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Call for Nominations to the 2022-2023 Good Roads Board of Directors

To: Head and Members of Council
Chief and Council

From: Scott Butler, Executive Director

Date: October 14, 2021

Pursuant to Good Roads Policy B-008, the Nominating Committee of the 2021-2022 Good Roads Board of Directors will present a slate of 11 directors to attendees at the Annual Good Roads Conference taking place February 27 – March 02, 2022, at the Fairmont Royal York in Toronto, Ontario.

The Good Roads Board of Directors understands the strength that diversity provides and is committed to achieving equity and inclusion on its leadership team. Women and individuals from equity seeking groups are encouraged to apply.

The following directors will automatically serve on the 2022-2023 Board of Directors:

- **President:** Paul Schoppmann – Mayor, Municipality of St.-Charles;
- **First Vice-President:** John Parsons – Division Manager, Roads Operations, City of London;
- **Second Vice-President:** Bryan Lewis – Councillor, Town of Halton Hills; and
- **Immediate Past President:** Dave Burton – Mayor, Municipality of Highlands East.

The Nominating Committee will put forward a slate comprised from Good Roads' municipal and First Nations membership. The slate will satisfy the geographic requirements prescribed in Section 12 of the Constitution as well as the criteria in Policy B-008.

The Constitution can be viewed in its entirety on the Good Roads website.

The following vacancies need to be filled:

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City of Toronto**1 Vacancy**

The City of Toronto Zone consists of the City of Toronto.

Northern Zone**2 Vacancies**

The Northern Zone consists of the municipalities within and First Nations adjacent to the Districts of Algoma, Cochrane, Kenora, Manitoulin, Nipissing, Parry Sound, Rainy River, Sudbury, Thunder Bay and Timiskaming; municipalities in and including the District of Muskoka and the City of Greater Sudbury.

South Central Zone**0 Vacancies**

The South Central Zone consists of the municipalities within and First Nations adjacent to the Counties of Dufferin, Grey, Simcoe, and Wellington, and municipalities in and including the Regional Municipalities of Durham, Halton, Niagara, Peel and York, and the City of Hamilton.

Southeast Zone**2 Vacancies**

The Southeast Zone consists of the municipalities within and First Nations adjacent to the Counties of Frontenac, Haliburton, Hastings, Lanark, Leeds and Grenville, Lennox and Addington, Northumberland, Peterborough, Prescott and Russell, Prince Edward, Renfrew, and Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry, and the Cities of Kawartha Lakes and Ottawa.

Southwest Zone**1 Vacancies**

The Southwest Zone consists of the municipalities within and First Nations adjacent to the Counties of Brant, Bruce, Elgin, Essex, Haldimand, Huron, Lambton, Middlesex, Norfolk, Oxford, and Perth, the municipality of Chatham-Kent, and municipalities in and including the Regional Municipality of Waterloo.

Those elected shall serve for a two-year term ending on Wednesday, February 28, 2024.

Any member of Council or a permanent full-time staff from a Good Roads member municipality or First Nation who is interested in being considered as a candidate for a position on the Board of Directors must complete the attached Nomination Consent form found below and submit it along with a résumé to the attention of Rick Harms, Chair of the Nominating Committee no later than 1700 h Eastern Time on November 19, 2021. Nominations can be emailed to info@ogra.org or mailed to Good Roads, 1525 Cornwall Road, Unit 22, Oakville, Ontario L6J 0B2.

The Nominating Committee will meet on November 24, 2021, to recommend a slate of directors to the membership. The Nominating Committee is comprised of the following directors:

Chair:	Rick Harms, Immediate Past President
Vice Chair:	Rick Kester, Past President
Members:	John Parsons, OGRA Second Vice-President
	Paul Ainslie, OGRA Director
	Cheryl Fort, OGRA Director

Questions regarding the nomination process or serving on the Board of Directors can be directed to Scott Butler at scott@ogra.org or 416-564-4319.

Sincerely,



Scott Butler
Executive Director

c: Rick Harms, Chair, Nominating Committee

Nomination/Consent Form for the 2022-2023 Good Roads Board of Directors

Nominee Name:

Title:

Municipality:

Nominated by:

Title:

Municipality:

Seconded by:

Title:

Municipality:

**Nominee
Signature**

Date

This form must be received e-mail (info@ogra.org) to the attention of Rick Harms, Chair of the Nominating Committee, by 1700 h Eastern Time on Friday, November 19, 2021.

Good Roads

MEMBER'S RESOLUTION

Committee of the Whole (1) Report

DATE: Tuesday, September 14, 2021

**TITLE: ENDORSING NATIONAL TEEN DRIVER SAFETY WEEK AND
REQUESTING THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTATION TO
REVIEW MEASURES IMPACTING NEWLY LICENSED DRIVERS**

FROM:

Councillor Sandra Yeung Racco
Regional Councillor Gino Rosati

Whereas, City of Vaughan Council is concerned about the continued occurrence of serious motor vehicle collisions involving newly licensed drivers and drivers under the age of 18; and

Whereas, a shocking and tragic collision involving a 16-year old driver occurred on May 16, 2021 on Athabasca Avenue in the City of Vaughan, resulting in the fatality of two young children; and

Whereas, City of Vaughan Council deferred the Resolution titled "Raising the Legal Age for a Licensed Driver from 16 to 18" on June 1, 2021 to a September Committee of the Whole meeting for further review and research; and

Whereas, the Province of Ontario has legislative authority over driver licensing, highways, automobile insurance, and the enforcement and prosecution of the federal criminal law; and

Whereas, the Ontario Ministry of Transportation administers the *Highway Traffic Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. H.8; and

Whereas, the Ontario Ministry of Transportation published the "Ontario Road Safety Annual Report 2018", being the most recent report issued, containing statistics that

demonstrate that the percentage of young, licensed drivers, aged 17 to 20, that were involved in vehicle collisions is higher than any other age group; and

Whereas, York Region published “2020 Traveller Safety Report” which provided that, based on collision data from the York Regional Police motor vehicle accident reports, drivers below the age of 25 have a higher at-fault collision rate and higher fatality rate in collisions than any other age group; and

Whereas, the Canadian Council of Motor Transport Administrators published “Canada’s Road Safety Strategy 2025” and identifies drivers that are either under the age of 25 or have less than two years of driving experience as a ‘risk group’ based on several contributing factors, some including distracted driving, impaired driving, speeding, passive safety, and road infrastructure; and

Whereas, City of Vaughan Council wishes to see change effected to Ontario’s driving laws under the *Highway Traffic Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. H.8, with respect to newly licensed drivers; and

Whereas, Parachute, a Canadian charity, has launched a national awareness campaign to help educate Canadians on road safety and increase awareness on preventing serious and fatal injuries caused by motor vehicle accidents; and

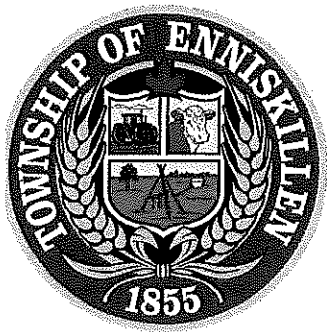
Whereas, National Teen Driver Safety Week, hosted by Parachute and supported by many other Canadian jurisdictions, is a week dedicated to educating the youth about road safety and raising awareness of risks associated with driving to help prevent youth fatalities on the road across Canada.

It is therefore recommended:

1. That City of Vaughan Council request the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario to undertake a review of the *Highway Traffic Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. H.8 with respect to measures impacting newly licensed drivers, such as implementing additional training and penalty provisions, to achieve greater education, and awareness of road safety and increased accountability and responsibility of new and young drivers through the legislative framework; and
2. That City of Vaughan Council unanimously endorse National Teen Driver Safety Week, to be held October 17 to 23, 2021; and
3. That the City Clerk forward a copy of this resolution to the Premier, the Minister of Transportation, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, all municipalities in Ontario, York Regional Police, Ontario Safety League, Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police, and Parachute.

Attachments

1. Ontario Road Safety Annual Report 2018, page 34
2. York Region's 2020 Traveller Safety Report, page 21
3. Canada's Road Safety Strategy 2025 by Canadian Council of Motor Transport Administrators, page 7-8
4. National Teen Driver Safety Week by Parachute



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October 5 2021

Minister of Health
Patti Hajdu
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Re: Cannabis Act

Dear Minister:

At the regular meeting of the Council of the Township of Enniskillen of October 4 2021 the following resolution was endorsed:

As the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Enniskillen through a resolution January, 2021 had enacted an Interim Control Bylaw to undertake a review of land use policies related to Cannabis Production & Processing Facilities.

The Township of Enniskillen is considered rural with several settlement areas and is primarily zoned Agricultural and has endured the placement of a cannabis facility in our township since the inception of the *Cannabis Act* with little or no compliance, enforcement or oversight from Health Canada. Furthermore, dealing with the enforcement of nuisances such as odour, lights and noise and having only one recourse which is an appeal to the *Normal Farm Practices Protection Board*. This process is costly, lengthy and, in the meantime, causes negative impacts on neighbouring homeowners and unsatisfactory living conditions with the end results costing ALL of the ratepayers of this municipality.

And Whereas correspondence from Health Canada has stated that licenses have regulatory requirements for producers and Health Canada has a range of enforcement tools at its disposal to verify compliance including regular inspections of license holders. This has been proven ineffective in our municipality with both *medicinal and recreational licensed cannabis*. Health Canada also encouraged to immediately contact our local law enforcement should we suspect illegal activity in our community. Enniskillen, as well as municipalities all across Ontario have incurred extraordinary expenses due to this "encouragement" as the only alternative.

And Whereas with the establishment of cannabis growing operations, and lights, odours and noise are not being properly regulated, and being left up to municipalities to shoulder these concerns, and Health Canada controls the regulations for cannabis growing operations.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Council of the Township of Enniskillen enacts the following:

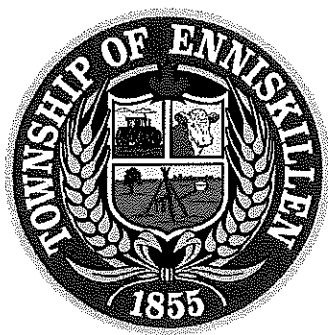
- ***that Health Canada research more fully when AND before an applicant is issued a license for either medicinal or recreational cannabis***
- ***AND notification and/or communication be given to the appropriate municipality***
- ***AND that regular inspections of these facilities should be MANDATORY to verify compliance by license holders***
- ***AND upon complaints received by Health Canada online reporting should trigger an unannounced inspection.***
- ***AND a comprehensive study of the Cannabis Act be undertaken as many Ontario municipalities have encountered problems.***

AND That copies of this resolution be forwarded to **ALL** Ontario municipalities, and the following:

Federal Minister of Health –
Provincial Minister of Health – Hon. Christine Elliott
Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing – Hon. Steve Clark
Sarnia-Lambton-Kent MP – Marilyn Gladu
Sarnia-Lambton-Kent MPP – Bob Bailey
London West MPP - Peter Fragiskatos

Yours truly,


Duncan McTavish
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Hon Lisa Thompson
Minister of Agriculture, Food & Rural Affairs
1 Stone Road West
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Dear Minister,

Re: Cannabis Resolution-Township of Enniskillen

At the regular meeting of the Council of the Township of Enniskillen of October 4 2021 the following resolution was endorsed:

As the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Enniskillen through a resolution January, 2021 had enacted an Interim Control Bylaw to undertake a review of land use policies related to Cannabis Production & Processing Facilities.

And Whereas the Township of Enniskillen is considered rural with several settlement areas and is primarily zoned Agricultural and has endured the placement of a cannabis facility in our township since the inception of the *Cannabis Act* with little or no compliance, enforcement or oversight from Health Canada. Furthermore, dealing with the enforcement of nuisances such as odour, lights and noise on the shoulders of the ratepayers of this municipality, with the only recourse being an appeal to the *Normal Farm Practices Protection Board or LPAT*. These processes are both costly and lengthy and, in the meantime, causes negative impacts on neighbouring homeowners and unsatisfactory living conditions.

And Whereas Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs stated Dec 20, 2019 "The ministry recognize the broader concerns raised about the potential for nuisance impacts with the expansion of federally licensed and registered cannabis operations in the province. We also recognize the need for research to inform control measures and effective planning." We are still waiting for this research.

And Whereas the Minister also recommended townships have "tools under the Planning Act and Municipal Act to set siting requirements providing the Provincial Policy Statement 2014 is followed." The "tools" as such consist of Official Plans and Zoning Bylaws. Many municipalities have tried to use these tools effectively only to be slammed with appeals to LPAT and NFFPP at huge expense. Many of the surrounding municipalities have allowed cannabis facilities to be situated only in Industrial/Commercial Zones. For those allowing these facilities in Agriculturally zoned, there are required setbacks. However, our experience has shown the setbacks to be too small and of little assistance to neighbours as far as nuisance complaints.

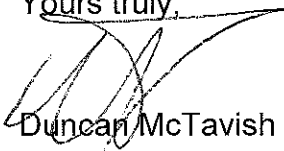
And Whereas the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs has stated cannabis is an agricultural product with little regard to the PPS. Provincial Policy Statement must be read in its entirety and make reference to *Part IV: Vision for Ontario's Land Use Planning System* – “The Province’s natural heritage resources, water resources, including the Great Lakes, agricultural resources, mineral resources, and cultural heritage and archaeological resources provide important environmental, economic, and social benefits., The wise use and management of these resources over the long term is

a key provincial interest. The province must ensure that its resources are managed in a sustainable way to conserve biodiversity, protect essential ecological processes and public health and safety, provide for **the production of food, fur and fiber**, minimize environmental and social impacts, provide for recreational opportunities (e.g. fishing, hunting and hiking) and meet its long-term needs.” This statement explicitly identifies **food, fur and fiber** and this reference sets the playing field for Agricultural Resources. Cannabis is neither food, fur nor fiber.

Now therefore, the Council of the Township of Enniskillen enacts the following:

- That Minister of Agriculture and Rural Affairs re-evaluate their position that cannabis is **not** an agricultural product such as food, fur and fiber but is in-fact Industrial/Commercial in nature;
- That Minister of Agriculture and Rural Affairs support all Ontario municipalities to be able to determine appropriate setbacks in Zoning Bylaws as appropriate for their municipality for the placement of cannabis facilities within their Official Plan knowing full well that one size does not fit all;
- That copies of this resolution be forwarded to **ALL** Ontario municipalities, and the following:
Federal Minister of Agriculture & Rural Affairs – Hon. Marie-Claude Bibeau
Provincial Minister of Agriculture & Rural Affairs – Hon. Lisa Thompson
Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing – Hon. Steve Clark
Sarnia-Lambton-Kent MP – Marilyn Gladu
Sarnia-Lambton-Kent MPP – Bob Bailey
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Yours truly,


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October 8, 2021

To Whom it May Concern:

Please be advised that the Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Leamington, at its meeting held Tuesday, September 14, 2021 enacted the following resolution:

No. C-279-21

WHEREAS residents and staff at long-term care (LTC) homes have been disproportionately affected by COVID-19; and

WHEREAS in the first wave of the pandemic (March - July 2020) there were approximately 5,488 resident cases and 2,290 staff cases in Ontario and tragically 1,817 residents and seven staff lost their lives to this disease; and

WHEREAS on 15 April 2020, Premier Ford stated, “we will stop at nothing to protect those who cannot protect themselves. Today we are launching an all-out plan to fight COVID-19 in our long-term care homes. We will fortify the iron ring of protection around our long-term care residents and those who care for them. We’ll go further in our testing, screening, surveillance, targeting the homes facing outbreaks”; and

WHEREAS there have been approximately 9,417 resident cases and 4,217 staff cases in Ontario in the second wave (2 September 2020-16 February 2021) and 1,869 residents and three staff lost their lives, representing an increase of resident deaths from the first to second wave; and

WHEREAS for-profit LTC homes have seen a disproportionate incidence of care failing to meet the standard of the Long-Term Care Act, which states that “...a long-term care home is primarily the home of its residents and is to be operated so that it is a place where they may live with dignity and in security, safety and comfort and have their physical, psychological, social, spiritual and cultural needs adequately met”; and

WHEREAS the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) report dated 20 May 2020 revealed conditions including inadequate staffing levels and training, limited medical supplies, unsafe medication administration, insufficient procedures to reduce the spread of

COVID-19, poor infection prevention and control standards of practice, deficiencies in infrastructure and significant concerns about standards of care including seniors calling out for help, rotting food, missed meals, seniors left in soiled diapers and linens and cockroach and bug infestations; and

WHEREAS similar conditions were found in the second wave, including ongoing shortages of qualified, trained staff, ineffective use of PPE to prevent COVID-19 transmission, violation of protocols and practices including one instance in which residents who had tested positive for COVID-19 had their door handles removed, physical distancing and isolation challenges from continuing to house several residents in ward rooms with a shared bathroom and ongoing infection prevention and control standard concerns, all problems that were not fixed after the recommendations of the CAF;

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has launched an independent commission to investigate COVID-19 spread within LTC homes, how residents, staff and families were impacted and the adequacy of measures taken by the province and other parties to prevent, isolate and contain the spread; and

WHEREAS the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) has provided a Board-approved submission, Improving the Long-Term Care Outbreak Response in Ontario: Submission to the Long-Term Care COVID-19 Commission, on 29 January 2021, outlining recommendations to the Commission on behalf of the municipal governments that operate 100 of the 626 long-term care homes in Ontario; and

WHEREAS AMO's submission puts forward 48 recommendations for action in both public and private long-term care homes across nine themes: Vision for Long-Term Care and Leadership Culture, Public Health and Safety, Planning and Communications, Staffing Measures, Care for Residents, Funding, Inspections - Enforcement and Compliance, and Mental Health and Well-Being; and

WHEREAS one of the key recommendations of the AMO submission is that the Ministry of Long-Term Care and Ministry of Health review the adequacy of infection prevention and control programs under the Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007 in preventing and managing COVID-19 outbreaks, and to institute higher standards with increased funding to homes to implement these standards; and

WHEREAS the Canada Health Act's aim is to protect, promote and restore the physical and mental well-being of residents of Canada, and that the Federal Government provides health care funding to Provinces and Territories through the Canada Health Transfer; and

WHEREAS the Federal Government does not currently provide funding earmarked to support the LTC home sector, and;

WHEREAS the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) works with and advocates to the Federal Government to secure new tools and empower municipalities to build stronger communities; and

WHEREAS the operation of LTC homes is a municipal responsibility in Ontario but is of significance to the federal-municipal relationship.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT Leamington Municipal Council endorses AMO's recommendations contained in its submission to the Long-Term Care COVID-19 Commission;

THAT Leamington Municipal Council strongly urges the Provincial Government to move forward with implementation of these recommendations, including instituting higher standards with increased funding to homes to implement those standards;

THAT Leamington Municipal Council advocate to the Federal Government to enhance federal health care funding to the Provinces and Territories, specifically dedicating funding to long- term care, and to undertake further efforts to protect, promote and restore the physical and mental well-being of long-term care residents in Canada;

THAT Leamington Municipal Council request the FCM to develop a policy and advocacy position on enhanced federal support for long-term care;

THAT this resolution be sent to the Prime Minister of Canada, the Premier of Ontario, the Federal and Provincial Ministers of Health, and FCM for their immediate action and that a copy be sent to AMO, and Windsor-Essex Members of Parliament and Provincial Parliament for their information;

AND that a copy of this resolution be sent to all Ontario upper-tier and single-tier municipalities for their endorsement.

Carried

Dated today, the 8th day of October, 2021.

Brenda Percy, Clerk
The Corporation of the Municipality of Leamington