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January 10, 2012

Ms. Corrina Giles, Clerk
The Town of the Blue Mountains
32 Mill Street
P.O. Box 310
Thornbury ON N0H 2P0

RE: Request for Support

Dear Mayor and Council Members;

Crime Stoppers is not simply a charity – it's an investment THAT PAYS – and as a municipality who needs to spend revenue wisely....we're worth your investment! WE CAN PROVE IT!

This year begins Crime Stoppers of Grey and Bruce's 25th Anniversary. This marks two decades and five years of providing a **volunteer based**, not for profit programme designed to encourage individuals to call in "tips" to our 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) line in order to bring a stop to those who would do us harm. Now, as we enter this quarter century mark, we celebrate our achievements to date – tips have assisted in bringing about 1,400 arrests, 2,446 cases solved, and the seizure of over \$48 Million dollars in stolen property and illegal drugs from the streets of Grey and Bruce Counties. That's a lot; and what makes these numbers even more rewarding, we know we have a working system that is designed to make members of our family, our friends, and our neighbours just a little bit safer. **WE'VE BECOME "PART OF THE SOLUTION"**.

We're still here and we're not going away. We've seen the great results our partnerships with the media, community, police, Ministry of Natural Resources, and other organizations such as the Children's Aid Society and the SPCA, to name a few, have brought about. As we move into the second decade of this new century we find ourselves looking for even more opportunities to become a greater part of the fabric of Grey and Bruce Counties. Towards that goal we are now engaged in initiatives that will see:

- enhanced Crime Stoppers involvement in schools, with business, and with the general public;
- greater use of technology and social networking in ways to increase our organization's exposure and that of our 1-800 Tips line number;
- and finally, more and improved methods to facilitate a Tipster's report of concerns and crimes.

So...let's speak frankly. Crime Stoppers, a registered charity designed to raise funds in order to pay "Tipsters" (people willing to provide anonymous information to assist law enforcement in bringing lawbreakers to justice), has accomplished a lot but there is still a great deal to do. We're not a police programme, (although an OPP officer has been assigned the function of coordinating the day to day operations), and therefore there is no direct government funding and no "bail outs" should funds run low - it's strictly dollars raised from donations, barbeques, golf tournaments, special events, companies, community groups, and members of the public who, like ourselves, wish to ensure our communities are safe ones in which to grow.

That's it in a nut shell – "Working together + small investment = significant returns and safer communities".

Please, take a moment to read the attached pamphlet and consider in which ways the Town of the Blue Mountains can become "Part of the Solution".

For further information about our programme you can visit our web site at www.crimestop-gb.org.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Wyles', with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

David F. Wyles
Chair, Board of Directors
Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce Inc.

Partnership Outcomes

Crime Stoppers Worldwide Statistics

Arrests Made	927,816
Cases Cleared	1,366,462
Rewards Paid	\$101,769,000
Property Recovered	\$2,169,853,503
Drugs Seized	\$7,941,997,559
Total \$ Recovered	\$10,111,851,062

Through January 12, 2012

Canadian Crime Stoppers Statistics

Arrests Made	152,201
Cases Cleared	245,390
Rewards Paid	\$13,589,787
Property Recovered	\$484,684,500
Drugs Seized	\$2,900,820,642
Arson Loss Value	\$34,474,199
Total \$ Recovered	\$3,595,781,409

Through January 12, 2011

Ontario Crime Stoppers Statistics

Arrests Made	80,799
Cases Cleared	122,805
Rewards Paid	\$7,293,031
Property Recovered	\$293,832,759
Drugs Seized	\$1,517,804,004
Arson Loss Value	\$8,358,479
Total \$ Recovered	\$1,811,636,763

Through November 30, 2011

Grey Bruce Crime Stoppers Statistics

Arrests Made	1,394
Cases Cleared	2447
Value of Rewards Approved	\$218,105
Property Recovered	\$3,433,147
Drugs Seized	\$44,862,194
Total \$ Recovered	\$48,295,341

Through December 31, 2011

"Across Canada and around the globe, Crimes Stoppers is a valued partner in the fight against criminal activity.... This initiative is an outstanding example of cooperation between civilians, law enforcement and government to prevent the spread of a terrible criminal enterprise that threatens our communities"

The Rt. Hon. Stephen Harper, P.C., M.P.
Prime Minister of Canada

"I commend all those involved with this program for their tireless efforts to build safe, healthy and vibrant communities."

Dalton McGuinty, Premier of Ontario

"The extraordinary concept of the Crime Stoppers program continues to allow the OPP to be a more effective and efficient police service and has significantly improved the lives of many Ontarians."

Chris D. Lewis, Commissioner,
Ontario Provincial Police

"Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce has been and continues to be a major contributor in making our communities a safer place to live."

Bill Murdoch, Past MPP
Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound

"Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce through its partnerships with the business community have enjoyed great success. As community partners, we take pride in knowing that we are in a sense, shareholders in the battle against crime"

Dave Moyer, Past President
wen Sound Chamber of Commerce

Valued Partners

Be Part of the Solution



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Be A
Crime Stoppers' Partner



Since 1987

IMAGINE

“Part of the solution” is not simply a catch phrase; rather, it reflects a worldwide movement towards safer communities.

I **Imagine.** Just 36 years ago one man (Detective Greg MacAleese) took a reward being offered in the murder case he was investigating and translated that award into the Crime Stoppers’ programs we have today. By his action he became “part of the solution” and the creator of a program now covering 7 world regions and 26 member countries - 108 programs in Canada alone, including 38 programs in Ontario.

I **Imagine.** Just one man, with an offer of a few dollars for information and a guarantee of anonymity to whomever stepped forward, made a difference for the victim, victim’s family, and took a murderer off the street who, otherwise, could have victimized others.

I **Imagine.** A worldwide program developed simply because one man fostered an idea that combined community members, the media and law enforcement in a cooperative plan to make our communities safer.

Throughout the world people are stepping forward, being “part of the solution” and creating safer communities. People, providing anonymous information, have brought about Crime Stoppers’ programs assisting law enforcement towards the solution of a crime somewhere in the world every 14 minutes – **Imagine that!**

“The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing.”

Edmund Burke, 1795

Just **imagine.** If one man could make such a difference, what a small, medium, large company or industrial giant could do – **what you could do** – by simply joining a movement striving to protect the community in which you and your loved ones live, work and play.

The enclosed statistics shows the results of being “part of the solution”. Worldwide, billions of dollars in drugs and stolen property have been recovered and over 850,000 arrests made.

Since 1987, partnerships between the community, media and law enforcement in the Grey and Bruce regions resulted in the seizure of drugs and the recovery of property totalling more than \$47,000,000 dollars and arrests exceeding 1300. **Imagine that!**

JOIN US

SO, “how can I be ‘part of the solution,’” you ask? It’s easy. Join us. Become a partner with **Crimes Stoppers of Grey Bruce Inc.** and help make a difference in Grey and Bruce. Pledge your sponsorship at the Diamond, Ruby, Sapphire or Emerald level and we’ll put your dollars to work.

We’ll make the calls, pay out the rewards, visit schools, social clubs, organizations and other groups to promote our **1-800-222 TIPS (8477)** confidential tip line. We’ll strive towards ensuring that when a crime occurs our fellow community members will know who to call in order to be “part of the solution”

Grey Bruce Crime Stoppers

1-800-222-TIPS (8477)

<http://crimestop-gb.org>

A Not For Profit, Registered, Charitable Organization

BE PART OF THE SOLUTION

Diamond: \$8,000.00 > \$10,000.00

- * 5yr. sponsorship commitment
- * Your Logo on our Crime Stoppers’ Van
- * Newsletter Advertising
- * Website Links
- * Local Crime Stoppers’ resource material and presentation opportunities, on site, at your place of business
- * Largest size font signage at most events
- * Crime Stoppers’ signage at your business

Ruby: \$5000.00 > \$7999.00

- * 5yr. sponsorship commitment
- * Your Logo on Crime Stoppers’ Van
- * Newsletter Advertising
- * Website Links
- * Large size font signage at most events
- * Crime Stoppers signage at your business

Sapphire: \$2000.00 > \$4999.00

- * 5yr. sponsorship commitment
- * Newsletter Advertising
- * Website Links
- * Medium size font signage at most events
- * Crime Stoppers signage at your business

Emerald: \$500.00 > \$1999.00

- * 5yr. sponsorship commitment
- * Newsletter Advertising
- * Website Links
- * Small size font signage at most events
- * Crime Stoppers signage at your business

Clarington

Leading the Way

December 20, 2011

Honourable Dalton McGuinty, Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building
Queen's Park
Toronto ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier:

RE: SPECIAL PROVINCIAL FUNDING TO COVER MUNICIPAL DEFICITS
FILE NO.: F11.GE

At a meeting held on December 19, 2011, the Council of the Municipality of Clarington approved the following Resolution #GPA-719-11:

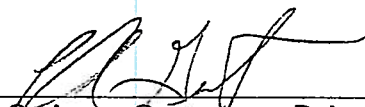
WHEREAS the *Municipal Act* requires that municipalities operate on a balanced budget;

AND WHEREAS all municipal councils face difficult decisions in the budget process in balancing (i) the needs of their communities; and (ii) being fiscally responsible;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- a) The Municipality write to the Premier of Ontario respectfully requesting that if any municipality in Ontario receives special funding from the Province to cover a budget deficit, that all local municipalities receive the same per capita funding from the Province; and
- b) That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to John O'Toole, MPP for Durham, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and all municipalities in Ontario requesting that they endorse this resolution.

Yours truly,



C. Anne Greentree, B.A., CMO
Deputy Clerk

CAG/jeg

- c. John O'Toole, MPP, Durham
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
All Municipalities in Ontario
N. Taylor, Director of Finance/Treasurer

CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CLARINGTON

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**Sandra Cooper
Mayor**

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January 12, 2012

LETTER SENT VIA REGULAR MAIL

The Blue Mountains
Attention: Mayor Ellen Anderson
32 Mill Street, P.O. Box 310
Thornbury, ON
NOH 2P0

Dear Mayor Anderson,

We are very excited that, once again, our region has been awarded the 2012 Ontario Winter Games. We are looking forward to creating a games experience for all participants, athletes, coaches and officials alike that is second to none.

As the excitement grows, we are following up with our neighbouring communities to once again draw this region together in a collaborative effort to host the best Games experience these athletes can have. We have three events scheduled for the Town of Blue Mountains, Sledge Hockey hosted at the Beaver Valley Community Centre, Snowboarding at the Alpine Ski Club and Alpine hosted at the Craigleith Ski Club. We have also secured rooms at Blue Mountain Resorts for approximately 1100 participants. The Blue Mountain Village Association is, once again, hosting and sponsoring our Opening Ceremonies.

The attached package outlines the games organization and identifies how we see the Community Partnership's developing for the games. We are requesting that consideration be made to waiving the fees associated with the rental at the Beaver Valley Community Centre in recognition of the municipal partnership and VIK sponsorship.

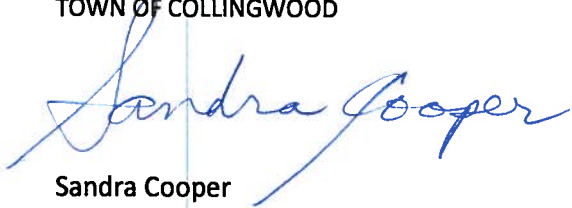
There is so much to offer in our area and this event provides us with a wonderful opportunity to showcase this to the whole of the province, not only to our participants, but also to their parents and friends.

We are looking towards having a successful partnership of communities working together as a team to deliver these games.

It is our pleasure to provide you with the 2012 Ontario Winter Games Community Partners Information Package for your review, and we look forward to meeting with you to discuss this further.

Respectfully,

CORPORATION OF THE
TOWN OF COLLINGWOOD



Sandra Cooper
Mayor

SC:mk



March 8th – 11th, 2012

VISION STATEMENT

The 2012 Ontario Winter Games will celebrate sport excellence and will convey the message that sport is for life. The Games are athlete-centered, inclusive and green.

Package Contents

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Pre-amble

In March 2006 and 2008 we celebrated the completion of two very successful Ontario Winter Games – games that were delivered differently than those that had gone before. Earlier games had been hosted in large cities. This was to be the case in 2006 as well; however the host city found that it could not deliver the games. Collingwood was asked to step in and take over the games, a huge task for a small town, but a task that was realized because a team of communities stepped up to the plate and provided the support, infrastructure and venues for an event of this magnitude. The success of 2006 prompted the continued partnership in 2008.

Continuing with the partnership from the past games, Collingwood is calling upon its neighbours to once again draw this partnership together to become a team and deliver a top notch sporting event for the youth of Ontario and our communities. This is a fantastic opportunity for the entire region, and one that we should not let slip away.

Although we are requesting value in kind facility use, we do recognize that more municipalities are moving away from this form of support and moving towards annual funding programs. If this is the situation in your municipality, we do request an opportunity to apply for this type of funding. Due to the nature of the Games, the event itself falls under various departments including Economic Development, Sport Tourism, Recreation & Culture, and Special Events. So if there is funding available in different departments, that information would prove useful as well.

What partner communities are being asked for:

- Provision of Municipal sports facilities as gift in kind or funding supporting usage.
- Consideration of how costs associated with school board rental may be addressed.
- A person to serve on the Games Organizing Committee. (GOC)
- Provision meeting space for the GOC from time to time to facilitate the holding of meetings in Partner Communities.
- Political representation at public promotional events such as the 100 days out from the Games celebration and the Opening Ceremonies.
- Permission to use your logo on games literature and promotional materials
- Provision community promotional literature to circulate to participants of the games.
- Public recognition of your support for the games in your community and to the province at large through the Games Website and a provision of reciprocal link to your community website.
- To encourage local volunteers to get involved with the games.

As a partner community you will receive:

- A voice in planning for the provision of a youth legacy funds at the end of the games for any surplus funds.
- Be part of a team that delivers a successful games experience.
- Two to three sports competing in your community based upon the facilities available.
- Media coverage that is on par with the Sport for Life Sponsor Package. A \$10,000 level. See attached file for more information.
- Your community website linked to the Games website.
- Opportunity for local service groups to raise funds for the sale of food the games organization will need to feed the participants at the sports venues.
- Opportunity for local vendors to sell games products.
- Opportunity to provide accommodation in bed and breakfasts and other venues for parents and friends of the athletes.

GAMES AT A GLANCE AND FAQs

Q. What are they?

A.

- A celebration of youth in sport
- Held every 2 years in even-numbered years – 2008, 2010, 2012, etc
- 4 days of competition
- Athletes between the ages of 10 & 22
- 3,500 participants, including athletes, coaches and officials
- 25 winter sports
- Over 1,000 volunteers across the region
- Recently held in
 - Guelph (ski events Collingwood) Winter 2002
 - London/Barrie Winter 2004
 - London Summer 2004
 - Ottawa Summer 2006, 2008
 - Collingwood Winter 2006, 2008
 - Muskoka Region Winter 2010
 - Sudbury Summer 2010

History of the Games

- Started in 1970
- A showcase for Amateur sport
- Province's largest multi-sport event
- Prides young athletes with development and competitive opportunities that prepare them for national and international competitions
- Gives the public a chance to see some of Ontario's best amateur athletes compete at Provincial level
- A program of the Sport Alliance of Ontario (contracted delivery agent of the Ministry of Health Promotion)
- An integral component of the Active 2010 program
- Encourages sport participation and developing amateur athletes
- developing communities, and stimulating local economies

Q. Why are Collingwood & Partner Communities the best venue for 2012 Winter Games?

A.

- Our region has hosted most of the ski events for the games when they are in southern Ontario as we have appropriate ski facilities
- We are a recreation and tourist destination in our region
- We have plenty experience hosting events including National and International events

Q. Is this the first time the town/townships in the Georgian Bay area have been involved?

A.

- 1991 Games were a partnership between Collingwood and Barrie – “The Will to Be the Best”
- 2006 & 2008 Games – Collingwood was considered the “host” however we relied on our neighbouring municipalities to host some of the events in their venues

Q. How will the 2012 games be different from 2008 games?

A.

- A team of Partner Communities are being formed to deliver the games and in doing so, it is anticipated that they will help subsidize different costs relating to using facilities in their communities.
- Partner Communities will work together to showcase the area and to encourage as many parent and friends of the games visits as possible.
- A strong Games Organizing Committee with enthusiastic individuals. The team has already been working hard to deliver the best games experience. There are some experienced members and some new providing many new initiatives and opportunities. In the past, Provincial Sport Organizers were responsible for a large portion of their competition. Our GOC will take on a lot of these tasks for 2012.
- Smaller communities hosting and showcasing these events instead of one large city.
- Our opening ceremonies will be taking place at the “Village at Blue” and will have a Winter Activity feel to it. They will be right at the base of the ski hills
- This will be the first set of integrated games. There will be 3 Para Sports participating in 2012.

Q. What is the role of the Games Organizing Committee?

A.

- Booking sport venues
- Arranging for the necessary sport equipment to the venue for the sports
- Organizing athlete transportation to and from the games and to and from hotels and sport venues
- Organizing volunteers for overall games organization and sport venues
- Registration & Accreditation
- Accommodations
- Opening Ceremonies
- Food Services
- Awards & Ceremonies
- Athlete safety in partnership with Provincial Sport Organizers
- Sponsorships and funding
- Marketing
- Merchandizing
- Information Technology including website

Q. What is the anticipated attendance?

A.

- There will be 3,500 participants including athletes, coaches and officials
- There will also be many parents and friends of the athletes who will come and stay in the area during the games

Q. How does it benefit younger athletes- where do they go from here?

A.

- For some sports, this is a stepping stone to National competitions
- It gives them the opportunity to participate in a “multi-sport” event
- Since the 2008 Games, the Sport Alliance has developed a long-term athlete development model in which these games play an integral role.

Q. How do the games communities benefit?

A.

- Hotels are booked solid, restaurants are busy, puts all of the Partner Communities on the map
- Gives them a chance to showcase the future representatives of Canadian Sport
- Gives them a chance to showcase local athletes as well should they qualify for the games.

Q. Will this event create more government awareness for amateur sports?

A.

- The Provincial Government is the Presenting Sponsor. These are their games.

Q. There are a lot of youth-oriented events being supported by the individual sports programs at Sport Alliance ..., why is it better to have an overall program such as the Ontario Winter Games and Summer Games for example?

A.

- This gives the sports a chance to award a “Provincial” status to the winners
- It gives the feel of Canada Games/Olympics
- They can showcase their sport and check out other sports

Q. How are the games being funded, e.g. sponsorship, Parks & Rec., Ministry of Health?

A.

- Ministry of Health Promotion is the presenting sponsor of the Ontario Games. They donate \$600,000 to the games.
- The rest of the funding comes from our “partner communities”, sponsors, and donations.

Q. What sports will be participating?

A.

- 5 Pin Bowling
- Air Rifle/Air Pistol Shooting
- Alpine Skiing
- Badminton
- Biathlon
- Curling
- Wheelchair Curling
- Diving
- Field Hockey
- Figure Skating
- Gymnastics
- Hockey – Men
- Hockey – Women
- Judo
- Kickboxing
- Ringette
- Sledge Hockey
- Snowboarding
- Speed Skating
- Squash
- Synchro Swimming
- Table Tennis
- Volleyball
- Wheelchair Basketball
- Wrestling

Games Organizing Committee Overview

<p><u>Administration</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Games Office • Staffing • French Language Services <p><u>Finance</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial Management • Risk Management <p><u>Sponsorship</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sponsorship program <p><u>Fundraising</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local and Regional Fundraising <p><u>Marketing & Merchandising</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Merchandising program • Spectator Fees <p><u>Publicity & Communications</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advertising & Promotion /Community & Public Relations • Media Services & Event Communications Central • Publications 	<p><u>Information Technology</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Web Application • Scoring/results • Registration & Accreditation systems • Technical Support & Operations <p><u>Special Events</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening Ceremonies • Special Events /Receptions <p><u>Volunteer Services</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recruitment • Orientation & training • Co-ordination • Recognition <p><u>Awards Presentation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medals • Award presentation <p><u>Photography</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sport Photography • Athlete souvenirs <p><u>Sport Technical</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provincial Sport Organization Liaison Competition schedules • Equipment • Venue Operations <p><u>Medical Services</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Therapeutic • First aid 	<p><u>Transportation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To and from games • Internal transportation • Opening Ceremonies logistics manager <p><u>Registration & Accreditation (Game time)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participant welcome and registration <p><u>Security</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accommodation security • Behavior supervision <p><u>Food Services</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participant Meals • Restaurant voucher program <p><u>Partner Community Team Leaders will be recruited and they will in turn find volunteers for the following areas:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Volunteers Recruitment • Awards Presentations • Venue Operations • Security • Hospitality • Fundraising • Marketing & Merchandising
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CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF GREY
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January 4, 2012

Glen Hepburn, Secretary
Gideons in Canada
675 5th Avenue West
Owen Sound, ON N4K 5A2

Dear Glen Hepburn:

At the January 3, 2012 session of Grey County Council, the following motion was endorsed:

THAT the County of Grey support the Gideon Bible Society in its intent to offer Bibles to public school age children, upon receiving parental or guardian consent;

AND THAT this resolution be circulated to the local Grey County municipalities.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "S. Vokes".

Mrs. Sharon Vokes, C.M.O., D.P.A.,
County Clerk/Director of Council Services

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cc. Grey County Municipal Clerks via email

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MUNICIPAL PROPERTY ASSESSMENT CORPORATION

December 28, 2011

To: Heads of Council
All Ontario Municipalities

From: Dan Mathieson
Chair, MPAC Board of Directors

Subject: Settlement with Ontario Public Service Employees Union (OPSEU) Ratified

I would like to report that the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) has reached a four-year settlement with OPSEU, which represents approximately 1,400 MPAC employees across Ontario. This week, the settlement was officially ratified by bargaining unit employees and MPAC's Board of Directors.

In 2010 and 2011, MPAC self-imposed a wage freeze on bargaining unit staff in response to the *Public Sector Compensation Restraint to Protect Public Services Act, 2010*. The recent settlement is reasonable, responsible, and reflects an understanding and appreciation by both MPAC management and the bargaining unit of the current economic environment and challenges.

The settlement will bring labour stability to MPAC and ensure that there are no disruptions to the 2012 province-wide Assessment Update. MPAC will continue to focus on delivering services to Ontario property taxpayers, provincial and municipal stakeholders.

If you have any questions please contact Antoni Wisniowski, President and Chief Administrative Officer, at 905-837-6150.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dan Mathieson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Dan Mathieson
Chair, MPAC Board of Directors

Copy Antoni Wisniowski
Executive Management Group
Board of Directors

December 20, 2011

The Honourable Jim Bradley
Minister of the Environment
77 Wellesley Street West
11th Floor, Ferguson Block
Toronto ON M7A 2T5

Dear Minister:

**RE: REQUEST FOR PROVINCIAL REGULATIONS REGARDING COMMERCIAL
FILL OPERATIONS
FILE NO.: E05.GE**

At a meeting held on December 19, 2011, the Council of the Municipality of Clarington approved the following Resolution #GPA-720-11:

WHEREAS municipalities are faced with requests from Commercial Fill Operators to place fill in, for example, either previously undisturbed areas or expired gravel extraction pits;

AND WHEREAS municipalities have limited resources and ability to regulate this type of operation other than through zoning restrictions and agreements associated predominantly with operational protocol;

AND WHEREAS the issue of soil quality of fill imported to a receiving site potentially has a significant cross jurisdictional environmental impact that should be elevated to the Provincial level through the Ministry of the Environment;

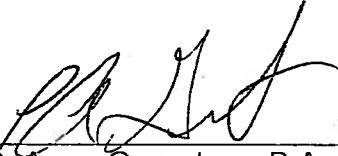
AND WHEREAS the Ministry of the Environment has established criteria for quality of fill for Brownfield redevelopment but not for the importation and placement of fill within, as an example, undisturbed areas or expired gravel extraction pits;

CC: EPW

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Province, through the Ministry of the Environment, establish guidelines, regulations and a Provincially regulated approval process to govern the quality of fill imported to a receiving site other than for the purpose of Brownfield redevelopment;

AND FURTHER, THAT the Clerk forward copies of this resolution to York-Simcoe MPP, Julia Munroe, the Ministry of the Environment, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all Ontario Municipalities for their consideration.

Yours truly,



C. Anne Greentree, B.A., CMO
Deputy Clerk

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- c. Julia Munroe, MPP, York-Simcoe
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
All Municipalities in Ontario
L. Creamer, Manager Municipal Law Enforcement



Town of
East Gwillimbury

Fernando Lamanna, BA

Deputy Clerk
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December 6, 2011

Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
Attn: Monika Turner, Director of Policy
200 University Ave., Suite 801
Toronto, Ontario M5H 3C6

Dear Ms. Turner:

For your information and records, at its regular meeting held Monday, November 21, 2011, the Municipal Council of the Town of East Gwillimbury adopted the following resolution:

WHEREAS municipalities are faced with requests from Commercial Fill Operators to place fill in, for example, either previously undisturbed areas or expired gravel extraction pits;

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AND WHEREAS the issue of soil quality of fill imported to a receiving site potentially has a significant cross jurisdictional environmental impact that should be elevated to the Provincial level through the Ministry of the Environment;

AND WHEREAS the Ministry of the Environment has established criteria for quality of fill for Brownfield redevelopment but not for the importation and placement of fill within, as an example, undisturbed areas or expired gravel extraction pits;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Province, through the Ministry of the Environment, establish guidelines, regulations and a Provincially regulated approval process to govern the quality of fill imported to a receiving site other than for the purpose of Brownfield redevelopment;

AND FURTHER, THAT the Clerk forward copies of this resolution to York-Simcoe MPP, Julia Munroe, the Ministry of the Environment, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all Ontario Municipalities for their consideration.

If you have any further questions feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

Fernando Lamanna, BA
Deputy Clerk
Legal and Council Support Services

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December 9, 2011

Dalton McGuinty
Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier McGuinty:

RE: TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT - USE OF PHOTO RADAR

At the November 24, 2011 meeting of the Nottawasaga Police Services Board, the option of using photo radar as a means of traffic enforcement was discussed. As a result of this discussion, Resolution No. 2011-82 was passed, a copy of which is attached for your information.

On behalf of the Nottawasaga Police Services Board, thank you for your kind consideration of this matter and we look forward to your favourable response.

Yours truly,

"Jan Heydon"

Jan Heydon
Acting Secretary

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All Ontario Municipalities

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Nottawasaga Police Services Board

Moved by:	Margo Doucette	Resolution No:	2011-82
Seconded by:	Dee Rowsome	Date:	November 24, 2011

"WHEREAS in 1994, the Ontario Government approved a pilot project for photo radar on selected highways with high collision experience;

AND WHEREAS the media coverage of the introduction of these units at the time is believed to have resulted in an overall reduction in speeding on all highways in the Province;

AND WHEREAS a reduction in the speed of vehicles results in a reduction in fatalities and major injuries;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Government discontinued the program and is yet to reinstate it in spite of numerous attempts made at the municipal level;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Premier of Ontario be requested to reinstitute the photo radar program for the provincially regulated Police Services Boards to manage and use at their discretion;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to all Ontario Police Services Board Association members and all Ontario municipalities for their endorsement;

AND FURTHER THAT the Ontario Provincial Police, the Ontario Police Association and the Ontario Police Chief's Association be requested to support the resolution."

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The Honourable James J. Bradley,
Minister of the Environment,
11th Floor, Ferguson Block,
77 Wellesley Street West,
Toronto, ON M7A 2T5

Honourable Minister:

The Council of the Corporation of the County of Huron at their Twelfth Session of Council on November 30th, 2011 passed the following Resolution:

THAT:

The recommendation of the Low Frequency Noise (LFN) Committee that their findings and recommendations; be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The recommendation of the Low Frequency Noise (LFN) Committee to circulate their findings and recommendations to all Ontario Municipalities, AMO and ROMA, for endorsement, and to Members of Provincial Parliament (MPP), the Provincial Minister of the Environment the Honourable James J. Bradley and the Federal Minister of the Environment the Honourable Peter Kent; be approved.

Attached to this letter is the report to the Huron County Committee of the Whole Day 1 members from the Low Frequency Noise Committee.

The Council of the County of Huron appeal to your ministry to review the findings and recommendations in the report. We look forward to hearing your comments and recommendations as the Province of Ontario moves forward with renewable energy options.

Sincerely,

Barbara L. Wilson, CMO,
County Clerk,
County of Huron.

Enclosure

c.c. The Hon. Peter Kent, Federal Minister of the Environment
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
Rural Ontario Municipalities Association (ROMA)
Members of Provincial Parliament
Municipalities of Ontario

cc: Bylaw

CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF HURON

Planning and Development Department

To: Chair and Members of the Committee of the Whole, Day 1
From: Low Frequency Noise (LFN) Committee
Date: October 17, 2011
Subject: **LFN Committee
Findings and Recommendations**

Recommendation

The LFN Committee recommends that its findings and recommendations be approved and circulated to all Ontario Municipalities, AMO and ROMA for endorsement, and circulated to MPPs including the Minister of the Environment, and to the Ministry of the Environment.

Background

The following motion was approved by County Council on February 2, 2011: *"that County Council direct the Planning Department to establish a Committee of Lower Tier and County representatives and County staff to investigate the effect and action that may be taken by governments concerning low frequency noise."*

The LFN Committee is chaired by Councillor Barnim, and consists of the Warden, 2 County Councillors, representatives from 7 of the 9 local municipalities (4 councillors and 3 chief building officials) and Health Unit and Planning staff.

The committee met on April 5, May 3 and October 3, 2011. All meeting notices, meeting summaries, and shared information were sent to an email list including all committee members, municipal clerks, and interested stakeholders (property owners, wind energy companies, etc.).

Comments

The LFN Committee reviewed and discussed dozens of reports and studies (hundreds of pages) pertaining to Low Frequency Noise and related issues. The findings and recommendations of the LFN Committee are as follows.

General

- low frequency noise (LFN) can be described as sound in the audible frequency range below 100 Hz, and includes sound in the sub-audible range (infrasound) <20 Hz
- noise is defined as unwanted sound
- infrasound (<20 Hz) can be audible at very high decibels (sound pressure)
- the vibrations of some low frequencies may not always be at a level high enough to be perceived by the human ear as sound, but the vibrations may still be perceived through the ear (as pressure, fullness, imbalance, etc.) or through other organs of the body

- LFN travels further in the environment because it is attenuated less by buildings and other obstructions than higher frequency noise
- common sources of LFN are ventilation and air-moving equipment, road traffic, trains, manufacturing processes, farm equipment, and wind turbines
- a small percentage of the population has a higher sensitivity to sound and may find it bothersome or annoying (the percentage is debated, but seems to be in the range of 2.5 - 10%)
- there is no scientific consensus on whether LFN can affect human health, although there is recognition that severe annoyance can lead to stress-related illness
- LFN is not adequately regulated in Ontario by the MOE noise regulations (e.g., decibel limits at sensitive receptors; lower frequencies are heavily discounted by the weighting scale used)
- where a land use that is known to generate LFN is proposed at a scale or location that may create community concern, municipalities should request the proponent to provide studies by qualified professionals on the pre-development background LFN in the area, the modelled additional LFN from the project, and the anticipated effects of the LFN

LFN Studies

- the Ministry of the Environment (MOE) should release its promised LFN study immediately, to be followed by a discussion of the need for / content of a LFN regulation; the public has been waiting for this study since December 2010
- the LFN Committee should provide comments to County Council on the MOE study when released
- the Research Chair appointed by the Ontario Government under the Green Energy Act should commission epidemiological studies on LFN and human health (one such study has commenced by an inter-disciplinary team of researchers at the University of Waterloo)

REA Comments

- when commenting on Renewable Energy Approval (REA) applications, where a land use that is known to generate LFN is proposed at a scale or location that may create community concern, municipalities should request the proponent (through MOE) to provide studies by qualified professionals on the pre-development background LFN in the area, the modelled additional LFN from the project, and the anticipated effects of the LFN

Lobby Efforts

- the AMO conference organizing committee should plan a session on LFN (at ROMA, AMO, SW Municipal Conference, etc.)
- the County should arrange a delegation to present LFN concerns to the relevant Ministers at an appropriate opportunity (e.g., ROMA, AMO, etc.)
- a motion supporting the above actions should be passed and circulated to all Ontario municipalities, AMO and ROMA for endorsement, and circulated to MPPs including the Minister of the Environment and to the Ministry of the Environment

Others Consulted – LFN committee; Report compiled by S. Tousaw and S. Weber, P&D Dept.

Budget Implications – Total disbursements for the LFN committee to date are \$419.15 (meeting room rentals, refreshments, staff mileage). Apart from meeting expenses, the LFN Committee has not required the budget allocation approved by Council on April 6, 2011 (up to \$50,000 from the 2011 Provision for Unforeseen). Hired expertise may be required when reviewing the MOE's LFN study and regulations.