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September 10, 2013

The Blue Mountains
Attention Corrina Giles, Clerk
32 Mill Street
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Dear Corrina:

Please find enclosed a draft by-law regarding the regulating of smoking in public places, known as the Smoke Free Outdoor Spaces By-law. A resolution was passed at the July 2, 2013 session of Grey County Council directing staff to prepare a draft by-law for circulation to the lower tier municipalities in Grey County to determine if a triple majority is achieved as required by Section 115 (1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended.

The following are inclusions in the draft by-law:

- No smoking within nine metres of a municipally owned or operated building
- No smoking within nine metres of a municipally owned or operated recreational property
- A set fine schedule for offences under this by-law

In order for this draft by-law to be approved, it must be approved, by resolution, by a majority of the lower tier councils within Grey County who represent a majority of the ratepayers of Grey County.

If the two majorities noted above are achieved, the by-law will be presented to Grey County Council for its consideration. If approved by Grey County Council, triple majority will be achieved and the by-law put in place.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Yours truly,

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Corporation of the County of Grey

By-Law XXXX-13

A By-law to Regulate Smoking in Public Places in the County of Grey

WHEREAS Section 115(1) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, authorizes the Council of a municipality to pass a by-law regulating smoking in public places and workplaces within the municipality and designating such places or parts thereof as places in which smoking tobacco or holding lighted tobacco is prohibited;

AND WHEREAS It has been determined that environmental tobacco smoke (exhaled smoke and the smoke from idling cigarettes, cigars or pipes), also known as second-hand smoke, is a public nuisance because of its irritating and discomforting properties and is a serious health hazard because of its adverse effects and risk to the health of all of the inhabitants and workers in the County of Grey;

AND WHEREAS smoke-free by-laws are known to contribute to the prevention of youth smoking and cause cessation among smokers;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF GREY HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. Definitions

- a. **“County”** means the Corporation of the County of Grey;
- b. **“Municipality”** means any Lower Tier Municipality within the Corporation of the County of Grey;
- c. **“Municipal building”** means any building that is owned or operated by The Corporation of the County of Grey and any building that is owned or operated by any Lower Tier Municipality within the County of Grey;
- d. **“Officer”** means a Municipal Law Enforcement Officer appointed by any Lower Tier Municipality within the County of Grey, any Tobacco Enforcement Officer and any Public Health Inspector employed by the Grey Bruce Health Unit;
- e. **“Person”** includes an individual, firm, business, corporation or partnership;

- f. **“Public place”** means any building, structure owned or operated by the Corporation of the County of Grey or owned and operated by any Lower Tier Municipality within the County of Grey, or part thereof, whether covered by a roof or not, where the public has access as of right or by invitation, expressed or implied, whether or not a fee is charged for entry, but does not include a highway within the meaning of the *Municipal Act 2001, S.O. 2001 C. 25*;
- g. **“Recreational property”** means a place owned or operated by The Corporation of the County of Grey or owned or operated by any Lower Tier Municipality within the County of Grey for recreational purposes including, but not limited, to a park, pool, recreation centre, playground, splash pad, skate-board park, arena, stadium, sports fields and playing fields including spectator areas but does not include a highway within the meaning of the *Municipal Act 2001, S.O. 2001 C. 25*. Golf courses, municipally owned beaches and municipally owned campgrounds or trails are not considered a recreational property as defined in this by-law.
- h. **“Smoke” or “smoking”** includes the carrying of a lighted cigar, cigarette, pipe or any other lighted smoking equipment, but does not include smoke or smoking where smoke or smoking is used in a stage production or a theatrical performance;

2. Outdoor Smoking Restrictions

- a) No person shall Smoke in any Public place within Grey County whether or not a No Smoking sign is posted.
- b) No person shall Smoke in a Recreational property or within a nine (9) metre (29.53 feet) radius of any Recreational property:
 - i. The distance shall be measured from the designated entrance to the structure, playing field or park;
 - ii. Where a facility does not have a designated entrance, 9 metres will be from the fence, edge or border of the Recreational property.
- c) No person shall Smoke in a Public place or within a nine metre (29.53 feet) radius of any entrance or exit of any Public place.
- d) The prohibited distances described in sections 3. a), b) and c) shall not extend to any private property unless the consent of the owner has been previously granted and does not include a highway within the meaning of the *Municipal Act 2001, S.O. 2001 C. 25*.

3. Signage Requirements

- a) A Municipality shall place tobacco or smoke free signs at the entrances to Recreational properties, citing the relevant distance under Section 2. b) of this by-law.
- b) Signs shall be placed conspicuously at the entrance or exit to each Public place or in appropriate location in the parking lot advising of the no smoking by-law.
- c) Where a No Smoking sign is required to be placed or posted under this by-law, the sign shall have the proportions, characteristics and minimum measurements as set out under the *Smoke Free Ontario Act*.

4. Offence and Obstruction

- a) No person shall hinder or obstruct an officer lawfully carrying out enforcement of this by-law.
- b) Any person who contravenes any of the provisions of this by-law is guilty of an offence and upon conviction is liable to a fine in accordance with the *Provincial Offences Act R.S.O. 1990 C. P 33, as amended* and prescribed in Schedule "A".

5. Exemption

- a) Notwithstanding Section 2 of this by-law, tenants who currently reside in social housing units owned or operated by the Grey County Housing Authority, of which the County of Grey is a major stakeholder, will be exempted from the requirements contained within this by-law until such time as they move out of or transfer from their current unit.

6. Conflicts

- a) If a provision of this by-law conflicts with an Act or Regulation or another by-law, the provision that is most restrictive of smoking shall prevail.

7. Severability

- a) if any section or sections of this by-law or parts thereof, are found in any court of law to be illegal or beyond the power of the County to enact, such section or sections or parts thereof shall be deemed to be severable and all other sections or parts of the by-law shall be deemed to be separate and independent thereof and to be enacted as such.

8. Short Title

- a) This by-law shall be cited as the "Smoke Free Outdoor Spaces" by-law.

9. Schedules

- a) Schedule "A"-Fine structure and short form wording

10. Effective Date

- a) This by-law shall come into effect upon third and final reading thereof and shall come into force:
- i. Upon a majority of the councils of all its Lower Tier Municipalities within the County having passed resolutions giving their consent to the by-law; and
 - ii. That the total number of electors in the Lower Tier Municipalities that pass resolutions under clause 10 a) form a majority of all the electors in the County.

ENACTED AND PASSED this xx day of xx, 2013

WARDEN: Duncan McKinlay

CLERK: Sharon Vokes

Schedule "A"

Fine Structure

ITEM	COLUMN 1	Provision Creating of Defining Offence	SET FINE
1.	Smoke or hold lighted tobacco within a nine metre radius of Recreational Property	2. b)	\$250.00
2.	Smoke or hold lighted tobacco within a nine metre radius of any entrance or exit of a Public Place	2. c)	\$250.00



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18 September 2013

The Honourable K. Wynne, Premier of Ontario
Kathleen Wynne, Premier
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
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Dear Premier Wynne:

RE: Provincial Ban of Flying Lanterns

This is to advise of the following self-explanatory resolution adopted by the Council of the City of Kenora at its meeting held September 17, 2013 with respect to the above-noted:

"That Council of the City of Kenora hereby petitions the Provincial Government to have flying lantern devices banned from use and sale in the Province of Ontario; and

That Council of the City of Kenora circulates a copy of this resolution to all Ontario Municipalities for endorsement and support; and further

That the City of Kenora Fire and Emergency Services initiate enforcement action when the identity of the owner of the device can be determined, through appropriate sections of the Ontario Fire Code."

On behalf of City Council, we trust favourable consideration will be given to this matter, and look forward to your early and favourable response.

Yours truly,


Joanne L. McMillin
CITY CLERK

- c.c. Hon. D. Oraziotti, Minister of Natural Resources
- Hon. M. Meilleur, Community Safety & Correctional Services
- S. Campbell, MPP, Kenora- Rainy River
- Chief W. Brinkman, Manager of Fire & Emergency Services
- Ontario Municipalities



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September 25, 2013

Mayor Ellen Anderson
Town of The Blue Mountains
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Dear Mayor Anderson,

I am pleased to provide you with our 2012-2013 Annual Report. It highlights our accomplishments over the previous year as we continue to promote and sustain the Greenbelt as a beneficial, valuable, and permanent feature that enhances the quality of life for all Ontarians.

With the development and release of our Strategic Plan in 2012, we built a roadmap that is driving us toward the mandatory 10-year review of the Greenbelt Act, which will occur in 2015. Our vision for the future is a vibrant and healthy Greenbelt with a protected and restored natural environment, a robust agricultural sector, a strong and successful working countryside, and patterns of urban settlement that support the integrity of the Greenbelt.

We know that Ontario's Greenbelt is the solution for fresh air, clean water, healthy local food, and a thriving economy with good jobs. We work hard to help keep farmers successful, strengthen local economies, and protect and grow natural features.

Possibility does indeed grow here.

Regards,

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Burkhard Mausberg
CEO
Friends of the Greenbelt Foundation
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Sept 23 2013

Amendment Sept 24 2013

Ellen Anderson
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Re: Closure on Saturdays only at the Clarksburg Post Office

Dear Mayor Anderson,

Canada Post has conducted a review of customer traffic patterns at the Clarksburg Post Office at 186 Marsh St Clarksburg Ontario and determined that we have a very small number of local customers on Saturdays.

As a result of this review, we will no longer offer Saturday retail service as of October 26 2013. We will continue to offer full access to postal services on weekdays.

Our weekday hours at this post office will be: as of October 28 2013:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday:

0830 - 1745

Thursday:

0830 - 1830


Postal box customers will have full access to their mail during the above hours.

Customers will continue to enjoy access to a full range of postal services and products at this post office. There will be no change to the range of services we offer. As well, customers can purchase stamps, pay for and print shipping labels and access other postal services online at canadapost.ca.

While I recognize this is a change for your community, I want to reassure you that we remain committed to providing postal services in urban and rural communities across the country. Our operations are funded by the sale of our products and services, not taxpayer dollars. Changes are necessary as part of our response to the decline of Lettermail volumes and being able to offer affordable services to all Canadians.

Thank you for your understanding. Please do not hesitate to contact me at the above address or at 519 376 0309 x 2002, if you require further information or assistance

Yours truly,


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Her Worship Ellen Anderson
Mayor
Town of Blue Mountains
32 Mill Street, PO Box 310
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Dear Mayor Anderson:

I was pleased to meet with a delegation from the Town of Blue Mountains at the Association of Municipalities of Ontario conference. I appreciated the opportunity to discuss consultation and accommodation matters, as well as local archaeological and historic sites.

The Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs continues to work hard to support strong and lasting relationships between municipalities and First Nation neighbours. The ministry is developing a "best practices" guide, which will provide municipalities with practical advice to help support strong relationships and build effective partnerships with Aboriginal communities. The guide will also clarify engagement and consultation processes with Aboriginal people in Ontario. I have asked ministry staff to contact you to discuss the guide document the ministry is currently working on.

In addition, I intend to speak with my Cabinet colleagues about the significant Aboriginal historic sites in your area, and the possibility of securing funds to support local initiatives to highlight this impressive regional history.

Again, I was pleased to meet with the delegation from the Town of Blue Mountains.

Sincerely,

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David Zimmer
Minister

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September, 2013

Mayor Ellen Anderson
Town of The Blue Mountains
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Dear Mayor Anderson and Council:

I want to share with you the details of my latest Private Member's Bill, the *Aggregate Recycling Promotion Act*. I believe it will be an effective measure to encourage and increase aggregate recycling in Ontario. Bill 56, if adopted, would ensure that recycled aggregates can be included in construction projects paid for with public money. The *Aggregate Recycling Promotion Act* is about helping to address the need for aggregates, while at the same time preserving the finite supply of land from which aggregates are extracted.

Currently, across Ontario there are several public sector agencies like the Ministry of Transportation and some municipalities that are doing a great job incorporating recycled aggregates into their construction work, but we can do more. There are still too many cases where construction work paid for with public money is forced, through the procurement process, to use only 100% primary or *virgin* aggregates.

Research has proven that recycled aggregates are as safe and reliable as primary aggregates. I believe the *Aggregate Recycling Promotion Act* balances the need for aggregate extraction by encouraging the use of recycled aggregates.

I plan to debate Bill 56 in September and I would appreciate receiving any feedback you may have on the *Aggregate Recycling Promotion Act*. Enclosed please find an overview of the bill for your convenience. If you are interested in reviewing the actual bill, please visit www.sylviajonesmpp.ca or call 416-325-1898.

Sincerely,

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Sylvia Jones, MPP
Dufferin-Caledon

Encl.



Bill 56 – Aggregate Recycling

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Support Sylvia Jones' Private Members Bill Bill 56, The Aggregate Recycling Promotion Act

Currently across Ontario, there are dozens of public sector bodies like the Ministry of Transportation and select municipalities that are doing a great job incorporating recycled aggregate into their construction work, but we can do more.

"The Aggregate Recycling Promotion Act is about helping to address the need for aggregates, while at the same time preserving the finite supply of land from which we extract."

– Sylvia Jones MPP, speaking during the introduction of Bill 56 on Earth Day, 2013

The appropriate testing procedures and standards already exist to ensure that recycled aggregate is as safe and reliable as primary aggregate. MTO has been using them for years, and other publicly-funded institutions should be too. Unfortunately, there are still too many examples where construction work paid for with public money is awarded through a procurement process that forces contractors to use only primary (or "virgin") aggregate.

Recycled aggregate has proven to be as safe and reliable as primary aggregate. No one

should be prevented from competing for a contract solely because they propose to use recycled aggregate.

If an Ontario business wants to submit a bid to build or resurface a road, then they should be able to include recycled aggregate in their proposal. That is not something we should be stopping; that is something we should be promoting.

"I say to my fellow members: Let's get it done, let's show some leadership, let's promote aggregate recycling in Ontario."

– Sylvia Jones MPP, speaking during the introduction of Bill 56 on Earth Day, 2013

With over 3 million tonnes of recycled aggregate sitting in stock-piles across Ontario and more accumulating daily, now is the time to start promoting aggregate recycling. I chose Earth Day to introduce my PMB because at its heart, the Aggregate Recycling Promotion Act is about helping to address the need for aggregate, while at the same time preserving the finite supply of land from which we extract.

Sylvia Jones, MPP - Dufferin-Caledon www.sylviajonesmpp.ca

How YOU Can Help

- If you believe that aggregate recycling is important and something that should be promoted, I encourage you to support the *Aggregate Recycling Promotion Act*, 2013. Please write to your local MPP and ask them to support Bill 56. You can find contact information for your MPP by visiting the Ontario Legislative Assembly website at www.ontla.on.ca. Please be sure to copy MPP Sylvia Jones in your correspondence at sylvia.jonesqp@pc.ola.org.
- To get a copy of Bill 56, go online to www.sylviajonesmpp.ca or call 416-325-1898.
- Share this information with friends, family, and anyone interested in promoting aggregate recycling in Ontario.
- If you have feedback on this bill, please send it to sylvia.jonesqp@pc.ola.org.

Testimonial to Bill 56

"I am very pleased to see that Sylvia has again taken the lead with her Private Member's Bill, the Aggregate Recycling Promotion Act. This Bill will help preserve resources and reduce the need for prime agriculture land to be turned into a quarry. The desire to use recycled aggregate was expressed clearly in the review of the Aggregate Resources Act."

- Bill Hill, Mayor, Melancthon Township

"We commend Sylvia Jones for introducing the Aggregate Recycling Promotion Act. This bill recognizes the economic and environmental benefits of better managing this undervalued resource. It is our sincere hope that all parties will support and expedite approval of Bill 56 as soon as possible, and get it passed into law."

- Ed Persico, Chair, Aggregate Recycling Ontario

If you would like more information or have questions about Bill 56, please contact the office of Sylvia Jones, MPP for Dufferin-Caledon at:

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Dear Honorable Mayor and Members of Council:

I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of all of the executive directors of the Alzheimer Societies of Ontario to thank the numerous municipal councils that have passed a resolution in support of a National Dementia Strategy. This collaborative work with the Alzheimer Society of Ontario, Alzheimer Society of Canada, and members of parliament will reinforce our engagement in the urgency of this matter.

We wish to inform you that the results will be compiled and put forth to members of parliament, Honorable Claude Gravelle MP, and Honorable Donna Cansfield MPP, bringing forth Bill 356 and Bill 52 in legislature to Ms. G. Carrey, CEO Alzheimer Ontario, and M. Lowes-Young, CEO of Alzheimer Canada.

In working towards adopting a National Dementia Strategy, we are committed to raising awareness about dementia and supporting the people who are affected by this devastating disease. We value the municipalities that have demonstrated support by taking a stance in this important initiative.

Should you have any questions or comments please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,



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August 27, 2013

Ms. Corrina Giles
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Dear Ms. Giles:

Re: Industrial Wind Turbines

Please be advised that at its meeting of August 27, 2013, Simcoe County Council received for information your Council's resolution regarding industrial wind turbines.

Thank you for providing your concerns regarding this matter.

Yours truly,

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Brenda Clark
County Clerk

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Ms. Corrina Giles, CMO
Town Clerk
Town of the Blue Mountains
Email: cgiles@thebluemountains.ca

Dear Ms. Giles:

Thank you for your email of July 11, 2013 notifying me of Council's Motion of June 17, 2013 about wind energy projects.

Let me assure you that our government is committed to ensuring that the development of renewable energy projects is done in a way that is protective of human health and the environment. Going forward, we will work with partners and communities across the province to develop renewable sources of energy in a way that continues to protect local communities and ensures stronger community involvement in clean energy infrastructure development.

Local input is an important part of the Renewable Energy Approval (REA) process. Projects subject to the REA Regulation (O. Reg. 359/09) must conduct consultation with the public, municipalities and Aboriginal communities to provide opportunities for participation in the process and ensure transparent decision-making. At minimum, a proponent must provide written notice of a proposed renewable energy project, hold at least two public meetings, and make all required reports available to the public, municipalities, and Aboriginal communities in advance of the meetings. In their application, a proponent is required to document concerns that have been raised by local groups, individuals, municipalities, Aboriginal communities and other public bodies/agencies, and must describe how these concerns have been addressed.

The ministry strongly encourages meaningful participation in the consultation process. The input received through consultation is a vital part of the decision-making process as it plays a critical role in informing ministry decisions and may lead to placing conditions on an approval.

The health of the people of Ontario is important to us. Our policies were developed using the best available science. Accordingly, Ontario has continued to review emerging scientific, acoustics and engineering studies, and policy developments around the world regarding potential environmental and health-related impacts from wind turbines. We will review any new information that comes to light.

Ms. Corinna Giles, CMO

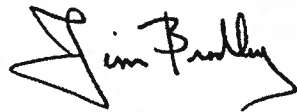
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The Niagara Escarpment Plan (NEP) area has restrictions that apply to renewable energy project applications. A development permit issued by the Niagara Escarpment Commission (NEC) is required for a project to be eligible for an REA in the area. Applicants are required to submit a copy of the permit obtained from the NEC to the Ministry of the Environment (MOE) as part of their complete REA application.

Building clean energy in a way that respects communities is our top priority. Ontario is making important changes to increase local control over renewable energy projects including a competitive procurement process, tailored to meet the needs of communities, which will replace the Large Feed-In Tariff (FIT) program. This new approach will engage municipalities from the beginning to identify appropriate locations and siting requirements for future large renewable energy projects. The province will also provide funding to small and medium-sized municipalities to develop Municipal Energy Plans. These Plans will integrate energy, infrastructure, growth and land use planning to support economic development, increase conservation and identify renewable energy opportunities. In addition, we will work with municipalities to increase the property tax they receive from wind projects.

Again, thank you for bringing Council's motion to my attention and please accept my best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

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Jim Bradley
Minister