

# **INFORMATION ITEMS**

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**Week Ending May 24, 2013**

## **REPORTS**

1. None

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Town of Lakeshore – Motion regarding 400 Series Highways – Repairs and Maintenance to Overpasses funding
2. Municipality of North Middlesex – Motion of “Not a Willing Host Community” for IWT Projects

## **ITEMS AVAILABLE IN THE CLERK’S OFFICE**

1. Grand River Conservation Authority – May 2013 Minutes
2. Resignation from the Guelph Public Library Board of Directors – Kyle Clements



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TOWN OF LAKESHORE  
CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

419 Notre Dame St.  
Belle River, ON N0R 1A0

May 21, 2013

Dear Sir or Madam;

**RE: RESOLUTION OF LAKESHORE COUNCIL 400 SERIES HIGHWAYS – REPAIRS  
AND MAINTENANCE TO OVERPASSES**

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At their meeting of April 23, 2013 the Council for the Town of Lakeshore requested that the following resolution be forwarded to the neighbouring municipalities and those municipalities in the Province adjacent to a 400 series highway.

Councillor Diemer moved and Councillor McKinlay seconded:

***That:***

- 1. Council request AMO to lobby the Ministry of Transportation to provide financing to municipalities for any maintenance and repair work that needs to be undertaken on approaches and overpasses to 400 series highways in the Province of Ontario***

**Motion Carried as Unanimously**

The Town of Lakeshore has set aside funds in their 2013 budget to undertake repairs and repaving of two overpasses at Highway #401 at an estimated cost of \$715,000.00.

Council is seeking your support and requests that you send a letter of support to the Ministry of Transportation with a copy to AMO.

Should you require additional information with respect to the above please feel free to contact the undersigned. I remain

Yours truly,

Mary Masse  
Clerk

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cc: Members of Council  
Essex County Municipalities  
Municipalities in Ontario adjacent to a 400 Series Highway (90)  
AMO  
Ministry of Transportation

May 8, 2013

Premier Kathleen Wynne  
Legislative Building  
Queen's Park  
Toronto, Ontario  
M7A 1A1



Dear Ms. Wynne:

**Re: Motion of "Not a Willing Host Community" for IWT Projects**

Please be advised that the Council of the Municipality of North Middlesex has unanimously passed the attached motion that we are "Not a Willing Host" community for Industrial Wind Turbine Projects.

We are one of the many Ontario communities that have had no choice in the matter of whether we are willing and equipped to undertake having these mega projects invade and forever change the rural landscape of our community. Our municipality already has limited financial resources for maintaining our aging infrastructure and now we are being forced into straining these resources even further with having to hire solicitors, engineers and project co-ordinators, as small municipalities of our size do not have the human or economic resources to adequately deal with these highly technical projects in order to ensure our citizens are properly protected now and in the future. These projects are being forced onto communities with no regard on how this will impact these resources and more importantly the health and safety issues that are attributed to these IWT's.

We are forwarding our motion to all Ontario municipalities, local M.P.P., Monte McNaughton and local M.P., Bev Shipley, as well as Ontario Progressive Conservative Leader, Tim Hudak and Ontario NDP Leader, Andrea Howarth for their support and endorsement.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jackie Fiedeman".

Jackie Fiedeman  
Clerk  
Encls.

## **MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH MIDDLESEX**

### **MOTION**

**DATE: MAY 6, 2013**

**MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CORNELISSEN**

**SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MCLINCHEY**

WHEREAS the Premier of Ontario has recently conveyed the Governments desire to limit Industrial Wind Turbine (IWT) Projects to communities that are willing hosts;

AND WHEREAS Council for the Municipality of North Middlesex has received a clear message from its residents that they are not willing to host to IWTs in North Middlesex;

AND WHEREAS Council for the Municipality of North Middlesex applauds the position taken by the Premier and the Government;

AND WHEREAS Council represents all citizens within the Municipality, both those in favour of wind projects and those opposed. As a result, Council needs to maintain a fair and balanced viewpoint;

AND WHEREAS council is very concerned that the Green Energy Act has substantially changed the rules for municipalities with respect to wind farm developments by removing municipal control over development applications through the traditional zoning requirements under the planning act approvals for wind project developments are now controlled by the Ministry of Environment through the Renewable Energy Approval process, a legislative development that the council strongly opposes;

AND WHEREAS Section 41 of the Electricity Act requires that a municipality provide to wind project developers without charge access to and use of its road for both construction and maintenance of its turbines and electrical infrastructure, including transmission lines;

AND WHEREAS future jobs of Ontario are going to hinge on efficient energy costs, by subsidizing the cost of energy by these wind projects, we are limiting the future growth of Ontario;

THEREFORE based on the consistent position of Council for the Municipality of North Middlesex and the input received from the community regarding IWT's, the Province of Ontario and specifically the Ministry of Environment be now advised that the Municipality of North Middlesex is "NOT A WILLING HOST" for IWT's;

AND THAT this resolution be circulated to Premier Kathleen Wynne, as well as to the Minister of Environment, Minister of Energy, Minister of Rural Affairs and to all Ontario municipalities for their support and endorsement.

  
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Mayor