



## County of Brant Council Agenda

**Date:** Tuesday, April 22, 2025  
**Time:** 6:00 p.m.  
**Location:** Council Chambers  
7 Broadway Street West  
Paris, ON

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2. Land Acknowledgement	
As we gather, we acknowledge that we meet on the lands and territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, Six Nations of the Grand River, and the traditional territory of the Attiwanderonk.	
We remind ourselves that the County of Brant is situated on lands that are full of rich Indigenous history and home to many First Nations, Inuit, and Métis people today; we recognize the significance of their contributions to the past, present, and future of this land.	
As a County we have a shared responsibility for the stewardship of the land on which we live and work and a commitment to the Truth and Reconciliation calls to action. We commit to continue learning, reflecting on our past, and working in allyship.	
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That the County of Brant Council receive RPT-0184-25 as information;

And that staff be directed to advertise for one (1) citizen member for the County of Brant Library Board for the remainder of the term;

And that the County of Brant Council direct staff to amend the County of Brant

Library Board composition as follows: "That the County of Brant Public Library Board shall consist of ten (10) members appointed by the Council of the Corporation of the County of Brant, of whom two (2) shall be members of the said Council, one (1) shall be the head of the said Council or his or her designate, and seven (7) shall be qualified resident appointees";

And that the appropriate by-law be presented to Council for consideration;

And further that Council appoint a designate for the Mayor to attend the Library Board for the remainder of the term.

- 10.2 RPT-0186-25 - Supplementary Report to RPT-0160-25 - Vehicle for Hire By-law - G. Bergeron Recommendation 167 - 172

That Council approve an increase the maximum age of regular Taxicabs and from 10 years to 12 years;

And that the age limit surrounding Accessible Taxicabs be removed;

And that Taxicabs, Accessible Taxicabs and Limousines older than 10 years old require safety standards certificates to be submitted to the Licensing Officer semi-annually, within the previous 60 days from March 31 and September 30.

That the amending By-law to reflect these changes be approved.

**11. Communications**

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**16. Next Meeting and Adjournment**

Tuesday, May 13, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the County of Brant Council Chambers.





## Delegation Request Form

**Name of Delegate(s) (comma separated) \***

Gerry Paxton

**Delegation Status**

☐ Attending as an Individual

☒ Representing a Group / Organization / Business

**Name of Group / Organization / Business \***

Sacred Heart Parish, Paris Ontario

**Subject Matter \***

request to wave fees for an application for  
variance from the sign bylaw

**Committee/Council Meeting that you would like to  
attend \***

County of Brant Council

**Recommendation to Council / Committee (Please indicate below what action you would like the County of Brant to take with respect to the above-noted subject matter). \***

Whereas Sacred Heart is a valued charitable organization that provides essential support and services within our community, operating entirely through the generosity of donors; and  
Whereas the organization consistently faces financial challenges, with donations falling short of the funds required to sustain its operations; and  
Whereas the cost of applying for a variance to the Sign By-law presents a further financial burden that may hinder the organization's ability to promote its services and reach those in need;  
Therefore be it resolved that Council recognize the vital role Sacred Heart plays in our community and direct staff to waive the fees associated with its application for a variance to the Sign By-law, as a gesture of support for its mission and commitment to community well-being.

**Contact Name \***

Gerry Paxton

**Contact Phone Number \***

[REDACTED]

**Email Address**

[REDACTED]

**Mailing Address \***

[REDACTED]

**Will a PowerPoint presentation be made? \***

☒ No

☐ Yes

Please be advised that submitting a delegation request is not a confirmation that the delegation has been confirmed. The Clerk's Department reserves the right to have the delegation appear at a different meeting than the one requested if the topic of the delegation better aligns with the mandate of a different Committee.

# Thank You for your submission.

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## County of Brant Council Minutes

**Date:** March 25, 2025  
**Time:** 6:00 p.m.  
**Location:** Council Chambers  
7 Broadway Street West  
Paris, ON

**Present:** Mayor Bailey, Councillors Kyle, MacAlpine, Howes, Oakley, Bell, Peirce, Miller, Chambers, Coleman, and Garneau

**Staff:** Newton, Boyd, Stevenson, Walton, Dyjach, Mete, Crozier, Watson, Mifflin, Gable, Allison, Pluck, and Katikapalli

**Mayor Bailey in the Chair.**

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### **1. Attendance**

Attendance was taken.

### **2. Land Acknowledgement**

Councillor Chambers read the Land Acknowledgement.

**3. Approval of Agenda**

Councillor Garneau advised that they would like to defer their resolution pertaining to the Government Relations Committee.

Moved by Councillor Garneau  
Seconded by Councillor Coleman

That item 12.2 Resolution - Government Relations Committee - Councillor Garneau, be deferred until the first Council meeting following the federal election.

Yes (11): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Oakley, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Chambers, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

**Carried (11 to 0)**

Moved by Councillor Peirce  
Seconded by Councillor Miller

That the County of Brant Council agenda and addendum of March 25, 2025 be approved, as amended.

Yes (11): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Oakley, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Chambers, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

**Carried (11 to 0)**

**4. Declaration of Pecuniary Interests**

None.

**5. Delegations / Petitions / Presentations**

**5.1 Steve Jeles & Mike Gatopoulos - Mount Pleasant Firefighters Association - Letter of Designation of Municipal Significance for September 6, 2025**

Steve Jeles and Mike Gatopoulos of the Mt. Pleasant Fire Fighters' Association appeared before Council and requested that the Mt. Pleasant Fire Fighters' Association Wing Night be declared a municipally significant event so that they can receive a Special Occasion Permit. They noted that the proceeds from the event will go to local initiatives.

In response to questions, Alison Newton, Chief Administrative Officer advised that an amendment to the Delegated Authority By-law can be made to delegate the ability to declare municipally significant events to staff.

Moved by Councillor Howes  
Seconded by Councillor Oakley

Whereas in order to be eligible for a Special Occasion Permit (SOP) from the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) the Mt. Pleasant Fire Fighters' Association wing night must be declared a "Municipally Significant Event";

That the delegation from the Mt. Pleasant Fire Fighters' Association be received as information; and

That the Mt. Pleasant Fire Fighters' Association wing night scheduled for September 6, 2025 at the Mt. Pleasant Community Hall be declared a municipally significant event for the purposes of obtaining a Special Occasion Permit.

Yes (11): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Oakley, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Chambers, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

**Carried (11 to 0)**

5.2 Anna Gora, Raquel Diez, John Noble Home and Kaitlyn Mauracher, Jeff Salmon - HDR Inc., Consultants for the John Noble Home - Bell Court Redevelopment

Moved by Councillor Kyle  
Seconded by Councillor Howes

That section 10(d) of the County of Brant's Procedural By-law be waived to allow the delegation additional time to present.

Yes (11): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Oakley, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Chambers, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

**Carried (11 to 0)**

Anna Gora, Acting Administrator of the John Noble Home, and Raquel Diez, Finance Director of the John Noble Home appeared before Council, requesting that additional funds be allocated towards the Bell Court Redevelopment and Sprinkler Project in the amount of \$444,800 for the County's share. They further requested that the 2024 surplus budget for the John Noble Home be allocated back to the project.

Kaitlyn Mauracher and Jeff Salmon, HDR appeared before Council and provided an overview of the Bell Court Redevelopment and Sprinkler Project, noting the project stakeholders, funding summary, delay claim activities, and project timelines. J. Salmon outlined seven change orders which arose due to unforeseen conditions which extended the project completion date by approximately twelve months and impacted the project budget.

In response to questions, K. Mauracher spoke to the contract, advising that it is a fixed price construction contract. The total additional funding required to complete this project is \$1,600,000. It is expected that the home will have a 2024 year-end surplus of approximately \$600,000, which can be applied to offset the additional municipal cost in accordance with the approved cost-sharing ratios, but this number

has not yet been confirmed. In response to questions, it was noted that the sprinkler installation is a significant contributor to the cost increase.

Moved by Councillor Howes  
Seconded by Councillor Bell

That the delegation from the John Noble Home and HDR Inc. regarding the Bell Court Redevelopment be received as information.

Yes (11): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Oakley, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Chambers, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

**Carried (11 to 0)**

5.3 Courtney Boyd - David Clement - RPT0029-25

The delegation was withdrawn.

5.4 Nathan Etherington - Continuation of the Government Relations Committee & Improvements to Procedural By-law

Nathan Etherington appeared before Council and spoke to motions to reconsider, suggesting that an amendment to the County of Brant procedural By-law Number 14-20 to add further clarification surrounding motions to reconsider. He further spoke to the Brant Heritage Committee and the Ontario Heritage Act, noting that the purpose of the Committee is to advise Council. He concluded with speaking to the continuation of the Government Relations Committee and provided suggestions for improving the proceedings of the Committee.

Moved by Councillor Oakley  
Seconded by Councillor MacAlpine

That the delegation from Nathan Etherington with regards to the continuation of the government relations committee and suggested improvements to the procedural by-law be received as information.

Yes (11): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Oakley, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Chambers, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

**Carried (11 to 0)**

5.5 Ed McGuire - Paris Jewellers - Grants Available to Merchants on Behalf of the County of Brant Big Dig Program

Ed McGuire, owner of Paris Jewellers appeared before Council and spoke to the grants that are available to merchants, particularly in light of the downtown Paris redevelopment planned this year. He thanked Council and staff for their support.

Moved by Councillor Peirce  
Seconded by Councillor Kyle

That the delegation from Ed McGuire of Paris Jewellers with regards to grants available to downtown Paris merchants be received as information.

Yes (11): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Oakley, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Chambers, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

**Carried (11 to 0)**

**6. Adoption of Minutes from Previous Meetings**

6.1 County of Brant Council Minutes of February 25, 2025

Moved by Councillor Kyle  
Seconded by Councillor Garneau

That the minutes from the County of Brant Council Meeting of February 25, 2025 be approved.

Yes (11): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Oakley, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Chambers, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

**Carried (11 to 0)**

6.2 County of Brant Special Council Meeting Minutes of March 4, 2025

Moved by Councillor Peirce  
Seconded by Councillor Kyle

That the minutes from the County of Brant Special Council meetings of March 4, 2025, be approved.

Yes (11): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Oakley, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Chambers, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

**Carried (11 to 0)**

**7. Business Arising from the Minutes**

In response to questions, Heather Mifflin, Director of Finance/ Treasurer advised that they would confirm with the County's auditor's if the County of Brant will receive a tax receipt for the Brant Community Healthcare System 1% surcharge.

**8. Consent Items**

**8.1 Consent Items to be Approved**

None.

**8.2 Consent Items to be Received**

Moved by Councillor Coleman  
Seconded by Councillor MacAlpine

That the following items be received as information:

- 8.2.1 RPT-0131-25 - 2024 Year in Review - H. Gilmore
- 8.2.2 Integrity Commissioner 2024 Annual Report
- 8.2.3 Grand River Conservation Authority - Summary of the General Membership Annual General Meeting February 28, 2025
- 8.2.4 Grand River Conservation Authority - Municipal Apportionment & Budget 2025
- 8.2.5 City of Toronto Resolution - Buy Local, Buy Canadian Campaign
- 8.2.6 City of Sarnia Resolution - Carbon Tax
- 8.2.7 City of Richmond Hill Resolution - Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding
- 8.2.8 Patrick Brown, Mayor of Brampton - Request for Support - Stand for Canada Campaign
- 8.2.9 Long Point Region Conservation Authority Board of Directors Meeting Minutes - February 5, 2025
- 8.2.10 Municipal Engineers Association Letter - Municipal Engineers Association 2025 Bursary Awards Program
- 8.2.11 Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury Resolution - Motion to Request Landlord Tenant Reforms
- 8.2.12 Township of Selwyn Resolution - U.S. Tariffs on Canada/Purchasing Policies
- 8.2.13 Township of Limerick Resolution - Ontario Deposit Return Program
- 8.2.14 City of Brantford - Social Services Resolutions - February 25, 2025

- 8.2.15 City of Brantford - John Noble Home Committee of Management Resolution - February 25, 2025
- 8.2.16 County of Brant Public Library Board Minutes - January 22, 2025 & February 6, 2025
- 8.2.17 County of Brant O.P.P. Detachment Board Minutes - January 28, 2025

Yes (11): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Oakley, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Chambers, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

**Carried (11 to 0)**

## **9. Committee Reports**

### **9.1 Administration and Operations Committee Report - March 18, 2025**

Recommendations # 10 and 15 were pulled for discussion.

Moved by Councillor Peirce  
Seconded by Councillor Howes

That the Administration and Operations Committee Report of March 18, 2025 be approved, noting the following recommendations:

1. That OPS-RFT-25-02 Muir Culvert Rehabilitation be awarded to UrbanLink Civil Ltd. for the bid price of \$385,740.00 (excluding HST).
2. That CPS-RFT-2407 Grass Cutting and Trimming – Municipal Properties Zone A be awarded to Blue Sky Property Services at a cost of \$195,159.43 plus HST and Zones B-E be awarded to D & D Commercial Property Maintenance Ltd at a cost of \$451,565.50 plus HST for a three (3) year term commencing on April 14, 2025, and ending November 14, 2027.
3. THAT Community Improvement Plan (CIP) Application CIP-25-03 from the owners of 105 Grand River Street North, Paris, for façade improvements be approved to a maximum of \$16,500; AND that the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to execute the Community Improvement Plan Agreement for CIP-25-03.
4. THAT Community Improvement Plan (CIP) Application CIP-25-02 from the owners of 69 and 71 Grand River Street North, Paris, for façade improvements and interior renovations for both commercial and residential space, be approved to a maximum of \$55,000; AND that the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to execute the Community Improvement Plan Agreement for CIP-25-02.
5. THAT Community Improvement Plan (CIP) Application CIP-25-04 from the owner of 54 Grand River Street North, Paris, for rear façade improvements be approved to a maximum of \$14,500; AND that the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to execute the Community Improvement Plan Agreement for CIP-25-04.

6. Whereas fees and charges for all Municipal services including applications, licenses and permits are established through the Municipal Fees and Charges By-Law; And whereas updates to the delivery of cemetery services are regularly reviewed to ensure appropriate levels of services are provided to the community; and That the following updates to the 2025 Municipal Fees and Charges By-Law be approved:

Re-Inter in Same Cemetery	
Adult Disinterment Casket Only	\$3,055.00
Child Disinterment Casket Only	\$1,855.00
Infant Disinterment Casket Only	\$1,205.00
Cremation Disinterment	\$570.00

Removal Only	
Adult Disinterment Casket Only	\$1,995.00
Child Disinterment Casket Only	\$1,210.00
Infant Disinterment Casket Only	\$860.00
Cremation Disinterment	\$405.00

Burial & Disinterment Additional Charges	
Disinterment Equipment & Safety Supplies	\$300.00

Foundation & Monument Installation	
*Fee based on length & total height of Monument & Base 5'-6'	\$1,025.00

7. Whereas at it's meeting on December 15, 2016, County of Brant Council approved the award of RFP 1-15 "Request for Proposal for Consultant Services for Grand River Source Protection Plan (Risk Management Official / Risk Management Inspector Services) under the Clean Water Act, 2006" to Cambium Inc., and subsequent contract extensions have been approved to May 2026; And whereas Cambium Inc. has had staff changes, making it necessary to revise the By-law authorizing this appointment; That By-law's 101-22 and 122-23, being By-law's to appoint a Risk Management Official and a Risk Management Inspector for the County of Brant be hereby repealed; And that the draft By-law be presented to Council for consideration at the March 25, 2025, Council Meeting.
8. That RPT-0029-25 - Appointment of an Engineer for a new Drain to serve Part of Lot 7, Con 1 and Parts of lots 7 to 10, Con 2, King Edward Street, Cleaver Road and Powerline Road - S. Tweedle, be deferred to the next County of Brant Council Meeting.
9. Whereas Ontario Regulation 170/03, Schedule 11 requires the Owners of the Drinking Water Systems to prepare an Annual Report summarizing the system process, major infrastructure expenses and the results of chemical and bacteriological tests completed from January 1 through December 31, and; Whereas Ontario Regulation 170/03, Schedule 22 requires the Owners of the Drinking Water Systems to provide members of Municipal Council a Drinking Water System Summary Report outlining water takings and system capacity for the previous year January 1 through December 31; That RPT-0034-25 2024 Annual Drinking Water

System Summary Reports for the County of Brant Municipal Drinking Water Systems be received, and; That the 2024 Annual Drinking Water System Summary Reports be made available to the public no later than March 31, 2025.

11. That the Brant Connects Committee Report of March 5, 2025 be approved, noting the following recommendation: That staff be directed to incorporate the received instructions from the Ministry of Infrastructure regarding internet servicing availability into the response to internet-based inquiries.
12. That the Brant Heritage Committee Report of March 6, 2025 be approved, noting the following recommendations: 1. That nominations for the position of Vice Chair be closed; And that Councillor Howes be elected as Vice Chair of the Brant Heritage Committee. 2. That the Brant Heritage Committee receives Report RPT-0106-25 for information; And, hereby endorses and submits this report to Council to satisfy the applicable condition(s) of the decision for consent application B23-24-LK, including a scoped site plan control agreement, to protect the existing heritage home during construction, and further discussions about heritage protection options. 3. That staff be requested to arrange for two guest speakers to participate in the Joint Heritage Committee meeting of April 24, 2025; and That the guest speakers be Dan Brown and a representative from the insurance industry; 5. That a Special Meeting of the Brant Heritage Committee be scheduled for March 19, 2025 to review the forthcoming staff report on the Bawcutt Centre Conservation; and That the Brant Heritage Committee provide its recommendation prior to Council's consideration.
13. 4. That staff be requested to incorporate historical elements into the Burford King Street Parkette design, be referred back to the Brant Heritage Committee for further discussion.
14. That the communication, Street Lights in Highland Area, be received as information and referred to staff for further options for street lighting.

Yes (11): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Oakley, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Chambers, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

**Carried (11 to 0)**

Recommendation #10 - County of Brant Public Library Board Fund Reallocation for the New Library Project Studies

Councillor Oakley expressed concern about the wording of the first clause noting that the interpretation of the Library Act as it relates to planning is unclear.

Moved by Councillor Peirce  
Seconded by Councillor Howes

Whereas the Library Board has full responsibility for Library operations and planning;

And whereas the Library Board wishes to make the most informed decisions possible;

And whereas the Library Board has decided to conduct updated needs analysis and site selection studies for its future Paris location, be it resolved

That \$40,000 be reallocated from the Library Capital Reserve contribution to the New Library Project to fund these studies.

**No Vote- Motion to Amend Follows**

**Amendment:**

Moved by Councillor Oakley  
Seconded by Councillor Bell

That the first clause of item 10 be stuck.

Yes (4): Councillor Oakley, Councillor Bell, Councillor Miller, and Councillor Garneau

No (7): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Chambers, and Councillor Coleman

**Defeated (4 to 7)**

**Original Motion:**

Moved by Councillor Coleman  
Seconded by Councillor Howes

Whereas the Library Board has full responsibility for Library operations and planning;

And whereas the Library Board wishes to make the most informed decisions possible;

And whereas the Library Board has decided to conduct updated needs analysis and site selection studies for its future Paris location, be it resolved

That \$40,000 be reallocated from the Library Capital Reserve contribution to the New Library Project to fund these studies.

Yes (10): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Oakley, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Chambers, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

No (1): Councillor Bell

**Carried (10 to 1)**

**Recommendation #15 - EasyRide Taxi Communication Referral**

Councillor Miller spoke to the recommendation and the communication item from Grand River Cab Inc., and requested that taxis currently in use that exceed the ten-year limit which meet all conditions and regulations be allowed to remain in use, until the forthcoming report is approved at Council.

In response to questions, Cindy Stevenson, General Manager of Emergency and Protective Services advised that the vehicle age limit is related to safety and was added to the County of Brant Taxi By-law 58-22 in May of 2022, with a two-year grace period.

Moved by Councillor Peirce  
Seconded by Councillor Howes

That the communication, EasyRide Taxi, be referred to staff for a report to County of Brant Council.

**No Vote- Motion to Amend Follows**

Council held discussion regarding the proposed amendment, noting concerns with risks and liability.

**Amendment:**

Moved by Councillor Miller  
Seconded by Councillor Oakley

With regards to Recommendation #15, That taxis currently in use, that see the ten year limit between now and when the staff report is approved at council, be allowed to stay in use as a taxi as long as all other conditions and regulations are met

Yes (3): Councillor Miller, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

No (8): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Oakley, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, and Councillor Chambers

**Defeated (3 to 8)**

**Original Motion:**

Moved by Councillor Oakley  
Seconded by Councillor Kyle

15. That the communication, EasyRide Taxi, be referred to staff for a report to County of Brant Council.

Yes (11): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Oakley, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Chambers, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

**Carried (11 to 0)**

## 10. Staff Reports

### 10.1 RPT-0146-25 - Paris Business Improvement Area (BIA) 2025 Board Executive Appointments and Annual Budget

Moved by Councillor Peirce  
Seconded by Councillor Kyle

That the recommended appointments to the Paris BIA Executive Board for a term ending February 1, 2027 be approved;

And that the 2025 Paris BIA Budget be approved;

And further that the necessary by-law be prepared and signed by the Mayor and Clerk.

Yes (11): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Oakley, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Chambers, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

**Carried (11 to 0)**

### 10.2 RPT-0029-25 - Appointment of an Engineer for a new Drain to serve Part of Lot 7, Con 1 and Parts of lots 7 to 10, Con 2, King Edward Street, Cleaver Road and Powerline Road

In response to questions, Rob Walton, General Manager of Operations advised that staff have met with the delegate from the March 18, 2025 Administration and Operations Committee meeting regarding the Cleaver Road Drain. R. Walton reaffirmed that it is the position of staff that the project should proceed under the drainage act and that an engineer should be appointed for the drain.

Moved by Councillor Kyle  
Seconded by Councillor MacAlpine

Whereas Section 4 of *the Drainage Act* (the Act) outlines the procedures under which a petition for drainage may be filed with the Clerk of the Municipality;

And whereas the County of Brant (the County) has signed a petition under Section 4-1(c) of *the Act* by Robert Walton, P.Eng., General Manager of Operations for the drainage of County roads;

And whereas The County has received petitions under Sections 4-1(a) and (b) of the *Act* from owners of land in Lots 7 Con 1 and Lots 7 to 10, Con 2 of former Brantford Township;

Be it hereby resolved that in accordance with Section 8 of *the Act*, the County of Brant hereby appoints R.J. Burnside & Associates Ltd. as the engineer to prepare a report with respect to the petitions for Council's consideration in accordance with the requirements of *the Drainage Act*.

And that the new drain be named the Cleaver Road Drain.

Yes (11): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Oakley, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Chambers, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

**Carried (11 to 0)**

**10.3 RPT-0125-25 North Paris Fire Station**

Darren Watson, Fire Chief appeared before Council and spoke to the floorplan of the North Paris Fire Station, noting that having six bays will allow for the workload to be balanced between the two Paris fire stations, and will allow for the storage of current and future fire apparatuses.

In response to questions, C. Stevenson advised that the inclusion of a library kiosk within the North Paris Fire Station was a request from the County of Brant Public Library.

Moved by Councillor Peirce  
Seconded by Councillor Howes

That Council approve an additional \$215,250 in fees payable to Masri O. Architect for the North Paris Fire Station project, to be funded by Development Charges;

That Council direct staff to proceed with Option 2 as outlined in this report for the final design and construction tender of the North Paris Fire Station;

And that the construction tender results for the North Paris Fire Station be received as information.

Yes (9): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Oakley, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Chambers, and Councillor Garneau

No (2): Councillor Miller, and Councillor Coleman

**Carried (9 to 2)**

**10.4 RPT-0141-25 Request for Additional Funding for John Noble Home Bell Court Redevelopment Project**

Discussion was held surrounding the additional funding request and the need to confirm the John Noble Home operating cost surplus. It was noted that decisions for ordering furniture, fixtures and equipment are unable to proceed until the \$1,600,000 funding request is approved and that the surplus is unable to be confirmed until the auditors have finished their report.

Moved by Councillor MacAlpine  
Seconded by Councillor Peirce

That the John Noble Home Bell Court Redevelopment 40 Long Term Care beds, Day and Stay expansion and Sprinkler Projects request for additional funding of \$1,600,000 with the County share being \$444,800, be approved, to be funded through debt to be repaid from development charges and the tax levy;

And that the County share of the 2024 John Noble Home operating surplus be applied to the Bell Court Redevelopment 40 Long Term Care beds, Day and Stay expansion and Sprinkler projects.

**No Vote- Motion to Defer Follows**

Moved by Councillor Peirce  
Seconded by Councillor Chambers

That the motion be deferred until the amount of the John Noble Home operating surplus is confirmed.

Yes (3): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Peirce, and Councillor Chambers

No (8): Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Oakley, Councillor Bell, Councillor Miller, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

**Defeated (3 to 8)**

Further discussion was held regarding the County's allocation of the John Noble Home operating surplus being applied to the funding request.

In response to questions, H. Mifflin advised that the surplus is normally divided and is returned to the City of Brantford and the County of Brant on the cost sharing basis. She further advised that the intent of the recommendation was to offset the debt and not be in addition.

**Amendment:**

Moved by Councillor Peirce  
Seconded by Councillor Kyle

That the second clause be amended to say that the County share of the 2024 John Noble Home operating surplus be applied to the County's share of the additional funding request for the bell court redevelopment.

Yes (11): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Oakley, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Chambers, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

**Carried (11 to 0)**

**Motion as Amended:**

Moved by Councillor MacAlpine  
Seconded by Councillor Peirce

That the John Noble Home Bell Court Redevelopment 40 Long Term Care beds, Day and Stay expansion and Sprinkler Projects request for additional funding of \$1,600,000 with the County share being \$444,800, be approved, to be funded through debt to be repaid from development charges and the tax levy;

And that the County share of the 2024 John Noble Home operating surplus be applied to the County's share of the additional funding request for the Bell Court Redevelopment Project.

Yes (11): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Oakley, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Chambers, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

**Carried (11 to 0)**

**11. Communications**

**11.1 John Noble Home Committee of Management Resolutions - March 12, 2025**

Moved by Councillor Peirce  
Seconded by Councillor Coleman

That the letter confirming resolutions from the John Noble Home Committee be received as information.

Yes (11): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Oakley, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Chambers, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

**Carried (11 to 0)**

**11.2 Paris Drinks Fest - Request for Event to be Designated as Municipally Significant**

Tim Des Islets of Noisemaker appeared before Council and requested that Paris Drinks Fest be declared a municipally significant event so that they can receive a Special Occasion Permit.

In response to questions, T. Des Islets advised that Paris Drinks Fest has received approval for their noise exemption. He further noted that smaller speakers, changing the direction of the stage, and informing residents about the event are further methods being used to address noise concerns.

Zach Gable, Director of Economic Development and Tourism advised that there are clauses within the noise exemption that provide staff with the authority to lower the volume of the music at the event.

Moved by Councillor Kyle  
Seconded by Councillor Oakley

Whereas in order to be eligible for a Special Occasion Permit (SOP) from the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO), Paris Drinks Fest must be declared a "Municipally Significant Event";

And Whereas Paris Drinks Fest stands to be a municipally significant event in terms of its tourism contribution to the community;

That the Paris Drinks Fest scheduled for August 15th and 16th, 2025 at Two Rivers Stadium at the Syl Apps Community Centre be declared a municipally significant event for the purposes of obtaining a Special Occasion Permit.

Yes (11): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Oakley, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Chambers, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

**Carried (11 to 0)**

**11.3 Grand River Cab Inc. - Vehicle Age Restriction**

Moved by Councillor Coleman  
Seconded by Councillor Oakley

That the letter from Grand River Cab Inc., regarding vehicle age restriction be received as information.

Yes (11): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Oakley, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Chambers, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

**Carried (11 to 0)**

**12. Resolutions**

**12.1 Proclamation Request - Shelley Werk - Prostate Cancer Foundation Canada**

Moved by Councillor Bell  
Seconded by Councillor Peirce

That the request for Penman's Dam lighting be approved, in recognition of Prostate Cancer Awareness.

Yes (11): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Oakley, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Chambers, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

**Carried (11 to 0)**

**12.2 Resolution - Government Relations Committee - Councillor Garneau**

This item has been deferred.

### **13. Other Business**

#### **13.1 Council Representatives on the Library Board**

Mayor Bailey spoke to his resignation from the Library Board.

Moved by Councillor Coleman

Seconded by Councillor Howes

That Mayor Bailey's resignation from the Library Board be received;

And that staff be directed to return with a report and an amended by-law.

**Carried**

### **14. In Camera**

Moved by Councillor Peirce

Seconded by Councillor Coleman

That County of Brant Council convene In Camera at 8:19 p.m., to discuss:

- 14.1 RPT-0136-25 - S.239(2)(e) Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals affecting the municipality and (f) Advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege (OLT Appeal - Nith Subdivision) - R. Welchman
- 14.2 S.239(2)(c) A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board, (f) Advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, (k) A position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations (Administration and Operations Committee In-Camera Report - March 18, 2025)
- 14.3 RPT-0127-25 - S.239(2)(k) A position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board (Development Proposal Downtown Paris) - A. Newton
- 14.4 RPT-0142-25 - S.239(2)(f) Advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege (Drainage Act Petition) - C. Glassford

**Carried**

Council convened In Camera at 8:19 p.m. to discuss S.239(2)(e) Litigation or potential litigation and (f) advice that is subject to solicitor client privilege (RPT-0136-25 OLT Appeal - Nith Subdivision - R. Welchman), S.239(2)(c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land, (f) advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege and (k) a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations (Administration and Operations Committee In-Camera Report - March 18, 2025), S.239(2)(k) A position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations (RPT-0127-25 Development Proposal Downtown Paris - A. Newton), and S.239(2)(f) Advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege (RPT-0142-25 Drainage Act Petition - C. Glassford). This portion of the meeting is recorded in the Confidential – In Camera minutes of March 25, 2025. Council reconvened in Open Session at 9:39 p.m. on a motion of Councillors Peirce and Garneau.

**15. By-laws**

Moved by Councillor Chambers  
Seconded by Councillor Kyle

That the following By-laws be read a first time:

1. By-law Number 31-25, being a By-law to impose the costs of water and wastewater servicing at three locations in Paris (Laurel Street, Cedar Street, and Curtis Avenue North)
2. By-law Number 32-25, being a By-law to appoint a Risk Management Official and a Risk Manager Inspector for the County of Brant Pursuant to the Clean Water Act, 2006.
3. By-law Number 33-25, being a By-law to impose a user fee for 2025 on Businesses in the Paris Downtown Business Improvement Area.
4. By-law Number 34-25, being a By-law to appoint Members to the Board of Management for the Paris Business Improvement Area.
5. By-law Number 35-25, being a By-law to amend Traffic By-law Number 182-05 (Schedule J - Speed Limits).
6. By-law Number 36-25, being a By-law to amend County of Brant Fees and Charges By-law Number 119-24 (Cemetery Fees and Charges Update).
7. By-law Number 37-25, being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council.

**Carried**

Moved by Councillor MacAlpine  
Seconded by Councillor Bell

That the following By-laws be read a second time and all preambles and clauses be adopted:

1. By-law Number 31-25, being a By-law to impose the costs of water and wastewater servicing at three locations in Paris (Laurel Street, Cedar Street, and Curtis Avenue North)
2. By-law Number 32-25, being a By-law to appoint a Risk Management Official and a Risk Manager Inspector for the County of Brant Pursuant to the Clean Water Act, 2006.
3. By-law Number 33-25, being a By-law to impose a user fee for 2025 on Businesses in the Paris Downtown Business Improvement Area.
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7. By-law Number 37-25, being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council.

**Carried**

Moved by Councillor Coleman  
Seconded by Councillor Peirce

That the following By-laws be read a third time, passed, signed, and executed:

1. By-law Number 31-25, being a By-law to impose the costs of water and wastewater servicing at three locations in Paris (Laurel Street, Cedar Street, and Curtis Avenue North)
2. By-law Number 32-25, being a By-law to appoint a Risk Management Official and a Risk Manager Inspector for the County of Brant Pursuant to the Clean Water Act, 2006.
3. By-law Number 33-25, being a By-law to impose a user fee for 2025 on Businesses in the Paris Downtown Business Improvement Area.
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7. By-law Number 37-25, being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council.

**Carried**

## **16. Next Meeting and Adjournment**

Council adjourned at 9:40 p.m. to meet again on Tuesday, April 8, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the County of Brant Council Chambers.

Moved by Councillor Kyle

That Council adjourn at 9:40 p.m., to meet again on Tuesday April 8, 2025, at 6:00 p.m., at the County of Brant Council Chambers.

**Carried**

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Secretary





## Minutes of the Regular Meeting February 26, 2025

*The County of Brant Public Library cultivates inclusivity  
and empowers lifelong learning.*

**Date:** February 26, 2025

**Place:** Paris Branch

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**Present:** Paula Chorpitta, Nathan Etherington, Fred Gladding, Amanda Henderson, Steve Howes, Jennifer Kyle, Kari Raymer Bishop, Marilyn Sewell

**Staff:** Kelly Bernstein, Steph Burchill

**Call to Order:** F. Gladding, in the Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

### Approval of the Agenda

Moved by: N. Etherington

Seconded by: J. Kyle

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

**Carried**

### Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature of

None

### Guest: Alison Newton, County CAO

Ms. Newton told the Board that the County has been working on a land swap with local developer Wingbury for 28 Mechanic St, Paris (former OPP site), and that a development application will be presented to the Administration and Operations Committee on Tuesday March 18. The developer is offering to provide two floors totaling roughly 20,000 to 25,000 square feet on a long-term 20 -30-year lease to the Library. The Library CEO and Chair are invited to attend the In Camera session. A. Newton highlighted that the County plans to speak to various options for a new Library but this has come in first and contains the options to reject or adjust the plan but there is not much time before the build begins. This option as presented

is the only downtown location currently available. A. Newton highlighted that Council may decide this is the best option, but that going forward the Council and the Library would be better served by being in lockstep.

During discussion, a Board member suggested the option of asking the developer to delay to allow time to find common ground and prevent future push-pull. A. Newton stated she was not in attendance to convince the Board this is the right option. It is just one option on the table. The Board discussed potential concerns regarding free and open use of space, term of lease, flood plain limitation and a possible clause including first right of refusal if the developer was to sell the building.

F. Gladding thanked A. Newton for coming and shared hopes of working together towards completing the outstanding Memorandum of Understanding to guide the process moving forward.

### **Approval of the Minutes**

Moved by: M. Sewell

Seconded by: J. Kyle

THAT the minutes of the January 22, 2025, Regular Meeting and the Special Meeting February 6, 2025 be approved as presented.

**Carried**

### **Business Arising**

In response to questions raised at the February 6 Special Meeting, K. Bernstein recommended that the Board undertake a new site study and needs assessment for the Paris branch. This would allow the Board to assess if the priorities previously identified are still relevant. The Environics market study is underway which would help to inform a new needs assessment.

During discussion about possible sites, a Board member suggested that any option presented – from Council or otherwise - regarding a new Main Branch location will require at least 100 days consideration to allow time for studies to be completed and which then would inform Board decisions.

Moved by: M. Sewell

Seconded by: P. Chorpitta

THAT the CEO be directed to initiate an updated needs assessment and site study at the approximate cost of \$40,000 and the funding request be sent to Council. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Carried**

### **Consent Items to be Received – Communications**

Moved by: J. Kyle

Seconded by: N. Etherington

THAT the February Safety Talk, JHSC Minutes: January 2025, and Letter of thanks to former Board member M. Gatopoulos, Feb 5, 2025 and the Chair's letter to Library staff dated Feb 17, 2025 be received.

**Carried**

### **Deferred**

Moved by: M. Sewell

Seconded by: P. Chorpitta

THAT agenda items 8-10 be deferred due to time.

**Carried**

### **New Business**

Moved by: M. Sewell

Seconded by: P. Chorpitta

THAT the Library Board convene in camera to discuss confidential matters: Verbal Update S.239(2)(b) (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees: (Job Evaluation results)

On a motion by S. Howes and K. Raymer Bishop the Library Board rose from closed session and reconvened the regular meeting.

K. Bernstein and S. Burchill returned to the meeting.

J. Kyle and S. Howes left the meeting at 9:58.

F. Gladding shared his direction to CEO, K. Bernstein to connect with a legal firm regarding possible next steps for the Central Library at the Bawcutt Centre.

Moved by: N. Etherington

Seconded by: M. Sewell

THAT the Library Board convene in camera to discuss confidential matters: Verbal Update S.239(2)(e) (e) litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the board: (New Central Branch)

On a motion by N. Etherington and K. Raymer Bishop the Library Board rose from closed session and reconvened the regular meeting.

Moved by: M. Sewell

Seconded by: P. Chorpitta

THAT the CEO be directed to initiate an ombudsman investigation regarding the Central Library at the Bawcutt Centre. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Carried**

**Council Updates**

None.

**Next Meeting**

Wednesday, March 26, 2025, 7pm at the Paris Branch.

**Adjournment**

M. Sewell moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:52pm.

**Meeting adjourned.**



March 25, 2025

County of Brant

Sent via email: [clerks@brant.ca](mailto:clerks@brant.ca)

Dear County of Brant:

Please be advised that Brantford City Council at its meeting held March 25, 2025 adopted the following:

**12.1.8 2024 Annual Summary Report for the City of Brantford Drinking Water System, 2025-71**

- A. THAT Report No. 2025-71 titled "2024 Annual Summary Report for the City of Brantford Water System" BE RECEIVED; and
- B. THAT the Clerk BE DIRECTED to forward this Report (No. 2025-71) to The Corporation of the County of Brant; and
- C. THAT capital project "000119-Water and Wastewater System Financial Sustainability Plan" BE APPROVED in 2025; and
- D. THAT funding in the amount of \$75,000 from the Water reserve (RF0542) and \$75,000 from the Wastewater reserve (RF0540) BE APPROVED.

**12.2.1 Live Well Brantford-Brant (LWBB) 2024 Annual Report [Financial Impact: None], 2025-96**

- A. THAT Report 2025-96, Live Well Brantford-Brant (LWBB) 2024 Annual Report, BE RECEIVED; and
- B. THAT the City Clerk BE DIRECTED to forward a copy of the final resolution and staff report to the County of Brant.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours truly,

Chris Gauthier  
City Clerk, [cgauthier@brantford.ca](mailto:cgauthier@brantford.ca)





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**Date** March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025 **Report No.** 2025-71

**To** Chair and Members  
Committee of the Whole - Operations

**From** Inderjit Hans, P. Eng., PMP  
Commissioner, Public Works Commission

## 1.0 Type of Report

Consent Item	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Item For Consideration	<input type="checkbox"/>

## 2.0 Topic 2024 Annual Summary Report for the City of Brantford Drinking Water System

## 3.0 Recommendation

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## 4.0 Executive Summary

The City of Brantford is committed to providing our customers with a safe and adequate supply of drinking water that either meets or surpasses applicable

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regulations and legislation in the Province of Ontario. The information in the Annual Summary Report is intended to inform members of Council and the public about the current state of the Drinking Water System and demonstrate that high quality drinking water is continually supplied to consumers.

The 2024 Annual Summary Report attached in Appendix A shows that the City met the drinking water regulatory requirements outlined in the Safe Drinking Water Act (2002) and Ontario Regulation 170/03. The drinking water was tested for various operational, biological and chemical (inorganic and organic) parameters using a certified lab and all the parameters were within the regulatory limits. In 2024, 1704 bacteriological samples were taken throughout the City and 3 sample results were adverse and one sample was adverse for a chemical parameter, N-nitrosodimethylamine, or NDMA. Appropriate corrective actions were taken under the oversight of the Brant County Health Unit following provincial regulations. The quantity of raw water taken under the Permit to Take Water and the treated water produced under the Municipal Drinking Water License were in compliance with the Provincial regulations.

A gradual increase in nitrate levels in the source water (Grand River water) was observed in the recent years. The 2024 nitrate level was in the range of 5-6.7 mg/L in the winter months where the Provincial drinking water limit is 10 mg/L. The City has proactively evaluated treatment options in case the nitrate levels in the Grand River water reach drinking water limit and selected addition of reverse osmosis treatment process at the Brantford water treatment plant as a suitable solution. In the interim, the City has installed mobile reverse osmosis units to address high nitrate levels and the temporary units will be in operation from March to May 2025. The City is also working with the Grand River Conservation Authority, Brant County Health Unit and the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks to keep the nitrate levels in the Grand River water lower than the drinking water limit.

The Tutela Heights water distribution system was assumed by the City in December of 2024. The project was completed within the scheduled timeframe and within the approved budget. Assumption of the Tutela Heights Water System by the City provides several benefits to the area, including:

- **Increased Fire Protection:** according to hydraulic analysis, connection to City water supply provides residents with approximately 50% increase in Fire Flow on average.
- **Integration into the City's Water Meter Upgrade Project:** residents will benefit from leak detection and consumption monitoring features of the City's

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Advanced Metering Infrastructure.

- **Reduced Costs:** in 2023, the average water bill (cost per 17 cubic meters) in the City was approximately \$48; the average water bill (cost per 17 cubic meters) in the County was approximately \$80. Water billing will switch over to the City in the billing cycle following connection of each residence to the City's system.
- **Increased Capacity for Growth:** The City's water system has adequate capacity to meet the needs of residents and facilitate growth in Tutela Heights.

The Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) performs an annual inspection of the City's water treatment plant and the distribution system. Our Drinking Water System received a score of 100% in 2024.

In accordance with Schedule 22 of Ontario Regulation 170/03 under the Safe Drinking Water Act, the City is required to inform Council of the status of drinking water compliance by March 31 of every year. A copy of this report will be available to the public at City Hall and the City's website upon Council approval. A copy of this report will be provided to the Corporation of the County of Brant as it receives drinking water in bulk from the City to supply to the Cainsville area. It is recommended that the 2024 Annual Summary Report for the City of Brantford Water System, as prepared by the staff be received.

The Water and Wastewater Financial Plan update was planned to be undertaken in 2026. However, this update would provide efficiencies if it is carried out along with the Development Charges Study in 2025. This combined delivery of projects in 2025 will address water and wastewater capital funding needs sooner and will enable delivery of the Financial Plan project more efficiently. Staff recommend the capital project "000119-Water and Wastewater System Financial Sustainability Plan" with a funding of \$150,000 (funded equally from water and wastewater reserves) be advanced from 2026 to 2025.

## 5.0 Purpose and Overview

To inform Council about the operation and performance of the municipal water treatment and distribution system as required by Schedule 22 of Ontario Regulation 170/03 under *the Safe Drinking Water Act*. The 2024 performance is outlined in the attached report titled, "2024 Annual Summary Report for the City of Brantford Drinking Water System".

## 6.0 Background

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Schedule 22 of Ontario Regulation 170/03 under the *Safe Drinking Water Act* requires that a Drinking Water Annual Summary Report be prepared and submitted to the members of municipal Council by March 31st of each year relating to the operation and performance of the municipal drinking water system for the preceding calendar year. The report must list any non-compliance issues, which occurred in the previous year related to the drinking water regulation, drinking water works permit, municipal drinking water license and any orders applicable to the system. The report must also specify the duration of failure(s) and measures taken to correct the issue(s). Other information that must be featured in the report includes the quantity of water supplied for the purpose of enabling the owner of the system to assess the capability of the system to meet existing and future uses of the system. The regulation requires that a copy of the report be provided to The Corporation of the County of Brant, which is a municipality that receives water from the City.

## 7.0 Corporate Policy Context

The Water Operations 2023 Annual Summary Report documents how the division's activities are in line with Council's 2023-2026 priorities which is "Strategic Theme #10 –Building a Greener Brantford" by:

- Monitoring the raw water taking from the Grand River and the discharge of effluent from Residual Management Facility to the Grand River to ensure the impact on the Grand River ecosystem is minimal; and
- Maintaining all equipment to ensure that the Water Treatment Plant, Pumping Stations and Reservoirs can operate to their full capabilities and minimize the carbon footprint.

## 8.0 Input From Other Sources

Staff from the Environmental Services and Finance Departments and the Climate Change Officer were consulted in the development of the Water Operations 2024 Annual Summary Report.

## 9.0 Analysis

The 2024 Annual Summary Report (Attached as Appendix 1) outlines the performance of the City of Brantford Water System (including Treatment Plant & Distribution System) for the calendar year.

Specifically, the report outlines:

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- Background and Description of Drinking Water System
  - List of Water Treatment Chemicals Used
  - Major Expenses
  - Summary of Reporting Adverse Test Results and Other Problems (Schedule 16)
  - Holmedale Water Treatment Plant Flows
  - Summary of Test Results Required Under On. Reg. 170/03
  - Summary of Test Results Required Under the Municipal Drinking Water License (MDWL)
  - MECP Annual Inspection Summary: 100% final inspection rating achieved during the annual inspection, which occurred from July 23<sup>rd</sup> to September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

Copies of this report will be available for the public at City Hall and the City's website upon Council approval. A copy of the report will be provided to the Corporation of the County of Brant by March 31, 2024.

## 10.0 Financial Implications

There are no financial implications resulting from this report.

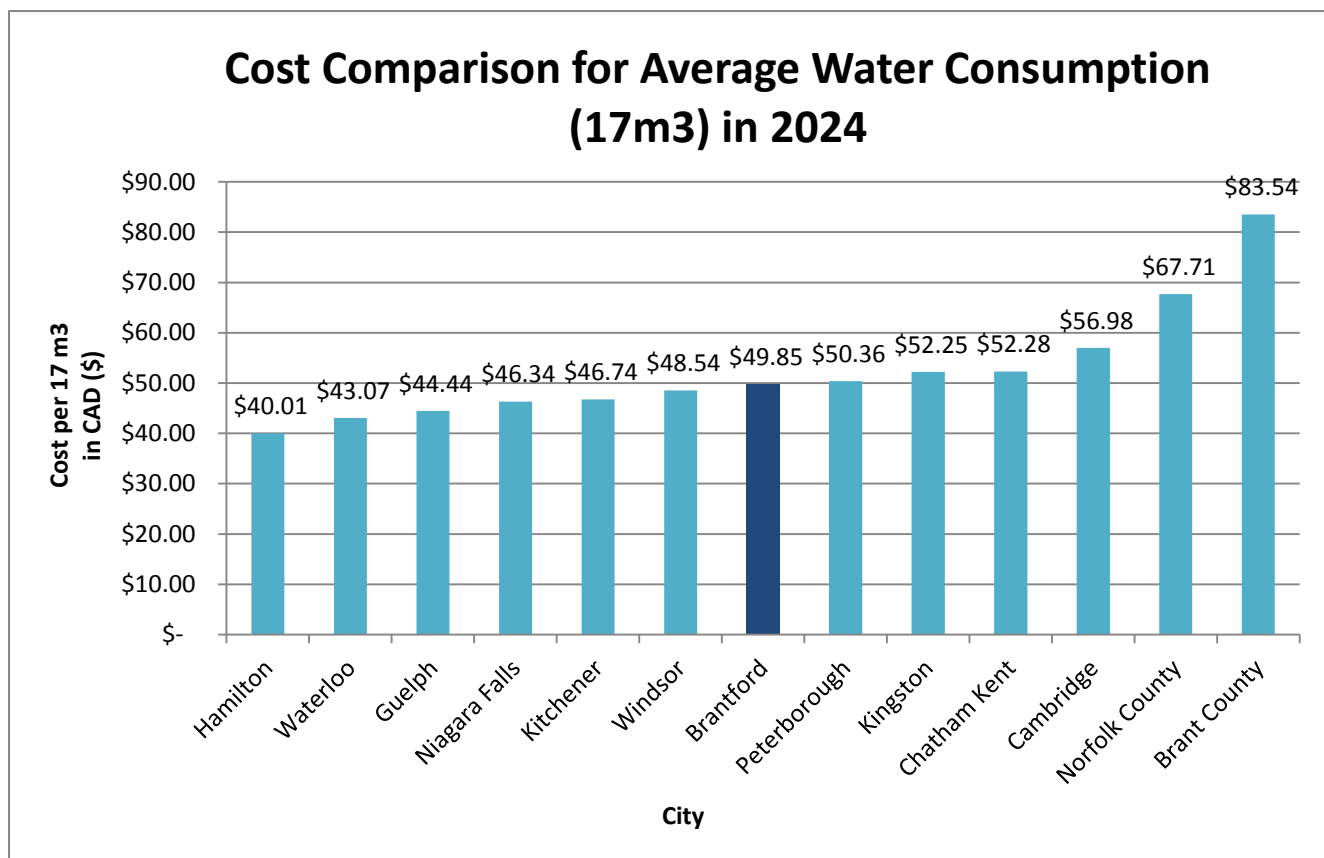
The Water Operations division is 100% funded from the revenue generated from user fees and water rate. The 10-year forecast of the capital and operating expenses shows that there are insufficient funds in the water reserves to fund the water infrastructure improvements from 2029 onwards. This deficit is due to increased labour, and material costs and supply chain issues affecting many capital projects and operating contracts such as chemical supply and sludge hauling. Addition of the reverse osmosis treatment process to address the increasing nitrate levels in the Grand River will require \$50-\$100 million in the next 4 years. Staff are seeking funds from provincial and federal grant programs to address the funding deficiency and minimize impact on the rate payers.

The Water and Wastewater Financial Plan must be updated once every 5 years. The last update of the Financial Plan was completed in 2022. The next update was planned to be undertaken in 2026. However, the City is undertaking an update of the Master Servicing Plan and the Development Charges Study in

2025. If the Financial Plan is developed along with the Development Charges Study in 2025, the project can be delivered more efficiently, and the financial needs will be addressed sooner. Staff recommend the capital project 000119- Water and Wastewater System Financial Sustainability Plan with a funding of \$150,000 (funded from water and wastewater reserves) be advanced from 2026 to 2025.

A comparison of Brantford's monthly average water cost for a single-family home (17 cubic meters per month) to other local municipalities is trended in Figure 1. The comparison shows that Brantford water rate is in the middle of the comparator municipalities.

Figure 1 Cost Comparison for Average Water Consumption (17m3) in 2024



## 11.0 Climate and Environmental Implications

Water treatment and supply are important functions of a municipality. However, these works are energy intensive to consistently provide safe drinking water throughout the City's Distribution System. In 2024, water treatment produced an estimated total of 717T of carbon dioxide equivalent from electricity and natural gas usage. This is an increase in greenhouse gas emissions by approximately

3% compared to 2023. This increase is likely due to an increase in the amount of water being pumped and consumed.

Water Treatment activities include administration, treatment, storage and pumping to the water distribution network. Water Operations continually monitors its processes and is committed to reducing energy consumption and carbon emissions through various optimization approaches such as investigating and implementing new pumping systems, replacing old equipment with new energy efficient alternatives and ensuring that capital projects take into account technologies that reduce energy consumption and carbon emissions. An energy audit was completed in 2024. Recommendations will be considered by staff and implementation will start in 2025.

## 12.0 Conclusion

In accordance with Schedule 22 of Ontario Regulation 170/03 under the Safe Drinking Water Act, it is recommended that the 2024 Annual Summary Report for the City of Brantford Water System, as prepared by the Environmental Services Department be received.



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### Attachments

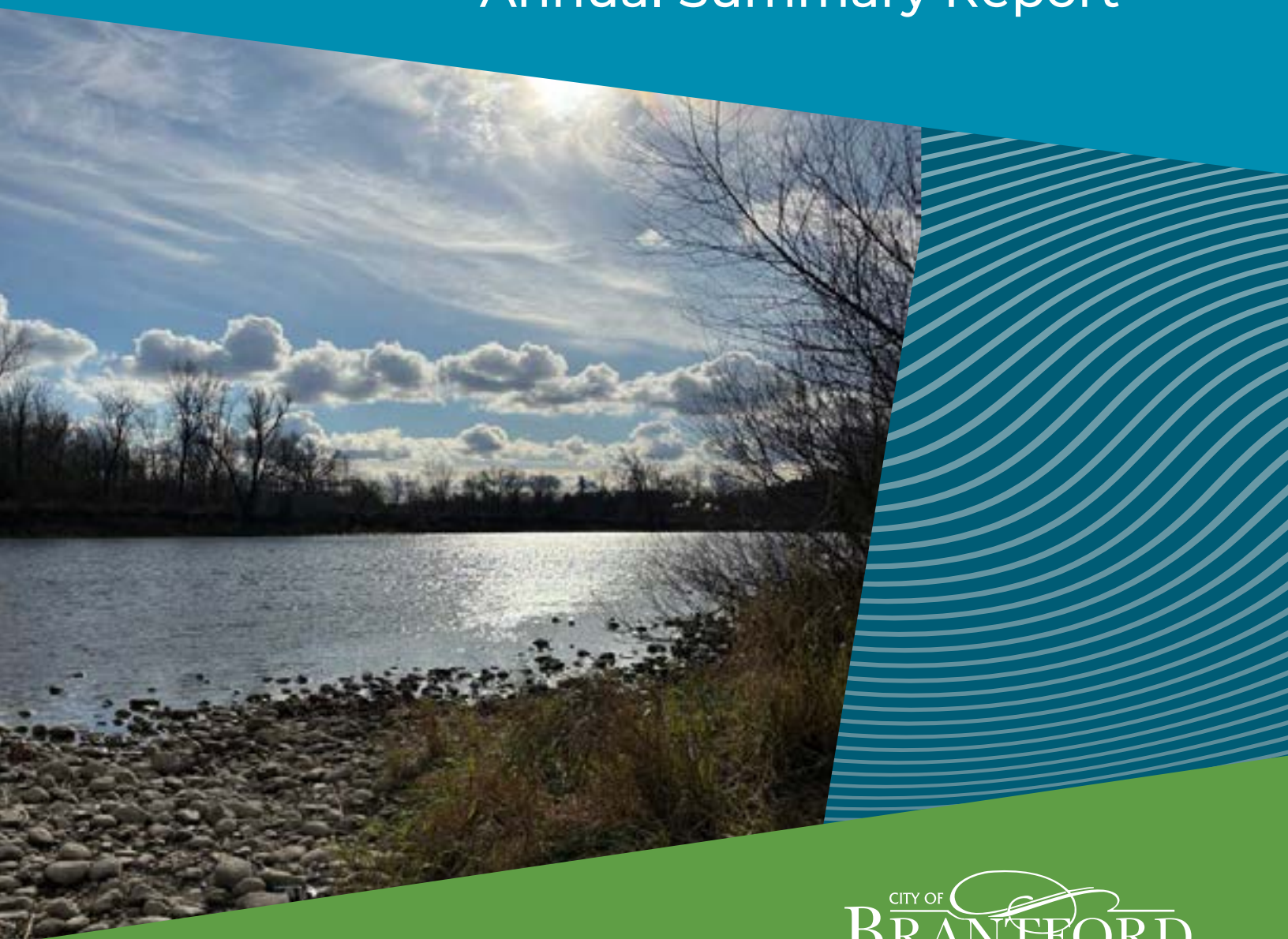
#### Appendix 1 - City of Brantford Water System - 2024 Annual Summary Report

In adopting this report, is a by-law or agreement required? If so, it should be referenced in the recommendation section.

By-law required	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no
Agreement(s) or other documents to be signed by Mayor and/or City Clerk	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no
Is the necessary by-law or agreement being sent concurrently to Council?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no

# 2024 City of Brantford Water System

Annual Summary Report



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# 2024 Annual Summary Report

## – Executive Summary

The City of Brantford is committed to providing our residents with a safe and adequate supply of drinking water that meets or surpasses applicable regulatory requirements in the Province of Ontario. The information in the Annual Summary Report is intended to inform the members of Council and the public about the current state of the Drinking Water System and to demonstrate the high quality of our drinking water.

The Brantford Water System is owned and operated by the Corporation of the City of Brantford. The raw water supply to produce drinking water is withdrawn from the Grand River through the Holmedale Canal. The raw water is treated at the Holmedale Water Treatment Plant before it is distributed through the extensive underground water pipe network. The water treatment plant is a state-of-the-art facility with the highest Class IV rating and is designed to produce up to 100 million liters per day (MLD) of drinking water. There are three reservoirs in the network in addition to an in-plant reservoir, one booster pumping station and two elevated tanks that are used in the distribution system to equalize water demand, to reduce pressure fluctuations and to provide adequate reserves for firefighting, power outages and other emergencies.

The municipal drinking water must satisfy the provincial requirements of O. Reg. 170/03 under the Safe Drinking Water Act, 2002 and additional requirements outlined in the Municipal Drinking Water License. The drinking water was tested for various operational, biological and chemical (inorganic and organic) parameters using a certified laboratory and all the parameters were within the regulatory limits. In 2024, 1704 bacteriological samples were tested throughout the city and 3 sample results were adverse and one sample was adverse for a chemical parameter, N-nitrosodimethylamine, or NDMA. Appropriate corrective actions were taken under the oversight of the Brant County Health Unit (now Grand Erie Public Health) following provincial regulations.

The quantity of raw water taken under the Permit to Take Water and the treated water produced under the Municipal Drinking Water License were in compliance with Provincial regulations.

The Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) performs an annual inspection of the City's water treatment plant and the distribution system. Brantford's Drinking Water System received an impressive score of 100% in 2024.



## A. Background

The information in the Annual Summary Report is intended to inform members of Council and the public about the current state of the Drinking Water System and demonstrate that high quality drinking water is continually supplied to consumers.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the terms and requirements set out in the Safe Drinking Water Act (2002), as Section 11 – Annual Reports and Schedule 22 – Summary Reports of Ontario Regulation 170/03. It covers the period from January 1st to December 31st, 2024.

The 2024 Annual Summary Report will be available to the public without charge, beginning March 31st, 2025. A copy of this report can be obtained via the Internet ([www.brantford.ca](http://www.brantford.ca)) and at Brantford Customer Service by contacting (519)759-4150.

## B. Description of Drinking Water System

**Table 1: Description of the City of Brantford Drinking Water System**

Water System Element	Details
Drinking Water System Number	#220003564
Owner	The Corporation of the City of Brantford
Classification	Large Municipal Residential
Treatment	Class IV
Distribution	Class III
Raw Water Supply	Grand River (Holmedale Canal)
DWS Location	324 Grand River Ave.
Municipal Drinking Water License (MDWL)	063-101 Issue # 9, Issued: October 30th, 2024
Drinking Water Works Permit (DWWP)	#063-201 Issue # 7, Issued: October 30th, 2024
Permit to Take Water	#2375-BLHMW5
Bulk Water Receiving Customer	The Corporation of the County of Brant. Town of Cainsville Distribution System (Drinking Water System #: 260002616, Class I) which is owned and managed by the County of Brant.

The City of Brantford Water System is owned and operated by the Corporation of the City of Brantford. The Drinking Water System is a Large Municipal Residential System consisting of a Class IV Water Treatment Plant (Holmedale Water Treatment Plant) and a Class III Distribution System. (Drinking Water System Number: 220003564, Municipal Drinking Water License (MDWL) 063-101 Issue # 9, Issued on October 30th, 2024, Drinking Water Works Permit (DWWP) #063-201 Issue # 7, Issued on October 30th, 2024).

The Holmedale Water Treatment Plant is located at 324 Grand River Avenue in Brantford, Ontario. The City's raw water supply is drawn from the Grand River through the Holmedale Canal. The City is responsible for the overall management of the production and distribution of Brantford's drinking water to homes and businesses across the city. Specifically, this includes treatment of Grand River water, maintenance of the plant, distribution and metering systems, expansion of the network systems and meeting and/or exceeding the applicable regulatory requirements. The water treatment plant is designed to produce drinking water up to 100 million liters per day (MLD). The volume of water permitted to be taken from the Grand River for drinking water supply is up to 260 million liters per day (MLD) (Permit to Take Water #2375-BLHMW5 Issued on May 8th, 2017, expires on May 31st, 2027). The water treatment plant contains the following process units: Screening, coagulation, sand-ballasted flocculation (John Meunier's Actiflo®), sedimentation, ozonation, biological filtration, UV disinfection, chlorination, chloramination and fluoridation.

Three reservoirs (in addition to an in-plant reservoir), one booster pumping station and two elevated tanks are used in the distribution system to equalize water demand, to reduce pressure fluctuations and to provide reserves for firefighting, power outages and other emergencies. A Residue Management Facility (RMF) treats the wastewater generated in the water production process for disposal in an environmentally sound manner. Wastewater treatment consists of concentrating the wastewater by three gravity settler thickeners and dewatering by two belt filter presses. Dewatered waste (sludge) is disposed at the Brantford Landfill.

The City of Brantford Water System is the water service provider to the Town of Cainsville Distribution System (Drinking Water System #:260002616, Class I) which is owned and managed by the County of Brant. The Tutela Heights area annexed by the City in 2017 was served by the County of Brant from their Mount Pleasant well water system for the majority of 2024. Connection of the Tutela Heights area to the City's water distribution system (disconnect from the Mount Pleasant well water system) was completed in January 2025.

## C. List of Water Treatment Chemicals Used

**Table 2: Water Treatment Chemicals**

Chemical Name	Chemical Use
Polyaluminum chloride	Primary Coagulant
Flopam AN 934 PWG	Settling Aid
Microsand	Settling Aid
Liquid oxygen	Primary Chemical for Ozone Generation
Chlorine gas	Primary Disinfectant
Ammonia gas	Used in combination with free chlorine for secondary disinfection
Hydrofluosilicic Acid	Fluoridation
Sulfur dioxide gas	Dechlorination Chemical

## D. Major Expenses

To maintain the water assets in optimal condition, the City regularly evaluates the condition and performance of the assets and plans upgrades accordingly with the 10-year capital program. Various critical capital projects delivered in 2024 are listed below.

**Table 3: Major Expenses**

Description of the Project	Cost
SCADA cybersecurity, infrastructure, and process upgrades	\$293,477
Northwest reservoir inspection and remedial work	\$35,495
Ozone analyzer replacements	\$34,507
Actiflo improvements	\$78,012
Total Expenses	\$474,906

## E. Summary of Test Results Required Under O.Reg 170/03

### i) Operational Testing Required Under Schedule 7

Appendix A summarizes the Operational Testing required under Schedule 7. Water quality tests were conducted at the required frequency and all results were within compliance limits in 2024.

### ii) Bacteriological Testing Required Under Schedule 10

Table 4 summarizes the Bacteriological Testing required under Schedule 10. Bacteriological tests were conducted at the required frequency. Adverse results are summarized in Section F of this report. All corrective actions were taken as per provincial requirements and guidelines.

**Table 4: Results from Bacteriological Testing Required Under Schedule 10**

Source	Number of Samples	Range of Total Coliform (colonies per 100mL)	Range of E.Coli (colonies per 100mL)	Range of Background (colonies per 100mL)	Range of HPC (colonies per mL)	Number of Samples Tested for HPC	Percentage of Samples Tested for HPC
Raw	55	60-152,000	0-2,000	80-228,000	80-100,000	55	100%
Treated	55	0	0	0	0-3	54	100%
Distribution	1651	0-2	0	0-65	0-11	831	50.3%

\*General bacteria population expressed as Background

\*\*HPC – Heterotrophic Plate Count – General bacteria population expressed as colony counts on a heterotrophic plate count  
Regulatory Limits for Treated and Distribution Samples: Total Coliform <1 colony/100mL, E. Coli <1 colony/100mL, E. Coli - <1colony/100mL

### iii) Summary of Inorganic Results Required Under Schedule 23

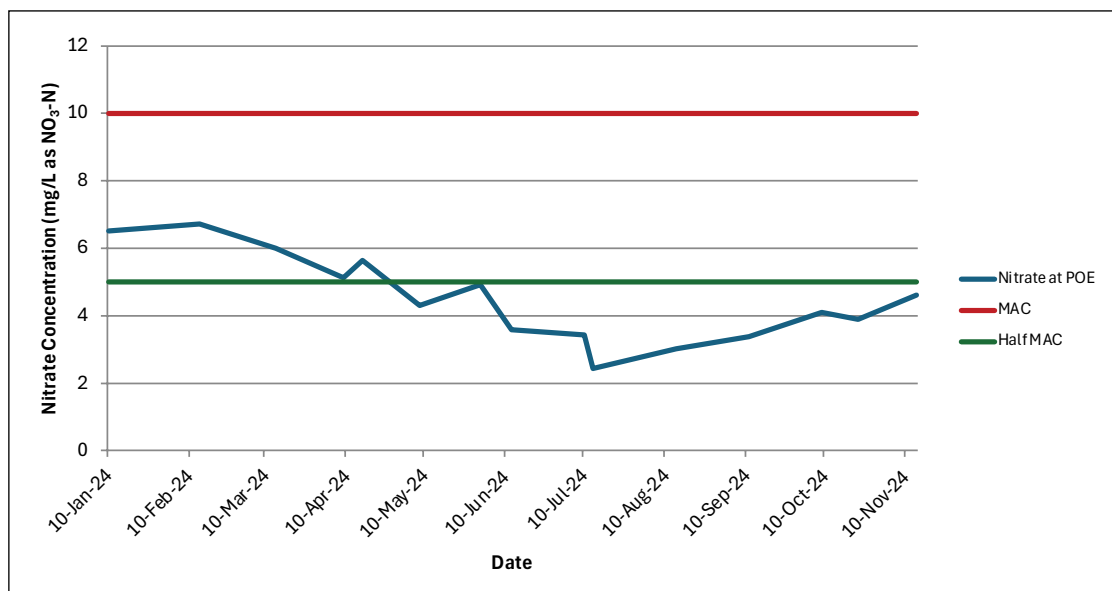
Appendix B summarizes the Inorganic parameter testing results required under Schedule 23; Samples were tested at the required frequency and all results were within compliance limits in 2024.

#### Nitrates

After a gradual rise in quarterly nitrate sampling results exceeding half of the Maximum Acceptable Concentration (MAC-10 mg/L, half-MAC 5 mg/L), the City voluntarily increased the frequency of Point of Entry (POE) and distribution system sampling. Data trending demonstrates nitrate levels tend to be higher in the cold winter months due to the reduced biological activity in the river that consumes nitrate.

The 2024 monthly nitrate sampling data indicates that the nitrate concentration in the river exceeded half of the MAC during six months (6 samples) in 2024, from January until May and increased again in December. The average nitrate concentration at the POE was 4.58 mg/L and the maximum was 6.72 mg/L.

Figure 1: Nitrate Concentration at the Point of Entry



Nitrates in the Grand River are a result of the cumulative inputs from rural non-point sources, urban runoff and wastewater discharges upstream of the City of Brantford water treatment plant.<sup>1</sup>

No corrective actions are required by the City when a water quality parameter level is between half its MAC and the MAC. However, as a proactive measure, City staff is planning for the possibility that the nitrate concentration in the river could exceed the MAC at some point in the future. An emergency response procedure has been developed that includes an online nitrate analyzer that will be installed at the head gates in early 2025. Furthermore, daily process nitrate sampling has been added to the required tests for the treatment operator in 2025 and staff are in the process of securing a secondary water source or treatment methodology to remove nitrates from the water to further mitigate the risk of exceeding the MAC.

A detailed summary of important information related to nitrate levels in drinking water and actions being taken to protect public health can be accessed at [Brantford.ca/Nitrate](https://brantford.ca/Nitrate).

#### iv) Summary of Organic Results required under Schedule 24

Appendix C summarizes the Organic parameters testing results required under Schedule 24; Samples were tested at the required frequency and all results were within compliance limits in 2024.

#### v) Summary of the results of tests required under the Municipal Drinking Water License (MDWL):

Under the City of Brantford Water System's Municipal Drinking Water License, several parameters are required to be tested at varying frequencies and locations throughout the water treatment process and distribution system. Parameters tested include Lead, N-Nitrosodimethylamine (NDMA), Bromate, Microcystin and Total Suspended Solids (TSS).

#### Health Related Parameter - Lead

Table 5 summarizes the lead samples tested before service line replacement and the regulatory lead sampling requirement detailed in the License. The distribution system lead sample result was representative of the drinking water with results well below the MAC of 10 µg/L, while the residential samples taken from homes supplied by lead water service pipes had variable results with some of the results exceeding the MAC.

The City's Lead Reduction Plan (LRP) main strategy for mitigating lead in drinking water is replacing old lead water service pipes. After replacement, a lead sample is tested to assess the performance of this strategy. The results unequivocally demonstrate that replacing lead water services reduces the concentration of lead in the tap water well below the provincial limit. It is to be noted that the City provides free funding of up to \$1500 per water service to help with the cost of replacing a lead water service on the private property. The City also offers a loan of up to \$3,000 for eligible work. In 2024, forty-one (41) residents benefited from the LRP financial incentives. In total, the grant cost \$61,500 and the loan cost \$32,218 in 2024. Of the forty-one (41) residents who applied for the grant, only eleven (11) also opted for the loan.

**Table 5: Lead Sampling Results Summary**

Sampling Locations	Number of Sampling Points Tested	Number of Sampling Points Required by Licence	Minimum (µg/L)	Maximum (µg/L)	Average (µg/L)	pH	Alkalinity (mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )
Distribution	1	1	0.45	0.45	0.45	7.38	190
Non-residential	1	0	2.36	4.07	2.77	7.53	N/A*
Residential	85	20	0.03	58.2	6.65	7.39	N/A*
After Replacement	46	N/A*	0.04	5.44	0.60	7.45	N/A*

\* N/A =Not Applicable

#### Health Related Parameter – Bromate

The monthly bromate testing at the POE is a requirement under the License. The results are summarized in Table 6. All the results were below the MAC of 0.01 mg/L.

Table 6: Summary of Bromate Test Results

Month	Bromate (mg/L)	Within Regulatory Limit?
January	0.005*	Yes
February	0.005*	Yes
March	0.005*	Yes
April	0.005*	Yes
May	0.005*	Yes
June	0.006	Yes
July	0.005*	Yes
August	0.005*	Yes
September	0.005*	Yes
October	0.006	Yes
November	0.005*	Yes
December	0.005*	Yes
Annual Average	0.005	Yes

\*result was less than the method detection limit

### Health Related Parameter – N-Nitrosodimethylamine (NDMA)

The quarterly NDMA testing from the distribution system is a requirement under the License. The NDMA results for 2024 include additional precautionary sampling from the water transfer in Tutela Heights. The results are summarized in Table 7 with the POE for comparison. Testing result for one sample, taken prior to supplying water to homes, showed above the regulatory limit, however, flushing and resampling result showed that the water met the regulatory limit.

Table 7: Summary of NDMA Test Results

Sample	POE (µg/L)	Distribution (µg/L)	Within Regulatory Limit?
First Quarter	0.0009*	0.0009	Yes
Second Quarter	0.0009*	0.0015	Yes
Third Quarter	0.0009*	0.0023	Yes
Fourth Quarter	0.0009*	0.0011	Yes
Tutela Heights 1	N/A	0.0095	No
Tutela Heights 1 Resample	N/A	0.0012	Yes
Tutela Heights 2	N/A	0.0009*	Yes
Tutela Heights 3	N/A	0.0010	Yes
Tutela Heights 4	N/A	0.0016	Yes
Tutela Heights 5	N/A	0.0018	Yes
Minimum	0.0009	0.0009	Yes
Maximum	0.0009	0.0095	No
Average	0.0009	0.0022	Yes

\*result was less than the method detection limit

### Algae Management Plan – Microcystin

Microcystin testing frequency is weekly on raw water and monthly at the POE from June 1 until October 31st. All results measured in 2024 had a microcystin concentration lower than the method detection limit.

### Environmental Discharge Parameter - Residue Management Facility – Total Suspended Solids (TSS)

Under the City of Brantford Water System's License, the annual average concentration of TSS discharged from the RMF thickeners must be below 25 mg/L. Table 8 outlines the Monthly Average TSS for 2024. Each month was well below the 25 mg/L compliance limit with an annual average of 3.53 mg/L for 2024.

Table 8: Monthly Average TSS (mg/L)

Month	TSS (mg/L)	Within Regulatory Limit?
January	3.90	Yes
February	2.30	Yes
March	4.10	Yes
April	2.80	Yes
May	3.40	Yes
June	3.00	Yes
July	3.80	Yes
August	3.60	Yes
September	3.60	Yes
October	4.00	Yes
November	3.20	Yes
December	4.60	Yes
Annual Average	3.53	Yes



## F. Summary of Reporting Adverse Test Results and Other Problems (Schedule 16)

### i) Adverse Bacteriological or Combined Chlorine Residual Results and Corrective Actions Results

In 2024, out of the 1704 bacteriological samples tested throughout the City, 14 sample results were adverse in 10 different incidents. Corrective actions were taken as per Ontario Regulation 170/03 and under the direction of the Brant County Health Unit. Details of the adverse sample results and corrective actions to ensure safe drinking water quality are described below:

**Table 9: Summary of Adverse Water Quality Incidents, Bacteriological or Combined Chlorine**

Location	Date	Adverse Water Quality Indicator (AWQI)	Corrective Actions
Colborne St. W	April 15th, 2024	Total Coliform 2 cfu/100mL	The sample collected following a permanent connection failed with 2 cfu/100mL. The water main was flushed and resampled and all subsequent resamples passed.
15-17 Webling St.	August 26th, 2024	Total Coliform 2 cfu/100mL	The sample collected following the installation of a new water service failed with 2 cfu/100mL. The water main was flushed and resampled and all subsequent resamples passed.
Macklin Sample Station	December 2nd, 2024	Total Coliform 1 cfu/100mL	A routine sample collected on December 2nd, 2024, was adverse for total coliform with 1 cfu/100mL. The water main was flushed and resampled and all subsequent resamples passed.

Bacteriological samples were collected until all results were negative and the drinking water was confirmed safe. "cfu" stands for colony-forming unit which is a unit used to measure viable bacterial cell numbers.

### ii) Adverse Chemical Results and Corrective Actions

#### Sodium

Samples collected from treated water and distribution system had an annual sodium average of 49.8 mg/L and 54.0 mg/L respectively. According to O.Reg 170/03, despite an aesthetic objective of 200 mg/L, any concentration above 20 mg/L is considered an adverse result. The City of Brantford Water System is required to report the results to the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) and the Brant County Health Unit (BCHU) once every 57 months. The sodium results were reported to both agencies in August 2022. Sodium concentration in the City's drinking water supply reflects the level found in the Grand River and cannot be removed by conventional water treatment methods.

#### N-Nitrosodimethylamine (NDMA)

During the transfer of water source to the Tutela Heights area, water quality samples were collected at the various stages of the transfer. NDMA was tested on the samples collected from the initial phase of the transfer to assess disinfection byproduct formation since the city uses a different form of secondary disinfectant than the County of Brant (Mount Pleasant). A sample collected on October 28th, 2024, from a fire hydrant had test results for NDMA of 0.0095 µg/L. The maximum acceptable concentration for NDMA is 0.009 µg/L. Additional samples were collected and tested according to O. Reg 170/03, and all resamples were low and comparable to city water.

### iii) Non-Compliance Events with Provincial Regulations, Municipal Drinking Water License, Municipal Drinking Water Works Permit, and Other Official Documents

No non-compliance events were reported in 2024.

After reviewing the Drinking Water System, the MECP issued a score of 100.00% for the 2024 Brantford Drinking Water System Annual Inspection.

## G. Holmedale Water Treatment Plant Flows

### i) Drinking Water Flows

According to the City of Brantford Water System's Municipal Drinking Water License (Schedule C), the maximum daily volume of treated water that flows from the Holmedale Water Treatment Plant into the distribution system must not exceed 100 MLD.

At the Holmedale Water Treatment Plant, the treated water flow is measured by continuous on-line flow meters and monitored and controlled via a Supervisor Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) computer system. The daily average flow for 2024 was 33.31 MLD.

Figure 2 outlines the monthly average daily flow and maximum total daily flow of treated water for the Holmedale Water Treatment Plant in 2024. The monthly average daily flow was calculated by averaging the total daily flows for a given month. The monthly maximum daily flow corresponds to the highest daily average flow for that month.

Figure 2: Drinking Water Flows (Million Liters per day or MLD)

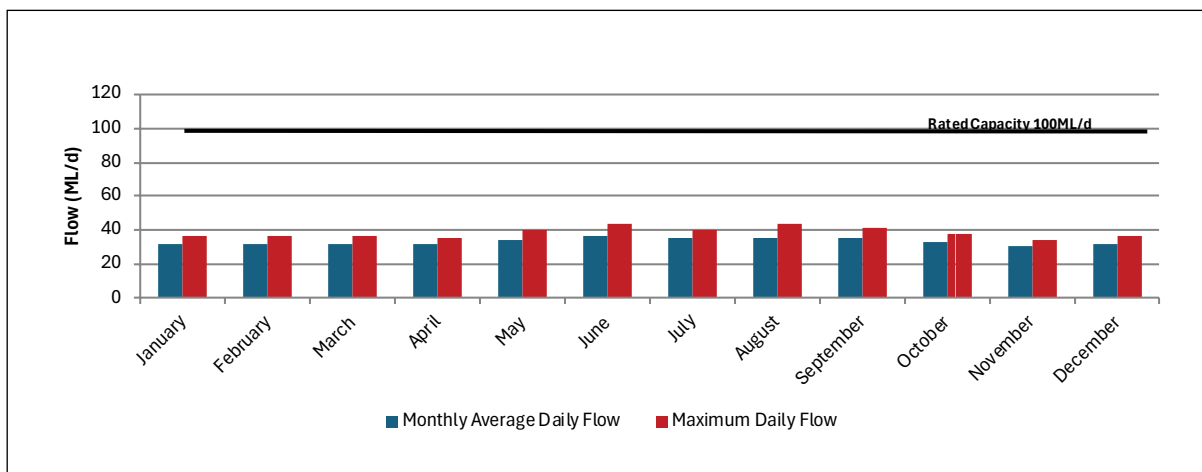


Figure 2 indicates that the monthly average daily flow and maximum total daily flow never exceeded the rated capacity in 2024. The highest monthly average daily flow was 36.68 MLD, which occurred in June. The highest maximum daily flow was 43.59 MLD, which occurred in August.

## ii) Grand River Flow Intake

The City of Brantford Water System's Permit to Take Water (#2375-BLHMW5) for the water treatment plant allows the City of Brantford to withdraw up to 260 MLD of raw water from the Grand River daily at a peak flow not to exceed 181,000 L/min. At the Holmedale Water Treatment Plant, the raw water flow is measured by continuous on-line flow meters and monitored and controlled via a SCADA computer system. The daily average raw water flow for 2024 was 38.75 MLD.

Figure 3 outlines the monthly average daily flow, maximum daily flow and % Grand River flow taken for the Holmedale Water Treatment Plant in 2024. The monthly average daily flow was calculated by averaging the total daily flows for a given month. The monthly maximum daily flow corresponds to the highest daily average flow for that month. The City's Permit to Take Water requires monitoring of the water taking impact has on the Grand River. To ensure there are no negative effects to the Grand River, the City monitors the % of Grand River Flow Taken. The % Grand River Flow Taken is calculated by dividing the daily average flow taken from the Grand River by the Grand River flow measured at the Grand River Conservation Authority (GRCA) Brant Park monitoring station.

Figure 3: Raw Water Flows (million liters per day or ML/day)

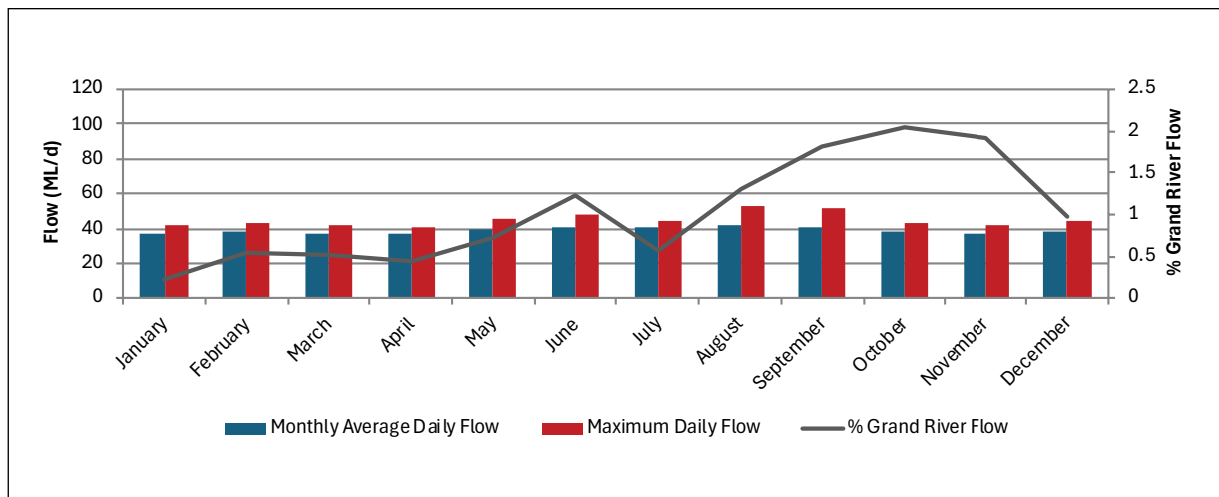


Figure 3 indicates that the highest monthly average daily flow was 42.30 MLD which occurred in August and the highest maximum daily flow was 53.28 MLD which also occurred in August. The maximum daily flow was well below the daily flow limit of 260 MLD as outlined in the City's Permit to Take Water.

The peak percentage of river flow taken from the Grand River was at 2.05% in October followed by a second peak at 1.91% in November. The peak in October and November can be attributed to lower flows in the Grand River due to a very dry and warm summer and fall. There were no reported complaints to the City of Brantford as a result of its water taking activities.

## Appendix A-Operational Parameter Summary

Table 10: Operational Parameter Summary-Water Treatment

Location	Parameter	Unit	MAC	O.Reg 170/03 Limit	Minimum	Maximum	Average	Within Regulatory Limit?
Grand River	Turbidity	NTU	N/A	N/A	4.60	15.42	7.24	NRL
Filter 1	Turbidity	NTU	N/A	less than 1.00	0.028	0.047	0.037	Yes
Filter 2	Turbidity	NTU	N/A	less than 1.00	0.026	0.049	0.037	Yes
Filter 3	Turbidity	NTU	N/A	less than 1.00	0.028	0.047	0.040	Yes
Filter 4	Turbidity	NTU	N/A	less than 1.00	0.031	0.052	0.043	Yes
Filter 5	Turbidity	NTU	N/A	less than 1.00	0.026	0.048	0.037	Yes
Filter 6	Turbidity	NTU	N/A	less than 1.00	0.031	0.053	0.043	Yes
Filter 7	Turbidity	NTU	N/A	less than 1.00	0.027	0.054	0.041	Yes
Filter 8	Turbidity	NTU	N/A	less than 1.00	0.030	0.054	0.046	Yes
CCC Effluent	Log Removal (Giardia)	N/A	N/A	more than 3.0	8.85	28.74	16.20	Yes
Brantford POE	Combined Chlorine	mg/L	3.00	N/A	2.52	2.61	2.58	Yes
Brantford POE	Turbidity	NTU	N/A	N/A	0.030	0.067	0.050	NRL
Brantford POE	Pressure	psi	N/A	more than 20	97.07	97.38	97.29	Yes
Brantford POE	Fluoride	mg/L	1.50	N/A	0.65	0.74	0.70	Yes

**Definitions:** POE - Point of Entry to the Distribution System (Treated Water)

CCC - Chlorine Contact Chambers

**Log Removal** – a shorthand term for  $\log_{10}$  removal, used in reference to the physical-chemical treatment of water to remove, kill, or inactivate pathogenic organisms.

**Combined Chlorine** -Combined chlorine residual is the chlorine species that exists in water in chemical combination with ammonia or other organic nitrogen compounds for the purpose of disinfection.

**MAC** - Maximum Acceptable Concentration

**NTU** - Nephelometric Turbidity Units

**N/A** - Not Applicable

**NRL** - No Regulatory Limit

Table 11: Operational Parameter Summary – Water Distribution

Location	Parameter	Unit	MAC	O.Reg 170/03 Limit	Minimum	Maximum	Average	Within Regulatory Limit?
Tollgate Reservoir	Total Chlorine	mg/L	3.00	N/A	2.00	2.42	2.23	Yes
Park Rd. Reservoir	Total Chlorine	mg/L	3.00	N/A	2.00	2.47	2.22	Yes
Northwest Reservoir	Total Chlorine	mg/L	3.00	N/A	2.11	2.58	2.35	Yes
Albion St. Booster	Pressure	psi	N/A	more than 20	89.79	90.68	90.31	Yes
Tollgate Reservoir	Pressure	psi	N/A	more than 20	57.83	58.62	58.32	Yes
Park Rd. Reservoir	Pressure	psi	N/A	more than 20	78.30	78.86	78.60	Yes
Northwest Reservoir	Pressure	psi	N/A	more than 20	83.92	86.46	85.29	Yes
Bell Lane	Pressure	psi	N/A	more than 20	50.65	50.91	50.79	Yes
Fifth Ave.	Pressure	psi	N/A	more than 20	96.15	96.74	96.38	Yes
Lawren Harris	Pressure	psi	N/A	more than 20	64.35	65.52	64.63	Yes
St. Andrews	Pressure	psi	N/A	more than 20	91.76	93.59	92.76	Yes
Empey St.	Pressure	psi	N/A	more than 20	81.96	82.64	82.37	Yes
Stauffer Rd.	Pressure	psi	N/A	more than 20	76.77	77.96	77.48	Yes

**Definitions: Combined Chlorine** - Combined chlorine residual is the chlorine species that exists in water in chemical combination with ammonia or other organic nitrogen compounds

**MAC** - Maximum Acceptable Concentration

**PSI** - Pounds per square inch

**N/A** - Not Applicable



## Appendix B – Inorganic Parameter Summary

Table 12: Inorganic Parameter Summary

Parameter	Recent Sample	Unit of Measure	MAC	MDL	Treated Water	Within Regulatory Limit?
Bromate	14-August-24	mg/L	0.01	0.005	<MDL	Yes
Bromide	14-August-24	mg/L	N/A	0.001	0.027	NRL
Nitrite (as Nitrogen)	14-August-24	mg/L	1	0.003	<MDL	Yes
Nitrate (as Nitrogen)	14-August-24	mg/L	10	0.006	3.01	Yes
Antimony	14-August-24	ug/L	6	0.60	<MDL	Yes
Arsenic	14-August-24	ug/L	10	0.2	0.4	Yes
Barium	14-August-24	ug/L	1000	0.02	39.7	Yes
Boron	14-August-24	ug/L	5000	2	50	Yes
Cadmium	14-August-24	ug/L	5	0.003	0.003	Yes
Chromium	14-August-24	ug/L	50	0.08	0.25	Yes
Mercury	14-August-24	ug/L	1	0.01	<MDL	Yes
Sodium	14-August-24	mg/L	20	0.01	60.3	No
Selenium	14-August-24	ug/L	50	0.04	0.17	Yes
Uranium	14-August-24	ug/L	20	0.002	0.328	Yes

**Definitions:** MAC – Maximum Acceptable Concentration

MDL – Method Detection Limit

NRL - No Regulatory Limit



## Appendix C – Organic Parameter Summary

Table 13: Organic Parameter Summary

Parameter	Recent Sample	Unit of Measure	MAC	MDL	Treated Water	Within Regulatory Limit?
1,1-Dichloroethylene	14-August-24	µg/L	14	0.33	< MDL	Yes
1,2-Dichlorobenzene	14-August-24	µg/L	200	0.41	< MDL	Yes
1,2-Dichloroethane	14-August-24	µg/L	5	0.35	< MDL	Yes
1,4-Dichlorobenzene	14-August-24	µg/L	5	0.36	< MDL	Yes
2,3,4,6-tetrachlorophenol	14-August-24	µg/L	100	0.2	< MDL	Yes
2,4,6-trichlorophenol	14-August-24	µg/L	5	0.25	< MDL	Yes
2,4-dichlorophenol	14-August-24	µg/L	900	0.15	< MDL	Yes
2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid (2,4-D)	14-August-24	µg/L	100	0.19	< MDL	Yes
Alachlor	14-August-24	µg/L	5	0.02	< MDL	Yes
Atrazine	14-August-24	µg/L	N/A	0.01	0.02	NRL
Atrazine + N-dealkylated metabolites	14-August-24	µg/L	5	0.01	0.03	Yes
Azinphos-methyl	14-August-24	µg/L	20	0.05	< MDL	Yes
Benzene	14-August-24	µg/L	1	0.32	< MDL	Yes
Benzo(a)pyrene	14-August-24	µg/L	0.01	0.004	< MDL	Yes
Bromoacetic Acid	14-August-24	µg/L	N/A	2.9	< MDL	NRL
Bromodichloromethane	14-August-24	µg/L	N/A	0.26	14	NRL
Bromoform	14-August-24	µg/L	N/A	0.34	0.81	NRL
Bromoxynil	14-August-24	µg/L	5	0.33	< MDL	Yes
Carbaryl	14-August-24	µg/L	90	0.05	< MDL	Yes
Carbofuran	14-August-24	µg/L	90	0.01	< MDL	Yes
Carbon tetrachloride	14-August-24	µg/L	2	0.17	< MDL	Yes
Chloroacetic Acid	14-August-24	µg/L	N/A	4.7	< MDL	NRL
Chloroform	14-August-24	µg/L	N/A	0.29	19	NRL
Chlorpyrifos	14-August-24	µg/L	90	0.02	< MDL	Yes
Desethyl atrazine	14-August-24	µg/L	N/A	0.01	0.02	NRL
Diazinon	14-August-24	µg/L	20	0.02	< MDL	Yes
Dibromoacetic Acid	14-August-24	µg/L	N/A	2	< MDL	NRL
Dibromochloromethane	14-August-24	µg/L	N/A	0.37	7.4	Yes
Dicamba	14-August-24	µg/L	120	0.2	< MDL	Yes
Dichloroacetic Acid	14-August-24	µg/L	N/A	2.6	9.8	NRL
Dichloromethane	14-August-24	µg/L	50	0.35	< MDL	Yes



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**Date** March 5, 2025 **Report No.** 2025-96

**To** Chair and Members  
Social Services Committee

**From** Mary Musson, Senior Director  
Community Services and Social Development

## 1.0 Type of Report

Consent Item	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Item For Consideration	<input type="checkbox"/>

## 2.0 Topic **Live Well Brantford-Brant (LWBB) 2024 Annual Report [Financial Impact: None]**

## 3.0 Recommendation

- A. THAT Report 2025-96, Live Well Brantford-Brant (LWBB) 2024 Annual Report, BE RECEIVED; and
- B. THAT the City Clerk BE DIRECTED to forward a copy of the final resolution and staff report to the County of Brant.

## 4.0 Executive Summary

The Live Well Brantford-Brant (LWBB) Program provides housing with intensive case management supports to individuals ages 16 and up who are struggling with housing stability. The program consists of an adult component and a youth component.

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In 2024, the LWBB Program - Youth Component:

- Provided services to 136 youth;
- Completed six (6) program intakes; and
- Had five (5) successful program completions.

In 2024, the LWBB Program - Adult Component:

- Provided housing to 11 new tenants at 5 Marlene Ave with the majority (64%, n=7) having previously resided in encampments or in the emergency sheltering system,
- Supported three (3) tenants in transferring to more independent living at Winston Court;
- Had six (6) successful program completions; and
- Completed 25 new intakes into the LWBB Program for existing tenants at Winston Court requiring more intense case management supports.

The LWBB Program strives to work with the most vulnerable and chronically homeless individuals in the City of Brantford and the County of Brant by first stabilizing their housing and other basic needs and then by providing connections to relevant community resources and ongoing intense, individualized case management. These wraparound supports try to ensure that long term housing and wellness goals are achieved.

## 5.0 Purpose and Overview

The purpose of this report is to provide Social Services Committee the 2024 annual update on the Live Well Brantford-Brant Program.

## 6.0 Background

The Live Well Brantford-Brant (LWBB) Program is currently fully funded through the provincial Homelessness Prevention Program (HPP) provincial grant funding stream. HPP is a consolidation of three former housing program funding streams: Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative (CHPI); Strong Communities Rent Supplement Program (SCRSP); and Home for Good Program (HFG).

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The 2024-25 Fiscal Year (FY) HPP funding allocation to the City of Brantford was \$7,019,400 of which \$1,550,000 was allocated to funding the LWBB Program in its entirety.

The LWBB Program's main objective is to decrease homelessness by focusing on individuals that have generally experienced chronic homelessness and/or have experienced difficulty obtaining and maintaining housing.

The Live Well Brantford-Brant (LWBB) Program consists of three components:

- Live Well – Youth (High-Medium Support) provides funding for rent supplements and supports for up to 20 youth, for up to two years, to help them transition to successful independent living.
- Live Well – Adults (High Support) at 5 Marlene Avenue, a supportive housing site, which provides thirty (30) self-contained studio units (five accessible) with staff space to provide on-site support; and
- Live Well – Adults (Medium Support) at the Winston Court community housing site which provides supports for up to 75 tenants.

## 7.0 Corporate Policy Context

City Council's 2023-2026 Strategic Theme 6 (b): invest in a long-term strategy and plan to manage the homelessness crisis, inclusive of the related issues of mental health and addiction issues and safety and security concerns.

County of Brant Strategic Plan 2024 – 2027, Strategic Priority 3: Healthy, Safe and Engaged Communities.

[Brantford-Brant Housing Stability Plan \(2014-2024\)](#)

## 8.0 Input From Other Sources

SOAR Community Services

## 9.0 Analysis

### 9.1 LWBB Youth Component

SOAR Community Services is currently contracted to deliver the Live Well Brantford-Brant Program – Youth Component until December 31, 2026.

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The Youth Component age demographic for service is 16-29 years old.

Since 2020, 55 youth have been successfully housed through the LWBB program.

In 2024:

- 136 youth were provided services;
- 21 clients were ongoing clients from the previous year;
- 68 referrals to the program were received;
- Five (5) youth entered the program;
- Five (5) youth successfully completed the program; and
- Eight (8) youth exited the program.

At the time of this report, 18 youth are receiving a rent subsidy through the LWBB Youth Program and as of December 31, 2024:

- Two (2) youth have been successfully housed for 1-6 months;
- Three (3) youth have been successfully housed for 6-12 months; and
- 13 youth have been successfully housed for over 12 months.

SOAR Community Services provides intensive case management to youth participating in the LWBB Program and utilizes partnerships with various internal and external organizations to meet the unique needs of each individual youth.

Established successful community partnerships include: SOAR Community Services Housing Resource Centre, Transitional Housing, Brant Employment Centre – WRAP and COAST, Nova Vita, Developmental Services Ontario, Community Living Brant, Brantford Native Housing, Passport/Guiding Hands, City of Brantford Housing and Homelessness Services (Service Manager's centralized housing waitlist), Ontario Works, Ontario Disability Support Program, and Child and Family Services of Grand Erie.

In addition, youth in the program and on the waitlist are eligible to receive Rent Smart certification, which is a six-week program that provides information on how to be a responsible renter, including rights and responsibilities required to

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maintain a successful tenancy. In 2024, seven (7) youth received Rent Smart Certification.

## 9.2 LWBB Adult Component

For individuals struggling with housing stability, the LWBB - Adult component can be a critical step in the housing continuum. Eligible clients are provided with safe, affordable housing along with intensive case management and supports tailored to their specific needs and goals. Often tenants have been chronically homeless and have complex concerns and situations. The goal of the LWBB program is to reduce homelessness by ensuring populations who have experienced the most difficulty obtaining and maintaining housing are provided with an opportunity to be housed successfully.

Staff continue to utilize the Homeless Individuals and Families Information System (HIFIS) to maintain and update the LWBB housing waitlist regarding progress towards placement. This practice allows Housing Resource Centre staff to access updated client information and effectively support the client through the entire application process for tenancy at 5 Marlene Ave. Individuals experiencing chronic homelessness who are active on the By Name List, meet program eligibility requirements, and qualify for placement on the Centralized Housing Waitlist can be offered tenancy.

The LWBB Adult Program pathway has all new tenants to the program starting at 5 Marlene Avenue. In working closely with the Housing Stability Division, seven (7) of the 11 new tenancies at Marlene Ave in 2024 were individuals from the By-Name List who were previously residing in encampments or in the emergency sheltering system.

Once an individual has been in the LWBB Adult Program for a minimum of 12 months with demonstrated successes and having achieved housing stability, they may become eligible to transfer to more independent living at Winston Court.

This program pathway ensures that tenants maintain their community supports and connection with the assigned LWBB Tenant Support Coordinator as they transition to more independent living and simultaneously allows for new occupancies at 5 Marlene Avenue for eligible individuals experiencing chronic homelessness.

A tenant is successfully exited from the LWBB Adult Program when the individual has been housed for 12 months or more and has demonstrated ability

and desire to move to more independent living. Tenants are ideally connected to ongoing supports in the community as required and have demonstrated the ability to reside independently with minimal support while maintaining a successful tenancy.

Staff and security personnel respond to critical situations on a regular basis. A critical incident could include but is not limited to an overdose or other medical emergency, de-escalation of aggressive behaviours, threats to physical and emotional safety, and mental health crises.

LWBB staff are offered appropriate regular training opportunities to ensure they are safe and have the resiliency to continue the work they do. Peer to peer debriefing, ongoing support from the LWBB Supervisor and all Housing and Homelessness Services Managers, and from the Health and Safety Division of the Human Resources Department are readily offered to ensure staff feel safe, supported and equipped to work with high acuity people and situations. Staff are formally trained on incident debriefing when starting in the TSC role and are provided refresher training on a quarterly basis.

Staff also debrief with and encourage tenants to seek proper assistance following any critical incident.

### **9.3 LWBB Adult Component (5 Marlene Ave)**

#### **Occupancy and Vacancies**

In 2024, the LWBB Adult Program provided housing to 11 new individuals and successfully transitioned three (3) tenants from Marlene Ave to more independent living at Winston Court. These tenants continue to participate in, and access supports from, the LWBB Program.

The average length of tenancy for people engaged in the LWBB program continues to increase. This is a positive metric for the LWBB program as it is indicative of the successes of the program in helping chronically homeless individuals obtain and maintain housing. In 2024, the average length of tenancy was 26 months which is 37% longer than the average length of tenancy in 2023 (n=19 months).

In 2024, there were three (3) evictions from Marlene Ave. Eviction is always the final option that staff pursue to address tenancy concerns. In the LWBB program, program staff work closely with property management staff to try to mitigate any tenant concerns that could result in an application to the Landlord

Tenant Board (LTB) and lead to eviction (e.g. nonpayment of rent, severe behavioural concerns, etc.). This includes collaboration and joint case planning for LWBB clients to jointly address challenges influencing their tenancy that may lead to eviction.

Often tenants with LTB notices or concerns are placed on mediated agreements which provides them with an opportunity to work with LWBB staff to improve the concern that led to the LTB notice. The three (3) tenancies that resulted in eviction in 2024 were due to breached mediated agreements and involved ongoing verbal and physical violence and repeated violation of the fire code.

In 2024, with the advocacy of the Tenant Support Coordinators, seven (7) tenants were able to avoid eviction and instead establish mediated agreements at their respective LTB hearings while they continue to work with LWBB staff towards achieving their housing goals.

Table 1 - Client Tracking Data, 5 Marlene Ave.

<b>Client Tracking</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>
New Occupancies (Total)	7	9	8	11
Average Length of Tenancy <sup>1</sup>	13	18	19	26
Move Outs (Total)	10	11	8	6
move outs by type:				
- Deceased	2	2	5	0
- Evicted	2	4	0	3
- Internal Transfers <sup>2</sup>	2	5	3	3
- To Community or Other <sup>3</sup>	4	0	0	0

## 9.4 LWBB Adult Component (Winston Court)

### Caseload

Two Tenant Support Coordinators (TSCs) work out of the Winston Court housing site. Referrals to the LWBB program can be made by the Property

<sup>1</sup> In months.

<sup>2</sup> To Winston Court.

<sup>3</sup> Includes clients who choose not to disclose next place of residence.

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Manager when a tenant is identified to be struggling with general wellness and/or are experiencing situations that are putting their tenancy at risk.

In 2024, 25 existing households residing at Winston Court completed intakes for the LWBB program bringing the total number of participants in the LWBB Adult program at Winston court to 43, with 10 households awaiting intakes.

Staff utilize the Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool (SPDAT) when assessing eligibility for the LWBB program. The total number of program participants at Winston Court can vary based on the acuity levels of individuals accessing support. When a household's acuity numbers are higher, staff are required to provide more intensive supports, which may result in a lower number of individuals/households being brought into the program.

Of the 43 households currently engaged in the LWBB program at Winston Court;

- 8 (19%) have high acuity;
- 20 (47%) have medium acuity; and
- 15 (35%) have low acuity.

Having the Tenant Support Coordinator staffing positions at Winston Court has allowed for:

- Current tenants already residing at Winston Court who are requiring higher level supports to be screened into the LWBB program as soon as the need for support is identified;
- Consistent onsite staff presence allowing for overall program enhancements such as routine programming, along with more time to encourage engagement;
- Individualized and more intense case plans for each participant;
- Increased engagement with Property Management and community partners to bring more services to all tenants at Winston Court; and
- Increased capacity to work with Property Management to identify and screen individuals/households who are struggling to maintain their housing.

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Twenty-one (21) LWBB clients residing at Winston Court exited the program in 2024:

- 10 successful program completion;
- Two (2) move outs to the community;
- Two (2) deceased;
- Six (6) program withdrawal for non-participation; and
- One (1) eviction.

## 9.5 Programming and Community Partnerships

Community partnerships and barrier free access to services are critical to a successful tenancy and aid individuals in reaching their wellness goals.

As of April 1, 2024, SOAR Community Services is the contracted service provider to deliver regular, ongoing physical health, mental health and substance use support to LWBB clients at Marlene Ave and Winston Court.

Since April 1, 2024:

- 31 new patients have been receiving supports at Marlene Ave;
- 39 new patients have been receiving supports at Winston Court;
- 172 addictions assessments have been completed;
- 104 at Marlene Ave;
- 68 at Winston Court;
- 173 physical health assessments have been completed; and
- Individual and group counselling is offered to tenants at both locations.

Other organizations that offer on-site services to the LWBB Program include:

- Brant Skills Centre - provides support with education options and budgeting;
- Brantford Food Bank - offers weekly food pick up and drop off for tenants on a regular rotation at Marlene Ave;

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- CMHA - offers Court Diversion support and a Health and Wellness Group;
  - Equal Grounds - offers interaction and support with community gardens;
  - Grand Erie Public Health - provides health education, harm reduction information, healthy meals, snacks, and activities to encourage social connection;
  - Grand River Community Health Centre - provides social connection through resources and crafts with snacks at both sites along with a periodic ID clinic and on-site access to a Nurse Practitioner;
  - Hep Cure – the mobile bus attends both sites as needed for barrierfree access to those involved in their care;
  - Rapid Access Addiction Medicine (RAAM) Clinic - Nurse Practitioner and Physician provide addiction medicine and mental health supports at both sites;
  - Seniors Resource Centre - supports clients to complete income taxes;
  - SOAR Community Services - Justice Services attends as needed for those involved in the justice system; and
  - SPCA - offers a pet wellness clinic at Winston Court and pet food drop off at both sites.

LWBB staff try to offer engaging activities on a regular basis to promote rapport building, social skills and to help build a sense of community among the tenants at both housing sites. For the Winston Court site, this planning is done in close collaboration with property management and is open to all tenants.

For example: Trivia and Treats, Breakfast and Movies, Movie and Popcorn, BINGO, Halloween Crafts and Candy, Ice Cream Sundae making, Coffee and Cereal, Art Therapy and Apple Cider, Pizza and Movie, Snacks/Movie and Conversation, Decorate a Cupcake, Muffins and Music, Noodles and New Years Resolutions, an annual holiday meal, and informal barbeques in the summer.

## 9.6 Success Stories

An individual who was living between the streets and occasional stays within the emergency sheltering system was referred by the Encampment Response team to supportive housing. Since moving into Marlene Ave, they have had access to physicians, occupational therapists and specialists, which has led to improved

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physical health immensely. This individual has consistently and meaningfully participated in programming while forming positive relationships and rapport in the community. This individual expresses gratitude to staff on a regular basis and has reported that it is the first time in a long time that they feel they have been able to make healthy and significant progress in their life.

A youth client accessed SOAR Community Services at age 15 after living in an unstable environment since childhood. Their parents abandoned them, and they were raised by various family members who were abusive. During this time, they were exposed to multiple traumatic situations. Once connected with Station House they demonstrated focus and motivation to make positive changes. On their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday, they were successfully discharged from the Station House program and entered the LWBB program where the client continues to show resilience and determination to accomplish their individualized goals and maintain housing.

## **10.0 Financial Implications**

There are no direct financial implications associated with this report.

## **11.0 Climate and Environmental Implications**

There are no direct climate or environmental implications associated with this report.

## **12.0 Conclusion**

The Live Well Brantford-Brant (LWBB) Program provides ongoing supportive housing that combines safe, affordable rental housing with intensive, individualized and flexible support services for individuals experiencing homelessness. Chronically homeless individuals with high needs related to physical or mental health, developmental disabilities or substance are more likely to maintain housing stability with appropriate supports in place.

Since the Live Well Brantford-Brant Program commenced in 2020 a total of 115 individuals have been successfully housed: 64 youth and 68 adults. A total of 28 youth and 17 adults have successfully exited the supportive housing program and 11 adults have successfully transitioned to more independent living at Winston Court.





## Grand River Conservation Authority

Summary of the General Membership Meeting – March 28, 2025

To GRCA/GRCF Boards and Grand River watershed municipalities - Please share as appropriate.

### Action Items

*The Board approved the resolutions in the following reports as presented in the agenda:*

- GM-03-25-31 - Administrative By-law Update
- GM-03-25-25 - Financial Summary
- GM-03-25-27 - 2025 Road Site Preparation and Surface Treatment Tender
- GM-03-25-28 - 2025 Replacement Vehicle Purchase
- GM-03-25-29 - Administration Centre Cleaning Services RFP Results
- GM-03-25-30 - Guelph Lake Nature Centre Donor Naming Opportunities
- GM-03-25-23 - Canadian Heritage River Monitoring Report
- GM-03-25-33 - Annual Report of Compliance with requirements under Ontario Regulation 41/24
- GM-03-25-34 - Grand River Watershed Flood Warning System
- GM-03-25-C05 - Drainage Agreements, City of Waterloo (Closed agenda)
- GM-03-25-C06 - License Agreement - Grand River Rafting (Closed agenda)

### Information Items

*The Board received the following reports as information:*

- GM-03-25-36 - Chair's Report
- GM-03-25-32 - Additional Member Appointment, Agricultural Sector Representative
- GM-03-25-37 - Board Presentation Schedule
- GM-03-25-35 - Senior Leadership Team
- GM-03-25-24 - Cash & Investment Status
- GM-03-25-21 - Water Quality - Update on Nitrates
- GM-03-25-22 - Category 2 (Municipal) Programs Annual Report
- GM-03-25-26 - Current Watershed Conditions

### Correspondence

*The Board received the following correspondence:*

- Perth County re: Perth County Stewardship Program

### Source Protection Authority

*The General Membership of the GRCA also acts as the Source Protection Authority Board. No meeting was held this month.*

For full agendas and reports, and past minutes, please refer to our [Board meeting calendar](#). The minutes of this meeting will be posted on following approval at the next meeting of the General Membership.

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March 27, 2025

The Honourable Arif Virani  
Minister of Justice  
House of Commons  
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

Dear Minister Virani:

**RE: Motion to amend prior motion presented to Regional Council on February 26, 2025, re: Banning the Nazi Swastika in Canada, to remove references to "Swastika" from the motion and replace them with "Nazi symbols of hate", Our File: C00**

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As a follow-up to our previous correspondence sent on February 28, 2025, please be advised that the Council of the Region of Durham, at its meeting held on March 26, 2025, adopted the following recommendations of the Finance & Administration Committee:

- A) That subject to a 2/3rds majority vote, the resolution with respect to Banning the Nazi Swastika in Canada, adopted at the February 26, 2025 Regional Council meeting, be reconsidered; and
- B) That subject to Part A) being approved, that the resolution be amended to replace all references to Nazi swastika(s) with the words "Nazi symbols of hate", and make any necessary associated grammatical revisions.

For your reference, the resolution now reads as follows:

"Whereas in recent years, Nazi iconography has surfaced with alarming frequency in the public sphere, used by an increasing number of groups and individuals to promote hate and instill fear within Canadian society; and

Whereas since the atrocities of WWII, the Nazi hakenkreuze, has become universally synonymous with systematic violence, terror and hate. Its growing presence in our country poses a threat to every single Canadian citizen, undermining the core values of equality, diversity, and inclusion that define our nation, and

Whereas eighteen countries have already taken action to ban these symbols, it is imperative that Canada follow suit;

Therefore be it resolved, that Durham Region Council supports B'Nai Brith's call to the Government of Canada to pass legislation banning, with exceptions for certain educational and artistic purposes, the public display of Nazi symbols of hate and iconography, including the Nazi hakenkreuze. Specifically, demanding that the Government of Canada immediately:

1. Ban the Nazi hakenkreuze
2. Ban all Nazi symbols of hate and iconography

Durham Region Council agrees that the people of Canada are counting on the federal government to ensure a future free from hate, where every Canadian is protected, valued, and respected; and

That a copy of this motion is sent to all Canadian Municipalities."

*Alexander Harras*

Alexander Harras, M.P.A.  
Director of Legislative Services & Regional Clerk  
AH/tf

c: B'nai Brith Canada  
All Canadian Municipalities



**LONG POINT REGION CONSERVATION AUTHORITY**  
**Board of Directors Annual General Meeting Minutes of March 7, 2025**  
**Approved, April 2, 2025**

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Members in attendance:

Dave Beres, Chair	Town of Tillsonburg
Doug Brunton, Vice-Chair	Norfolk County
Shelley Ann Bentley	Haldimand County
Robert Chambers,	County of Brant
Michael Columbus	Norfolk County
Tom Masschaele	Norfolk County
Jim Palmer	Township of Norwich
Chris Van Paassen	Norfolk County
Rainey Weisler	Municipality of Bayham/Township of Malahide
Peter Ypma	Township of South-West Oxford

Regrets:

None

Staff in attendance:

Judy Maxwell, General Manager  
Aaron LeDuc, Manager of Corporate Services  
Leigh-Anne Mauthe, Manager of Watershed Services  
Saifur Rahman, Manager of Engineering and Infrastructure  
Jessica King, Social Media and Marketing Associate  
Nicole Sullivan, HR/Coordinator/Executive Assistant

**1. Welcome and Call to Order**

Chair, Dave Beres, introduced himself and welcomed everyone to the Long Point Region Conservation Authority's 2024 Annual General Meeting. The meeting was called to order at 1:30 pm, Friday, March 7, 2025 in the Tillsonburg Administration Office Boardroom.

**2. Declaration of Conflicts of Interest**

None were declared.

**3. Additional Agenda Items**

There were no additional agenda items.

**4. Approval of the Agenda**

**A-28/25**

Moved by T. Masschaele  
Seconded M. Columbus

That the Board of Directors approves the agenda as circulated.

**Carried**

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**FULL AUTHORITY COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Shelley Ann Bentley, Dave Beres, Doug Brunton, Robert Chambers, Michael Columbus,  
Tom Masschaele, Jim Palmer, Rainey Weisler, Chris Van Paassen, Peter Ypma

## **5. Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

### **a) Board of Directors Meeting of February 5, 2025**

**A-29/25**

Moved by R. Weisler

Seconded by S. Bentley

That the minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting held February 5, 2025 be adopted as circulated.

**Carried**

## **6. Introduction of the Board of Directors and Committees**

The members of the Board and the community members of the Lee Brown Marsh Management Committee and the Backus Museum Committee were introduced by Chair Beres.

## **7. Introduction and Greetings from Special Guests**

Greetings were extended from Councillor Robert Chambers, County of Brant, Mayor David Mayberry, Township of South-West Oxford, Mayor Ed Ketchabaw, the Municipality of Bayham, Deputy Mayor Doug Brunton, Norfolk County, Mayor Shelley Ann Bentley, Haldimand County, Mayor Jim Palmer, Township of Norwich, and Deputy Mayor Dave Beres, Town of Tillsonburg.

## **8. Remarks from Bobbi Ann Brady, MPP Haldimand-Norfolk**

Bobbi Ann Brady acknowledged and thanked the Authority for the invite and how nice it was to be back in the boardroom. Bobbi Ann spoke on the passion that the Authority staff has for their job and the region and acknowledged that the Authority works with the community and always finds a way to work positively with the community. Bobbi Ann is proud of her ridings municipal representation on the Authority Board and supports the work carried out by the LPRCA as environmental stewards.

## **9. Service Awards Presentation**

The following staff were recognized for reaching service milestones with LPRCA this past year.

### **5-Year Service Award**

Nicole Sullivan, HR Coordinator/Executive Assistant

### **15-Year Service Award**

Judy Maxwell, General Manager

Darrel Rohrer, Maintenance Operations Labourer

## **10. Audit and Finance Committee**

The Chair called upon Chris Van Paassen, Chair of the Audit and Finance Committee, to present the financial statements.

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Chair Van Paassen reported that the Committee met on February 14, 2025 and received and reviewed the financial statements in detail. MNP issued a clean opinion of the Authority's 2024 financial reports and found that the financial statements fairly presented the Authority's position.

The Chair introduced the auditors, Ashley Didone and Julia Aubertin of MNP, and thanked MNP for their services.

Ashley Didone, Audit partner MNP, presented the 2024 Audit findings report and communicated to the Board auditor independence.

**A-30/25**

Moved by S. Bentley

Seconded by M. Columbus

THAT the minutes of the LPRCA Audit and Finance Committee's meeting held February 14, 2025 be adopted as circulated.

**Carried**

**A-31/25**

Moved by P. Ypma

Seconded by T. Masschaele

THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors receives the LPRCA 2025 Audit Findings Report from MNP, LLP Chartered Professional Accountants as information.

**Carried**

**A-32/25**

Moved by J. Palmer

Seconded by R. Weisler

THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors approves the financial statements for the year ended December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024 audited by MNP, LLP, Chartered Professional Accountants.

**Carried**

**A-33/25**

Moved by P. Ypma

Seconded by R. Chambers

THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors approves the appointment of MNP, LLP Chartered Accountants as LPRCA's auditors for the 2025 fiscal period.

**Carried**

**11. Notice of Formal Motions**

**a) Designate Signing Officers**

**A-34/25**

Moved by M. Columbus

Seconded by J. Palmer

That the LPRCA Board of Directors approves the Chair, Vice-chair, General Manager, and Manager of Corporate Services as designated signing officers for Authority business for the

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year 2025.

**Carried**

**b) Borrowing**

**A-35/25**

Moved by T. Masschaele

Seconded by R. Weisler

That the LPRCA Board of Directors authorizes the Chair or Vice-Chair and the General Manager or Manager of Corporate Services to borrow funds as required for the day-to-day operations of the Authority.

**Carried**

**c) Designate Conservation Ontario Council Representatives**

**A-36/25**

Moved by R. Weisler

Seconded by C. Van Paassen

That the LPRCA Board of Directors designates the Authority Chair as the Authority's representative to Conservation Ontario (CO), with the Vice-Chair designated as alternate,

AND

Further that the General Manager be directed to participate on appropriate committees of CO and be authorized to vote in the absence of the designated representatives.

**Carried**

**12. 2024 Annual Report**

Judy Maxwell presented the 2024 annual report and provided an overview of the year's activities. Hard copies are available at the head office and the report is available on the LPRCA website, <https://www.lprca.on.ca/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/2024-Annual-Report-compressed.pdf>

On behalf of the staff, GM Maxwell thanked staff, the Board, municipal partners, the various community partners, and customers for their continued support.

**13. Chair's Remarks**

Chair, Dave Beres, addressed the Board and guests to highlight the successes and accomplishments of Long Point Region Conservation Authority in 2024.

The Chair then thanked the current and former members of the Board, the Lee Brown Marsh Management Committee, the Backus Museum committee, Norfolk Fibre Arts Guild Volunteers, and the staff for their dedication and support.

**14. Stewardship Award Presentation**

Chair Beres stated that the Long Point Region Conservation Stewardship award was created to recognize those individuals or groups who have made a commitment to environmental sustainability and conservation.

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Brian Woolley was nominated by members of ALUS Norfolk and was selected as the recipient of the 2024 Long Point Region Conservation Stewardship Award.

Brian, a proud resident of Norfolk County, has dedicated a large portion of his life to conservation advocacy, efforts and commitments. Brian obtained his Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture with a Crop Science major. Brian, on his own farm, has been working to address field erosion by implementing best management practices for erosion control, such as grassed waterways and cover crops. In 2019, he partnered with LPRCA and ALUS under the 50 Million Tree Program to plant over 4,000 trees. He controls invasive species, like Phragmites, European buckthorn and spongy moth, on his property.

#### **15. Introduction of Keynote Speaker**

Chair Beres introduced Pete Zuzek, founder and President of Zuzek Inc., a professional services company dedicated to increasing the health and resilience of the world's coastal communities and ecosystems.

#### **16. Keynote Presentation – Overview & Progress on the North Shore Resilience Project, Pete Zuzek**

Pete's presentation detailed and gave a progress update on the Lake Erie North Shore Resilience Project, in which Pete works as a consultant. The Project started in 2023, when a working group of stakeholders and technical advisors came together to discuss the erosion on the North Shoreline from Port Glasgow to Long Point sandspit. The Long Point Biosphere Region was successful in securing \$900,000 of funding over 3 years by the Canada Water Agency.

The focus on the project is to help with the recovery of the North Shore of Lake Erie and to learn about how to better create resilience along the coast with all of its interconnected ecosystems.

The Project has three goals: First goal is to develop scientific knowledge on the movement of the sediment along the shore; Second goal is to complete dune restorations with native plants to increase the resilience of the beaches in the area; and the third goal is to work with stakeholders and organizations along with engaging with communities to develop an action plan along the broad study area.

Pete thanked the Board and the Authority for the opportunity to speak.

#### **14. Adjournment**

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 2:31 p.m.

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Dave Beres  
Chair  
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Judy Maxwell  
General Manager

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March 11, 2025

**RESOLUTION****Resolution # 2025-0077****Agenda Item # 5.1 Blood Collection - No paid Plasma****Moved By :** Bill Black**Seconded By :** Tom Bryson**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

Council for the Corporation of the Township of Joly hereby, supports Member Motion Item 23.1 by Toronto and the City of Hamilton Public Health Committee Report 24-005 (June 3, 2024).

**WHEREAS** Council for the Corporation of the Township of Joly expresses its opposition to the operation of private for-profit blood collection companies.

**AND FURTHER** Direct the Clerk to forward this resolution to Canadian Blood Services, federal, provincial and territorial Ministers of Health, Grifols Pharmaceuticals, and all Ontario Municipalities and request that they support only voluntary blood and plasma collection, where donors do not receive payment for their blood or plasma.

**Carried**

**Original Copy Signed  
Mayor  
Township of Joly**



[REDACTED]

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**From:** Clerks  
**Sent:** April 15, 2025 9:57 AM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** FW: Tillsonburg Town Council Decision Letter - April 14, 2025 - Strong Mayor Powers

Hello,

At the April 14, 2025, meeting of Tillsonburg Town Council, the following resolution was passed:

**Resolution # 2025-125**

**Moved By:** Councillor Spencer

**Seconded By:** Deputy Mayor Beres

THAT Council receive item 12.8 Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing Letter Re: Strong Mayor Powers, as information;

WHEREAS the Ontario government has proposed expanding the "strong mayor" powers to 169 additional municipalities under the proposed legislation on May 1, 2025, which would grant mayors in these municipalities more authority, particularly concerning the control of municipal budgets, planning and operational decisions;

AND WHEREAS this proposal has raised significant concerns regarding the centralization of power, erosion of local democracy, reduced accountability, and the potential for the abuse of power;

AND WHEREAS the proposed expansion of strong mayor powers undermines the collaborative nature of municipal governance, and diminish the role of elected municipal councillors in representing the diverse interests of the community;

AND WHEREAS concerns have been raised about the negative impacts on public trust, democratic participation, and municipal decision-making processes, if mayors are given the ability to bypass council decisions without adequate consultation or oversight;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Tillsonburg;

1. Does not support the proposed strong mayor powers as currently outlined;
2. Supports specific powers to mayors as it pertains to identifiable decisions regarding housing, development, infrastructure and transit to provide tools that reduce obstacles that can stand in the way of new housing and infrastructure developments;
3. Strongly suggests that free reign of decision-making regarding hiring, firing, committees and so forth be removed from the proposed authority;
4. Strongly suggests that members of current Council were duly elected officials by citizens with the awareness of one vote per council member and majority votes are the democratic process;
5. Requests that the Provincial Strong Mayor Powers proposed to take effect on May 1, 2025, be deferred to allow for greater clarity and that the Province seek collaborative input from the Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO);
6. Directs staff to forward this resolution immediately to Minister Flack, Premier Ford, MPP Hardeman, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA), and all Ontario Municipalities before April 16, 2025.

Regards,

**Amelia Jaggard**

Deputy Clerk

Town of Tillsonburg

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## County of Brant O.P.P. Detachment Board Minutes

**Date:** February 25, 2025  
**Time:** 9:00 a.m.  
**Location:** Council Chambers  
7 Broadway Street West  
Paris, ON

**Present:** Mayor Bailey, Councillor Peirce, Members Brown, Budreau, Haley, and Stryker

**Staff:** Acting Inspector McTaggart, Inspector Hymers – Oxford OPP, Acting S/Sgt Vandertuin – Brant OPP, PC Murphy – Brant OPP, Stevenson, and Pluck

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Member Haley in the Chair.

### 1. Attendance

Attendance was taken.

### 2. Approval of Agenda

Item 7.1, Brant County OPP Detachment Commander's Report was moved to immediately follow item 4.1, Recognition of the Brant North, Brant East, and Paris Community Safety Groups.

Moved by Mayor Bailey  
Seconded by Member Budreau

That the County of Brant O.P.P. Detachment Board agenda and addendum of February 25, 2025 be approved, as amended.

**Carried**

### 3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interests

None.

**4. Delegations / Petitions / Presentations**

**4.1 Recognition of the Brant North, Brant East, and Paris Community Safety Groups**

Chair Haley recognized the Brant North, Brant East, and Paris Community Safety Groups, thanking them for their contributions to the community.

Chair Haley, Vice Chair Brown, Acting S/Sgt Vandertuin, and Mayor Bailey presented certificates to members of the Community Safety Groups.

**5. Adoption of Minutes from Previous Meetings**

**5.1 County of Brant O.P.P. Detachment Board Minutes of January 28, 2025**

Moved by Member Brown

Seconded by Mayor Bailey

That the County of Brant O.P.P. Detachment Board minutes of January 28, 2025, be approved.

**Carried**

**6. Business Arising from the Minutes**

None.

**7. Statistics**

**7.1 Brant County OPP Detachment Commander's Report**

Acting Inspector McTaggart thanked the Community Safety Groups, recognizing their dedication and contributions to the community.

Acting Inspector McTaggart presented the Detachment Commander's Report of February 25, 2025. Discussion was held on the following:

- In response to questions Acting Inspector McTaggart provided an overview of patrol classifications, noting that further details will be provided on daily activity reporting moving forward.
- Discussion was held surrounding public complaints and how the complaints are addressed from the detachment.
- Discussion was held with regards to victim services, how the services are offered, and referrals to victim services.
- In response to questions, Acting Inspector McTaggart advised that positive feedback has been received from students, staff, and parents regarding School Resources Officers returning to schools.

Moved by Mayor Bailey

Seconded by Member Brown

That the Detachment Commander's, Statistics, and OPP False Alarm reports of February 25, 2025 be received as information.

**Carried**

**7.2     Community Mobilization Officer Overview**

PC Murphy appeared before the board and provided an overview on the role of the Community Mobilization Officer, highlighting important community connections and collaborations in which the role is involved with. PC Murphy further noted that the role is involved with the creation of workshops and events, grant writing, and further community engagement through social media, traffic safety presentations. PC Murphy concluded with highlighting the involvement of the role with the Brant OPP Youth Academy.

Moved by Member Stryker  
Seconded by Member Budreau

That the presentation from PC Murphy regarding the Community Mobilization Officer be received as information.

**Carried**

**8.     Staff Reports**

**8.1     RPT-0087-25 False Alarm Statistics - 2024 Year End Review**

In response to questions, Cindy Stevenson, General Manager of Emergency & Protective Services confirmed that the fee for the fifth response, and any further responses for At Fault False Alarms is \$500.00.

Moved by Mayor Bailey  
Seconded by Councillor Peirce

That Staff Report RPT-0087-25 "False Alarm Statistics – 2024 Year End Review" be received as information.

**Carried**

**9.     Communications**

**9.1     Ontario Association of Police Services Boards (OAPSB) - 2025 Call for Resolutions**

Chair Haley discussed a resolution to call on the Ontario Association of Police Services Board (OAPSB) to work with the province regarding the new Community Safety and Policing Act, with respect to retaining funds within the community from the sale of auctioned items.

**10.    Updates**

**10.1    Council Communication**

Discussion was held in regard to reviewing statistics of the Automated Speed Enforcement cameras at a future meeting.

**10.2    OAPSB Zone 4**

Chair Haley provided an update on the OAPSB Zone 4 meeting, noting discussion took place in regard to the difference between O.P.P. and municipal boards, board development and governance, and challenges municipal boards face.

**10.3 Chair Update**

Chair Haley provided an update on the Community Safety and Wellbeing Plan, noting that there are many organizations are involved and that the County of Brant has opportunities for community engagement. She further advised that Brian Grice, Community Safety and Wellbeing Supervisor will attend a future meeting to speak further on the Community Safety and Wellbeing Plan. Chair Haley concluded with highlighting the Polar Plunge event on March 6th at the Wayne Gretzky Sports Centre, and that Nova Vita is holding a gala on March 6th.

**11. In Camera**

None.

**12. Next Meeting and Adjournment**

The Board adjourned at 10:37 am. to meet again on March 25, 2025, at 9:00 am at the County of Brant Council Chambers.

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Secretary

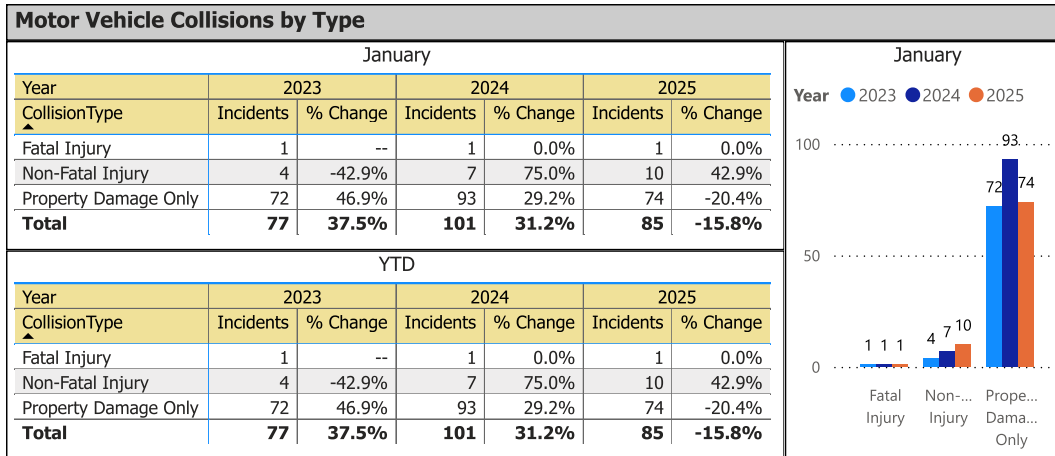


## **BRANT DETACHMENT STATISTICS REPORT**

**February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025**



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**Fatalities in Detachment Area - Incidents**

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Year	Alcohol/Drugs	Incidents	% Change	Alcohol/Drugs	Incidents	% Change	Alcohol/Drugs	Incidents	% Change
2023	0	1	--	0	0	--	0	0	--
2024	1	1	0.0%	0	0	--	0	0	--
2025	0	1	0.0%	0	0	--	0	0	--

YTD									
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2023	0	1	--	0	0	--	0	0	--
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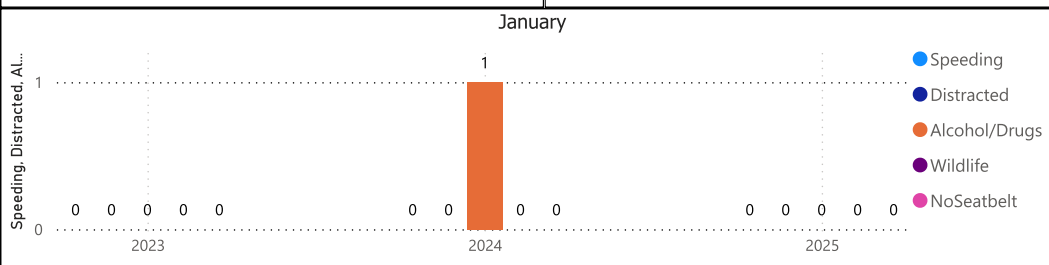
**Fatalities in Detachment Area - Persons Killed**

January						
Type	Motor Vehicle		Motorized Snow Vehicle		Off-Road Vehicle	
Year	Persons Killed	% Change	Persons Killed	% Change	Persons Killed	% Change
2023	1	--	0	--	0	--
2024	1	0.0%	0	--	0	--
2025	1	0.0%	0	--	0	--

YTD						
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2023	1	--	0	--	0	--
2024	1	0.0%	0	--	0	--
2025	1	0.0%	0	--	0	--

**Primary Causal Factors in Fatal Motor Vehicle Collisions**

January				YTD			
	2023	2024	2025		2023	2024	2025
Speeding	0	0	0	Speeding	0	0	0
Speeding % Change	--	--	--	Speeding % Change	--	--	--
Distracted	0	0	0	Distracted	0	0	0
Distracted % Change	--	--	--	Distracted % Change	--	--	--
Alcohol/Drugs	0	1	0	Alcohol/Drugs	0	1	0
Alcohol/Drugs % Change	--	--	-100.0%	Alcohol/Drugs % Change	--	--	-100.0%
Wildlife	0	0	0	Wildlife	0	0	0
Wildlife % Change	--	--	--	Wildlife % Change	--	--	--
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# OPP Detachment Board Report Records Management System January 2025

## Criminal Code and Provincial Statute Charges Laid

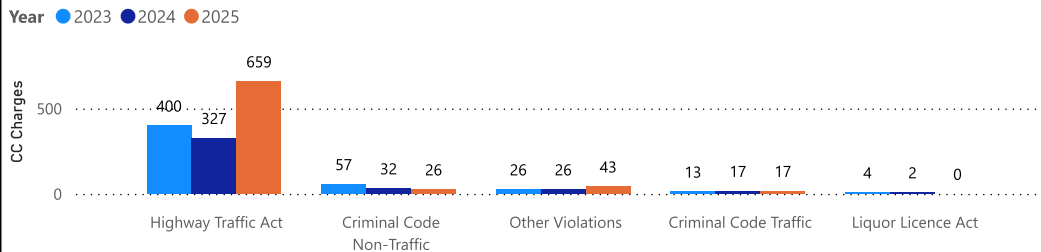
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ChargeCategory1	Offence Count	% Change	Offence Count	% Change	Offence Count	% Change
Criminal Code Non-Traffic	57	5.6%	32	-43.9%	26	-18.8%
Criminal Code Traffic	13	44.4%	17	30.8%	17	0.0%
Highway Traffic Act	400	-21.1%	327	-18.3%	659	101.5%
Liquor Licence Act	4	-42.9%	2	-50.0%	0	-100.0%
Other Violations	26	-42.2%	26	0.0%	43	65.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>-19.6%</b>	<b>404</b>	<b>-19.2%</b>	<b>745</b>	<b>84.4%</b>

YTD

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## Traffic Related Charges

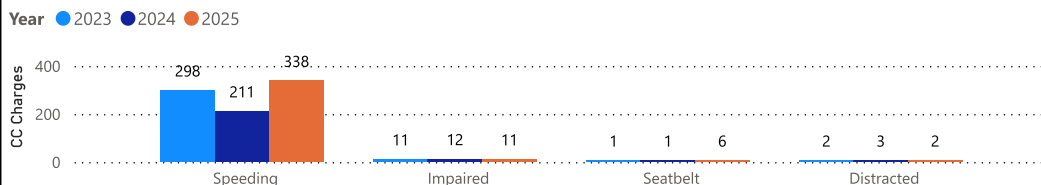
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ChargeCategory2	Offence Count	% Change	Offence Count	% Change	Offence Count	% Change
Speeding	298	-17.0%	211	-29.2%	338	60.2%
Seatbelt	1	0.0%	1	0.0%	6	500.0%
Impaired	11	37.5%	12	9.1%	11	-8.3%
Distracted	2	--	3	50.0%	2	-33.3%

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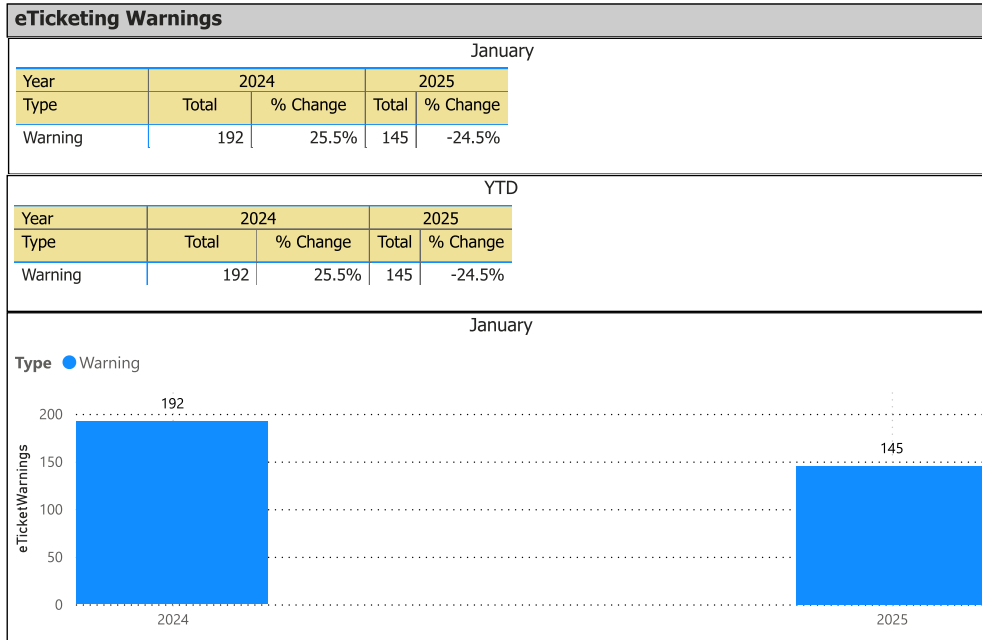
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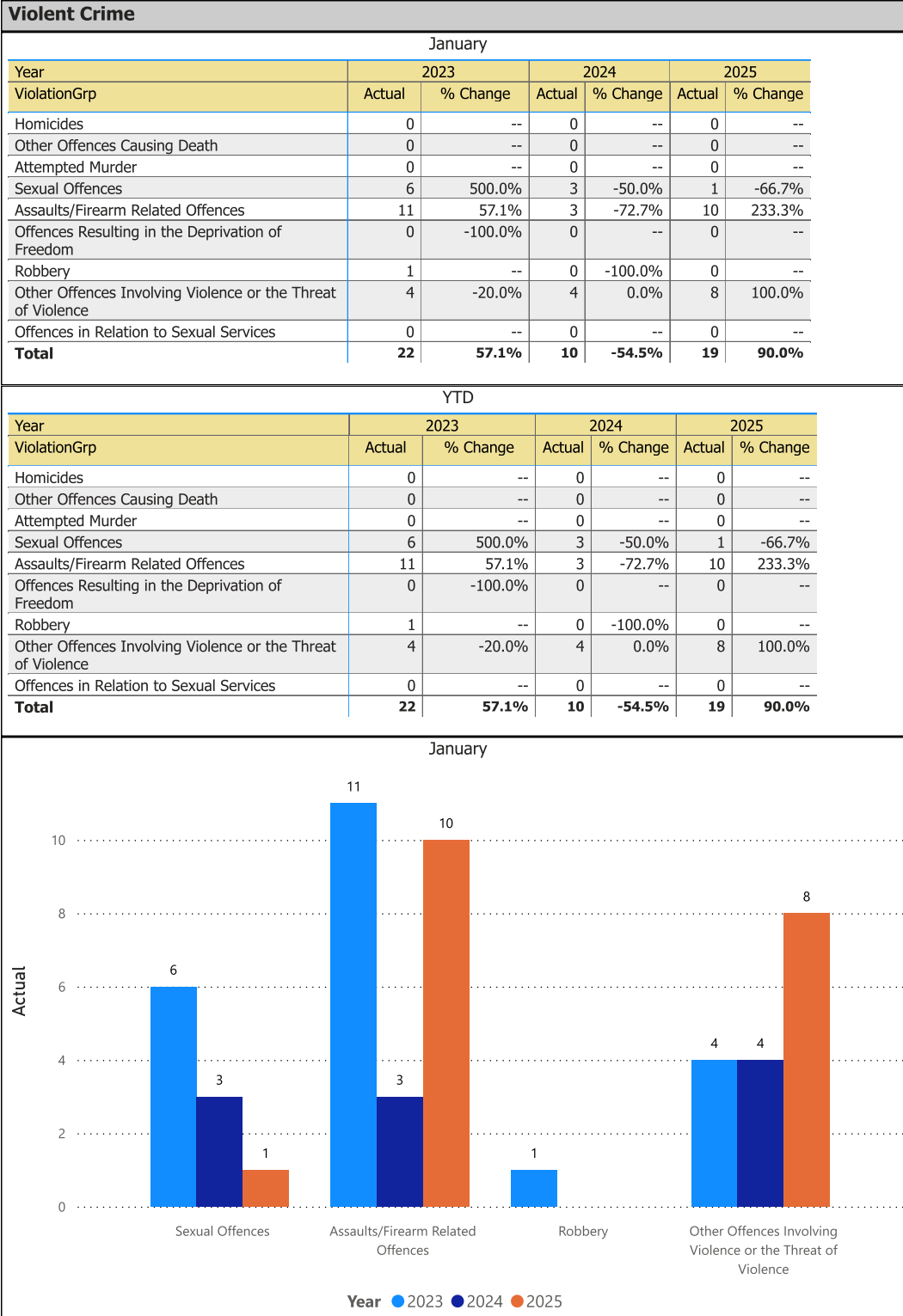
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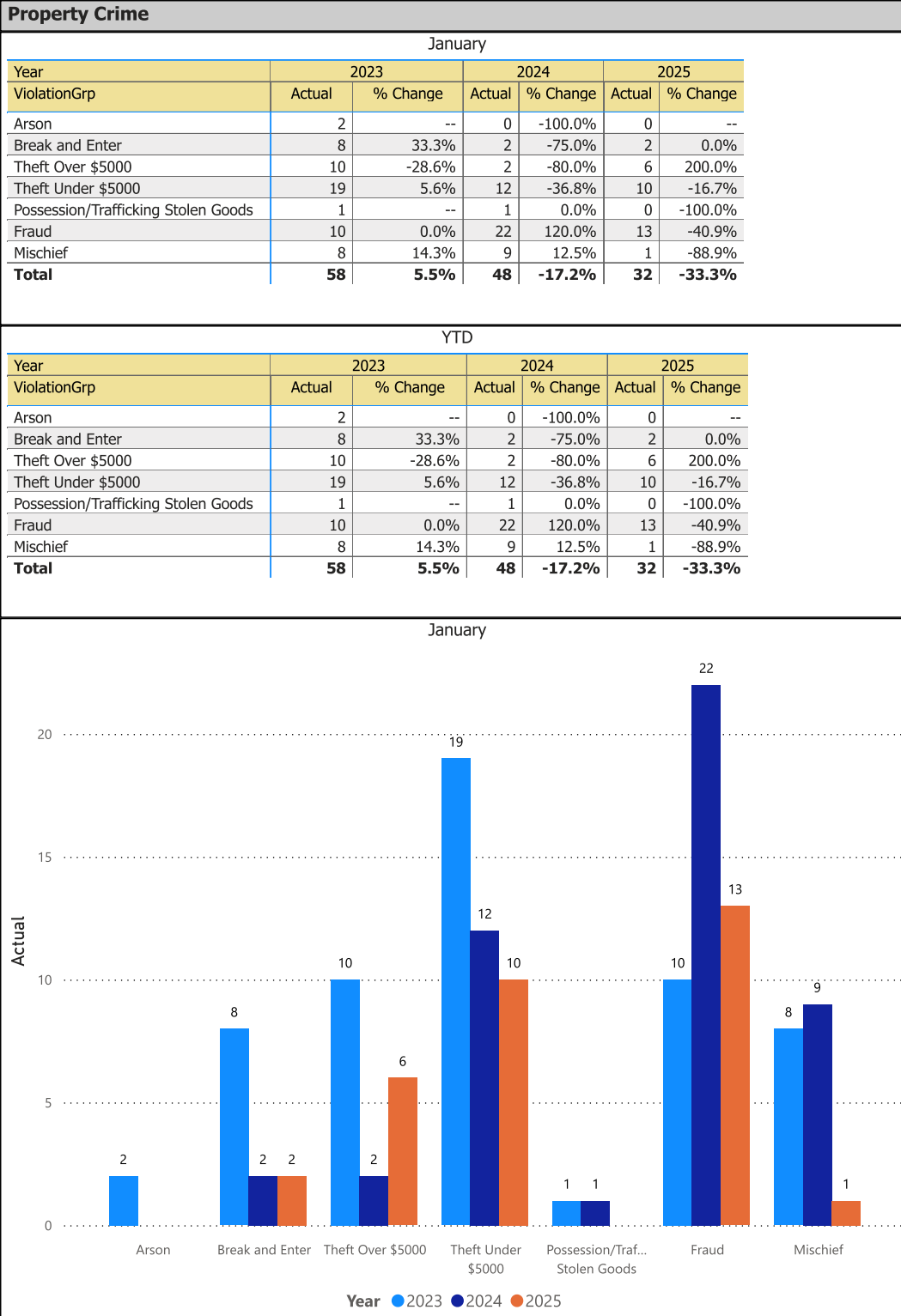
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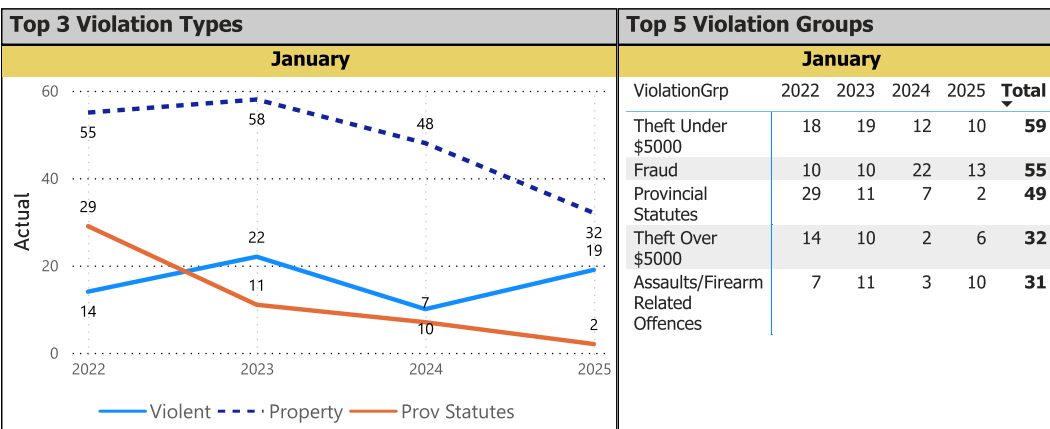
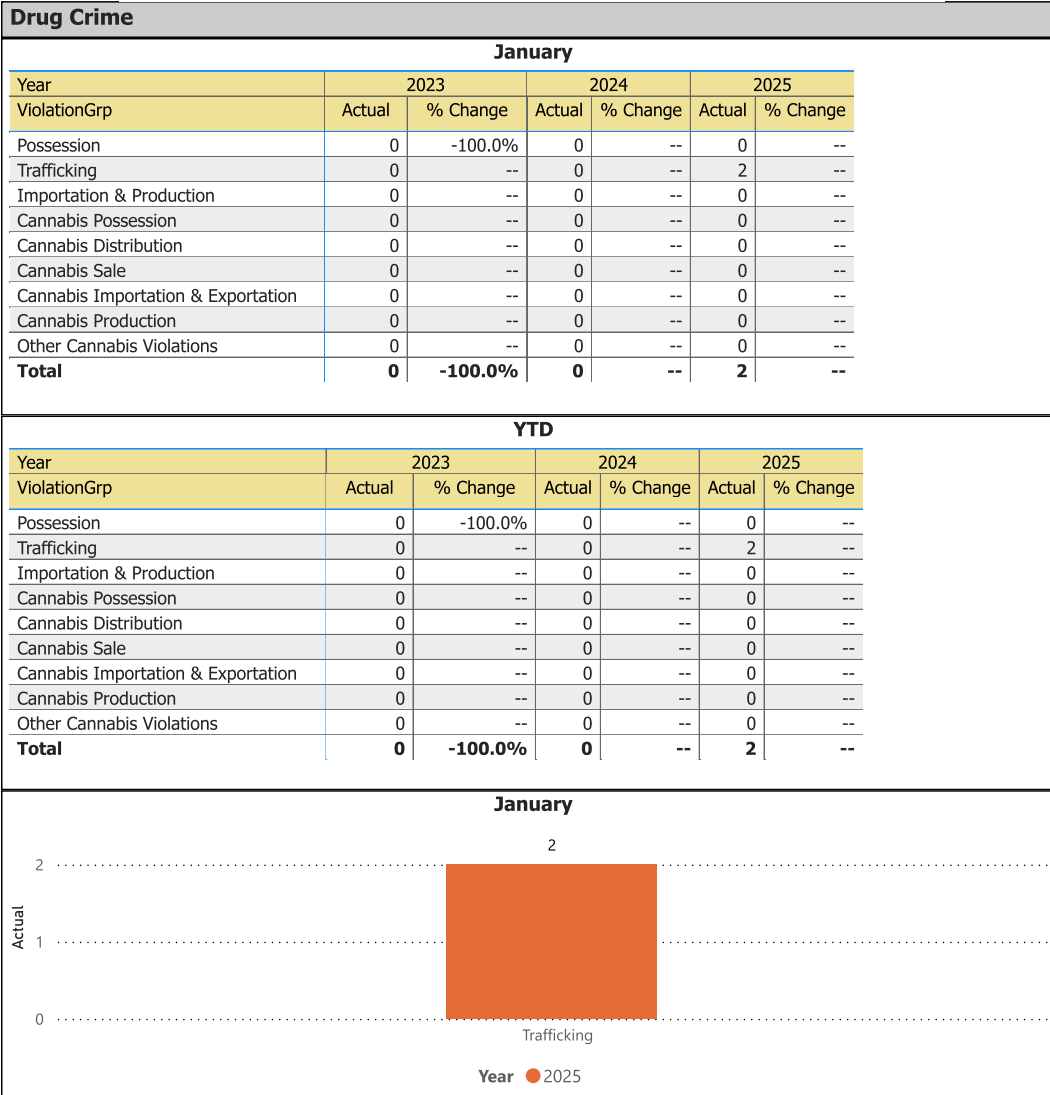
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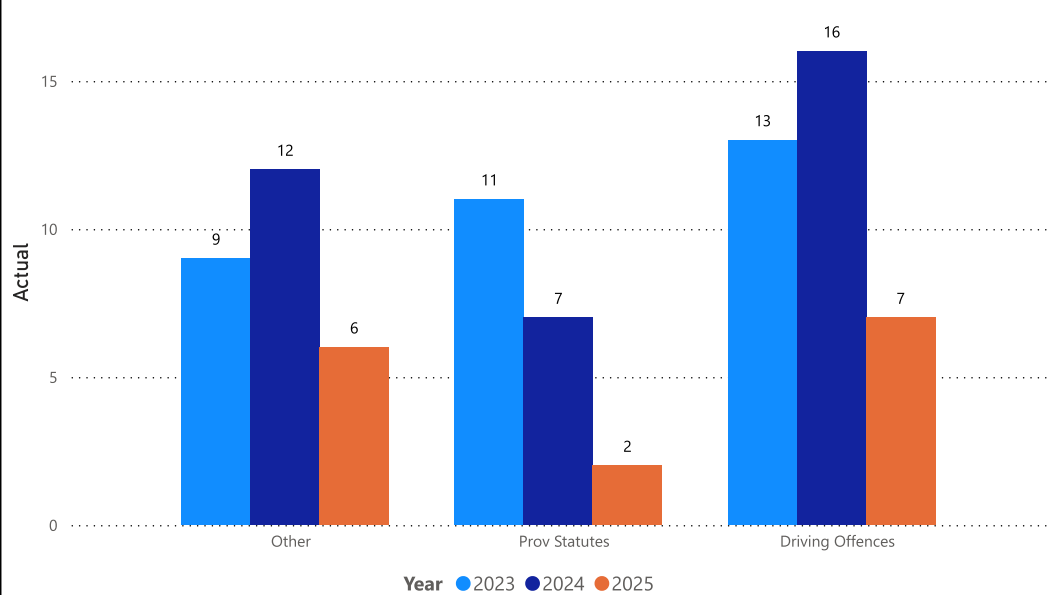
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Year	2023		2024		2025	
Violation_rollop	Actual	% Change	Actual	% Change	Actual	% Change
Other	9	-18.2%	12	33.3%	6	-50.0%
Fed Statutes	0	--	0	--	0	--
Prov Statutes	11	-62.1%	7	-36.4%	2	-71.4%
Driving Offences	13	62.5%	16	23.1%	7	-56.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>-31.3%</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>6.1%</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>-57.1%</b>

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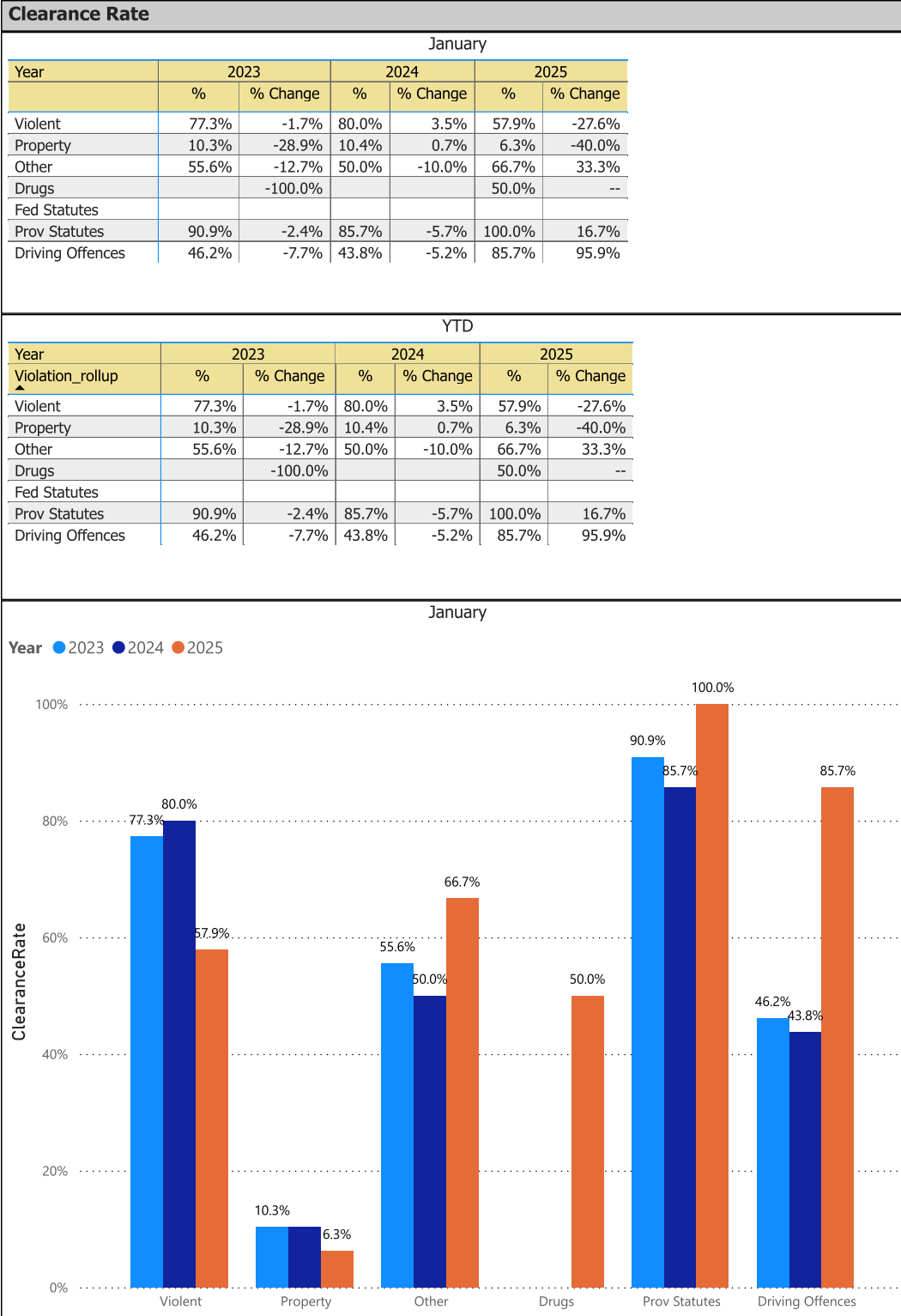
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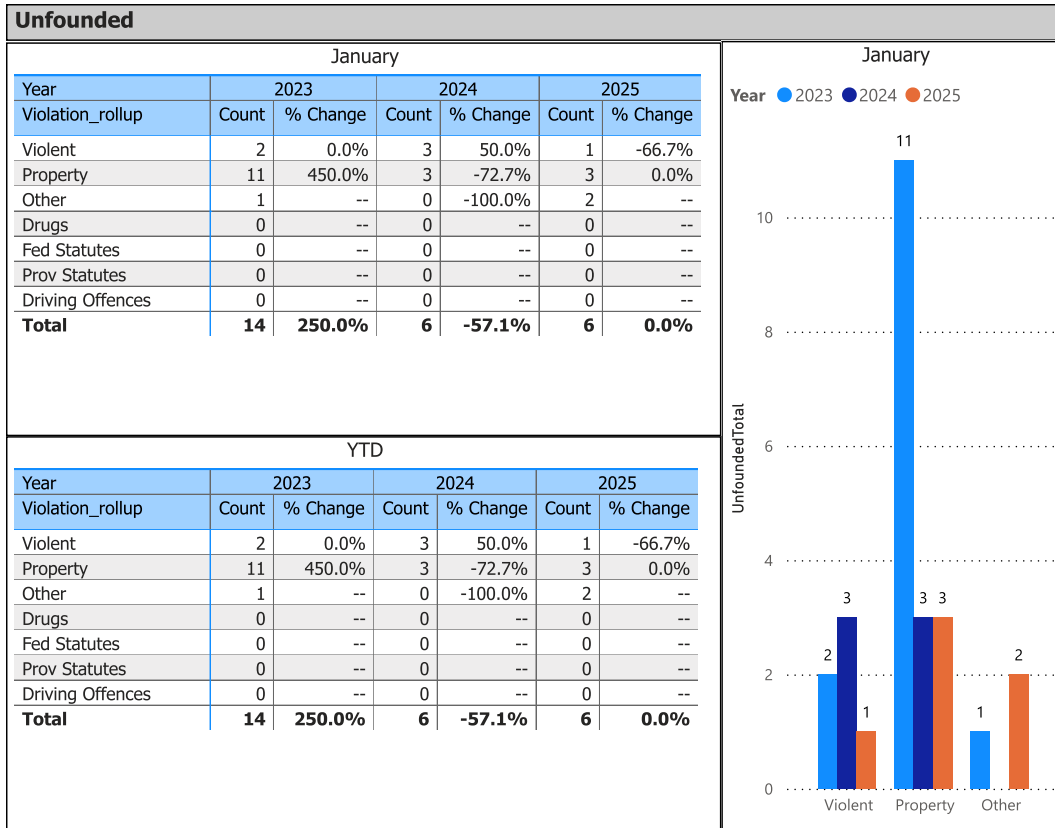
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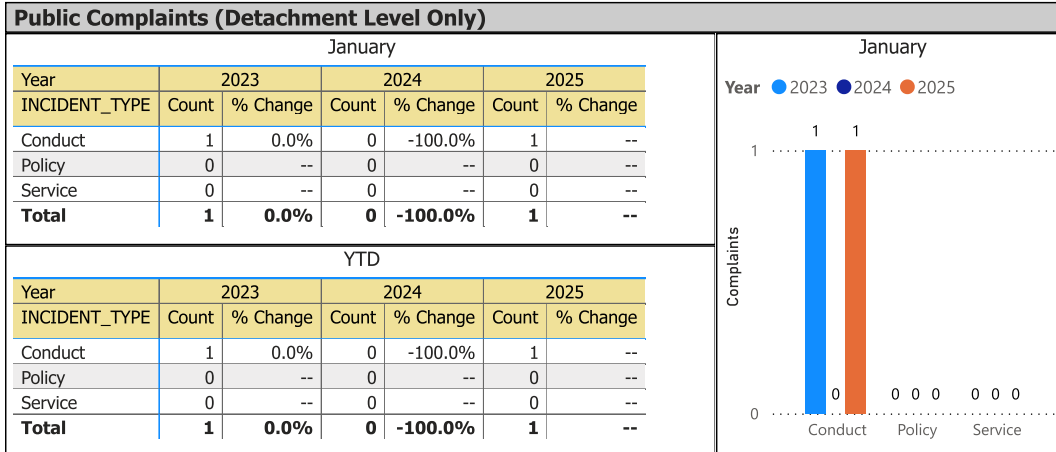
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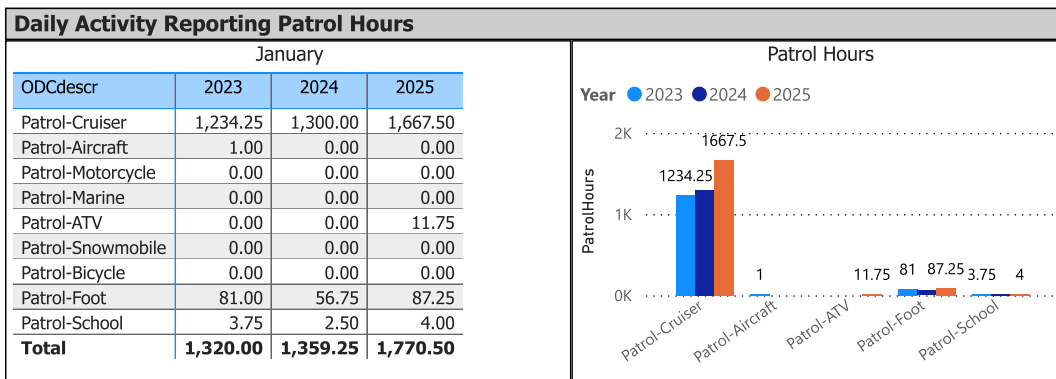
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## Daily Activity Reporting



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January 2025

Youth Charges by Disposition Type			
January			
Disposition_Type	2023	2024	2025
Bail	0	0	0
Conviction	0	0	0
Diversion	0	0	0
NonConviction	0	0	0
NotAccepted	0	0	0
POATicket	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0
YTD			
Disposition_Type	2023	2024	2025
Bail	0	0	0
Conviction	0	0	0
Diversion	0	0	0
NonConviction	0	0	0
NotAccepted	0	0	0
POATicket	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0

Youth Charges by Disposition and Occurrence Type		
January		
Year	2025	Total
OccType		
Total		0

YTD		
Year	2025	Total
OccType		
Total		0

The tables and chart on this page present summarized youth charges by disposition and occurrence type that have been recorded in the OPP Niche RMS application. Of note... the Niche data sourced for this report page only lists youth charges that have had a disposition type entered against them. Therefore, please be aware that the counts of youth charges entries on this report page are under stating the potential sum of youth charges that are in OPP Niche RMS.

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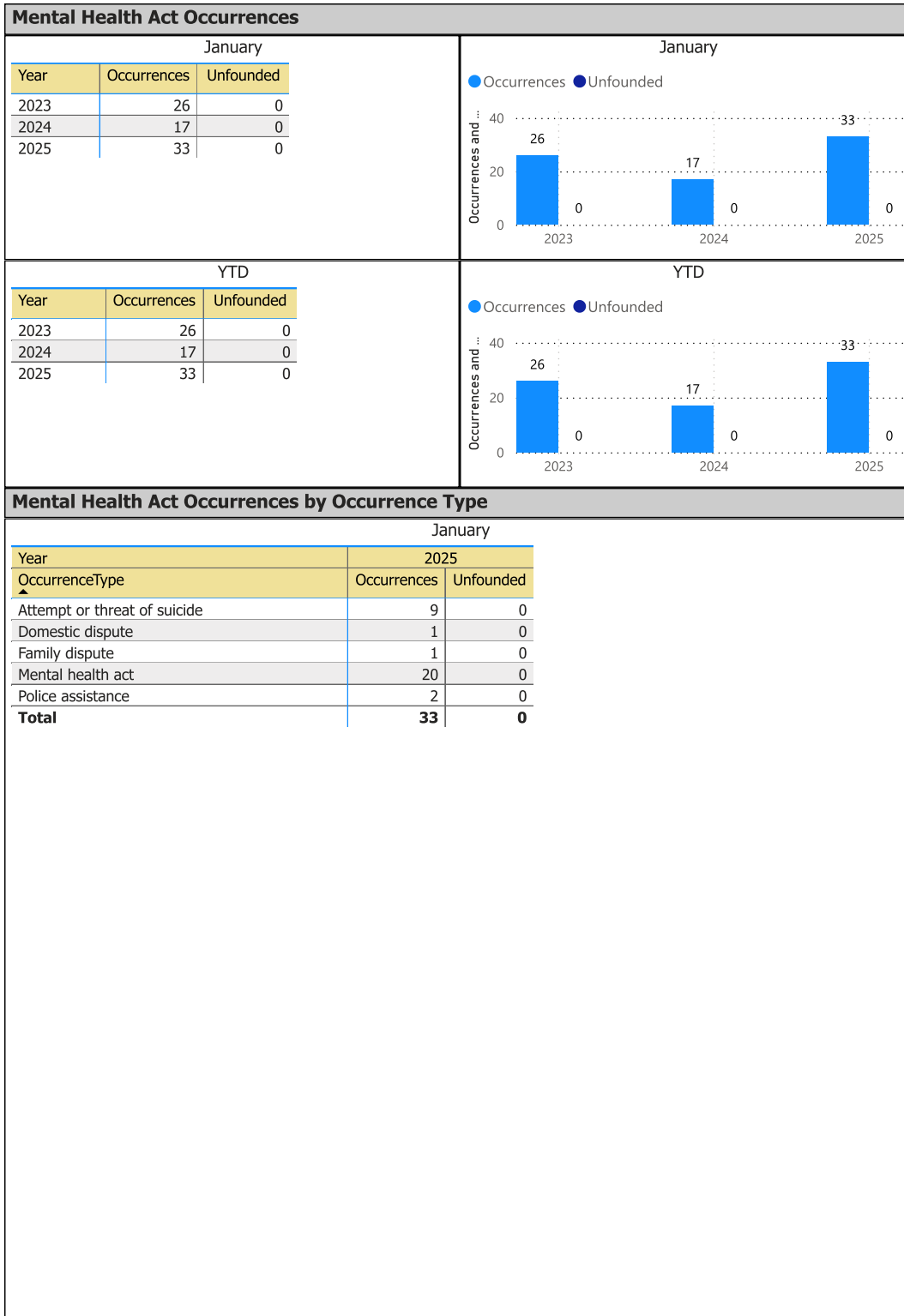
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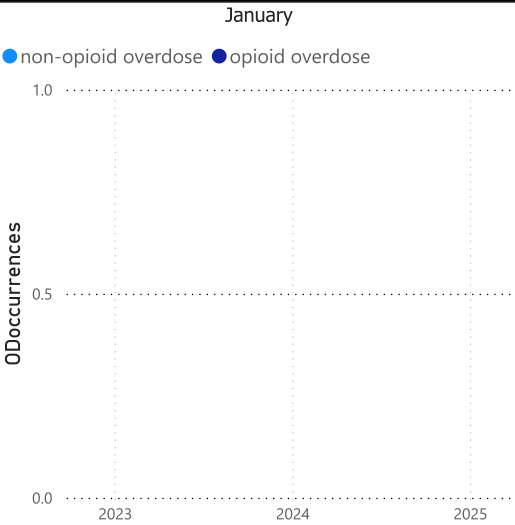
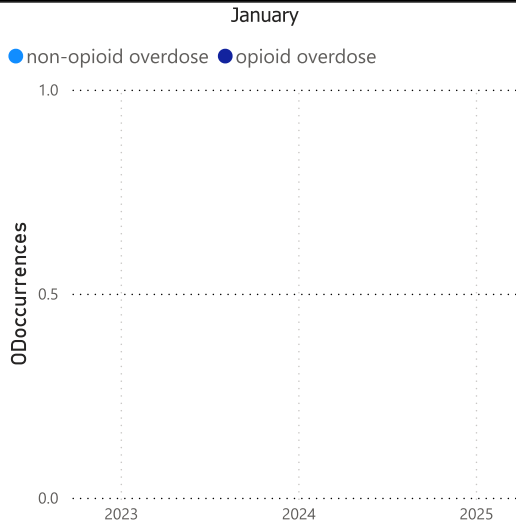
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Overdose Occurrences				
January				YTD
Fatal	2023	2024	2025	Fatal
<input type="checkbox"/> Fatal	0	0	0	<input type="checkbox"/> Fatal
non-opioid overdose	0	0	0	non-opioid overdose
opioid overdose	0	0	0	opioid overdose
<input type="checkbox"/> non-Fatal	0	0	0	<input type="checkbox"/> non-Fatal
non-opioid overdose	0	0	0	non-opioid overdose
opioid overdose	0	0	0	opioid overdose
Total	0	0	0	Total

Fatal Overdose Occurrences		Non-Fatal Overdose Occurrences	
January		January	
<p>● non-opioid overdose ● opioid overdose</p>  <p>OD occurrences</p>		<p>● non-opioid overdose ● opioid overdose</p>  <p>OD occurrences</p>	

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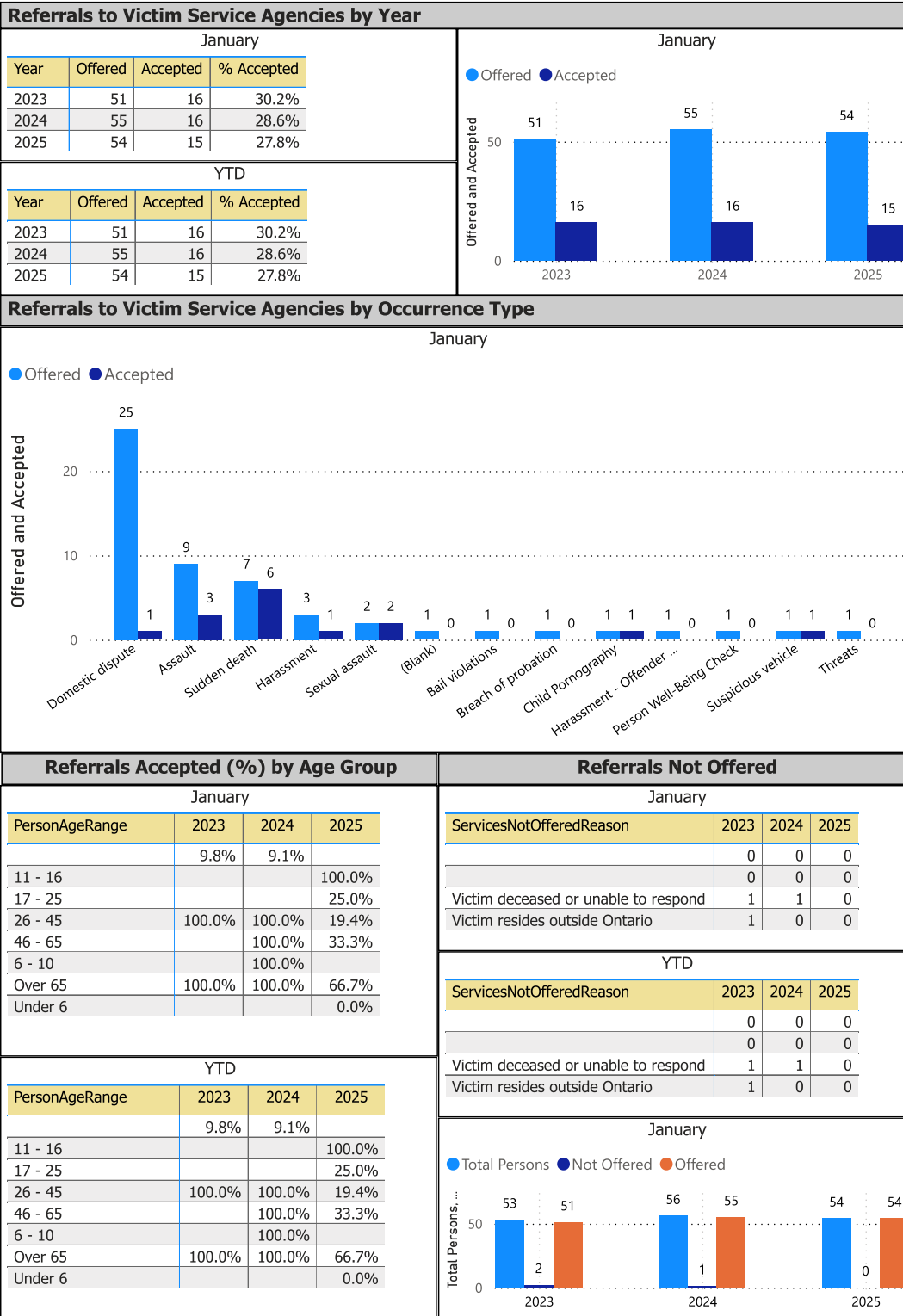
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**OPP Detachment Board Report**  
Report Information Page

**Report Data Source Information:**

**Data Sources Utilized**

- Niche RMS – CTSB Data Feed
- Collision Reporting System (eCRS)
- POIB File Manager
- Daily Activity Reporting System

**Niche RMS**

RMS data presented in this report is dynamic in nature and any numbers may change over time as the OPP continue to investigate and solve crime.

The following report tabs acquire their data from the OPP Niche RMS – CTSB Data Feed

- Complaints (Public Complaints Section Only)
- Charges
- Warnings
- Violent Crime
- Property Crime
- Drug Crime
- Clearance Rate
- Unfounded
- Other Crime
- Youth Charges
- MHA – Mental Health Act
- Overdose
- Victim Services

**Collision Reporting System (eCRS)**

Traffic related data for Collisions and Fatalities are collected from the OPP eCRS application.

The following report tabs acquire their data from the OPP eCRS (Collision Reporting System)

- Collisions
- Fatalities

**DAR (Daily Activity Reporting)**

Patrol hours are collected from the OPP DAR application.

The following report tabs acquire their data from the OPP DAR (Daily Activity Reporting)

- Complaints (Patrol Hours Section Only)



## Council Members

Mayor Neil Nicholson

Deputy Mayor Cathy

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Councillors:

Mark Bell

Michael Moore

Chris Olmstead

Connie Tabbert

Joey Trimm

## Certified True Copy

Wednesday, March 5, 2025

**Re: Resolution - Request to Increase Tile Drain Amount**

Dear Honorable Rob Flack,

At its meeting of March 5, 2025, the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region adopted the following resolution:

**That Council of the Township of Whitewater Region support the motions from the Township of Adelaide Metcalfe and County of Frontenac requesting that the Province, through the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness, and Minister of Rural Affairs, consider increasing the maximum annual Tile Drain Loan Limit to a minimum of \$250,000; and, Further that a copy of this motion be forwarded to the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness, The Minister of Rural Affairs, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA), and all Ontario municipalities.**

(613) 646-2282

Carried - as amended Resolution #2025-5275

P.O. Box 40,  
44 Main Street  
Cobden, ON  
K0J 1K0

Sincerely,

Carmen Miller  
Clerk/CEMC

whitewaterregion.ca



February 20, 2025

Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Via Email

**Re: Ontario Deposit Return Program**

Please be advised that Council of the Town of Halton Hills at its meeting of Monday, February 10, 2025, adopted Resolution No. 2025-0025 regarding Support for the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury regarding Ontario Deposit Return Program.

Attached for your information is a copy of Resolution No. 2025-0025.

Respectfully,



Melissa Lawr, AMP  
Deputy Clerk – Legislation

cc. Honourable Andrea Khanjin, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks  
Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
Honourable Ted Arnott, MPP Wellington – Halton Hills  
Leaders of the Opposition Parties  
All Municipalities in Ontario



TOWN OF  
**HALTON HILLS**

THE CORPORATION  
OF  
THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS

**Resolution No.:** 2025-0025

**Title:** Ontario Deposit Return Program

**Date:** February 10, 2025

**Moved by:** Councillor C. Somerville

**Seconded by:** Councillor J. Fogal

**Item No. 12.1**

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WHEREAS the Ontario Deposit Return Program has successfully incentivized the recycling of alcoholic beverage containers;

AND WHEREAS ON September 20, 2024 the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury issued a letter endorsing the expansion of the Ontario Deposit Return Program to include nonalcoholic beverage containers;

AND WHEREAS Halton Hills has always shown a leadership role in environmental matters including, passing in 2005, asking the province to create a deposit and return system for wine and liquor bottles;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Town of Halton Hills hereby supports the letter dated September 20, 2024, by the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury, regarding the Ontario Deposit Return Program;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, Doug Ford; Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, Andrea Khanjin; the Minister of Finance, Peter Bethlenfalvy; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); MPP Ted Arnott; Leaders of the Opposition Parties; and all Ontario Municipalities.

Mayor Ann Lawlor

September 20, 2024

**BY E-MAIL**

Hon. Andrea Khanjin, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks  
5th Floor  
777 Bay St.  
Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

Dear Minister Khanjin:

### **Ontario Deposit Return Program**

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I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to formally address the recent discussions surrounding the Ontario Deposit Return Program, particularly regarding our community residents asking us about the recycling of nonalcoholic beverage plastics.

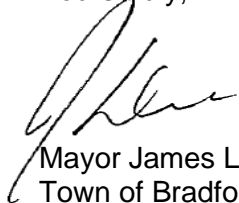
Whereas the Ontario Deposit Return Program has successfully incentivized the recycling of alcoholic beverage containers, resulting in the removal of over 204,000 tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions, we recognize the potential for similar success with nonalcoholic beverages.

The Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks highlighted in their June 2023 letter that they are considering the adoption of a deposit-and-return system for nonalcoholic beverages. This initiative presents a unique opportunity to further promote recycling, reduce litter, and encourage sustainable practices among consumers.

Therefore, I am proud to announce that our Council endorses the expansion of the Ontario Deposit Return Program to include nonalcoholic beverage containers. We believe that this expansion will not only enhance environmental stewardship but also foster a culture of sustainability within our community.

We encourage all stakeholders to support this initiative and work collaboratively towards its implementation. Together, we can make a significant impact on our environment and set a positive example for future generations.

Yours truly,



Mayor James Leduc  
Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury

CC:

Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance  
Hon. Caroline Mulroney, Member of Provincial Parliament for York-Simcoe  
MPP Sandy Shaw, Opposition Environment, Conservation and Parks Critic  
Ontario's Municipal Councils and Conservation Authorities



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Chris Olmstead  
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Joey Trimm

## Certified True Copy

Tuesday, March 25, 2025

### Re: Resolution - Deposit Return Program

Dear Honourable Todd McCarthy,

At its meeting of March 5, 2025, the Council of the Township of  
Whitewater Region adopted the following resolution:

**That Council of the Township of Whitewater Region  
support the letter dated September 20, 2024 by the Town  
of Bradford West Gwillimbury, regarding the Ontario  
Deposit Return Program;  
and further that a copy of this Resolution be sent to the  
Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks; the  
Minister of Finance; the Association of Municipalities of  
Ontario (AMO); our local Member of Provincial Parliament  
(MPP); and all Ontario Municipalities.**

Carried - Resolution #2025-5273

Sincerely,

(613) 646-2282



Carmen Miller  
Clerk/CEMC

P.O. Box 40,  
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**Town of Saugeen Shores**  
600 Tomlinson Drive, P.O. Box 820  
Port Elgin, ON N0H 2C0

April 14, 2025

Honourable Rob Flack  
Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
17th Floor, 777 Bay St.  
Toronto, ON M7A 2J3  
[rob.flack@pc.ola.org](mailto:rob.flack@pc.ola.org)

Dear Minister,

**RE: Opposition to Proposed Amendments to O.Reg. 530/22 to Expand Strong Mayor Powers**

I am writing to express my opposition to the government's proposed expansion of Strong Mayor powers to include the Town of Saugeen Shores. As the Mayor of Saugeen Shores, I am concerned about the implications of this policy change on our local governance. Please consider this letter as the Town of Saugeen Shores submission on O.Reg. 530/22 which is available for comment until April 16<sup>th</sup>.

In my experience, the 'Council Manager' system of governance has always served our municipality well. Specifically, when it comes to advancing our shared priority of building more housing to serve our residents, Saugeen Shores Council has demonstrated flexible and determined leadership. Our Council has enabled housing by reducing red tape resulting in the construction of more than 600 multi-family residential units in the last two years alone. Given the strong and sustained commitment of our Council to these efforts, I do not see how the introduction of Strong Mayor powers will accelerate the construction of housing (or the pursuit of other priority areas) in any way. On the contrary, vesting these new powers in the Mayor threatens to disrupt long-established and effective processes, sidelining elected members of Council with effects that may be contrary to the interests of our residents.

Saugeen Shores has thrived for decades on the principle of shared leadership. We have an effective team of elected representatives working in partnership with a professional staff to achieve goals that are transparently set out in our Strategic Plan and annual Business Plans. This approach to governance is foundational to building trust between the municipality and the residents that it serves. I fear that the unilateral decision-making enabled by Strong Mayor powers would erode this trust and disrupt the collaborative environment that has long been at the heart of the democratic tradition of our Council and community.

I urge you to reconsider the expansion of Strong Mayor powers. If the government has a strong desire to advance these major changes to the governance of our municipality, I

request that you engage in a thorough consultation process with our Council and the residents of our community before moving forward. It is crucial that any changes to local governance structures be made in close partnership with the communities they impact.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I look forward to your response and hope that we can work together in the interest of ensuring strong local governance in Saugeen Shores.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'L. Charbonneau', written in a cursive style.

Luke Charbonneau, Mayor  
Town of Saugeen Shores

cc. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Lisa Thompson, MPP, Minister of Rural Affairs  
Council, Town of Saugeen Shores  
All Ontario Municipalities

April 11, 2025

The Honourable Kinga Surma  
Minister of Infrastructure  
Room 5E200, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
777 Bay Street  
Toronto, ON M7A 2J3  
Email: [kinga.surma@pc.ola.org](mailto:kinga.surma@pc.ola.org)

The Honourable Lisa M. Thompson  
Minister of Rural Affairs, Huron-Bruce MPP  
408 Queen Street  
P.O. Box 426  
Blyth, ON N0M 1H0  
Email: [lisa.thompson@pc.ola.org](mailto:lisa.thompson@pc.ola.org)

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Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
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Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building  
Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1  
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Sent Via Email

Dear Hon. Premier and Ministers:

Re. Installation of New Utility Poles in Howick Township through the Accelerated High Speed Internet Project (AHSIP)

It is with great concern that we provide a connectivity update from the perspective of the Township of Howick. The Township applauds the provincial government for its \$4 billion investment to provide high-speed internet access in every region of Ontario and is appreciative of the Ministry of Infrastructure's leadership with the Accelerated High Speed Internet Program (AHSIP).

Improved connectivity to Ontario's unserved and underserved areas creates immense economic development opportunities and begins to address some of the challenges experienced by rural and remote communities. These communities continue to experience profound inequities in the areas of education, business and interpersonal relationships due to the lack of adequate communications infrastructure. The buildout of new broadband infrastructure starts the work towards resolving this inequity.

The Township of Howick is a small, rural municipality with a rich and proud history in agriculture. Through AHSIP, Xplore Inc. has obtained \$1.6 billion of private investment and government funding for fibre network expansion in several underserved, rural Ontario communities, including Howick Township.

While Howick Township is supportive of all rural residents receiving access to reliable high-speed internet, there are ongoing concerns from Council and residents over the installation of dozens of new utility poles within the municipal right-of-way across Howick's countryside instead of utilizing Hydro One's existing utility poles or underground direct bury or drilling methods.

In response to our inquiries, representatives from Xplore Inc. have explained to township council and staff that these new utility poles have been installed by their subcontractor because of "significant delays in Hydro One's permitting process to add broadband infrastructure to their existing utility poles and because it is the most cost-effective installation method."

The Ministry of Infrastructure outlines very thorough processes, procedures and timelines for Attaching to LDC-Owned Poles in the *Building Broadband Faster in Ontario* guidelines released November 30, 2021. Section 2.2 of the guideline outlines the Broadband One Window (BOW) authorization process for LDC owned pole attachments, including the engineering design requirements as well as the applicable standards to which stakeholders are expected to adhere to. This process includes field inspection/survey of the poles, pole loading structural analysis and determination of what telecom and power make-ready work, if any, needs to be completed for safe attachment. Nowhere in the guidelines does the Ministry of Infrastructure outline a process for installing new utility poles instead of attaching to existing LDC owned poles.

This leave us in Howick Township with several questions:

**What guidelines are being followed if this ISP is completely bypassing the LDC in favor of erecting new utility poles? Is the Ministry of Infrastructure responsible for making sure these guidelines and processes are being followed? If Xplore Inc. has admitted to avoiding the permitting process of using the LDC's (Hydro One) existing utility poles, who owns these new utility poles that have been installed? Who is responsible for their maintenance and eventual replacement? Who is going to maintain the brush and shrubbery that surround many of these new poles in the municipal right-of-way?**

It is Howick Township's opinion that the AHSIP program lacks oversight and compliance measures over the work being completed by the Internet Service Providers and their sub-contractors. Along with this, the *Building Broadband Faster Act, 2021, S.O. 2021, c.2*,

*Sched. 1* has stripped Howick Township's right to question the installation of dozens of new utility poles without incurring financial penalties for causing delays to the project.

We have included photos (see [Appendix A](#)) of the substandard installation of new utility poles across Howick Township under AHSIP that occurred throughout this past winter. As you can see, many poles were installed incorrectly, quickly and during all weather conditions. This required the sub-contractors to return several times to fix deficiencies. This doesn't seem like the most cost-effective installation method. Other photos show examples of the number of new poles installed in areas of Howick Township. With our primarily agriculture-based background and economy, many Howick Township landowners are quite upset with the amount of new utility poles that have been installed. Farm equipment continues to get larger in size as farming techniques modernize, and these new 30ft utility poles limit access to fields with overhead infrastructure installed along the municipal right-of-way.

Through our research into this matter, we have not found examples of so many new utility poles being installed elsewhere across the province to facilitate the installation of fibre optic high-speed internet infrastructure. New pole installations are only referenced in the program guidelines regarding LDC-owned poles requiring replacement prior to installing the broadband infrastructure.

Can you explain why so many new utility poles are being installed in Howick Township directly by the ISP instead of utilizing existing utility poles owned by Hydro One as outlined in your program guidelines? Municipalities were not informed that dozens of new utility poles would be installed through AHSIP. Howick Township is requesting to have these new utility poles removed in favour of utilizing existing LDC owned poles or direct bury or plowing methods of installation.

We encourage any other Ontario municipalities who are experiencing similar new utility pole installations through the Accelerated High Speed Internet Program to reach out to Howick Township directly, and to join Howick Township by reaching out to the above listed ministries with your concerns.

Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,



Caitlin Gillis  
Chief Administrative Officer  
Township of Howick  
[clerk@howick.ca](mailto:clerk@howick.ca)



Doug Harding  
Reeve  
Township of Howick  
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# MINUTES

## **JOHN NOBLE HOME COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12, 2025**

1:00 P.M.

SHERMAN BOARDROOM,  
97 Mount Pleasant St.  
BRANTFORD, ONTARIO

**Jessica Tanchak**  
*Executive Assistant*

**JOHN NOBLE HOME COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT  
MINUTES**

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12, 2025

1:00 P.M.

SHERMAN BOARDROOM

Chair MacAlpine called meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

**1. ROLL CALL**

Present: City of Brantford  
Councillor Carpenter  
Councillor Hunt  
Councillor Sullivan  
Councillor Samwell

County of Brant  
Councillor MacAlpine  
Councillor Bell  
Mayor Bailey  
Councillor Coleman

Regrets:

Also Present: E. Owen, J. Salmon (HDR Inc.), K. Mauracher (HDR Inc.), S. Yilmaz (HDR Inc.), R. Diez, J. Tanchak, A. Gora, S.Pruder, N.Kaur

**3. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

No pecuniary interests were declared.

**4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Moved by Councillor Bell  
Seconded by Councillor Hunt

THAT the Agenda BE APPROVED

CARRIED

<b>5. MINUTES</b>
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**5.0 Minutes**

Moved by Councillor Carpenter  
Seconded by Councillor Coleman

THAT the following Minutes (5.1-5.2) BE ADOPTED

**5.1 John Noble Home Committee of Management –February 12, 2025**

Moved by Councillor Coleman  
Seconded by Councillor Hunt

THAT the John Noble Committee of Management minutes from February 12, 2025 be AMENDED to remove Councillor Carpenter as Chair and replace with Councillor MacAlpine.

Item 5.1 was voted on and approved unanimously.

CARRIED

**5.2 John Noble Home Committee of Management In-Camera Minutes-  
February 12, 2025**

CARRIED

<b>6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES</b>
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**6.1 John Noble Home Committee of Management Minutes**

Moved by Councillor Hunt  
Seconded by Councillor Bell

THAT the John Noble Home Committee of Management minutes be APPROVED by the Committee of Management prior to circulation to the City and County Councils.

Item 6.1 was voted on and approved unanimously.

CARRIED

<b>7. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS (list, if any, available at meeting)</b>
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Moved by Councillor Coleman

Seconded by Councillor Bell

### **7.1 Bell Court Redevelopment Project**

HDR presented a project update to the Committee. Discussion held on remaining contingency for project. Will monitor contingency at this time.

K. Mauracher, J.Salmon and S.Yilmaz left the meeting at 2:27 p.m.

<b>8. ITEMS FOR CONSENT</b>
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Moved by Councillor Carpenter  
Seconded by Mayor Bailey

THAT Items for Consent (8.1-8.3) BE APPROVED

Items for Consent 8.1 & 8.3 were separated for discussion.

Item for Consent 8.2 was voted on and approved.

### **8.2 Recruitment Update [Financial Impact- None] (JNH2025-14)**

THAT the Recruitment Update Report JNH2025-14 BE RECEIVED.

### **8.1 John Noble Home Administrator's Report [Financial Impact – N/A (JNH2025-13)]**

THAT the John Noble Home Administrator's Report JNH2025-13 BE RECEIVED.

A. Gora highlighted important details outlined in the report. A. Gora updated the Committee on the progress made with the Request for Proposal (RFP) for a Human Resource (HR) Consultant Service. Discussed which proponent best met the objectives, scope of work and budget was reviewed and scored by panel of Leaders at the Home.

An amendment was proposed by the Committee of Management to approve the award of contract to an HR Consulting Service following the request for proposal.

#### Amendment:

Moved by Councillor Hunt  
Seconded by Councillor Carpenter

A. THAT the John Noble Home Administrator's Report JNH2025-13 BE RECEIVED.

THAT the following clause be added as Clause B:

B. THAT the Acting Administrator be AUTHORIZED to award the contract for Human Resources Consulting Service to HR Coach Plus Inc. for the period of April 1, 2025- June 30, 2025;

Item for Consent 8.1 as amended was voted on approved.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Carpenter  
Seconded by Councillor Bell

**8.3 John Noble Home Monthly Budget Summary for January, 2025  
[Financial Impact – None – Overall on Track at this Time] (JNH2025-15)**

THAT the John Noble Home Monthly Budget Summary JNH2025-15 for January 2025 BE RECEIVED.

R. Diez answered the Committee's questions and clarified vacancies noted in the report.

Item for Consent 8.3 was voted on and approved.

CARRIED

<b>9. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION</b>
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Moved by Councillor Carpenter  
Seconded by Councillor Coleman

THAT Items for Consideration (9.1 to 9.4) BE APPROVED

Items for Consideration 9.2, 9.3 & 9.4 were separated for discussion.

Item for Consideration 9.1 was voted on and approved.

**9.1 John Noble Home Long Term Care Service Accountability Agreement (LSAA) - Declaration of Compliance – Schedule E. [Financial Impact - None] (JNH2025-16)**

THAT the Chair of the John Noble Home Committee of Management BE AUTHORIZED to sign the Declaration of Compliance Page – Schedule E, as

the John Noble Home through the Corporation of the City of Brantford and the Corporation of the County of Brant has met the compliance obligations of the Long Term Care Service Accountability Agreement by Ontario Health West for ongoing funding of their approved 156 long term care beds.

Moved by Councillor Hunt  
Seconded by Councillor Coleman

**9.2 Bell Court Redevelopment 40 Long Term Care beds, Day and Stay expansion, Sprinkler Project update Report and Capital Funding Request [Financial Impact- \$29,934,734] (JNH2025-17)**

- A. THAT the Bell Court Redevelopment of 40 Long Term Care beds, expansion of the Day and Stay and Sprinkler Project updated report JNH2025-17 BE RECEIVED and;
- B. THAT the City of Brantford and the County of Brant be requested to provide the additional \$1,600,000 required capital funding for the projects and;
- C. THAT the City of Brantford and the County of Brant be requested the approval to keep any Surplus for Year 2024 to offset additional cost related to the construction.

HDR Inc. to present with JNH staff next week at the City Finance Committee meeting.

Item for Consideration 9.2 was voted on and approved.

**CARRIED**

**9.3 Appointment Sub Committee to Recruit Administrator**

Councillor Hunt brought forward a motion to strike a subcommittee to recruit and select an Administrator for the John Noble Home.

Moved by Councillor Hunt  
Seconded Mayor Bailey

THAT the Recruitment Sub-Committee be formed with the four members who have volunteered (Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Hunt, Mayor Bailey and Councillor Carpenter).

Item for Consideration 9.3 was voted on and approved

**CARRIED**

#### **9.4 Management Sub Committee**

Moved by Councillor Hunt  
Seconded by Councillor Bell

THAT the Management Sub Committee be DISBANDED as the Committee has fulfilled its mandate.

Item for Consideration 9.4 was voted on and approved.

CARRIED

<b>10. CORRESPONDENCE</b>
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#### **10.1 Letter from the City of Brantford**

Moved by Councillor Carpenter  
Seconded by Councillor Coleman

THAT Correspondence Item 10.1 Letter from City of Brantford BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

<b>11. RESOLUTIONS</b>
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<b>12. NOTICES OF MOTION</b>
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<b>13. QUESTIONS</b>
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<b>14. PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS</b>
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<b>15. NEXT MEETING</b>
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The next meeting of the John Noble Home Committee of Management will be held on Wednesday, April 9, 2025 at the John Noble Home, or at the Call of the Chair

<b>16. ADJOURNMENT</b>
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Moved by Councillor Sullivan  
Seconded by Councillor Coleman

THAT the meeting of the John Noble Home Committee of Management  
BE ADJOURNED

The meeting was adjourned at 3:03 p.m.

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Councillor MacAlpine  
Chair

  
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J. Tanchak  
Executive Assistant



Town of Amherstburg  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Michael Prue, Mayor

April 15, 2025

SENT VIA EMAIL

Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building  
Queens Park  
Toronto, ON, M7A 1A4  
VIA EMAIL: [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

Attn: The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario

Re: Resolution# 20250414-011 - Opposition to Strong Mayor Designation for the Town of Amherstburg

At its regular meeting on **April 14, 2025**, Amherstburg Town Council passed **Resolution 20250414-011** in response to the Province's recent proposal to designate Amherstburg as a "**Strong Mayor**" municipality, effective May 1, 2025.

**WHEREAS** the Province of Ontario has proposed to designate the Town of Amherstburg as a "Strong Mayor" community, granting enhanced powers to the Mayor effective May 1, 2025; and,

**WHEREAS** the Strong Mayor powers significantly alter the balance of governance at the municipal level, undermining the role of Council in decision-making and weakening the fundamental democratic principle of majority rule; and,

**WHEREAS** the Town of Amherstburg has a long history of collaborative, transparent, and accountable local governance built upon a foundation of Council-debate and shared decision-making; and,

**WHEREAS** many municipally elected officials across the province and members of the public have expressed significant concern regarding the imposition of these powers; and,

**WHEREAS** the Town of Amherstburg did not formally request or express a desire to be designated under the Strong Mayor framework; and,

**WHEREAS** a growing number of municipalities and elected officials across Ontario are questioning the appropriateness of the Strong Mayor system and are calling for its reconsideration or repeal;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Amherstburg Town Council formally request that the Premier of Ontario and the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing immediately remove the Town of Amherstburg from the list of municipalities designated under the Strong Mayor legislation;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, all regional Members of Provincial



# Town of Amherstburg

## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Michael Prue, Mayor

Parliament, all Ontario municipalities, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their awareness and support.

We thank you for your attention to this matter and urge you to respect the democratic wishes of our Council and community.

Sincerely,

Michael Prue, Mayor  
Town of Amherstburg

Cc: The Honourable Paul Calandra (Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing)  
Regional Members of Provincial Parliament  
All Ontario Municipalities  
The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)



**TOWNSHIP OF RIDEAU LAKES  
Special Council Meeting**

**RESOLUTION** 104-2025  
**Title:** MSC (PW) Rec #78-2025 re: Strong Mayor Powers (for Council approval)  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 16, 2025

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**Moved by** Councillor Dunfield  
**Seconded by** Deputy Mayor P. Banks

**WHEREAS** at the Municipal Services Committee meeting held April 14, 2025, Recommendation #78-2025 was passed related to the recent announcement from the Government of Ontario on Strong Mayor Powers to an additional 169 municipalities effective May 1, 2025;

**AND WHEREAS** said recommendation further requested that the Province remove Rideau Lakes from the Strong Mayor Powers Legislation;

**NOW THEREFORE** be it resolved that the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Rideau Lakes concurs with MSC Recommendation #78-2025.

**YES: 5                      NO: 2                      ABSTAIN: 0                      CONFLICT: 0                      ABSENT: 1**

**Carried**

**YES: 5**    Councillor J. Banks    Councillor Carr    Councillor Dunfield    Councillor Hutchings  
             Deputy Mayor P. Banks

**NO: 2**    Councillor Maxwell    Councillor Pollard

**CONFLICT: 0**

**ABSTAIN: 0**

**ABSENT: 1**    Mayor Hoogenboom



**TOWNSHIP OF RIDEAU LAKES  
Municipal Services Committee (PW)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** 78-2025

**Title:** Ontario Proposing to Expand Strong Mayor Powers to 169  
Additional Municipalities

**Date:** Monday, April 14, 2025

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**Moved by** Councillor Dunfield  
**Seconded by** Deputy Mayor P. Banks

**WHEREAS** the Government of Ontario has announced an expansion of strong mayor powers to an additional 169 municipalities, effective May 1, 2025;

**AND WHEREAS** these powers allow mayors to unilaterally override council decisions, appoint senior municipal staff, and set budgets without majority council approval, undermining the principles of democratic governance;

**AND WHEREAS** municipal governance functions best through a collaborative decision-making process where elected councils, representing the collective voice of their communities, work alongside experienced municipal staff;

**AND WHEREAS** there is no evidence to suggest that strong mayor powers have increased housing starts, contrary to the provincial government's stated justification for their implementation;

**AND WHEREAS** the Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks, and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO) has raised concerns that strong mayor powers blur the lines between political leadership and administrative expertise, threatening the neutrality of municipal public service;

**AND WHEREAS** the City of Orillia recently experienced a situation where its mayor unilaterally overturned a council decision regarding the hiring of a Chief Administrative Officer, demonstrating the potential for these powers to be misused;

**AND WHEREAS** the Township of Rideau Lakes has also experienced governance challenges resulting from mayoral overreach, further highlighting the risks posed by concentrating authority in a single elected official;

**AND WHEREAS** democratic principles require that municipal governance remain a system of "one person, one vote" rather than granting disproportionate power to a single individual;

**NOW THEREFORE** be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Rideau Lakes:

1. Strongly opposes the expansion of strong mayor powers to additional municipalities, including Rideau Lakes;
2. Calls on the Government of Ontario to reverse this decision and uphold the traditional balance of municipal governance; and
3. Directs the Clerk to send a copy of this resolution to:
  - The Honourable Rob Flack Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
  - MPP Steve Clark
  - The Honourable Premier of Ontario Doug Ford
  - The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
  - The Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks, and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO)
  - All Ontario municipalities for their consideration and support.

AND FURTHER that the Province be requested to remove Rideau Lakes from the Strong Mayor Powers Legislation.

YES: 5      NO: 3 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 0

**Carried**

YES: 5

Councillor J. Banks Councillor Carr Councillor Dunfield  
Councillor Hutchings Deputy Mayor P. Banks

NO: 3

Mayor Hoogenboom Councillor Maxwell Councillor Pollard



## **Paramedic Services Committee Report**

The Paramedic Services Committee makes the following recommendations from its meeting on March 26th, 2025:

1. After making inquiries of the [Chief Russell King] and other appropriate officers of the Health Service Provider (HSP) and subject to any exceptions identified on Appendix 1 attached to this report, to the best of the Board's knowledge and belief, the HSP has fulfilled, its obligations under the service accountability agreement (the "MSAA") in effect during the Applicable Period.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the HSP has complied with:

- (i) Article 4.8 of the MSAA concerning applicable procurement practices; and,
- (ii) the Connecting Care Act, 2019.

And that the Mayor of the County of Brant sign the attached Declaration of Compliance on behalf of the Paramedic Services Committee, and that the Declaration of Compliance be forwarded to Ontario Health.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Councillor Miller  
Chair





## Paramedic Services Committee Minutes

**Date:** March 26, 2025  
**Time:** 11:00 a.m.  
**Location:** Council Chambers  
7 Broadway Street West  
Paris, ON

**Members of Council Present:** County of Brant Mayor Bailey, Councillor Miller, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Hunt (joined at 11:22 a.m.)

**Members of Council Absent:** City of Brantford Mayor Davis, and Councillor Martin

**Staff:** Boyd, Stevenson, King, Mifflin, and Allison

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### 1. Attendance

Attendance was taken.

### 2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Mayor Bailey  
Seconded by Councillor Peirce

That the Paramedic Services Committee agenda for March 26, 2025, be approved

**Carried**

### 3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interests

### 4. Delegations / Petitions / Presentations

None.

**5. Adoption of Minutes from Previous Meetings**

**5.1 Paramedic Services Committee Minutes of January 22, 2025 and March 5, 2025**

Moved by Councillor Hunt  
Seconded by Mayor Bailey

That the Paramedic Services Committee minutes of January 22, 2025 and March 5, 2025, be approved.

**Carried**

**6. Business Arising from the Minutes**

None.

**7. Staff Reports**

**7.1 RPT-0089-25 - Paramedic Services Statistical Package**

Russell King, Chief of Brant/Brantford Paramedics Services, presented the report for information purposes.

Discussion took place regarding funding assistance, response times, and capacity limits.

Moved by Councillor Peirce  
Seconded by Mayor Bailey

That report RPT-0089-25 Paramedic Services Statistical Package be received as information.

**Carried**

**7.2 RPT-0088-25 - Community Paramedic Program Update**

Glen Cunnane, Deputy Chief of Community Paramedicine, presented the report.

Discussion commenced surrounding provincial grants and delegating to the Ministry of Long-term Care.

Moved by Mayor Bailey  
Seconded by Councillor Hunt

That report RPT-088-25 be received by Committee for information.

**Carried**

**7.3 RPT-0133-25 - Multi-Sector Service Accountability Agreement**

Cindy Stevenson, General Manager of Emergency and Protective Services, presented the report.

Moved by Mayor Bailey  
Seconded by Councillor Hunt

After making inquiries of the [Chief Russell King] and other appropriate officers of the Health Service Provider (HSP) and subject to any exceptions identified on Appendix 1 attached to this report, to the best of the Board's knowledge and belief, the HSP has fulfilled, its obligations under the service accountability agreement (the "MSAA") in effect during the Applicable Period.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the HSP has complied with:

- (i) Article 4.8 of the MSAA concerning applicable procurement practices; and,
- (ii) the Connecting Care Act, 2019.

And that the Mayor of the County of Brant sign the attached Declaration of Compliance on behalf of the Paramedic Services Committee, and that the Declaration of Compliance be forwarded to Ontario Health.

**Carried**

**7.4 RPT-0129-25 - Construction Update 2 on Brant Brantford Paramedic Services**

Moved by Councillor Peirce  
Seconded by Mayor Bailey

That Paramedic Services Committee receive report RPT-0129-25 Construction Status Update 2 on Brant-Brantford Paramedic Services Headquarters, for information.

**Carried**

**7.5 RPT - 0140 - 25 2024 Paramedic Services Budget to Actual at December 31st - Not Final**

Heather Mifflin, Director of Finance, presented the report for information purposes.

Discussion took place regarding variances, forecasted costs, and potential impacts on the proposed tariffs from the United States.

Moved by Mayor Bailey  
Seconded by Councillor Hunt

That the unfinalized budget to actual variance report at December 31, 2024, as attached, be received as information.

**Carried**

**8. Communications**

None.

**9. Other Business**

In response to questions, C. Stevenson advised the new fire admin hall occupancy will be two phased, beginning with administration staff in August 2025 and then the second phase on August 2026.

**10. In Camera**

None.

**11. Next Meeting and Adjournment**

Committee adjourned at 11:55 p.m. to meet again on May 21st, 2025 at the County of Brant Council Chambers.

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Secretary

## **Administration and Operations Committee Report**

The Administration and Operations Committee makes the following recommendations from its meeting on April 15, 2025:

1. That the following 2025 tax rates be approved:

<b>Property Class</b>	<b>Tax Class</b>	<b>Municipal Tax Rate</b>	<b>Special Levy Tax Rate</b>
Commercial Small Scale on Farm	C0N, C7N	0.0049210	0.0000466
Commercial	CTN, GTN, STN, CHN, DTN, GFN, CFN, CGN	0.0196840	0.0001862
Commercial Vacant/Excess Land	CUN, CWN, CXN, GUN, SUN, CJN, CZN	0.0127946	0.0001210
Farmland	FTEP, FTES, FTFP, FTFS, FPEP, FPES, FPFP, FPFS	0.0024864	0.0000235
Landfill	HFN	0.0113960	0.0001078
Industrial AWD 1	I1N	0.0067340	0.0000637
Industrial Small Scale on Farm	I7N	0.0066045	0.0000625
Industrial	ITN, IHN, LTN	0.0264180	0.0002499
Industrial Vacant/Excess Land	IUN, IXN, IJN, IKN, IZN, LUN	0.0171717	0.0001624
Residential AWD 1	R1EP, R1ES, R1FP, RFFS	0.0067340	0.0000637
Multi-Residential	MTEP, MTES, MTFP, MTFS	0.0176120	0.0001666
Pipeline	PTN	0.0183890	0.0001740
Residential	RPEP, RPES, RPFS, RPFP, RHES, RHEP, RHFP, RHFS, RTEP, RTFP, RTFS, RTES, RFEP, RFES, RFFP, RFFS, RGN	0.0103600	0.0000980
Managed Forest	TTEP, TTES, TTFP, TTFS	0.0025900	0.0000245
Aggregate Extraction	VT	0.0214965	0.0002033

And that a by-law to implement the 2025 tax rates be prepared and presented to Council for their consideration.

2. That RPT-0156-25 Naming of the Columbarium Outdoor Service Area at Paris Cemetery, be received as information;

And that the columbarium outdoor service area at the Paris Cemetery, named as the Crystal Brenneman Memorial Service Area, be approved.

3. That RPT-0153-25 Paris Lions Park Batting Cage Construction and Naming, be received as information;

That Council approve the construction of a batting cage in Lions Park Paris at an estimated cost of \$26,000.00;

And that the batting cage be named the Brenda Bishop and Family Batting Cage, in recognition of her donorship.

4. That Community Improvement Plan (CIP) Application CIP-25-05 from the owners of 71 Grand River Street North, Paris, for façade improvements, signage, and interior renovations, be approved to a maximum of \$43,000;

And that Application CIP-25-02 be amended to a maximum of \$63,000 to include signage and exterior façade improvements;

And that the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to execute the Community Improvement Plan Agreement for CIP-25-05 and CIP-25-02.

5. Whereas fees and charges for all Municipal services including applications, licenses and permits are established through the Municipal Fees and Charges By-Law;

And whereas additional recreational programs, facilities and services are offered to meet the needs of the Community;

Therefore, that the following addition to the 2025 Municipal Fees & charges By-Law be approved:

- Community Tree - \$10.00

And that the amending by-law be prepared and presented to Council for their consideration.

6. Whereas subsection 2.2 of Schedule 2 of the County of Brant Vehicle for Hire By-law No. 58-22 requires that no motor vehicle more than (10) years old may be plated as a vehicle for hire under this By-law; and

Whereas Easy Ride Taxi provided communication at the Administration and Operations Committee meeting on March 18, 2025, requesting an increase to the current 10-year maximum vehicle age to be changed to 15-20 years; and

Whereas Grand River Cab provided communication to Council at the March 25, 2025, meeting regarding the Vehicle for Hire By-law prohibition for vehicles that are more than 10 years old;

Therefore, that RPT-160-25 "Vehicle for Hire By-law, Vehicle Age Requirement" be received as information; and

That Committee provide approval of the vehicle age requirement, based on option B, as recommended in the report;

And THAT staff prepare an amending By-law for Council presentation on April 22, 2025, should the Committee choose Option B or provide an alternate recommendation.

7. That RPT-0175-25 Housing Needs Assessment – Preliminary Findings and Next Steps, be received as information; and

That the preliminary findings of the housing needs assessment, as outlined in RPT-0175-25 and its attachments, be endorsed;

And that staff be directed to, upon completion of the engagement phase of the project, prepare a draft of the public facing Housing Needs Assessment report for presentation to Council.

8. That the Brant Heritage Committee Report and Minutes of April 3, 2025 be approved, including the following recommendation:

- That the Brant Heritage Committee endorses community efforts to bring historical story elements into the Burford King Street Parkette.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Councillor Peirce  
Chair





## Administration and Operations Committee Minutes

**Date:** April 15, 2025  
**Time:** 9:00 a.m.  
**Location:** Council Chambers  
7 Broadway Street West  
Paris, ON

**Present:** Mayor Bailey, Councillors Kyle, MacAlpine, Howes, Bell, Peirce, Miller, Coleman, and Garneau

**Regrets:** Councillors Oakley, and Chambers

**Staff:** Newton, Boyd, Connor, Dyjach, Mete, Stevenson, Bazzard, Demers, Eby, Mifflin, and Allison

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Councillor Peirce in the Chair.

**1. Attendance**

Attendance was taken.

**2. Approval of Agenda**

Moved by Mayor Bailey  
Seconded by Councillor Coleman

That the Administration and Operations Committee agenda for April 15, 2025 be approved.

Yes (9): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

Absent (2): Councillor Oakley, and Councillor Chambers

**Carried (9 to 0)**

Moved by Councillor Miller  
Seconded by Mayor Bailey

That S. 38 of Procedure By-law 14-20, be waived, in order to conduct the vote by a show of hands in the approval or opposition to the motion.

Yes (9): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

Absent (2): Councillor Oakley, and Councillor Chambers

**Carried (9 to 0)**

### **3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interests**

#### **3.1 Councillor Garneau - RPT-0162-25 - Parks and Facilities Fee Update (Community Tree Program) - K. Ballantyne**

The initiative relates to Councillor Garneau's business.

### **4. Delegations / Petitions / Presentations**

#### **4.1 Jim Bruzzese - BMA Management Consulting - Water and Wastewater Rate Study - Project Update #2**

Jim Bruzzese, BMA Management Consulting, presented on the April 2025 Water and Wastewater Rate Study. He presented on the long range financial plan and rate structure review, current water and wastewater rates, and the 2024 residential and commercial cost of service. J. Bruzzese also presented the goals and objectives to evaluate rate structures, fixed vs. volumetric benchmarking including rate structure recommendations. He then presented on financing options including two funding options for the water and wastewater 5 year capital budget. He noted the residential and commercial impact for the option comparisons, and recommended to reduce the fixed monthly allocation over a 4-year period; maintain humpback rate Structure; maintain residential seasonal water rates; and implement Option 2 rates, as noted in the delegation.

In response to questions, Heather Boyd, General Manager of Corporate Services, advised costs may be recovered through grant and/or front ending agreements with developers. She noted a report on debt levels and the County's self imposed limit in the fall of 2025.

Moved by Councillor Coleman  
Seconded by Councillor Kyle

That the delegation, Jim Bruzzese - BMA Management Consulting - Water and Wastewater Rate Study - Project Update #2, be received as information.

Yes (9): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

Absent (2): Councillor Oakley, and Councillor Chambers

**Carried (9 to 0)**

Moved by Councillor Bell  
Seconded by Councillor Kyle

That S. 10 (d) of Procedure By-law 14-20 be waived, in order to allow the delegation to speak for longer than 10 minutes.

Yes (9): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

Absent (2): Councillor Oakley, and Councillor Chambers

**Carried (9 to 0)**

## **5. Adoption of Minutes from Previous Meetings**

### **5.1 Administration and Operations Committee Minutes of March 18, 2025**

Moved by Councillor Howes  
Seconded by Councillor Kyle

That the Administration and Operations Committee minutes of March 18, 2025 be approved.

Yes (9): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

Absent (2): Councillor Oakley, and Councillor Chambers

**Carried (9 to 0)**

## **6. Business Arising from the Minutes**

None.

## 7. Consent Items

### 7.1 Consent Items to be Approved

Moved by Councillor Bell  
Seconded by Mayor Bailey

That the following consent items, be approved:

- RPT-0145-25 - 2025 Tax Rates - D. van Engen
- RPT-0156-25 - Naming of Columbarium Outdoor Service Area at Paris Cemetery - S. DeLaronde
- RPT-0153-25 - Paris Lions Park Batting Cage Construction and Naming - S. DeLaronde
- RPT-0173 - CIP-25-05 for 71 Grand River Street North and Amendment to CIP-25-02 - B. Webb

Yes (9): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

Absent (2): Councillor Oakley, and Councillor Chambers

**Carried (9 to 0)**

### 7.2 Consent Items to be Received

Councillor Miller requested item 7.2.1. RPT-0035-25 - 2024 Wastewater Treatment Facilities and Collection System Annual Reports - A. Dubeckyj and M. D'Hondt, be pulled to for discussion purposes.

Moved by Councillor Miller  
Seconded by Mayor Bailey

That the following consent items, be received as information:

- RPT-0149-25 - Water and Wastewater Rate Study - Project Update #2 - H. Mifflin
- RPT-0158-25 - 2024 Low Volume Road Maintenance - Brant School Road - J. Marcos
- Fire Prevention Activity Report - March 2025 - C. Murray

Yes (9): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

Absent (2): Councillor Oakley, and Councillor Chambers

**Carried (9 to 0)**

**7.2.1 RPT-0035-25 - 2024 Wastewater Treatment Facilities and Collection System Annual Reports**

In response to questions, Andrea Bazzard, Director of Environmental Services, advised of capacity limits and that staff are awaiting further information to develop future plans for the airport, noting that different options and funding strategies will be forthcoming to Council.

Moved by Councillor Miller  
Seconded by Mayor Bailey

Whereas annual performance reports on the County of Brant's (the County's) four (4) Wastewater Treatment Facilities and Collection Systems are submitted to the Ministry of Environment Conservation and Parks (MECP) by March 31, annually;

And Whereas, the annual performance reports are posted on the County Website at <https://www.brant.ca/en/water-services/operational-reports.aspx>

Therefore, that RPT-0035-25 2024 Wastewater Treatment Facilities and Collection System Annual Report, be received for information.

Yes (9): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

Absent (2): Councillor Oakley, and Councillor Chambers

**Carried (9 to 0)**

**8. Staff Reports**

**8.1 RPT-0162-25 - Parks and Facilities Fee Update (Community Tree Program)**

Councillor Garneau declared a conflict on this item. (The initiative relates to Councillor Garneau's business. )

Moved by Councillor Coleman  
Seconded by Councillor Howes

Whereas fees and charges for all Municipal services including applications, licenses and permits are established through the Municipal Fees and Charges By-Law;

And whereas additional recreational programs, facilities and services are offered to meet the needs of the Community;

Therefore, that the following addition to the 2025 Municipal Fees & charges By-Law be approved:

- Community Tree - \$10.00

And that the amending by-law be prepared and presented to Council for their consideration.

Yes (8): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, and Councillor Coleman

Conflict (1): Councillor Garneau

Absent (2): Councillor Oakley, and Councillor Chambers

**Carried (8 to 0)**

**8.2 RPT-0160-25 - Vehicle for Hire By-law, Vehicle Age Requirement**

Moved by Councillor Miller

Seconded by Mayor Bailey

Whereas subsection 2.2 of Schedule 2 of the County of Brant Vehicle for Hire By-law No. 58-22 requires that no motor vehicle more than (10) years old may be plated as a vehicle for hire under this By-law; and

Whereas Easy Ride Taxi provided communication at the Administration and Operations Committee meeting on March 18, 2025, requesting an increase to the current 10-year maximum vehicle age to be changed to 15-20 years; and

Whereas Grand River Cab provided communication to Council at the March 25, 2025, meeting regarding the Vehicle for Hire By-law prohibition for vehicles that are more than 10 years old;

Therefore, that RPT-160-25 "Vehicle for Hire By-law, Vehicle Age Requirement" be received as information; and

That Committee provide approval of the vehicle age requirement, based on option B, as recommended in the report;

And THAT staff prepare an amending By-law for Council presentation on April 22, 2025, should the Committee choose Option B or provide an alternate recommendation.

Yes (9): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

Absent (2): Councillor Oakley, and Councillor Chambers

**Carried (9 to 0)**

**8.3 RPT-0175-25 - Housing Needs Assessment - Preliminary Findings and Next Steps**

Brandon Kortleve, Manager of Policy Planning, appeared before Committee and presented on the report. He provided background and context, key findings and themes, preliminary directions, and concluded with next steps.

Discussion took place surrounding boarding houses, the Ontario Landlord and Tenant Act, and accessing the Ontario Building Fund.

Moved by Councillor Howes  
Seconded by Councillor Kyle

That RPT-0175-25 Housing Needs Assessment – Preliminary Findings and Next Steps, be received as information; and

That the preliminary findings of the housing needs assessment, as outlined in RPT-0175-25 and its attachments, be endorsed;

And that staff be directed to, upon completion of the engagement phase of the project, prepare a draft of the public facing Housing Needs Assessment report for presentation to Council.

Yes (9): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

Absent (2): Councillor Oakley, and Councillor Chambers

**Carried (9 to 0)**

## **9. Committee Reports & Minutes**

### **9.1 Brant Heritage Committee Report and Minutes of April 3, 2025**

Moved by Councillor Howes  
Seconded by Councillor MacAlpine

That the Brant Heritage Committee Report and Minutes of April 3, 2025 be approved, including the following recommendation:

That the Brant Heritage Committee endorses community efforts to bring historical story elements into the Burford King Street Parkette.

Yes (9): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

Absent (2): Councillor Oakley, and Councillor Chambers

**Carried (9 to 0)**

## **10. Communications**

### **10.1 Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing - Letter from Minister Rob Flack to Heads of Council**

Moved by Councillor Coleman  
Seconded by Councillor Garneau

That the communication, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing - Letter from Minister Rob Flack to Heads of Council, be received as information.

Yes (9): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

Absent (2): Councillor Oakley, and Councillor Chambers

**Carried (9 to 0)**

### **10.2 Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility - 2025 Ontario Senior of the Year**

Moved by Councillor Coleman  
Seconded by Councillor Garneau

That the communication, Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility - 2025 Ontario Senior of the Year, be received as information.

Yes (9): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

Absent (2): Councillor Oakley, and Councillor Chambers

**Carried (9 to 0)**

## **11. Other Business**

Councillor Coleman requested a progress report on all major project's in the County to be included as an item on future Administration and Operations Committee agenda's.

**12. In Camera**

Moved by Councillor Howes  
Seconded by Councillor Miller

That the Administration and Operations Committee convene In Camera to discuss RPT-0171-25 - S.239(2)(k) A position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board - M. Eby.

Yes (9): Mayor Bailey, Councillor Kyle, Councillor MacAlpine, Councillor Howes, Councillor Bell, Councillor Peirce, Councillor Miller, Councillor Coleman, and Councillor Garneau

Absent (2): Councillor Oakley, and Councillor Chambers

**Carried (9 to 0)**

Committee convened In Camera at 10:26 a.m. to discuss RPT-0171-25 - S.239(2)(k) A position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board - M. Eby. This portion of the meeting is recorded in the Confidential – In Camera minutes of April 15, 2025. Committee reconvened in Open Session at 10:36 a.m. on a motion of Councillors Bell and Howes.

**13. Next Meeting and Adjournment**

Committee adjourned at 10:37 am to meet again on May 20, 2025, at the County of Brant Council Chambers.

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Secretary



## County of Brant Council Report

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**To:** The Mayor and Members of County of Brant Council  
**From:** Sunayana Katikapalli, Director of Council Services/Clerk  
**Date:** April 22, 2025  
**Report #:** RPT-0184-25  
**Subject:** County of Brant Library Board – Appointments and By-law Amendment  
**Purpose:** For Information and Direction

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### Recommendation

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That the County of Brant Council receive RPT-0184-25 as information;

And that staff be directed to advertise for one (1) citizen member for the County of Brant Library Board for the remainder of the term;

And that the County of Brant Council direct staff to amend the County of Brant Library Board composition as follows: “That the County of Brant Public Library Board shall consist of ten (10) members appointed by the Council of the Corporation of the County of Brant, of whom two (2) shall be members of the said Council, one (1) shall be the head of the said Council or his or her designate, and seven (7) shall be qualified resident appointees”;

And that the appropriate by-law be presented to Council for consideration;

And further that Council appoint a designate for the Mayor to attend the Library Board for the remainder of the term.

### Executive Summary

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The County of Brant Library Board currently has two (2) vacancies that need to be filled; one (1) citizen appointment and one (1) Mayor’s appointment. Staff will need to advertise for a citizen appointee, and a By-law amendment is being proposed to allow Council to appoint a Mayor’s designate.

### Strategic Plan Priority

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Strategic Priority 4 - Stable and Responsive Governance

### Impacts and Mitigation

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#### Social Impacts

Allows for the continuous operation of the County of Brant Library Board.

#### Environmental Impacts

None.

## Economic Impacts

None.

## **Report**

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### Background

On Tuesday January 16, 2025, County of Brant Library Board Member, Mike Gatopoulos, submitted his resignation to the Board's Chair, Fred Gladding. On March 14, 2025, Mayor Bailey resigned from the Board as well. This creates two vacancies on the Board.

### Analysis

By-law Number 139-21, as amended, provides, "That the County of Brant Public Library Board shall consist of ten (10) members appointed by the Council of the Corporation of the County of Brant, of whom two (2) shall be members of the said Council, one (1) shall be the head of the said Council, and seven (7) shall be qualified resident appointees."

The By-law does not provide for a replacement for the head of Council, which requires consideration given Mayor Bailey's resignation.

It is recommended that the By-law be amended to include wording that speaks to the head of Council's designate.

### Summary and Recommendations

That the County of Brant Council receive RPT-0184-25 as information;

And that staff be directed to advertise for one (1) citizen member for the County of Brant Library Board for the remainder of the term;

And that the County of Brant Council direct staff to amend the County of Brant Library Board composition as follows: "That the County of Brant Public Library Board shall consist of ten (10) members appointed by the Council of the Corporation of the County of Brant, of whom two (2) shall be members of the said Council, one (1) shall be the head of the said Council or his or her designate, and seven (7) shall be qualified resident appointees";

And that the appropriate by-law be presented to Council for consideration;

And further that Council appoint a designate for the Mayor to attend the Library Board for the remainder of the term.

## **Attachments**

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None.

## **Reviewed By**

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Heather Boyd, General Manager of Corporate Services

## **Copied To**

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Kelly Bernstein, CEO of the County of Brant Library  
Fred Gladding, Chair of the County of Brant Library Board

## **By-law and/or Agreement**

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By-law Required

Yes

Agreement(s) or other documents to be signed by Mayor and /or Clerk

No



**BY-LAW NUMBER xx-25**

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**THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF BRANT**

To amend County of Brant By-law 2-99 with respect to the size and composition  
of the Library Board

**WHEREAS** By-law Number 2-99 of the Corporation of the County of Brant established a public library in the County and determined the size and composition of the Library Board;

**AND WHEREAS** the size and composition of the Library Board has been amended several times by by-law, most recently by By-law Number 139-21;

**AND WHEREAS** County of Brant Council, at its meeting on April 22, 2025, approved a clarifying amendment to provide that either the Head of Council or their designate be appointed as a member of the Library Board;

**NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF BRANT HEREBY ENACTS** as follows:

1. **THAT** Clause 3 of By-law Number 2-99 be amended and replaced with the following:  
“That the County of Brant Public Library Board shall consist of ten (10) members appointed by the Council of the Corporation of the County of Brant, of whom two (2) shall be members of the said Council, one (1) shall be the head of the said Council or his or her designate, and seven (7) shall be qualified resident appointees”.
2. **THAT** By-law Numbers 167-14 a By-law to amend the composition of the board, and 139-21 a By-law to amend the composition of the board be and are hereby repealed.

**READ** a first and second time, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2025;

**READ** a third time and finally passed in Council, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2025.

**THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF BRANT**

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David Bailey, Mayor

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Sunayana Katikapalli, Clerk





## Mayor and Members of Council

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**To:** The Mayor and Members of Council  
**From:** Greg Bergeron, Director of Enforcement and Regulatory Services  
**Date:** April 22, 2025  
**Report #:** RPT-186-25  
**Subject:** Supplementary report to RPT 160-25 (Vehicle for Hire)  
**Purpose:** For Approval

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### Recommendation

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**THAT** Council approve an increase the maximum age of regular Taxicabs and from 10 years to 12 years;

**AND THAT** the age limit surrounding Accessible Taxicabs be removed;

**AND THAT** Taxicabs, Accessible Taxicabs and Limousines older than 10 years old require safety standards certificates to be submitted to the Licensing Officer semi-annually, within the previous 60 days from March 31 and September 30.

**THAT** the amending By-law to reflect these changes be approved.

### Strategic Plan Priority

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Strategic Priority 6 - Stable and Responsive Governance

### Impacts and Mitigation

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Social Impacts

N/A

Environmental Impacts

N/A

Economic Impacts

N/A

### Report

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At the Administration and Operations Committee on April 15, 2025, the Committee approved an amendment to the Vehicle for Hire By-law Vehicle Age Requirements.

Option B, which was approved by the Committee, incorrectly included limousines in the recommendation. Under subsection 2.3 of Schedule 2 of the Vehicle For Hire By-law, limousines are exempt from the age requirements.

The recommendation above has been corrected to exclude limousines.

Staff are recommending approval of the revised recommendation and amending by-law.

**Attachments**

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- 1) RPT160-25

**Reviewed By**

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- 1) Cindy Stevenson – General Manager or Emergency and Protective Services

**Copied To**

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**By-law and/or Agreement**

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By-law Required	Yes
Agreement(s) or other documents to be signed by Mayor and /or Clerk	No



## Administration and Operations Committee Report

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**To:** The Chair and Members of the Administration and Operations Committee  
**From:** Greg Bergeron, Director of Enforcement and Regulatory Services  
**Date:** April 15, 2025  
**Report #:** RPT-0160-25  
**Subject:** Vehicle for Hire By-law, Vehicle Age Requirement  
**Purpose:** For Approval

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### Recommendation

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Whereas subsection 2.2 of Schedule 2 of the County of Brant Vehicle for Hire By-law No. 58-22 requires that no motor vehicle more than (10) years old may be plated as a vehicle for hire under this By-law; and

Whereas Easy Ride Taxi provided communication at the Administration and Operations Committee meeting on March 18, 2025, requesting an increase to the current 10-year maximum vehicle age to be changed to 15-20 years; and

Whereas Grand River Cab provided communication to Council at the March 25, 2025, meeting regarding the Vehicle for Hire By-law prohibition for vehicles that are more than 10 years old;

Therefore, that RPT-160-25 "Vehicle for Hire By-law, Vehicle Age Requirement" be received as information; and

That Committee provide approval of the vehicle age requirement, based on option \_\_\_\_ as recommended in the report;

And THAT staff prepare an amending By-law for Council presentation on April 22, 2025, should the Committee choose Option B or provide an alternate recommendation.

### Strategic Plan Priority

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Strategic Priority 6 - Stable and Responsive Governance

## **Impacts and Mitigation**

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### Social Impacts

There may be some social impacts for drivers and passengers associated with this report as older vehicles lower the vehicle standard, may be prone to mechanical issues, and have less safety features.

### Environmental Impacts

There are no known environmental impacts associated with this report.

### Economic Impacts

The (10) year prohibition in the By-law has economic implications for local taxicab companies as a recurring business cost requiring the acquisition of newer vehicles. A (12) year prohibition will provide some relief for licensed local taxicab and limousine companies. The removal of the maximum age for accessible taxicabs will facilitate market entry.

## **Report**

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### Background

The County of Brant Vehicle for Hire By-law #58-22 was enacted on May 24, 2022.

Subsection 2.2 of Schedule 2 of the Vehicle for Hire By-law requires that no motor vehicle more than 10 (ten) years old may be plated as a vehicle for hire under this By-law.

When enacted, a two (2) year grace period was built into the By-law whereby allowing plated vehicles, regardless of their age at the time By-law was passed, to continue to operate until April 1, 2024.

### Analysis

Schedule 2 of the By-law, which applies to Taxicabs, Accessible Taxicabs and Limousines, currently prohibits these vehicles from being more than ten (10) years old.

The age restriction was incorporated in the By-law to maintain a higher and safer standard for County vehicles for hire. By way of internal policy, Uber also prohibits private vehicles for hire to be more than 10 years old.

Since the enactment of the County Vehicle for Hire By-law in May of 2022, the automobile market has shifted. Material shortages during the pandemic slowed down vehicle production. As a result of the disruption to the supply chain, new and used car prices surged.

The Canadian automobile sector continues to be threatened with the implementation of tariffs on auto imports to the United States. Vehicle costs are projected to increase as a result. Production disruptions from tariffs may further cause vehicle prices to soar.

Having a vehicle age restriction is a common requirement in other Vehicle for Hire By-laws. Norfolk County, Burlington, London, Cobourg, Milton, Ottawa, and Pembroke are some of the municipalities that have some type of age requirement for their Vehicles for Hire.

The rationale surrounding the age requirement is mainly focused on safety and upholding vehicle standards for the community and riders. New vehicles tend to be safer based on the evolving advances in technology. For example, vehicles that are less than 10 years old are generally considered to be safer than older models due to such advances in technology.

which include: lane assist, emergency braking, blind spot monitoring, rear view cameras, pedestrian detection, airbag technology and deployment, structural integrity, stability control and braking systems.

Recommended Options

The effects of the recommended options are explained below.

**Option A** – Should the Committee choose to maintain the current standard no further action will be required. Retiring aged out vehicles and replacing them with newer vehicles does have an economic impact on our local taxi companies as this business cost may narrow profit margins.

**Option B** – A By-law amendment will be required should the Committee choose Option B to lower the standard by increasing the allowable age limit for Taxicabs and Limousines to be no more than 12 years old.

Removing the age limit for Accessible Taxicabs will facilitate market entry. Currently, the Vehicle for Hire By-law requires that every 5<sup>th</sup> licensed taxicab be an Accessible Taxicab. The County currently has (2) licensed Accessible Taxicabs.

As an additional safeguard, staff are recommending that vehicles (Taxicabs, Limousines and Accessible Taxicabs) that are more than 10 years old, require safety standards certificates to be filed with the licensing officer on a semi-annual basis, within the previous 60 days from March 31 and September 30.

Summary and Recommendations

Staff have provided (2) options for the Committee’s consideration. The Committee may create and choose an alternative recommendation.

**Attachments**

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- 1) Correspondence from Easy Ride and Grand River Cab

**Reviewed By**

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- 1) Cindy Stevenson – General Manager or Emergency and Protective Services

**Copied To**

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- 1) Alison Newton – CAO
- 2) Julie McKeen – Licensing Officer
- 3) Amanda Paine – Supervisor of Enforcement and Regulatory Services

**By-law and/or Agreement**

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By-law Required	No
Agreement(s) or other documents to be signed by Mayor and /or Clerk	No



## **BY-LAW NUMBER 39-25**

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### **THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF BRANT**

A by-law to Amend the County of Brant Fence By-law Number 135-23 (180 Grand River Street North, County of Brant.)

**WHEREAS** the County of Brant adopted By-law No. 135-23 on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of December 2023 to regulate fences;

**AND WHEREAS** section 8.1 of By-Law No. 135-23 provides that the owner of any land affected by By-Law No. 135-23 may apply for a minor variance from the provisions of By-Law No. 135-23 in respect to any fence or proposed fence on the said land;

**AND WHEREAS** section 8.6 of By-Law No. 135-23 provides that where a fence variance application meets the requirements in sections 8.4 and 8.5, a by-law to amend By-Law No. 135-23 to permit fence variance will be prepared for Council approval;

**AND WHEREAS**, The County of Brant has received fence variance application # FV5-24-LK and the application meets the requirements in sections 8.4 and 8.5.

**NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF BRANT HEREBY ENACTS** as follows;

**1. THAT** the following be added as item number 93 to Schedule G of By-Law No. 135-23:

<b>Item #</b>	<b>By-law Section</b>	<b>Property Description (municipal address, roll #, legal description)</b>	<b>Details of Exemption</b>	<b>Conditions</b>
93	5.1.1.	180 Grand River Street North  Roll No: 292001800305300	To permit a 2.28 metre tall fence along a portion of the south and west facing property line and a 2.5 metre tall fence along a portion of the west facing property line as per attached Schedule G-93.	

**2. THAT** this By-law comes into force and takes effect upon passage.

**READ** a first and second time, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2025.

**READ** a third time and finally passed in Council, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2025.

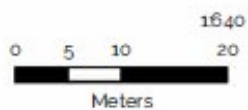
### **THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF BRANT**

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David Bailey, Mayor

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Sunayana Katikapalli, Clerk



SCHEDULE "G-93"  
COUNTY OF BRANT  
BY-LAW No. 39-25



Date Printed: 2025-01-20

**BY-LAW NUMBER 40-25**

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**THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF BRANT**

To appoint Municipal Law Enforcement Officers (Emma Franks and Devan Shaw)

**WHEREAS** pursuant to Section 55(1) of the Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019, S.O. 2019, c. 1, authority is vested in the municipality to appoint persons to enforce the by-laws of the municipality;

**AND WHEREAS** the Building Code Act, 1992, S.O. 1992, c. 23, grants enforcement powers to Property Standards Officers who have been assigned the responsibility of administering and enforcing by-laws passed under section 15(1);

**AND WHEREAS** pursuant to Section 12 of the Dog Owners Liability Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter D16, Municipal Law Enforcement Officers are deemed peace officers for the purposes of the Act;

**AND WHEREAS** pursuant to Section 435 of the Municipal Act, 2001 S.O. 2001, C 25, a municipality has the power to pass by-laws providing that the municipality may enter on land at any reasonable time for the purpose of carrying out an inspection to determine whether or not a bylaw, direction or order of the municipality is being complied with and further that the power of entry shall be exercised by an employee, officer or agent of the municipality or a member of the police force;

**NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF BRANT  
HEREBY ENACTS** as follows:

1. **THAT** Emma Franks is hereby appointed as a Property Standards Officer, as a Municipal Law Enforcement Officer for the purpose of enforcing all County By-laws and for the purpose of exercising the powers of a peace officer pursuant to the Dog Owners' Liability Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. D16, and as an Inspector for the purpose of administering and enforcing the County of Brant Site Alteration By-law.
2. **THAT** Devan Shaw is hereby appointed as a Property Standards Officer, as a Municipal Law Enforcement Officer for the purpose of enforcing all County By-laws and for the purpose of exercising the powers of a peace officer pursuant to the Dog Owners' Liability Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. D16, and as an Inspector for the purpose of administering and enforcing the County of Brant Site Alteration By-law.

3. **THAT** this by-law shall be effective on May 5, 2025.

**READ** a first and second time, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2025;

**READ** a third time and finally passed in Council, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2025.

**THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF BRANT**

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David Bailey, Mayor

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Sunayana Katikapalli, Clerk

**BY-LAW NUMBER 41-25**

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**THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF BRANT**

To provide for the adoption of tax rates and to further provide for penalty and interest in default of payment thereof for 2025

**WHEREAS** Sections 311 and 312 of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, C. 25, provide that the Council of a local municipality shall, after the adoption of estimates for the year, pass a by-law to levy a separate tax rate on the assessment in each property class:

**AND WHEREAS** sections 307 and 308 of the said Act require that tax rates be established in the same proportions to the tax ratios.

**AND WHEREAS** 2025 property tax levy has been set at \$84,571,329 plus a special levy of \$800,000 by resolution:

**AND WHEREAS** certain regulations require reductions in certain tax rates for certain classes or subclasses of property.

**NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF BRANT HEREBY ENACTS** as follows:

1. **THAT** for the taxation year 2025, the Corporation of the County of Brant shall levy upon the residential/farm assessment, multi-residential assessment, commercial assessment, industrial assessment, farmland assessment, managed forest assessment, pipeline assessment and aggregate extraction assessment as determined by the property assessment rolls the following rates of taxation for general purposes:

Property Class	Tax Class	Municipal Tax Rate	Special Levy Tax Rate
Commercial Small Scale on Farm	C0N, C7N	0.0049210	0.0000466
Commercial	CTN, GTN, STN, CHN, DTN, GFN, CFN, CGN	0.0196840	0.0001862
Commercial Vacant/Excess Land	CUN, CWN, CXN, GUN, SUN, CJN, CZN	0.0127946	0.0001210
Farmland	FTEP, FTES, FTFP, FTFS, FPEP, FPES, FPFP, FPFS	0.0024864	0.0000235
Landfill	HFN	0.0113960	0.0001078
Industrial AWD 1	I1N	0.0067340	0.0000637
Industrial Small Scale on Farm	I7N	0.0066045	0.0000625
Industrial	ITN, IHN, LTN	0.0264180	0.0002499
Industrial Vacant/Excess Land	IUN, IXN, IJN, IKN, IZN, LUN	0.0171717	0.0001624
Residential AWD 1	R1EP, R1ES, R1FP, RFFS	0.0067340	0.0000637
Multi-Residential	MTEP, MTES, MTFP, MTFS	0.0176120	0.0001666
Pipeline	PTN	0.0183890	0.0001740
Residential	RPEP, RPES, RPFS, RPFP, RHES, RHEP, RHFP, RHFS, RTEP, RTFP, RTFS, RTES, RFEP, RFES, RFFP, RFFS, RGN	0.0103600	0.0000980

Managed Forest	TTEP, TTES, TTFP, TTFS	0.0025900	0.0000245
Aggregate Extraction	VT	0.0214965	0.0002033

2. **THAT** the Manager of Taxation & Revenues be directed to add to the tax rates, the tax rates as established by the Ministry of Finance for education purposes to determine the overall rate to be used for the calculation of the 2025 final tax levy.
3. **THAT** there may be added to the Collector's Roll all or any charges which would be collected pursuant to any statute or by-laws, which are now or may become due to the municipality in 2025 and that all said charges shall be collected in the same manner and at the same time as all other rates and levies.
4. **THAT** the 2025 Interim Tax Levy shall be shown as a deduction on the final tax notice.
5. **THAT** every owner shall be taxed according to the tax rates in this By-law and such tax shall become due and payable on such dates as designated by resolution of Council.
6. **THAT** on all taxes of the levy, which are in default on the first day of default, a penalty of 1.25 percent shall be added, and therefore a penalty of 1.25 percent per month will be added on the first day of each and every month the default continues, until December 31, 2025.
7. **THAT** on all taxes in default on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025, interest shall be added at the rate of 1.25 percent per month for each month or fraction thereof in that the default continues.
8. **THAT** penalties and interest added in default shall become due and payable and shall be collected as if the same had originally been imposed and formed part of such unpaid tax levy.
9. **THAT** part payment of taxes due may be accepted, if acceptance of any such part payment does not affect the collection of any percentage charge imposed and collectible in respect of non-payment of any taxes or any class of taxes or of any instalment thereof.
10. **THAT** where part payment on account of taxes due for any year is accepted, such part payment shall be credited first on account of the interest and penalty charges. If any, added to such taxes and where such taxes are required to be paid by instalments, the remainder of such payments shall be credited first against the instalment first due and secondly against the instalment next due, and so on, until the whole of the remainder of the payment has been credited against such taxes.
11. **THAT** the Manager of Taxation & Revenues may mail or cause to be mailed or emailed to the residence or place of business of such person indicated on the last revised assessment roll, a written or printed notice specifying the amount of taxes payable.
12. **THAT** taxes are payable at any County of Brant Customer Service Office or by telephone/internet banking, pre-authorized bank withdrawals or through the County website by credit card.
13. **THAT** the said final tax levies shall become due and payable in two equal instalments on July 31, 2025, and September 29, 2025, and non-payment of the amount on the dates stated in accordance with this section shall constitute default.
14. **THAT** By-law number 34-24 be and is hereby repealed.

15. **THAT** this by-law shall be effective as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025.

**READ** a first and second time, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2025.

**READ** a third time and finally passed in Council, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2025.

**THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF BRANT**

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David Bailey, Mayor

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Sunayana Katikapalli, Clerk



**BY-LAW NUMBER 42-25**

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**THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF BRANT**

To Amend County of Brant Vehicle For Hire By-law Number 58-22

**WHEREAS** section 8(1) of the Municipal Act confers broad authority on the municipality to enable the municipality to govern its affairs as it considers appropriate and to enable the municipality to respond to municipal issues;

**AND WHEREAS** pursuant to Subsection 8(3) of the Municipal Act, the by-laws of a municipality may (a) regulate or prohibit regarding a certain matter; (b) require a person to do certain things respecting such matter; and/or (c) provide for a system of licenses respecting that matter;

**AND WHEREAS** subsection 10(1) of the Municipal Act provides that a single-tier municipality may provide any service or thing that the municipality considers necessary or desirable for the public;

**AND WHEREAS** subsection 10(2) of the Municipal Act provides that a single-tier municipality may pass by-laws respecting: in paragraph 5, economic, social and environmental well-being of the municipality, in paragraph 6, Health, safety and well-being of persons; in paragraph 8, Protection of persons and property, including consumer protection; and in paragraph 11, Business Licensing;

**AND WHEREAS**, Council desires the County of Brant Vehicle for Hire By-law #58-22 Vehicle Age requirements be amended;

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Council of the Corporation of the County of Brant hereby enacts as follows:

1. **THAT** subsection 1.2(4) iv of Schedule 2 be replaced with the following:  
“a Safety Standard Certificate issued within the previous 60 days of March 31 and September 30 of any year for Taxicabs, Accessible Taxicabs and Limousine that are more than (10) years old.
2. **AND THAT** the previous subsection 1.2(4) iv of Schedule 2 be renumbered to subsection 1.2(4) v.
3. **AND THAT** subsection 2.2 of Schedule 2, Vehicle Requirements be deleted and replaced with the following:

“For the purpose of this By-law the age of any motor vehicle shall be determined by counting the model year as year zero. No motor vehicle more than 12 (twelve) years old may be Plated as a Vehicle for Hire under this By-law.

4. **AND THAT** subsection 2.3 of Schedule 2, Vehicle Requirements include the words: “or Accessible Taxicab;” after the word “Limousine”.
5. **AND THAT** subsection 3.1(3) of Schedule 2, Owner Duties include the words “or semi-annually as the case may be” after the word “annually”.

**THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF BRANT**

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David Bailey, Mayor

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Sunayana Katikapalli, Clerk

**BY-LAW NUMBER 43-25**

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**THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF BRANT**

To establish fees and charges to be collected by the Corporation of the County of Brant for 2025

**WHEREAS** Section 391 of The Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended authorizes a municipality to impose fees or charges on persons;

**AND WHEREAS** County of Brant Council, at its March 25, 2025 meeting, approved an amendment to the Fees and Charges By-law (By-law Number 119-24) related to Cemetery Fees (Disinterment);

**AND WHEREAS** County of Brant Council, at its April 22, 2025 meeting, approved an amendment to the Fees and Charges By-law (By-law Number 119-24) related to a Community Tree Program;

**NOW THEREFORE THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF BRANT HEREBY ENACTS** as follows:

1. **THAT** Fees and Charges By-law Number 119-24 be amended as follows:

**(Correction – Additional Fees)** Community Services – Cemetery Services Fees:

Description	HST	Unit	Fee (excluding HST)
<b>Re-Inter in Same Cemetery</b>			
Adult Disinterment – Casket Only	Extra	Each	\$3,055.00
Child Disinterment – Casket Only	Extra	Each	\$1,885.00
Infant Disinterment – Casket Only	Extra	Each	\$1,205.00
Cremation Disinterment	Extra	Each	\$570.00
<b>Removal Only</b>			
Adult Disinterment – Casket Only	Extra	Each	\$1,995.00
Child Disinterment – Casket Only	Extra	Each	\$1,210.00
Infant Disinterment – Casket Only	Extra	Each	\$860.00
Cremation Disinterment	Extra	Each	\$405.00
<b>Burial and Disinterment Additional Charges</b>			
Disinterment Equipment and Safety Supplies	Extra	Each	\$300.00
<b>Foundation and Monument Installation Fees Based on Length and Total Height of Monument &amp; Base</b>			
5' - 6'	Extra	Each	\$1,025

2. **THAT** Fees and Charges By-law Number 119-24 be amended as follows:

**(New)** Community Services Fees:

Description	HST	Unit	Fee (Excluding HST)
Community Tree Program	Extra	Each	\$10.00

3. **THAT** By-law Number 36-25 and all other by-laws and parts of by-laws setting out fees and charges which are inconsistent with the provisions of this by-law are hereby repealed.

**READ** a first and second time, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2025;

**READ** a third time and finally passed in Council, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2025

**THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF BRANT**

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David Bailey, Mayor

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Sunayana Katikapalli, Clerk

**BY-LAW NUMBER 44-25**

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**THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF BRANT**

To amend County of Brant By-law 2-99 with respect to the size and composition  
of the Library Board

**WHEREAS** By-law Number 2-99 of the Corporation of the County of Brant established a public library in the County and determined the size and composition of the Library Board;

**AND WHEREAS** the size and composition of the Library Board has been amended several times by by-law, most recently by By-law Number 139-21;

**AND WHEREAS** County of Brant Council, at its meeting on April 22, 2025, approved a clarifying amendment to provide that either the Head of Council or their designate be appointed as a member of the Library Board;

**NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF BRANT HEREBY ENACTS** as follows:

1. **THAT** Clause 3 of By-law Number 2-99 be amended and replaced with the following:  
“That the County of Brant Public Library Board shall consist of ten (10) members appointed by the Council of the Corporation of the County of Brant, of whom two (2) shall be members of the said Council, one (1) shall be the head of the said Council or his or her designate, and seven (7) shall be qualified resident appointees”.
2. **THAT** By-law Numbers 167-14 a By-law to amend the composition of the board, and 139-21 a By-law to amend the composition of the board be and are hereby repealed.

**READ** a first and second time, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2025;

**READ** a third time and finally passed in Council, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2025.

**THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF BRANT**

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David Bailey, Mayor

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Sunayana Katikapalli, Clerk



**BY- LAW NUMBER 45-25**

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**THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF BRANT**

To confirm the proceedings of Council

**WHEREAS** by Section 5 of The Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, the powers of a municipal corporation are to be exercised by its Council;

**AND WHEREAS** by Section 11 of The Municipal Act 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, the powers of every Council are to be exercised by by-law;

**AND WHEREAS** it is deemed expedient that the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the County of Brant at this meeting be confirmed and adopted by by-law;

**NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF BRANT HEREBY ENACTS** as follows:

1. **THAT** the action of the Council of the Corporation of the County of Brant in respect of each recommendation contained in the reports of the Committees and each motion and resolution passed and other action taken by Council of the Corporation of the County of Brant, at its regular meeting held on April 22, 2025, are hereby adopted and confirmed as if all such proceedings were expressly embodied in this by-law;
2. **THAT** the Mayor and proper officials of the Corporation of the County of Brant are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the action of the Council referred to in the preceding section hereof;
3. **THAT** the Mayor and the Clerk be authorized and directed to execute all documents in that behalf and to affix thereto the seal of the Corporation of the County of Brant.

**READ** a first and second time, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April 2025.

**READ** a third time and finally passed in Council, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April 2025.

**THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF BRANT**

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David Bailey, Mayor

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Sunayana Katikapalli, Clerk