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**Subject:** Plympton-Wyoming Resolution - Conservation Authority Fee Freeze

Good morning,

Please see attached for a resolution that was passed at the October 8<sup>th</sup> Town of Plympton-Wyoming Council meeting. This resolution is being sent to you as you may have an interest in this matter.

Thank you and have a wonderful weekend,

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**Date:** 8 October 2025 2

**Moved By:** Councillor Kristen Rodrigues

**Seconded By:** Councillor Alex Boughen

*Whereas conservation authorities serve a critical function in safeguarding Ontario's natural heritage, overseeing watershed management, mitigating flood risks, and advancing climate resilience;*

*And whereas the Province of Ontario's recent mandate to freeze conservation authority fees has significantly hindered their capacity to deliver essential services;*

*And whereas Conservation Authorities are now expected to process an increasing volume of permit applications under a fee structure that remains frozen, despite rising costs of living and wage pressures, further compounding operational and fiscal challenges;*

*And whereas municipalities are increasingly compelled to absorb the resulting financial shortfalls, leading to unsustainable downloading of costs onto local taxpayers;*

*And whereas the intent behind the provincial fee freeze was to reduce development-related expenses and accelerate housing supply;*

*And whereas this policy has inadvertently shifted the financial burden from a user-pay cost recovery model to the municipal tax base, thereby straining local budgets and compromising the principle of fair and equitable funding;*

*Now Therefore, be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Plympton-Wyoming urges the Province of Ontario to reconsider the fee freeze mandate and to implement a funding framework that protects municipal taxpayers from cost recovery deficits, while supporting a sustainable and balanced approach to conservation authority financing.*

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Gary L. Atkinson	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Netty McEwen	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Alex Boughen	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kristen Rodrigues	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
John van Klaveren	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mike Vasey	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bob Woolvett	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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**Subject:** Municipality of Bluewater Resolution - Keeping Climate Change as a Foremost National Priority

Good Afternoon,

Please find attached a resolution passed by the Council of the Municipality of Bluewater at their October 6<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Thanks,

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Municipality of  
***Bluewater***

October 16, 2025

## **Resolution Urging the Federal Government to Keep Climate Change as a Foremost National Priority**

**WHEREAS**, the impacts of climate change—such as rising temperatures, extreme weather events, flooding, droughts, wildfires, and sea-level rise—are already affecting communities across Canada;

**WHEREAS**, climate change poses a serious threat to public health, infrastructure, local economies, biodiversity, and future generations;

**WHEREAS**, municipalities are on the front lines of climate change, often bearing the burden of disaster response, infrastructure adaptation, and long-term community resilience;

**WHEREAS**, despite local action, meaningful progress on climate change requires bold and coordinated leadership at the federal level, including policies, legislation, funding, and international cooperation;

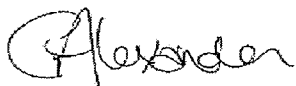
**WHEREAS**, Canada has made national and international climate commitments, including under the Paris Agreement, and must continue to strengthen its role in mitigating greenhouse gas emissions and supporting adaptation;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Municipality of Bluewater Council urges the Government of Canada to:

1. **Maintain climate change as a top national priority**, reflected in legislation, national planning, funding, and public policy;
2. **Prioritize investments in the clean energy transition in the upcoming Federal budget**;
3. **Continue to support municipalities** in their efforts to mitigate and adapt to climate change, including through sustainable infrastructure funding, disaster preparedness support, and clean energy investments since municipalities have the ability to influence change in ~50% of emissions within Canada;
4. **Accelerate the transition to a low-carbon economy**, ensuring that it is just, inclusive, and economically beneficial for all regions and communities;
5. **Engage in transparent, science-based policymaking** that reflects the urgency of the climate crisis and the lived experiences of Canadians;
6. **Collaborate with Indigenous communities** and respect Indigenous knowledge and leadership in addressing climate change including obtaining free, prior and informed consent; and
7. **Continue to report annually** on national progress in reducing emissions and implementing adaptation strategies.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister of Canada, the Minister of Environment and Climate Change, local Members of Parliament, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, the Premier of Ontario, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario as well as local MPPs and all municipalities for their consideration.

Sincerely,



Chandra Alexander  
Manager of Corporate Services/Clerk

cc: The Right Honourable Mark Carney, Prime Minister of Canada  
The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
The Honourable Julie Dabrusin, Minister of Environment and Climate Change  
Lisa Thompson, Huron-Bruce MPP  
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**Subject:** Letter from Mayor Elizabeth Roy, Town of Whitby re: Extended Producer Responsibility for Blue Box Recycling Collection and Impacts to Small Businesses located in Mixed-Use Properties

Good afternoon Ontario municipalities,

Attached, please find a letter from Mayor Roy, Town of Whitby regarding Extended Producer Responsibility for Blue Box Recycling Collection and Impacts to Small Businesses located in Mixed-Use Properties.

Thank you,  
Kevin

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October 17, 2025

The Honorable Todd McCarthy, MPP (Durham)  
Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks  
Via email: [minister.mecp@ontario.ca](mailto:minister.mecp@ontario.ca)

Re: Extended Producer Responsibility for Blue Box Recycling Collection and Impacts to Small Businesses located in Mixed-Use Properties

Dear Minister McCarthy,

Please be advised that at its meeting held on October 6, 2025, the Council of the Town of Whitby adopted the following as Resolution # 191-25:

Whereas in 2016 the Waste-Free Ontario Act was enacted, which also enacted the Resource Recovery and Circular Economy Act (RRCEA) and the Waste Diversion Transition Act; and,

Whereas the RRCEA and its associated regulations focus on strengthening Extended Producer Responsibility for materials like used tires and blue box recycling; and,

Whereas on November 23, 2020, Town Staff submitted comments to the Environmental Registry of Ontario on the proposed blue box regulation, which highlighted concerns about the lack of a requirement for blue box recycling collection for certain "non-eligible" sources like small businesses located in mixed-use properties which are prevalent in Business Improvement Areas; and,

Whereas in the Town of Whitby there are approximately 200 small businesses in mixed-use properties who currently receive blue box collection and are impacted by the blue box regulation and will potentially lose blue box collection services; and,

Whereas in June 2021 the Province of Ontario released Blue Box Regulation O. Reg. 391/21, under the RRCEA which transitions the financial and operational responsibility of recycling from municipalities to the producers of packaging and paper products; and,

Whereas Circular Materials Ontario (CM) was named the Producer Responsibility Organization taking on all blue box recycling responsibilities in Ontario over a three-year transition period; and,

Whereas the Region of Durham has indicated that the estimated costs to continue to provide blue box recycling for small businesses after the 2026 transition date to CM was exorbitant and no longer a core responsibility of the Region pursuant to Provincial legislation; and,

Whereas on July 1, 2024, the Town of Whitby and all local area municipalities in Durham Region transitioned from the Regional blue box program to the CM blue box program; and,

Whereas the Region of Durham and CM negotiated a temporary agreement to continue providing blue box collection services to small businesses in mixed-use properties during the blue box transition period from June 30, 2024 to December 31, 2025, however, CM will not service these small businesses or any non-residential properties effective January 1, 2026, as they are not included as “eligible sources” under Blue Box Regulation 391/21; and,

Whereas on October 17, 2024, Mayor Roy sent a letter to the Honourable Andrea Khanjin, who was at that time the Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, advocating for changes to the blue box regulation as it related to blue box collection for small businesses; and,

Whereas on June 4, 2025, the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks proposed amendments to the RRCEA through the Environmental Registry of Ontario and staff comments were submitted jointly to the Municipal Waste Association and Regional Public Works Commissioners of Ontario on June 13, 2025 highlighting concerns with the blue box regulation and impacts to small businesses located in mixed-use properties; and,

Whereas on August 15, 2025, CM hosted a municipal engagement session with members of a Municipal Working Group, reviewing a proposal for blue box recycling for non-eligible sources; and,

Whereas it is not clear how the recycling collector will differentiate commercial recycling from residential recycling at mixed-residential locations as they are typically set out together; and,

Whereas the proposal submitted by CM must be agreed to by all three Producer Organizations before it will be considered by the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks; and,

Whereas on October 1, 2025, all three Producer Organizations, which includes CM, Ryse Solutions, and Landbell Canada, provided a letter to Mayor Roy outlining their decision to not proceed with blue box collections for small IC&I locations, citing, “system capacity limitations, current regulatory obligations, and time constraints that make it impractical for CCS to provide (blue box) collections from IC&I locations”; and,

Whereas on October 1, 2025, the Honourable Todd McCarthy, Minister of the Environment, Conservation, and Parks provided a letter to the Town of Whitby advising that the Producers will not voluntarily continue to offer blue box services to municipalities for small business locations.

Now therefore, be it resolved:


1. That the Council of the Town of Whitby requests that the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks amend Blue Box Regulation 391/21 to require Producers to provide blue box collection services to businesses located in mixed-use properties;

and,

2. That the Mayor be requested to author a letter to the Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks advocating for changes to Blue Box Regulation 391/21, and that a copy of this letter be forwarded to all Ontario Municipalities, Ontario Big City Mayors (OBCM), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and the Ontario Business Improvement Area Association (OBIAA).

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact [mayor@whitby.ca](mailto:mayor@whitby.ca).

Sincerely,

  
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Mayor

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**From:** Delegations (MMAH) <Delegations@ontario.ca>  
**Sent:** October 20, 2025 10:06 AM  
**Subject:** 2026 Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) Live Form

Hello

We'd like to inform you that the Municipal Delegation Request Form for the 2026 Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) Annual Conference is now available: [ROMA 2026 Municipal Delegation Form](#)

You can select either French or English using the global icon in the top right corner of the form. The deadline for submitting requests is **Tuesday November 18th, at 5:00 PM EST.**

Thank you!

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Bonjour

Nous souhaitons vous informer que le formulaire de demande de délégation municipale pour le congrès annuel 2026 de la Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) est maintenant disponible: [ROMA 2026 Municipal Delegation Form](#)

Vous pouvez sélectionner le français ou l'anglais au moyen de l'icône de globe située dans la partie supérieure droite du formulaire. La demande doit être envoyée au plus tard, le Mardi 18 novembre 2025, 17 h HNE

Merci