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**To:** Chair and Members of  
Regional Council

**Date:** October 10, 2025

**From:** Simran Bassi  
Legislative Assistant

**Subject:** Correspondence from Municipalities  
and Local Boards Outside of the  
Region of Peel

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Regional Council adopted a policy, as outlined in Section 4.7.2 a. of Procedure By-law 27-2022, as amended, regarding correspondence received from municipalities and local boards outside of the Region of Peel requesting endorsement or consideration of resolutions, or from other entities which are deemed by the Regional Clerk to be of interest to Members of Regional Council.

In accordance with this policy, attached for your information are the following items of correspondence:

1. Township of West Lincoln, providing a copy of a letter supporting the consultation on the future of community natural gas expansion.
2. Niagara Region, providing a copy of a letter regarding addressing ongoing challenges related to mental health, homelessness and opioid addiction.
3. Canadian Union of Postal Workers, providing a copy of a letter regarding postal service cuts.
4. Town of Aurora, providing a copy of a letter endorsing the Elect Respect pledge.
5. Town of Englehart, providing a copy of a resolution encouraging the Office of the Fire Marshal and the Ministry of the Solicitor General, to provide support and an extension of the Mandatory Firefighter Certification Requirements.
6. Region of Waterloo, providing a copy of a letter requesting that the province amend Ontario Regulation 391/21, Blue Box.

If you would like to place any items on a Council or Committee agenda, please contact the Office of the Regional Clerk at (905) 791-7800 extension 4526, or by email at [regional.clerk@peelregion.ca](mailto:regional.clerk@peelregion.ca).

Please contact me at 905-791-7800 x 6440, or by email at [simran.bassi@peelregion.ca](mailto:simran.bassi@peelregion.ca) at with any questions or comments.

Simran Bassi  
Legislative Assistant  
Legislative Services, Office of the Regional Clerk

September 26, 2025

Ministry of Energy and Mines  
77 Grenville Street  
Toronto, Ontario  
M7A 2C1

Re: Support Consultation on the Future of Community Natural Gas Expansion

This is to confirm that at the September 15, 2025, Corporate Services Committee Meeting the following resolution was adopted with respect to the above noted matter:

Supports the Ministry's consultation on the Future of Community Natural Gas Expansion (NGEP Phase 3) and endorses access to natural gas as an option to other energy solutions to advance the Township of West Lincoln's housing, employment lands, and economic development objectives.

Directs staff to submit comments to ERO 0250923 reflecting Township of West Lincoln's priorities, including: priority application types, alignment with Official Plan/Secondary Plans, sites and corridors where gas access would enable development (housing/employment lands), any Phase 1 and 2 learnings (if applicable) and practical barriers (e.g., timing, permitting, costs, land access).

Forwards this resolution to MPP Sam Oosterhoff, the Minister of Energy and Mines, the Ontario Energy Board, AMO, and neighbouring municipalities.

If any further information is required, please contact the undersigned at 905-957-3346, Ext 5129.

Yours Truly,



Justin J. Paylove  
Manager, Legislative Services/Clerk  
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JJP/jmt

cc. Sam Oosterhoff, MPP  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
Niagara Region Municipalities  
Ontario Board of Energy

September 30, 2025

**CL 14-2025, September 25, 2025**

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***SENT ELECTRONICALLY***

**Motion Respecting State of Emergency on Mental Health, Homelessness and Addictions**

Regional Council, at its meeting held on September 25, 2025, passed the following motion:

WHEREAS Niagara Region issued three separate declarations of emergency in the areas of homelessness, mental health and opioid addiction on February 23, 2023, recognizing that the scope and scale of the crisis surpasses the Region's capacity to respond effectively; and

WHEREAS following the submission of the three declarations of emergency, the Provincial Emergency Operations Centre (PEOC) has engaged with the Region's Community Emergency Management Coordinator (CEMC); and

WHEREAS these issues have continued to intensify and add further strain to the social support system in Niagara over the past two years; and

WHEREAS municipalities across Ontario are continuing to experience similar challenges; and

WHEREAS a coordinated, province-wide approach and associated funding support is required to address the growing emergency of mental health, homelessness and opioid addiction, the scale of which falls well beyond the scope of what a municipality can address.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

1. That Niagara Region **ADVOCATES** that the Province support a coordinated approach between the Ministry of Health, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, and the Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services to address ongoing challenges related to mental health, homelessness and opioid addiction;
2. That Niagara Region **FORMALLY ADVOCATES** for Provincial funding to address identified gaps in programs and services contributing to the state of emergency including affordable housing, supportive housing, addictions treatment, and mental health supports for vulnerable populations; and

3. That this motion **BE SENT** to the Provincial and Federal Governments, FCM, AMO and all municipalities in Ontario.

Yours truly,



Ann-Marie Norio  
Regional Clerk

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CLK-C 2025-109

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All Ontario Municipalities

**From:** Marty Le Gallez <[mlegallez@cupw-sttp.org](mailto:mlegallez@cupw-sttp.org)>  
**Sent:** October 2, 2025 2:37 PM  
**To:** Iannicca, Nando <[nando.iannicca@peelregion.ca](mailto:nando.iannicca@peelregion.ca)>  
**Subject:** Letter from Jan Simpson, CUPW National President

**BY EMAIL**

October 2, 2025

Regional Chair Nando Iannicca  
Regional Municipality of Peel  
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[nando.iannicca@peelregion.ca](mailto:nando.iannicca@peelregion.ca)

Dear Regional Chair Iannicca,

**Re: Federal Government Attacks Public Postal Service – Stop the Cuts!**

I had written you a few days ago to let you know about the pending mandate review of Canada Post and the *Canadian Postal Service Charter*. It seems that the Government could not wait for public input and instead chose to announce drastic service cuts. These cuts are based on the Industrial Inquiry Commission (IIC) recommendations made by William Kaplan – a process that had very little public awareness or consultation. The cuts include:

- Ending door-to-door delivery for four million households, eliminating thousands of jobs.
- Scrapping the moratorium on post office closures which could lead to degraded service or the complete removal of community post offices from some municipalities.
- Degrading service standards for mail, especially when some people still rely on it for daily needs.

These cuts will have a particularly hard impact on seniors, people with disabilities, and rural, remote and Indigenous communities. Minister Lightbound made no announcements about how Canada Post could increase services and diversify its revenue streams.

Postal workers went on a nation-wide strike to protect this vital public service and because we are still without new collective agreements after two years of negotiations. We know it's not easy for many to live without the high-quality postal service that we are proud to deliver, but we ask for your support in defending our public post office.

I am asking your municipality to pass or update your resolution to:

- 1) Demand an immediate halt to the service cuts, to look instead for ways to increase services and revenues in other areas, and that no mandate review takes place until Canada Post returns to stabilized operations,
- 2) Ask the Government to commit to a fully transparent, public process for the upcoming mandate review involving input and hearings from all stakeholders in all regions, and;
- 3) Make a written and/or oral submission to the mandate review – if you have the capacity and depending upon how the review is structured.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jan Simpson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jan Simpson  
National President  
Canadian Union of Postal Workers

Encl.

c.c.: CUPW National Executive Board and Regional Executive Committees, CUPW Locals, CUPW Specialists



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September 25, 2025

Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
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Toronto, ON M5H 3B7

**Delivered by email**  
[resolutions@amo.on.ca](mailto:resolutions@amo.on.ca)

**Re: Town of Aurora Council Resolution of September 23, 2025  
Member Motion 8.9.1 - Councillor Gilliland; Re: Elect Respect Campaign Support**

Please be advised that this matter was considered by Council at its meeting held on September 23, 2025, and in this regard, Council adopted the following resolution:

**Whereas a healthy democracy thrives when all individuals can participate safely, equitably, and meaningfully in public life; and**

**Whereas Aurora, like many municipalities across Ontario, is witnessing an erosion of civil discourse and growing hostility in the political arena, both in person and online; and**

**Whereas elected officials at all levels, particularly women and those from equity-deserving communities, are experiencing increased threats, harassment, and toxic engagement that deter civic participation; and**

**Whereas social media platforms, while powerful tools for engagement, have contributed to a climate of disrespect and polarization that discourages individuals from seeking or maintaining public office; and**

**Whereas inclusive and respectful governance results in better decision-making and stronger representation, especially when voices of diverse genders, identities, races, ethnicities, sexual orientations, ages, and abilities are present at municipal council tables; and**

**Whereas the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), through its Healthy Democracy Project, has identified troubling trends of voter apathy and a declining interest in running for municipal office; and**

**Whereas in 2024, a group of female elected officials from Halton formed H.E.R. (Halton Elected Representatives), launching the Elect Respect campaign to advocate for respectful political engagement and safe, inclusive workplaces; and**

**Whereas on June 5, 2025, the Canadian Association of Feminist Parliamentarians launched a national Parliamentary Civility Pledge, inspired by the work of H.E.R., to promote respectful conduct among elected officials;**

**1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That the Town of Aurora Council endorses the Elect Respect pledge and commits to:**

- **Treating all individuals with respect in every setting; public, private, and digital;**
- **Speaking out against harassment, intimidation, and personal attacks;**
- **Keeping debate focused on ideas and public policy, not individuals;**
- **Fostering an environment where people of all backgrounds feel safe and supported in seeking and holding public office;**
- **Urging relevant authorities to ensure the safety and protection of elected officials facing threats or abuse;**
- **Demonstrating leadership through integrity, accountability, and mutual respect among colleagues and constituents; and**

**2. Be It Further Resolved That the Town of Aurora encourages other municipalities, elected officials, organizations, and residents to support the Elect Respect initiative and sign the pledge at [www.electrespect.ca](http://www.electrespect.ca); and**

**3. Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), Ontario's Big City Mayors, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs), York Region, York Regional Police, and all Ontario municipalities.**

The above is for your consideration and any attention deemed necessary.

Sincerely,



Michael de Rond

Town Clerk

The Corporation of the Town of Aurora

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Attachment (Council meeting extract)

Town of Aurora Council Resolution of September 23, 2025  
Elect Respect Campaign Support  
September 25, 2025

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Copy: Ontario's Big City Mayors (OBCM)  
Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)  
Sandra Cobena, MP Newmarket–Aurora  
Costas Menegakis, MP Aurora–Oak Ridges–Richmond Hill  
Dawn Gallagher Murphy, MPP Newmarket–Aurora  
Hon. Michael Parsa, MPP Aurora–Oak Ridges–Richmond Hill  
The Regional Municipality of York  
York Regional Police  
All Ontario Municipalities



## 8. Committee of the Whole Meeting Report of September 9, 2025

**Moved by** Councillor Thompson

**Seconded by** Councillor Weese

That the Committee of the Whole Meeting Report of September 23, 2025, and the Audit Committee Meeting Report of June 24, 2025 (Item 9), be received and the recommendations carried by the Committees approved, with the exception of sub-items 8.2.2, 8.5.2, and 8.7.1, which were discussed and voted on separately as recorded below.

Yeas (6): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

Absent (1): Councillor Gaertner

**Carried (6 to 0)**

### 8.9 Member Motions

#### 8.9.1 Councillor Gilliland; Re: Elect Respect Campaign Support

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voices of diverse genders, identities, races, ethnicities, sexual orientations, ages, and abilities are present at municipal council tables; and

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  - Keeping debate focused on ideas and public policy, not individuals;
  - Fostering an environment where people of all backgrounds feel safe and supported in seeking and holding public office;
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  - Demonstrating leadership through integrity, accountability, and mutual respect among colleagues and constituents; and
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3. Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), Ontario's Big City Mayors, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM),

local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs), York Region, York Regional Police, and all Ontario municipalities.

**Carried**

# TOWN OF ENGLEHART

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September 24, 2025

## RESOLUTION

**Resolution # 2025-229**

**Agenda Item # 6.2** Regular Council Meeting

**Moved By :** Pam Bannink

**Seconded By :** Jo-Anne Farmer

**Whereas** the Ontario government enacted O. Reg 343/22, establishing mandatory certification requirements for firefighters under the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997;

**And Whereas** although it is important to standardize firefighting training and safety, these mandatory certification requirements pose significant challenges for small, rural and northern municipalities due to limited financial and training resources, geographic barriers and reliance on volunteer fire departments;

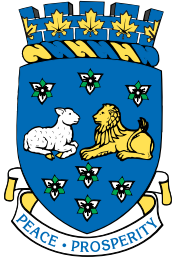
**And Whereas** the implementation of these requirements without additional flexibility or support may negatively impact the recruitment and retention of volunteer firefighters to provide adequate fire protection;

**Now Therefore Be It Resolved that** the Council of the Town of Englehart strongly encourages the Office of the Fire Marshal and the Ministry of the Solicitor General, to provide for support and an extension of the Mandatory Firefighter Certification Requirements as currently outlined in O. Reg. 343/22;

**And Further That** a copy of this resolution be sent to the Solicitor General, Premier of Ontario, John Vanthof, MPP Timiskaming-Cochrane, The Fire Marshal, AMO, FONOM, and all Ontario Municipalities.

**Carried**

This is a certified and true copy of the original document Amy Vickery, CAO/Clerk.



October 8, 2025

Honourable Doug Ford,  
*Premier of Ontario*  
Legislative Building  
Queen's Park  
Toronto ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier:

**Re: Amending Ontario Regulation 391/21**

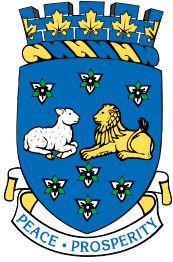
Please be advised that the Council of the Regional Municipality of Waterloo at their Sustainability, Infrastructure, and Development meeting held on October 7, 2025 approved the following motion:

**Whereas under Ontario Regulation 391/2, Blue Box producers are fully accountable and financially responsible for their products and packaging once they reach their end of life and are disposed of for 'eligible' sources only; and**

**Whereas 'ineligible' sources, which producers are not responsible for, include business improvement areas, places of worship, daycares, camp grounds, public facing and internal areas of municipal-owned buildings, and not-for-profit organizations, such as shelters and food banks; and**

**Whereas the province amended Ontario Regulation 391/2 to not expand services for new public space recycling; and**

**Whereas should a municipality continue to provide services to the 'ineligible' sources, the municipality will be required to oversee the collection, transportation, and processing of the recycling, assuming 100% of the costs;**



## REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF WATERLOO

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**Therefore, be it resolved that Region of Waterloo Council request that the province amend Ontario Regulation 391/21, Blue Box so that producers are responsible for the end-of-life management of recycling products from all sources as stated above; and**

**Further that Council request the support of all Ontario Municipalities; and**

**That Minister McCarthy be asked to provide more information on the estimated \$171M in savings for municipalities through this program.**

Please accept this letter for information purposes only. If you have any questions please contact Dorothy McCabe, Councillor [DMcCabe@regionofwaterloo.ca](mailto:DMcCabe@regionofwaterloo.ca)

Regards,

Chris Fraresso, Legislative Services Specialist

cc: Todd McCarthy, Minister of the Environment, Conservation, and Parks  
Mike Harris, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry  
Rob Flack, Minister of Affairs and Housing  
Robin Jones, AMO President  
Waterloo Region municipalities  
All Ontario Municipalities  
First Nation Councils