



# Regional Municipality of Durham COUNCIL INFORMATION PACKAGE

September 15, 2023

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There are no Advisory/Other Committee Minutes

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Good afternoon,

The Township of Carlow/Mayo passed the following resolution during their August 8, 2023 regular Council meeting supporting the attached resolution from Wawa for chronic pain.

Moved By: Elson Ruddy

Seconded By: Pam Stewart

That the Council of the Township of Carlow/Mayo agrees to support the Municipality of Wawa's resolution requesting that the Government of Ontario maintain OHIP coverage for chronic pain treatments and continue to provide much-needed care for the people of Ontario.

-Carried-

Thank you,  
 Jenny Snider  
 CAO/Clerk  
 Township of Carlow/Mayo  
 Office 613-332-1760  
 Cell 613-334-1374

Good morning,

At the June 20<sup>th</sup>, Regular Council Meeting, Council of the Municipality of Wawa passed resolution No. RC23163 requesting that the Government of Ontario maintain OHIP coverage for chronic pain treatments and continue to provide much-needed care for the people of Ontario.

Please find attached copy of the resolution for your information.

*Regards,*

*Sue Lord*

Administrative Assistant/Alternate CEMC

**Municipality of Wawa**

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The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

Tuesday, June 20, 2023

Resolution # RC23163	Meeting Order: 6
Moved by: <i>Cathy Cannon</i>	Seconded by: <i>[Signature]</i>

**WHEREAS** the Ontario College of Physicians and Surgeons has made a decision that will lead more people who suffer from chronic pain to turn to opioids to alleviate their pain and;

**WHEREAS** the College is targeting community pain clinics by requiring the use of ultrasound technology in the administration of nerve block injections by licensed physicians. This requirement will increase the time it takes to administer the nerve block and, therefore, reduce the number of patients a physician can see in a day and;

**WHEREAS** the Ontario Health Insurance Plan (OHIP) is proposing to reduce coverage for several vital healthcare services, including a drastic reduction in the number and frequency of nerve block injections a patient can receive and;

**WHEREAS** these changes have been proposed without any consultation with pain management medical professionals or with their patients and;

**WHEREAS** this cut will force chronic pain clinics to shut down, putting a greater strain on family physicians and emergency rooms and;

**WHEREAS** with the reduction in the number of nerve bocks being administered, many patients, looking for pain relief, will turn to overcrowded emergency rooms, opioid prescriptions from doctors or opioid street drugs;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOVLED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa is requesting that the Government of Ontario maintain OHIP coverage for chronic pain treatments and continue to provide much-needed care for the people of Ontario;

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REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

AND FURTHERMORE THAT a copy of the resolution be forwarded to all Municipalities of Ontario, local MPs and MPPs, Premier Doug Ford, the Minister of Health, Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addictions and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

RESOLUTION RESULT		RECORDED VOTE		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CARRIED	MAYOR AND COUNCIL	YES	NO
<input type="checkbox"/>	DEFEATED	Mitch Hatfield		
<input type="checkbox"/>	TABLED	Cathy Cannon		
<input type="checkbox"/>	RECORDED VOTE (SEE RIGHT)	Melanie Pilon		
<input type="checkbox"/>	PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARED	Jim Hoffmann		
<input type="checkbox"/>	WITHDRAWN	Joseph Opato		

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof.

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

Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_

MAYOR – MELANIE PILON	CLERK – MAURY O'NEILL

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City Clerk  
Corporation of the City of Stratford  
clerks@stratford.ca

August 30, 2023

**Re: Strengthen Municipal Codes of Conduct**

To whom it may concern:

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting on August 30<sup>th</sup> 2023, the Town of Plympton-Wyoming Council passed the following motion, supporting the attached resolution from the Council of the City of Stratford regarding Strengthening Municipal Codes of Conduct:

**Motion 7**

*Moved by Councillor Kristen Rodrigues*

*Seconded by Councillor John van Klaveren*

*That Council support item 'P' of correspondence from the City of Stratford regarding Strengthening Municipal Codes of Conduct.*

**Carried.**

If you have any questions regarding the above motion, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email at [ekwarciak@plympton-wyoming.ca](mailto:ekwarciak@plympton-wyoming.ca).

Sincerely,

Erin Kwarciak  
Clerk  
Town of Plympton-Wyoming

cc: All Ontario Municipalities

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**The Corporation of the Town of Grimsby  
Administration**

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September 8, 2023

SENT VIA E-MAIL

Office of the Prime Minister  
80 Wellington St.  
Ottawa, ON, K1A

Attention: The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau

**RE: Establishing a Guaranteed Livable Income**

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Grimsby at its meeting held on September 5, 2023 passed the following resolution:

Moved by: Councillor Korstanje

Seconded by: Councillor Freake

Whereas the Canadian livable wage for Niagara Region, two years ago was determined to be \$19.80. This was \$6000 below the annual income of a minimum wage employee; and

Whereas our residents on programs such as Ontario Works, receive targeted fixed monthly incomes of \$733, and ODSP recipients receive \$1376; and

Whereas at the current Ontario minimum wage rate, a person working 37.5 hours per week will earn approximately \$2,500 monthly (before tax); and

Whereas the median rent for one bedroom in Grimsby as of August 2023 is now \$2000 a month; and

Whereas rent is considered affordable, when it is less than 30% of income. In Niagara west, rent is approximately 272% of Ontario Works, 145% of Ontario Disability Support Services, 75% of minimum wage full-time, and 150% of minimum wage part time; and

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Whereas an annual 2.5% allowable rent increase can be combined with an additional 3-6.5% capital investment increase, raising the cost of rental housing another minimum of \$110 monthly; and

Whereas there are no housing units under Niagara Regional Housing for single adults or families with dependents, including 2,3,4 or five bedrooms in our community; and

Whereas the Grimsby Benevolent Fund reported that in 2022:

- 70+ households received monthly rental supplement totaling \$237,744
- \$79,500 was invested into one time emergency housing support as of June 7, 2023
- 78 households are receiving monthly financial benefits to make rental housing more affordable; and

Whereas food inflation was 8.3% and groceries rose by 9.1%; and

Whereas the Grimsby Food Bank numbers from June 2023 reported:

- 19 new households
- 447 served households
- 1055 served individuals
- 7 emergency visits; and

Whereas the Grimsby Economic Strategic Plan identified the general high cost of living and housing affordability as primary obstacles in our workforce attraction.

Therefore be it resolved that The Corporation of the Town of Grimsby circulate correspondence to Ontario municipalities encouraging them not only to collect data of their housing and poverty statistics, but also to examine their pending economic vulnerability as a result.

Be it further resolved that The Corporation of the Town of Grimsby encourage these same municipalities to join us in advocating on behalf of our communities with this data, and by writing a letter to the Prime Minister, Premier, and local politicians calling for a united effort in establishing a Guaranteed Livable Income program.

Be it further resolved the Town of Grimsby Clerks Department circulates this resolution to Niagara West MP Dean Allison and Niagara West MPP Sam Oosterhoff, requesting a response on this matter within 30 days of receipt.

Be it further resolved that The Corporation of the Town of Grimsby, through its Finance and Human Resources departments, undertake a comprehensive assessment to explore the feasibility and implementation of a living wage policy for all Town of Grimsby employees, with the aim of ensuring that all municipal workers receive fair compensation that aligns with the principles of a living wage and that staff be directed to explore becoming a living wage employer.

If you require any additional information, please let me know.

Regards,



Bonnie Nistico-Dunk  
Town Clerk

cc. Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Ontario Municipalities  
Dean Allison, MP Niagara West  
Sam Oosterhoff, MPP Niagara West



MUNICIPALITY OF SHUNIAH

# COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Date: Sep 12, 2023

Resolution No.: 324-23

Moved By: \_\_\_\_\_

Seconded By: \_\_\_\_\_

THAT Council hereby receives receives and supports the resolution from the Municipality of Wawa regarding Chronic Pain Treatments;

AND THAT Council directs the Clerk to forward a copy of this email to all Municipalities of Ontario, local MP's and MPP's, Premier Doug Ford, the Minister of Health, Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addictions and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO).

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Carried

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Amended

Deferred

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*Wendy Landry*  
Signature

Municipality of Shuniah, 420 Leslie Avenue, Thunder Bay, Ontario, P7A 1X8