



# The Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss

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## Staff Report

**Report Title: Resolutions for Consideration May 6, 2024**

**Date: May. 6, 2024**

**Report Number: CLK-2024-05-20**

**Department: Legislative Services**

**File Number: C11 CLK24**

**Prepared By: Kelly Lush, Deputy Clerk**

**Attachments: 1. Public Health Laboratories 2. Home Heating Sustainability 3.**

**9-8-8 National Suicide Hotline 4. Tax Increase for Volunteer Firefighters 5.**

**Ontario Works and Ontario Disability Support Program Rates 6. Fossil Gas**

**Infrastructure Subsidy 7. Equipment Operator Course 8. Property Assessment**

**Cycle 9. Ontario Heritage Act 10. Increase Funding for Libraries and Museums**

**11. Accessible Ontario 12. Provincial Ombudsman 13. Regulate Non-native**

**Wild Animals.**

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### **Recommendation:**

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CLK-2024-03-11 prepared by Kelly Lush, Deputy Clerk;

AND FURTHER THAT the Committee of the Whole support resolution # \_\_\_\_\_,

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AND FURTHER direct staff to distribute as they see fit.

### **Background:**

These resolutions were received from other Ontario Municipalities for consideration.

### **Discussion/Analysis/Overview:**

1. The Township of Asphodel-Norwood, Loyalist and Former Public Health Ontario Managers are urging the provincial government to take caution against acting on the possible closure of regional Public Health Laboratories as stated in the Office of the Auditor General of Ontario's Value-For-Money Audit: Public Health Ontario.
2. The City of Brantford is requesting that the Federal Government exclude home heating from the carbon tax to reduce the burden on citizens and to reinstate home retrofit rebate and grant programs to help residents retrofit their homes to be more energy efficient.
3. The Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan endorse the 9-8-8 Crisis Line initiative in support of the National 3 digit suicide and crisis hotline.

4. The Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal is requesting that the Government of Canada support Bill C-310 and enact amendment to subsection 118.06(2) and 118.07(2) of the Income Tax Act in order to increase the amount of tax credits for volunteer fire fighting and search and rescue volunteer services from \$1000 to \$3000 for any member that has completed 0 to 199 hours of volunteer services in a calendar year.
5. The Town of Goderich is requesting to the Province of Ontario to at least double Ontario Works and Ontario Disability Support Program rates and index rates to inflation, to commit to ongoing cost of living increases above and beyond the rate of inflation to make up for the years they were frozen and to commit jointly to working with the Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services and the Ministry of Health on the best methods of assessing client needs and matching services.
6. The City of Guelph has expressed its support for the decision of the Ontario Energy Board to end the fossil gas infrastructure subsidy and request that the Ontario Government withdraw Bill 165 and allow for the OEC decision to stand.
7. The Municipality of Huron Shores and the Township of Greater Madawaska and in support of the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors to develop a Municipal Equipment Operator Course as there is currently no provincial-wide course that properly trains potential municipal public works employees, specifically relating to municipal heavy equipment.
8. The Municipality of Huron Shores is calling upon the Premier to promptly resume the assessment cycle to ensure the stability and predictability of property taxes while the Government conducts its review of the property assessment and taxation system or respond with an alternative method for every municipality in Ontario to achieve fair taxation.
9. The City of Kitchener, Richmond Hill, Town of Cobourg and City of Stratford are requesting the Government of Ontario to amend Subsection 27 (16) of the Ontario Heritage Act to extend the deadline for the removal of non-designated heritage properties listed on the municipal registry from January 1, 2025 to January 1, 2030 to provide time to review the registry.
10. The Town of Lincoln and the City of Stratford are urging the Provincial Government to support increasing funding to both public libraries and community museums.
11. Loyalist Township is requesting action from the Provincial Government to create a Municipal Accessibility Fund for municipalities to develop, implement and enforce AODA standards and to commit to working with municipalities to implement the Donovan Review immediate crisis recommendations.
12. The City of Peterborough is requesting that the Province amend the Ombudsman Act to require the Ontario Ombudsman to provide each municipality sufficient particulars of each investigation including a copy of each complaint, the identities of the municipality's employees, officers and members of Council with whom the Ombudsman consulted with and the particulars of the outcome of the investigation.

13. The City of St. Catherine's is petitioning the provincial government to implement provincial regulations to restrict the possession, breeding and use of non-native ("exotic") wild animals.

**Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial implications with this report.

**Performance Measurement:**

N/A

**Strategic Area:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Prepare for Inclusive Growth       | <input type="checkbox"/> Ensure Financial Stability         |

**Strategic Goal:** Not applicable

**Respectfully Submitted By:**

Kelly Lush, Deputy Clerk

**Report Approved By:**

Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer