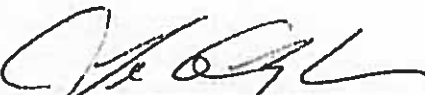
1. On December 2, 2019 Orangeville Council voted to transition to the Ontario Provincial Police and disband the Orangeville Police Service. It is expected that this transition (the "Transition") will be completed by October 1, 2020.
2. The Agreement provides for certain service and fee arrangements between the parties which will no longer be possible once the Transition is complete. Under the terms of the Agreement either party is permitted to terminate the Agreement by giving the other party at least six months' written notice or otherwise by mutual written agreement.
3. By this Notice you are advised that, effective August 31, 2020, or on such other date as the parties to the Agreement may agree to in writing, the Agreement is terminated in accordance with its terms.

If you have any questions or require further information, please let us know.

Yours truly,

The Orangeville Police Services Board

The Orangeville Police Service

By: 
Todd Taylor, Chairperson

By: 
Wayne Kalinski, Chief of Police



Corporation of the Township of Melancthon

Moved by *[Signature]*

Seconded by

Date *Feb 27*, 2020

Be it resolved that:

Whereas the Provincial Government of Ontario is considering Bill 156, *Security from Trespass and Protecting Food Safety Act, 2019*; and

Whereas Bill 156 is intended to protect farms, farm operations, and food safety and security by addressing unwanted trespassing; and

Whereas Ontario farmers are increasingly under threat of unwanted trespassers who are illegally entering property, barns and buildings, and safety of drivers of motor vehicles transporting farm animals which threatens the health and safety of the farm, employees, livestock and crops; and

Whereas additional protection for the agri-food industry to protect the security of the food chain, the farm owners, family and employees is the purpose of the *Security from Trespass and Protecting Food Safety Act, 2019*; and

Whereas unwanted trespassing occurs on all types of farm operations, including grain farmers, which has the potential to impact the safety and security of people and the food chain.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved That the Council of the Township of Melancthon supports the intent of Bill 156 and requests that the Province of Ontario expanding Bill 156 to identify and include protections against trespass for grain farm operations; and

That a copy of this Motion be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, The Honourable Ernie Hardeman, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Andrea Horwath, Leader of the New Democratic Party of Ontario, John Fraser, Interim Leader of the Liberal Party of Ontario, Mike Schreiner, Leader of the Green Party of Ontario, and Sylvia Jones, MPP Dufferin-Caledon.

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<u>Recorded Vote</u>	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>
Mayor Darren White		
Deputy Mayor David Besley		
Councillor Wayne Hannon		
Councillor Margaret Mercer		
Councillor David Thwaites		

Carried/Lost: _____

MAYOR



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Denise B. Holmes, AMCT
CAO/Clerk

REPORT TO COUNCIL

FROM: Wendy Atkinson, Treasurer

SUBJECT: Budget 2020 - Draft #2

DATE: March 5, 2020

Strategic Plan Alignment

Strategic Objective - Quality of Life - 1.1. Maintain and improve local infrastructure;
Economic Stability - 4.1 Fiscal Responsibility, 4.4 Keep taxes reasonable

Background and Discussion

The 2020 Draft Capital and Operating Budget was discussed at the Council meeting held on February 20, 2020 and a verbal report was given outlining the operating and capital expenditures and revenue sources. Capital Expenditures included Bridge 2013, 2nd Line SW Rehabilitation and the purchase of a lawn mower. The initial draft reflected a 6.38 increase in the budget (not the tax rate). Discussion ensued and Council directed that \$10,000.00 be allocated to a Public Works Building Maintenance Reserve, \$10,000.00 be allocated for a speaker system for the Council Chambers and \$7,500.00 be included for leveling required at the landfill. Council also directed that the \$200,000.00 that was budgeted to transfer from the Roads Capital Reserve be reduced to \$100,000.00 .

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Financial

The amount to be received from OCIF (formula base) is \$50,000.00 and this amount is included in the budget. Gas Tax Revenue in the amount of \$100,000.00 has been incorporated into the budget to offset a portion of the capital costs. \$100,000.00 has been transferred from the Roads Capital Reserve and the monies transferred by motion to the Working Capital Reserve (2019) have been included as a transfer back into the budget. Monies in the amount of \$20,000.00 have been added to the budget for LPAT appeals.

Based on this draft budget the amount to be raised through taxation is \$2,965,170.62 - an increase of \$318,703.88 or 12.043% (for every \$26,465.00 raised equals a 1% increase). Factoring in the changes in assessment the increase to the Melancthon portion of the tax rate is 5.38%.

Respectfully submitted

Wendy Atkinson

**Corporation of the Township of Melancthon
2020 Operating and Capital Budget - Draft**

*2019 Actual - Unaudited

Acct No.	REVENUE	2019 Budget	2019 Actual	2020 Budget
	Opening Surplus/(Deficit)			
	TAXATION			
01-4001-0700	Supplementary Taxation	40,000.00	103,853.69	85,000.00
	GRANTS			
01-4003-0100	Payment in Lieu	1,100.00	1,084.05	1,100.00
01-4004-0150	OMPF	174,500.00	175,600.00	173,500.00
01-4004-0300	RIDE Grant	6,220.00	-0.16	6,640.00
01-4004-0172	Court Security & Prisoner Transportation	2,091.00	2,172.00	1,810.00
01-4004-0500	Library Grant	4,452.00	4,452.00	4,452.00
01-4004-0156	OCIF Funding (Formula Component)	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00
01-4004-0161	MMAHO-Modernization		317,042.00	
01-4004-0700	Ontario Aggregate Lic. Fee	54,000.00	81,700.07	80,000.00
01-4030-0100	Drainage Superintendent	25,440.00	-0.01	17,500.00
01-4004-0220	Dufferin County Emergency Readiness			
01-4004-0166	Main Street Revitalization Grant			
01-4004-0550	OCLIF	5,000.00	10,000.00	
	ADMINISTRATION			
01-4010-0100	Tax Certificates	2,520.00	2,560.00	2,520.00
01-4010-0110	Tax Statement/Duplicate Tax Bill	350.00	665.00	500.00
01-4010-0115	Reminder/Overdue Notice Fee	2,200.00	2,830.00	2,600.00
01-4010-0200	Building Permit Approval	4,500.00	4,100.00	4,100.00
01-4010-0250	Site Alteration Permit Approval			
01-4010-0300	NSF Cheque Charge	140.00	175.00	140.00
01-4010-0400	Photocopies	35.00	46.00	35.00
01-4010-0700	Township Maps			
01-4015-0100	Dog Licenses	15,000.00	15,019.75	15,000.00
01-4066-0000	Lottery Licenses	20.00	20.00	20.00
01-4040-0100	Livestock Claim Grants	4,000.00	316.50	1,000.00
01-4064-0000	Business Licenses	300.00	200.00	1,000.00
	FIRE			
01-4012-0100	Fire Revenue		665.00	
01-4012-0300	Fire Permit Fee	4,125.00	4,185.00	4,125.00
	ROADS			
01-4020-0110	Roads Misc Revenue		1,450.00	
01-4020-0125	Entrance Permits	1,200.00	1,100.00	1,100.00
01-4020-0130	Wide Load Permits	800.00	880.00	800.00
01-4020-0200	Culverts			
01-4020-0140	Bretton Estates Snow Plowing	900.00		900.00
01-4020-0500	Shelburne road Agreement	5,300.00		5,300.00
01-4020-0210	Road Crossings		1,000.00	
01-4004-0703	Transfer from Gas Tax	100,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00
01-5005-5015	Transfer from Roads Capital Reserve			100,000.00
01-4060-0000	Transfer from Bridge Reserve	1,280.36	1,303.46	
	Transfer from Working Capital Reserve			430,037.00
	PLANNING			
01-4035-0100	Official Plan Amendment		2,500.00	
01-4035-0310	Site Plan Application Fees		800.00	
01-4035-0350	Zoning By-law Amendment		10,250.00	10,000.00
01-4035-0300	Consent Applications	4,000.00	14,800.00	10,000.00
01-4035-0325	Minor Variance	800.00	800.00	800.00
01-4035-0200	Zoning Requests	935.00	2,175.00	1,200.00
01-4035-0360	Change of Use Certificate Applications		1,500.00	
01-4035-0375	Pre-Application Consultation		250.00	
01-4035-0500	Professional Services Reimbursement		514.46	
	OTHER			
01-4050-0100	Miscellaneous Revenue	500.00	8,685.83	500.00
01-4050-0125	CHD Community Contribution	309,000.00	309,000.00	309,000.00
01-4050-0130	Plateau Community Contribution	33,000.00	31,348.60	33,000.00
01-4050-0135	DWP Community Contribution	250,000.00	263,721.33	260,000.00
01-4050-0200	Penalties and Interest on Taxes	96,500.00	91,264.38	91,000.00
01-4050-0300	Interest on Deposits	30,000.00	49,332.48	49,000.00
01-4050-0400	POA	35,000.00	34,267.88	35,000.00
01-4025-0220	Electronic Recycling Revenue	100.00	46.20	50.00
01-4077-0000	Land Rental	2,550.00	2,550.00	2,550.00
01-4002-0100	Tile Drains		20,978.02	
01-4060-0000	Transfer from PSB Reserve	2,043.87	2,080.74	
01-4060-0000	Transfer from Mul-Mel Rec Capital Reserve	5,000.00	5,000.00	
	Sub-Total	1,274,902.23	1,734,284.27	1,891,279.00
	Expenditures	3,921,369.00	4,011,489.14	4,856,449.62
	Amount to be raised through Taxation	-2,646,466.77	-2,277,204.87	-2,965,170.62

Taxation

01-4001-0100	Residential		1,957,912.92	
01-4001-0200	Farmland		246,536.19	
01-4001-0300	Commercial and Industrial		431,031.08	
01-4001-0500	Managed Forests		3,086.11	
01-4001-0600	Pipeline		7,903.76	
			2,646,469.06	

Schedule B

*2019 Actual - Unaudited

Corporation of the Township of Melancthon
2020 Operating and Capital Budget - Draft

Acct. No.	Budget Expenditures	2019 Budget	2019 Actual	2020 Budget
	General Government			
	COUNCIL			
01-5001-1010	Salaries, Meetings	68,000.00	72,838.92	75,000.00
01-5001-1022	Training	800.00	732.67	800.00
01-5001-1025	Receiver General	1,500.00	2,822.22	3,000.00
01-5001-1030	EHT	950.00	1,420.17	1,500.00
01-5001-1070	Mileage	1,800.00	1,825.15	1,900.00
01-5001-1080	Conferences/Conventions/Seminars	8,000.00	2,730.19	6,000.00
01-5001-1090	Meals	1,200.00	1,127.65	1,500.00
01-5001-2025	Council Furniture (speakers)			10,000.00
01-5001-2190	Miscellaneous	600.00	540.27	650.00
	Sub-total	82,850.00	84,037.24	100,350.00
	ADMINISTRATION			
01-5002-1010	Wages, Vacation Pay, Unused Sick Pay	275,000.00	272,624.71	295,000.00
01-5002-1020	Benefits	22,000.00	22,523.73	25,000.00
01-5002-1022	Training	1,200.00	310.64	1,200.00
01-5002-1025	Receiver General	15,000.00	12,791.80	15,000.00
01-5002-1026	Meetings	1,500.00	1,198.68	1,500.00
01-5002-1030	EHT	5,500.00	5,318.83	5,500.00
01-5002-1040	WSIB	7,200.00	6,934.29	7,200.00
01-5002-1064	OMERS Township Contribution	27,000.00	27,329.80	29,000.00
01-5002-1070	Mileage	1,800.00	1,751.00	1,850.00
01-5002-1080	Conferences	4,500.00	1,544.98	4,500.00
01-5002-2025	Office Furniture	2,000.00		1,000.00
01-5002-2010	Office Supplies	6,000.00	5,752.55	6,100.00
01-5002-2020	Postage	5,500.00	5,249.21	5,500.00
01-5002-2030	Office Equipment	3,800.00	3,382.94	4,000.00
01-5002-2035	Computer Program Updates & IT Services	15,000.00	8,768.20	10,000.00
01-5002-2036	Computers & Server		92.66	
01-5002-2037	ESRI Enterprise License Agreement	2,680.00	2,412.14	2,700.00
01-5002-2040	Advertising	2,000.00	1,396.14	2,000.00
01-5002-2050	Audit	18,000.00	15,015.36	17,000.00
01-5002-2060	Memberships	3,800.00	3,632.45	3,800.00
01-5002-2070	Heating	3,000.00	2,494.59	3,000.00
01-5002-2080	Hydro	5,000.00	3,453.33	4,500.00
01-5002-2090	Telephone	2,500.00	2,887.69	2,500.00
01-5002-2094	Internet	1,200.00	1,362.46	1,450.00
01-5002-2095	Website Maintenance	250.00	279.34	250.00
01-5002-2100	Professional Fees - Legal	15,000.00	5,193.83	15,000.00
01-5002-2102	Integrity Commissioner Services	3,000.00	839.52	2,000.00
01-5002-2103	Health and Safety Services	5,000.00	3,792.49	5,000.00
01-5002-2104	Municipal Emergency Readiness Fund		900.00	
01-5002-2107	Development Charges Study and By-law	27,170.00	28,167.64	
01-5002-2109	Employee Township Compensation Plan	1,000.00		1,000.00
01-5002-2110	Insurance	34,000.00	34,000.00	37,000.00
01-5002-2162	Bldg Maintenance	12,000.00	8,742.56	5,500.00
01-5002-2163	Office Cleaning	1,800.00	1,424.82	2,040.00
01-5002-2164	Landscaping & Grass Cutting	300.00	245.04	300.00
01-5002-2165	Water Sampling	100.00	153.89	125.00
01-5002-2190	Other/Miscellaneous	2,000.00	2,047.16	2,200.00
01-5002-2193	MMAH-Modernization 2019 - Efficiencies		8,237.47	
01-5002-2194	Main Street Revitalization		2,696.44	
01-5002-2200	Petty Cash	500.00	155.77	500.00
01-5002-2300	Bretton Estates		7,243.61	
01-5002-4010	Tax Write-Offs	42,000.00	97,369.82	75,000.00
01-5002-4015	Penny Rounding		0.13	
01-5002-4030	Bank Charges	1,200.00	1,411.47	1,200.00
01-5002-6135	Grants to Others	2,500.00	1,500.00	2,500.00
01-5002-6136	Erskine Clinic	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
01-5002-7011	Loan for Municipal Expansion	13,057.00	13,056.66	13,057.00
	Sub-total	597,057.00	630,685.84	616,972.00
	PROTECTION TO PERSONS/PROPERTY			
01-5003-6010	Mulmur Melancthon FD	94,627.00	94,626.50	103,225.00
01-5003-6020	Shelburne and District FD	101,192.00	101,191.52	108,800.62
01-5003-6030	Township of Southgate FD - Operating	24,950.00	25,295.00	25,725.00
01-5003-6031	Township of Southgate FD - Capital	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00
01-5004-3050	Policing (2019 Actual 404,847-Adjustment 2017)	386,723.00	383,366.48	400,259.00
01-5004-3055	Policing - ESO	500.00	232.16	400.00
01-5004-3052	Policing - RIDE	6,220.00	(0.16)	6,640.00
01-5004-3054	Policing - Paid Duty			2,500.00
01-5004-3053	Police Services Board	1,200.00	273.33	1,000.00
01-5004-3056	CLIF	5,000.00		
01-5004-6040	Nottawasaga Valley CA	12,216.00	12,216.01	12,568.00
01-5004-6050	Grand River CA	18,422.00	18,422.00	19,173.00
01-5004-6055	SWP		11,097.41	
01-5013-6140	Livestock Claims	5,000.00	346.50	1,000.00
01-5004-6150	Animal Control	3,000.00	620.83	3,000.00
01-5004-6155	By-law Enforcement	20,000.00	5,120.99	10,000.00
01-5006-3025	Street Lights LED	5,200.00	4,566.21	5,000.00
01-5006-3026	LED Street Light Repair	500.00	494.81	600.00
	Sub-total	691,750.00	664,869.59	706,890.62

	ROADWAYS				
	Road Budget	2,210,114.00	2,012,279.43	3,086,375.00	
	Transfer to Reserves				
	Sub-total	2,210,114.00	2,012,279.43	3,086,375.00	
	ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES				
01-5007-2171	Levelling			7,500.00	
01-5007-2105	Landfill Study/Monitoring	22,693.00	22,692.48	22,693.00	
01-5007-7001	Rehabilitation Reserve	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	
	Sub-total	32,693.00	32,692.48	40,193.00	
	RECREATION				
01-5010-5055	Corbetton Park	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	
01-5010-6060	Horning's Mills Park	4,755.00	4,866.28	4,900.00	
01-5010-6065	Horning's Mills Community Hall	6,000.00	1,062.72	1,100.00	
01-5010-6066	Horning's Mills Heritage Project	300.00	75.40	300.00	
01-5010-6070	Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex	47,500.00	47,622.00	49,051.00	
01-5010-6080	Dundalk Community Centre	14,000.00	14,000.00	14,000.00	
01-5010-6100	North Dufferin Community Centre Bd of Management	55,303.00	55,023.65	53,651.00	
01-5010-7010	Mulmur-Melancthon Recreation Capital		(5,000.00)		
01-5016-8902	Horning's Mills Cemetery	12,500.00	183.17		
01-5016-8904	St. Paul's Cemetery	1,000.00	950.00		
	Sub-total	143,858.00	121,283.22	125,502.00	
	LIBRARY				
01-5011-6110	Shelburne Library	54,831.00	54,831.00	56,817.00	
01-5011-6120	Dundalk Library	8,216.00	8,216.00	8,350.00	
	Sub-total	63,047.00	63,047.00	65,167.00	
	PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT				
01-5012-2100	Professional/Legal Fees	45,000.00	37,800.30	45,000.00	
01-5012-2103	Cannabis - NWN Scientific		5,965.28		
01-5012-2105	Melancthon Cannabis Regulation		3,081.29		
01-5012-2109	New Zoning By-law			10,000.00	
01-5012-2101	LPAT Appeals			20,000.00	
01-5012-2304	Strada OPA/ZBA		(5,453.68)		
	Sub-total	45,000.00	41,393.19	75,000.00	
	DRAINAGE				
01-5009-3060	Drainage Superintendent	50,000.00	18,181.13	35,000.00	
01-5015-0100	Tile Drainage Principal & Int Pymts		20,978.02		
	Sub-Total	50,000.00	39,159.15	35,000.00	
	RESERVE				
01-5002-5041	Tax Rate Stabilization		317,042.00		
01-5002-5042	Special Reserve Fund Emergency Relief	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	3,921,369.00	4,011,489.14	4,856,449.62	

**Corporation of the Township of Melancthon
Road Department 2020 Operating and Capital Budget - Draft**

***2019 Actual - Unaudited**

Acct. No.	ADMINISTRATION	2019 Budget	2019 Actual	2020 Budget
01-5005-1010	Salaries and Wages	400,000.00	366,635.41	400,000.00
01-5005-1025	Receiver General, EHT & WSIB	42,500.00	38,968.19	42,500.00
01-5005-1020	Benefits	25,650.00	23,931.36	28,000.00
01-5005-1060	Short Term Disability			
01-5005-1064	OMERS Township Contribution	30,000.00	33,207.29	34,500.00
01-5005-1070	Mileage	100.00	97.00	120.00
01-5005-1022	Staff Training and Seminars	3,000.00	2,035.05	3,000.00
01-5005-2010	Office Supplies	500.00	401.93	500.00
01-5005-2035	Computer Program Updates	200.00		
01-5005-2036	GPS Monthly Tracking Expense	5,000.00	4,686.50	5,000.00
01-5005-2112	Asset Management Plan	12,000.00	9,614.79	9,000.00
01-5005-2115	Road Management Plan	45,793.00	51,145.47	
01-5005-3105	Bridge Study/Inspections	17,198.00	17,197.44	
	MISCELLANEOUS			
01-5005-2070	Utilities - Heat	14,000.00	13,088.75	14,000.00
01-5005-2080	Utilities - Hydro	8,000.00	4,698.42	5,000.00
01-5005-2090	Telephone	1,000.00	785.30	1,000.00
01-5005-2091	Mobile Phone	1,000.00	752.57	1,000.00
01-5005-2040	Advertising	750.00	594.27	700.00
01-5005-2041	Signs	5,000.00		5,000.00
01-5005-2110	Insurance	45,000.00	45,000.00	45,000.00
01-5005-2100	Legal Fees	6,000.00		6,000.00
01-5005-2050	Audit	12,000.00	9,000.00	10,000.00
01-5005-2060	Memberships	100.00	101.70	150.00
01-5005-2165	Materials and Supplies/Stock	8,500.00	5,043.08	8,500.00
01-5005-2166	Coveralls	7,500.00	4,538.02	5,000.00
01-5005-3000	Services and Rents/Misc	7,500.00	686.88	7,500.00
01-5005-2103	Health & Safety Services	5,000.00	3,794.42	5,000.00
01-5005-2104	Health & Safety Materials/Supplies	3,000.00	38.66	3,000.00
01-5005-2162	Building Maintenance	10,000.00	9,559.79	15,000.00
01-5005-2163	Sand Dome Repairs	5,000.00	122.70	
01-5005-2185	Oil Separator Clean Out	1,500.00	203.52	1,500.00
01-5005-2192	Shop Tools	5,000.00	1,302.33	5,000.00
01-5005-2190	Miscellaneous	1,000.00	914.95	1,000.00
01-5005-3800	Contract Work	2,000.00		1,000.00
	EQUIPMENT			
01-5005-2150	Fuel - Clear	50,000.00	47,287.94	50,000.00
01-5005-2155	Fuel - Dyed	35,000.00	36,958.05	40,000.00
01-5005-3070	Fuel - Patrol Trucks	12,500.00	10,822.75	12,000.00
01-5005-2180	Oil - Trucks and Grader	4,000.00	3,905.46	4,000.00
01-5005-3071	TR#1 - Repairs	3,000.00	3,459.94	3,500.00
01-5005-3073	TR#2 - Repairs	15,000.00	18,117.49	20,000.00
01-5005-3074	TR#3 - Repairs	7,500.00	3,728.93	5,000.00
01-5005-3075	TR#4 - Repairs	15,000.00	22,506.26	20,000.00
01-5005-3076	TR#5 - Repairs	15,000.00	19,321.61	20,000.00
01-5005-3077	TR#6 - Repairs	8,500.00	6,201.85	15,000.00
01-5005-3069	TR#7 - Repairs	3,000.00	161.36	3,000.00
01-5005-3079	GR#1 - CAT - Repairs	15,000.00	3,562.65	10,000.00
01-5005-3080	GR#2 - Repairs	15,000.00	11,932.30	15,000.00
01-5005-3081	Backhoe Repairs	2,500.00	1,236.28	2,500.00
01-5005-3082	Loader	2,500.00	778.46	2,500.00
01-5005-3083	John Deere Mower	1,000.00		1,000.00
01-5005-3084	Power Washer	1,000.00	63.01	1,500.00
01-5005-3085	Chain Saw	1,000.00	50.65	1,000.00
01-5005-3086	Roadside Mower	1,000.00		
01-5005-3500	Winter Control-Plow & Wing Parts	25,000.00	6,936.98	20,000.00
01-5005-7015	John Deere Grader Loan	32,650.00	32,052.48	32,053.00
01-5005-2191	Radio and Truck Licenses	10,500.00	9,927.50	10,200.00
01-5005-2195	Radio Maintenance & Repair	1,000.00		2,500.00
	NEW EQUIPMENT			
01-5005-7010	Vehicles			
01-5005-7005	Equipment (lawn mower)			15,000.00
	BRIDGES, CULVERTS, DRAINS			
01-5005-3100	Bridge & Culvert Mtce	38,000.00	7,928.50	20,000.00
01-5005-3114	Bridge #10		1,019.90	
01-5005-3115	Bridge #13			33,275.00
01-5005-3850	Drain Maintenance	40,000.00	3,391.56	35,000.00
01-5005-3851	Road Crossings due to Drain Mtce			40,000.00
01-5005-7021	Culvert 2027 Loan Payment	40,908.00	40,907.52	40,908.00
01-5005-3146	Culvert 2003	190,000.00	202,441.32	
01-5005-3156	Culvert 2013		7,836.52	445,000.00
01-5005-3165	Culvert 2021	20,000.00		20,000.00
01-5005-3174	Culvert 2029	765.00		765.00

March 5th
9:45 am

Denise Holmes

From: Joanne Jordan - FTP <joanne@familytransitionplace.ca>
Sent: Monday, January 13, 2020 12:03 PM
To: Denise Holmes
Subject: Delegation Request - Melancthon
Attachments: Melancthon Delegation Request.pdf; CEF RRP Introduction Letter.docx; Community Presentation RRP INTRO new.pptx

To Whom It May Concern;

I would love to be included as a delegate at an upcoming council meeting. I would be representing Family Transition Place in order to highlight the goals of our relatively new *Rural Response Program*, which strives to meet the needs of rural women who are struggling with unhealthy relationships within a framework that overcomes some of their unique challenges. I am attaching both a Delegation Request Form, as well as the letter I have been sending out to partners in the community which outlines the points I would like to share with the members of Council. I am also attaching the PowerPoint presentation which reviews the points specifically so that Council Members have the information at hand prior to the meeting.

I will look forward to hearing from you.

Kind Regards,



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9:45 am

TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON
DELEGATION REQUEST FORM

Request for Delegation, any written submissions and background information for consideration by Council must be submitted to the Clerk's Office by 12:00 noon on the Thursday, prior to the requested meeting.

REQUEST DATE: January 11, 2020

NAME: Joanne Jordan PHONE: 519 278-4737

ADDRESS: 167 Centre St., Shelburne (Unit A) FTP

EMAIL ADDRESS: joanne@familytransitionplace.ca

SIGNATURE: 

Purpose of Delegation Request (state position taken on issue, if applicable).

Request to represent Family Transition Place, to highlight the goals of our relatively new Rural Response Program which aims to break down some of the unique barriers rural women face when needing to access shelter and/or counselling services.

REMINDER - DELEGATIONS ARE ALLOWED 10 MINUTES TO SPEAK

Personal information contained on this form is collected under the authority of *The Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. This sheet and any additional information provided will be placed on the Council Agenda. The Agenda is a public document and forms part of the permanent public record. Questions about this collection should be directed to the Clerk at 519-925-5525.



Dear Community Partner;

We wanted to ensure you were aware that **Family Transition Place's Rural Response Program** is available for residents of north Dufferin County. The program allows for up to 6 crisis counselling sessions to provide women with abuse education and support, assist with safety planning, and share appropriate community referrals.

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If we can outline this program in further detail, or you know of a group that could benefit from learning more from Family Transition Place, please contact:

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Rural Response Program

Our Rural Response Program will provide safety, support and hope by reducing barriers to service for women living in the rural communities of Dufferin.

Family Transition Place (FTP) developed its Rural Response Program in 2016, which initially became possible through funding from the

Ministry of Community and Social Services (MCSS)

via the *Violence Against Women – Rural Realities Fund*.

In 2019 it was continued with a federal grant from the Status of Women Canada now Women and Gender Equality Canada

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The Rural Response Program Goals:

- Provide support to women in crisis within Dufferin County
- **Reduce** barriers for under-served women living in the rural communities of north Dufferin by *decreasing identified obstacles to service*, such as:
 - Transportation
 - Isolation
 - Child care
 - and Access to after hours service
- Provide a crisis response strategy for responding to rural needs
- Increase collaboration, presence, and awareness across existing services and community members

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The Rural Response Team

- Based out of the Mel Lloyd Centre in Shelburne, Entrance 'C'
- Are able to be mobile, meeting with women in the community, and to use technology to communicate with clients differently in order to eliminate barriers.
- Offer abuse education and support
- Provide safety planning
- Allows for up to six crisis counselling sessions
- Longer term Clinical Counselling is also available at FTP's office in the Mel Lloyd Centre.
- Will direct to appropriate community referrals as needed

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Rural Response Program strives to:

Work with the rural communities of Dufferin/Caledon to:

- Create awareness and understanding in the community of violence against women (VAW) issues through outreach
- Increase awareness about and promote the agency's available services:
 - Legal, and Housing (Transitional) Support
 - Addictions Counselling
 - Mental Health Counselling and support
 - One to one clinical counselling

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Rural Response Program strives to:

- Provide crisis support and brief counselling to women and sexual abuse clients (*men included), either in office, or meeting in the community or at home if preferred.
- Utilize technology (OTN/PCVC e-conferencing, text, etc.) to support isolated residents
- Individual advocacy when needed
- Partner with other front line community services and provide referrals as appropriate
 - Walk-in Clinic along with DCAFS and several doctors on Wednesday evenings (3-7pm) at the North Dufferin Wellness Centre.

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**NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING
TO INFORM THE PUBLIC OF A PROPOSED
ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT**

RECEIPT OF COMPLETE APPLICATION

TAKE NOTICE that Township of Melancthon has received a complete application to amend Municipal Zoning By-law 12-79. The purpose of the rezoning is to amend the Township's Comprehensive Zoning By-law to zone lands from Institutional to Rural Residential.

AND PURSUANT to Section 34 (10) and 39 of the Planning Act, the application file is available for review at the Municipal Office. Please contact the Municipal Clerk to arrange to review this file.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING WITH COUNCIL

TAKE NOTICE that the Council for The Corporation of the Township of Melancthon will be holding a public meeting (described below) under Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.P. 13 as amended, to allow the public to comment on the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment.

DATE AND LOCATION OF PUBLIC MEETING

Date: Thursday, March 5th, 2020
Time: 10:00 am
Location: Township of Melancthon Municipal Office (Council Chambers)

DETAILS OF THE ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT

The application affects lands located at 518548 County Road 124 in the East Part Lots 29 and 30, Concession 2 O.S. in the Township of Melancthon. A key map has been appended to this Notice which identifies the subject lands.

The purpose of the proposed by-law is to amend the Restricted Area (Zoning) By-Law No. 12-79 as amended to rezone the subject lands from the Institutional (I) Zone to a Rural Residential Exception (RR) Zone. The proposed amendment will permit an existing place of worship to be converted for use as a dwelling unit. The zone exception will recognize the existing lot area and setbacks of the existing building.

Information relating to this application is available at the Township of Melancthon Municipal Office for public review during regular office hours.

FURTHER INFORMATION AND MAP OF LAND SUBJECT TO THE APPLICATION

A key map has been appended that identifies the lands that are subject to this amendment.

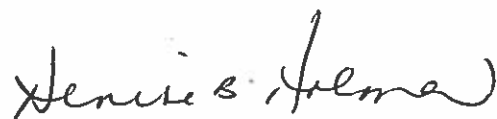
The purpose of this meeting is to ensure that sufficient information is made available to enable the public to generally understand the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment. Any person who attends the meeting shall be afforded an opportunity to make representations in respect of the proposed amendment.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Melancthon in respect to the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment, you must submit a written request (with forwarding addresses) to the Clerk of the Township of Melancthon at 157101 Highway 10, Melancthon, Ontario, L9V 2E6 fax (519) 925-1110

If a person or public body files an appeal of a decision of the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Melancthon, as the approval authority in respect of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment, but does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to Council before the proposed amendment is approved or refused, the Local Planning Appeal Board may dismiss all or part of the appeal.

Further information regarding the proposed amendment is available to the public for inspection at the Township of Melancthon Municipal Office on Monday to Friday, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Mailing Date of this Notice: February 14, 2020



Denise Holmes, CAO
Township of Melancthon

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**LANDS SUBJECT TO APPLICATION FOR
ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT**



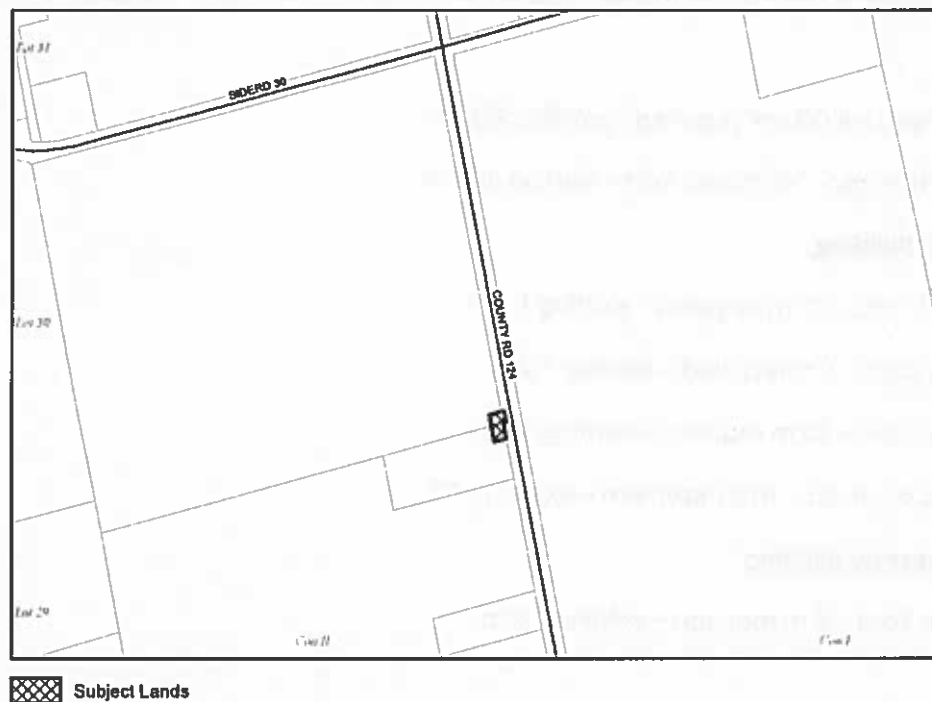
 Subject Lands

MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor White and Members of Council
Copy: Ms. Denise Holmes, CAO
From: Chris Jones MCIP, RPP
Date: February 27, 2020
Re: Application for ZBA – East Half Lots 29 and 30, Concession 2 O.S.

The Township is in receipt of an application for a zoning amendment for lands located at 518548 County Road 124 in the East Half of Lots 29 and 30, Concession 2 O.S. The subject lands have a lot area of 925 m² (9,956 ft²), a road frontage of 45.8 metres (150 feet) and are currently occupied by a church. The location of the subject lands is shown in Figure 1.

Figure 1 – Location of Subject Lands



The church has not been utilized since 2007 and the applicant has applied for a zoning amendment to allow the existing building to be converted to allow residential use. The church has a floor area of 96.6 m² (1,040 ft²). Attached at Appendix 1 is a site plan that was prepared by the applicant.

OFFICIAL PLAN

The subject lands are designated Agricultural. Given that the intent of the application is to accommodate a change-of-use of an existing lot of record to permit residential use, the following Official Plan policies have some applicability to the proposal:

5.2.2 c) i) New dwellings on lots of record shall be sited so as to comply with the applicable (Minimum Distance Separation) formula wherever possible...

5.2.2 n) A single detached dwelling may be erected in compliance with the implementing zoning by-law on any lot of record that is vacant or contains only farm buildings...The MDS policies of subsection 5.2.2 c) apply to the siting of a new dwelling on such lots.

ZONING BY-LAW

The purpose of the application is to rezone the subject lands from the Institutional (I) Zone to the Rural Residential (RR) Zone.

If the lands are rezoned the following exceptions from the RR Zone standards would be required to recognize the existing lot and the location of existing structures:

Lot

Lot Area – 8,000 m² required – existing 925 m²

Lot Frontage – 60 m required – existing 45.8 m

Main Building

Front Yard – 25 m required – existing 1.2 m

Side yard – 6 m required – existing 1.2 m

Rear Yard – 25 m required – existing 1.2 m

Lot Coverage – 10% maximum – existing 11%

Accessory Building

Rear Yard – 6 m required – existing 1.2 m

COUNTY ROAD 124

Given that the subject lands have frontage on County Road 124, I requested comments from the County of Dufferin with respect to the proposed zoning amendment. On January 17, 2020, the County provided the following comments:

"the applicant should apply for a reclassification through the County's Entrance Permit process. Once a favourable opinion and subsequent permit is issued, the entrance is to be brought into conformance with the County Entrance Policy 5-3-17 with reference to the requirements for a Residential Entrance."

ANALYSIS

The proposed amendment would accommodate a change-in-use of a dormant church to a residential dwelling. The existing church has a well and septic system, although if the building is converted to a dwelling, it is possible the septic system would need to be upgraded to accommodate residential demands. In addition it is most likely the existing building would be converted, rather than replaced, given that the existing building is a stable structure that maximizes the use of the existing lot.

The policies of the Official Plan permit existing lots of record to be used for residential purposes with the requirement that the proposed dwelling comply with MDS setback criteria "wherever possible".

The subject lands are surrounded by active agricultural land and the aerial photo suggests there are three existing farm building clusters proximate to the church. These clusters are all approximately 300 metres from the subject lot. However only one of these buildings appears to have been recently used for the keeping of livestock. I have not prepared a MDS calculation nor has the applicant provided one. Given the limited size of the lot in question, there is very little ability to reconfigure or relocate the dwelling in a manner that would maximize the distance from a livestock facility even if the proximate barns were utilized for livestock.

As was noted on page 2 of this report, the proposed amendment will also require substantial relief from the standard RR Zone provisions. While this is not a good precedent, the lot in question is an existing lot of record. If the lot is not zoned to permit a dwelling, the Institutional (I) Zone would remain meaning the lot could only be used for an institutional use or for nothing at all. Given these options, I am prepared to support the lot being utilized for residential purposes in an effort to maximize the potential use of the subject lands.

RECOMMENDATION

I have attached a zoning by-law amendment for Council's consideration and would recommend it for approval.

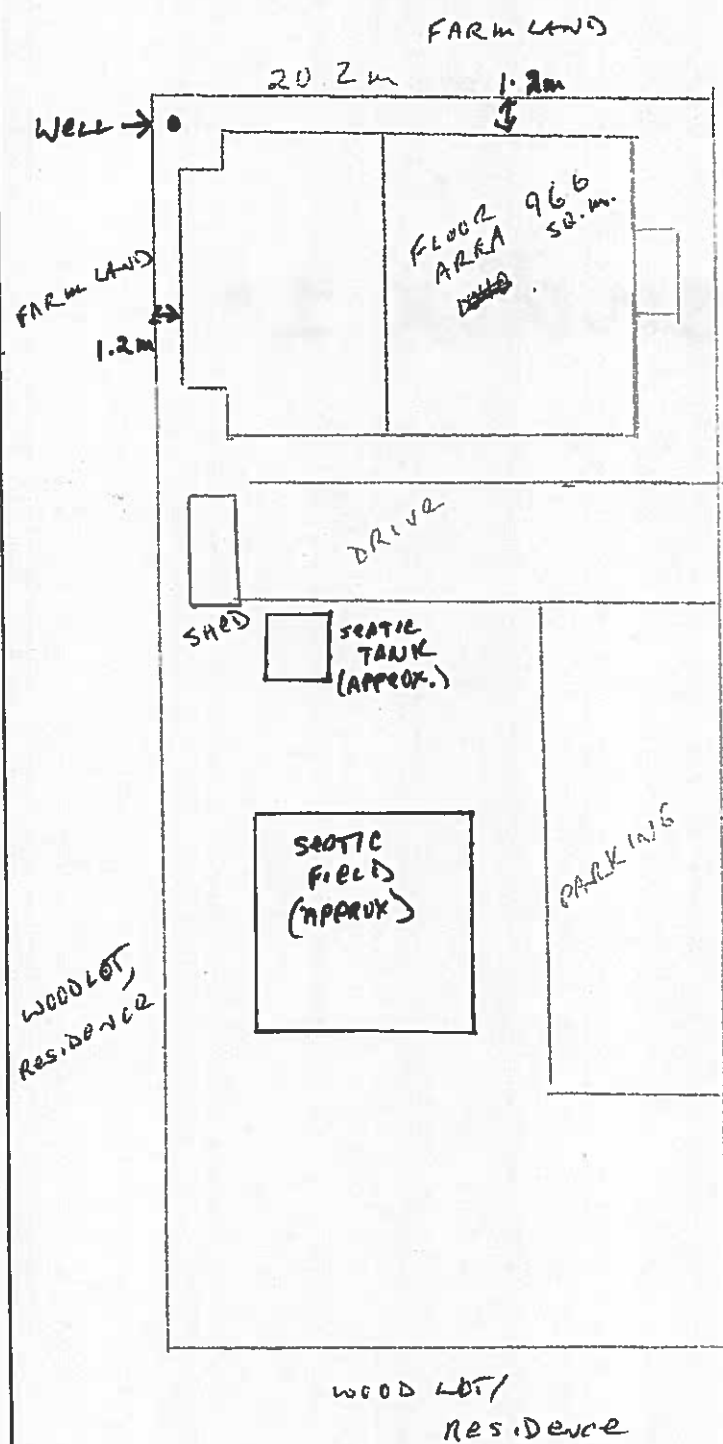
Respectfully Submitted,



Chris Jones MCIP, RPP

• Appendix 1 •

SCHEDULE A



N/P

COUNTY RD 124

$$45.8m \times 20.2m = 925m^2$$
$$= 9958 \text{ sq FT}$$

45.8m

NO NATURAL
OR ARTIFICIAL
FEATURES

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON

BY-LAW NO. _____

(Reddickville Church – February 27, 2020)

Being a By-law to amend By-law No. 12-79, as amended, the Zoning By-law for the Township of Melancthon for lands legally described as Part 1, Plan 7R-3372, located in East Part of Lots 29 and 30, Concession 2 O.S., located in the Township of Melancthon, County of Dufferin.

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Melancthon is empowered to pass By-laws to regulate the use of land pursuant to Section 34 of the Planning Act, 1990;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Melancthon deems it advisable to amend By-Law 12-79, as amended;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Melancthon enacts as follows:

1. Schedule 'A' to Zoning By-law No. 12-79 as amended, is further amended by zoning lands legally described as Part 1, Plan 7R-3372, and located in Part of Lots 29 and 30, Concession 2, O.S. from the Institutional (I) Zone to the Rural Residential Exception (RR-169) Zone, as shown on Schedule A-1 attached hereto, which forms part of this By-law.
2. Furthermore, Zoning By-law No. 12-79 as amended, is further amended by adding the following new sub-section after sub-section IIII):

mmmmm) On lands described legally as Part 1, Plan 7R-3372, located in Part of Lots 29 and 30, Concession 2, O.S. and located in the RR-169 Zone, the following regulations shall apply:

- a) Minimum lot Area: 925 m²*
- b) Minimum Lot Frontage: 45 m*
- c) Minimum Front Yard (dwelling): 1.2 m*
- d) Minimum Interior Side Yard (dwelling): 1.2 m*
- e) Minimum Rear Yard (dwelling): 1.2 m*
- f) Minimum Rear Yard (detached accessory building): 1.2 m*
- g) Maximum Lot Coverage (all structures): 11%*

Furthermore, on lands located in the RR-169 Zone a home occupation shall not be a permitted use.

3. In all other respects, the provisions of By-law 12-79, as amended shall apply.

This By-law shall come into effect upon the date of passage hereof, subject to the provisions of Section 34 (30) and (31) of the Planning Act (Ontario).

READ A FIRST AND SECOND TIME on the xxth day of March 2020.

READ A THIRD TIME and finally passed this xxth day of March 2020.

Mayor

Clerk

Schedule 'A-1'
By-law 2020-_____
Part of the East Half of Lots 29 & 30, Concession 2 O.S.
Township of Melancthon



 Lands to be rezoned from the Institutional (I) Zone to the Rural Residential Exception (RR-169) Zone

This is Schedule 'A-1' to By-law _____

Passed this _____ day of _____, 2020.

Mayor

Clerk