



The Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss

Staff Report

Report Title: Resolutions for Consideration March 2026

Date: Mar. 2, 2026

Report Number: CLK-2026-08

Department: Legislative Services

File Number: C11 CLK26

Prepared By: Kelly Lush, Deputy Clerk

Attachments: a) Township of Perry Reduced Rate Distribution of Library Resources b) Township of Southgate Support Bill 21 c) Township of Nairn and Hyman Steel and Lumber Industries d) Town of Whiby Remove GST/HST e) Municipality of Magnetawan Federal Broadband f) Municipality of Magnetawan g) City of Peterborough Police Service Funding

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receive Report CLK-2026-08 prepared by Kelly Lush;

AND FURTHER that the Committee of the Whole support the following resolutions;

AND FURTHER direct Staff to distribute as they see fit.

Background:

The following resolutions were received for the Committees consideration.

Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

- a) The Township of Perry is calling upon the Government of Canada to maintain and protect reduced-rate postal distribution for library materials through legislation.
- b) The Township of Southgate support Bill 21, Protect Our Food Act 2025 and are urging the provincial government to support this to protect our farmland, prevent further losses and to ensure the future of Agriculture in Ontario.
- c) The Township of Nairn and Hyman commend the Government of Canada for its leadership in supporting Canada's steel and lumber industries during this period of trade volatility and are respectfully urging the Government of Canada to introduce additional financial, regulatory and policy-based supports to ensure that Ontario's steel and lumber industries remain competitive and resilient.
- d) The Town of Whitby is calling on the Government of Canada and the Government of Ontario to remove the GST/HST from all newly built or substantially renovated

homes purchased from the builder as primary residences in Ontario up to 41.5 million.

- e) The Municipality of Magnetawan is calling upon the Government of Canada including federal programs administered by Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED) to strengthen affordability requirements tied to federal broadband funding and universal access programs.
- f) The Municipality of Magnetawan is urging the Province of Ontario to revise its grant funding criteria to recognize and accept alternative servicing methods as eligible infrastructure for Invest Ready-Certified Site Designation and to ensure rural and northern municipalities lacking gas, water and wastewater systems are not excluded.
- g) The City of Peterborough is requesting that the Province of Ontario provide targeted financial assistance to municipalities to offset additional costs that are directly incurred as a result of compliance with the Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019 and are urging the province to review and reform its current police grant programs to ensure a more sustainable distribution of funding to municipalities.

Financial Impacts:

There are no financial implications with this report.

Performance Measurement:

n/a

Strategic Area:

- Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle
- Enhance Municipal Service Delivery
- Prepare for Inclusive Growth
- Ensure Financial Stability

Strategic Goal: Not applicable

Respectfully Submitted By:

Kelly Lush, Deputy Clerk

Report Approved By:

Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer