# INFORMATION ITEMS

# Week Ending January 6, 2017

## **REPORTS**

1. None

#### INTERGOVERNMENTAL CONSULTATIONS

- Ontario's Review and Integration of Regional & Rural Business Support Programs
- 2. Basic Income Pilot for Ontario
- 3. Proposed Bottled Water Technical Guidance Document
- 4. Proposed Strategy for a Waste-Free Ontario: Building the Circular Economy

# **CORRESPONDENCE**

1. None

## **BOARDS & COMMITTEES**

1. None

#### ITEMS AVAILABLE IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE

- 1. Application for Liquor License:
  - The Chickery, 292 Stone Road West

Provincial/Federal Consultation Alert							
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Ontario Review and Integration of Regional & Rural Business Support Programs	The Ministry of Economic Development and Growth (MEDG) and the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA)	January 15, 2017	MEDG and OMAFRA are engaging our economic and business development stakeholders to:  • improve coordination of business support programs in the regions • undertake a required five-year review of the Eastern Ontario Development Fund (EODF) and Southwestern Ontario Development Fund (SWODF).  The purpose of the survey is to obtain feedback and perspectives from stakeholders regarding three of Ontario's regional and rural economic development funds, namely the EODF the SWODF and the business stream of the Rural Economic Development Fund (RED).	BDE staff have completed the survey	Given IDE staff familiarity with the identified programs, a staff response is considered appropriate and reasonable in this circumstance.	BDE	https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ontario regional rural business support programs

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Basic Income Pilot for Ontario	Community and Social Services	Jan 31, 2017	Public consultation, via online survey, to provide input for proposed pilot program. The pilot program hopes to reduce poverty in a new and sustainable way by replacing social assistance.	Staff to complete the online survey, monitor results (due back April 2017) and report back as required.	Staff response sufficient at this time based on the preliminary nature of the consultation request.	Culture, Tourism and Community Investment	Discussion Paper at <a href="https://www.ontario.ca/page/finding-better-way-basic-income-pilot-project-ontario">https://www.ontario.ca/page/finding-better-way-basic-income-pilot-project-ontario</a> Survey at <a href="https://www.ontario.ca/form/basic-income-pilot-public-survey?ga=1.172050851.1443231836.1458336547">https://www.ontario.ca/form/basic-income-pilot-public-survey?ga=1.172050851.1443231836.1458336547</a>			

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Proposed Bottled Water Technical Guidance Document	Ontario Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change (MOECC)		An ER notice has been posted proposing new requirements for water bottlers to renew their water taking permits.  The proposed guidance document outlines two types of new requirements - procedural requirements and technical requirements. In general, the new procedural requirements are designed to increase public reporting and transparency, and the new technical requirements are designed to increase the science requirements for proposed applications for Permit renewals.  These requirements are being proposed to enhance water security in Ontario, by ensuring the wise use and management of groundwater in the face of climate		Staff technical comments on the proposed technical document will be consistent with	Environmental Services	https://www.ebr.gov.on.ca/ERS-WEB-External/displaynoticecontent.do?noticeId=MTMxMDM2&statusId=MTk4Njl4&language=en		
			groundwater in the						

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Proposed Strategy for a Waste-Free Ontario: Building the Circular Economy	Ontario Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change (MOECC)	January 31, 2017	An EBR notice has been posted (012-9356) proposing a strategy for a Waste-Free Ontario: Building the Circular Economy.  The proposed strategy embraces a vision for Ontario "where waste is seen as a resource that can be recovered, reused and reintegrated into the economy to achieve a circular economy."  The proposed strategy has two goals: a zero waste Ontario and zero greenhouse gas emissions from the waste sector.  This strategy is being proposed because failure to take action has economic and environmental consequences, including the loss of valuable resources, the lost opportunity to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, the dwindling capacity of Ontario's landfills and the increasing pressure on municipal taxpayers and industries to fund diversion efforts and rising costs.  Waste diversion in the province has stalled at around 25 percent. Stakeholders agree that fundamental changes are need and recognize that the current 'produce-use-dispose' model is not sustainable. The strategy, when implemented, would move Ontario toward a circular economy — a system where nothing is wasted and valuable materials destined for landfill are put back into the economy without negative effects on the environment.	Staff comments will be submitted on the online Environmental Registry (EBR) and provided to Council via the Information Package following the consultation deadline.	Staff response on the proposed strategy document will be consistent with those provided earlier this year to the MOECC re: EBR 012-5832 Waste-Free Ontario Act and EBR 012-5834 Strategy for a Waste-Free Ontario: Building the Circular Economy (Staff Information Report dated May 6, 2016).  Guelph is interested in protecting our assets and maintaining our integrated waste management system. There is also a need to ensure that all of our municipal concerns are considered before the strategy is finalized.  If interested, both Council and the community can submit comments directly to the Environmental Registry.	Environmental Services	Environmental Registry		