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**Subject:** Support for Electoral Reform – Motion COU-2025-390

Good afternoon;

Dear Prime Minister Carney and Premier Ford,

On behalf of the Council of the Municipality of Brighton, I am writing to inform you of the passage of Motion COU-2025-390 at our Council meeting held on September 15, 2025. The motion, moved by Councillor Jeff Wheeldon and seconded by Councillor Emily Rowley, reflects our municipality's concern for the health and future of Canadian democracy.

The motion recognizes the increasing political polarization, incivility, and declining voter participation across all levels of government in Canada. It highlights the urgent need for electoral reform to strengthen democratic engagement and ensure that every vote counts.

Council has resolved to call upon both the provincial and federal governments to enact electoral reform by adopting proportional representation systems. We believe this change is essential to reduce polarization, encourage broader participation, and restore public trust in our democratic institutions.

We respectfully urge your governments to give serious consideration to this matter and take meaningful steps toward implementing proportional representation in Canada's electoral systems.

A copy of the full motion is enclosed for your reference. This correspondence is also being circulated to all Ontario municipalities.

Thank you for your attention to this important issue.

Kind Regards,

**Candice Doiron**  
**Municipal Clerk**

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September 24, 2025

To: The Right Honourable Mark Carney

**Subject:** Urgent Appeal Regarding Canada Post Labour Dispute and Impact on Municipal Communications

Dear Mr. Carney

On behalf of the Council of the Township of Bonfield, I am writing to express our concern regarding the ongoing labour dispute between Canada Post and the Canadian Union of Postal Workers (CUPW), which remains unresolved despite months of negotiations.

As you are aware, CUPW has suspended the delivery of flyers nationwide in an effort to encourage Canada Post to return to the bargaining table. While we respect the rights of workers to collectively bargain, this suspension has had a significant impact on businesses, non-profit organizations, and municipal governments, limiting our ability to communicate essential information to our residents.

The Township of Bonfield, like many rural municipalities, has limited internet connectivity and relies heavily on Canada Post for the distribution of newsletters and other important communications. The interruption in mail services directly affects our capacity to keep residents informed on municipal matters, emergency notifications, and other critical community information.

**Therefore, be advised that the Council of the Township of Bonfield:**

1. Urges the Canadian Union of Postal Workers and the Federal Government to promptly return to the negotiating table; and
2. Calls upon CUPW to reconsider the suspension of flyer deliveries, including municipal communications, to ensure the continued dissemination of critical community information.

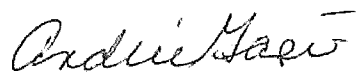
A copy of this resolution has been sent to the Nipissing–Timiskaming MP, Pauline Rochefort, Nipissing MPP, Vic Fedeli, Canada Post, the CUPW President, FONOM, and AMO.

*Small Community, Big Heart*

We respectfully request your attention to this matter to help facilitate a timely resolution, ensuring that municipalities like Bonfield can continue to effectively communicate with their residents.

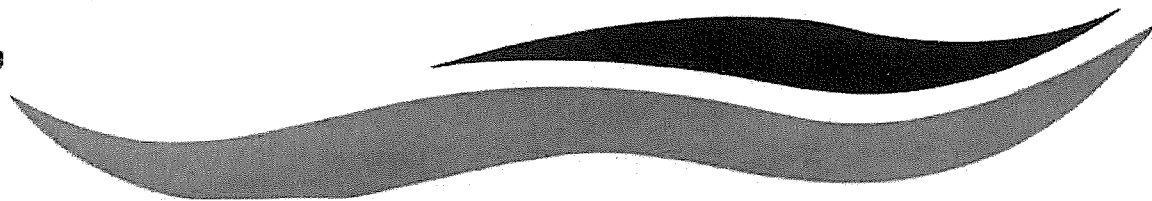
Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Andrée Gagné  
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer  
Township of Bonfield

*Small Comm*





**Date:** September 15, 2025

**Resolution No.** COU-2025-30

**Moved By:** Councillor Wheeldon 

**Seconded By:** Councillor Rowley 

Whereas Canadian governments at all levels are structured by and derive their legitimacy from democratic principles, practices, and norms;

And Whereas many countries around the world are experiencing increased political polarization and hostility, shifts toward authoritarianism, and the undermining of democratic norms;

And Whereas incivility and hostility increasingly define the political sphere in Canada at every level of government, but particularly in systems with political parties;

And Whereas this hostile political climate drives lower democratic participation, including low voter turnout and fewer and less diverse political candidates, resulting in a lopsided and unhealthy democracy;

And Whereas poor political health undermines the ability of democratic institutions to exercise effective leadership and overcome the unprecedented challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> century;

And Whereas elections are one of the most central and participatory parts of Canadian democratic systems;

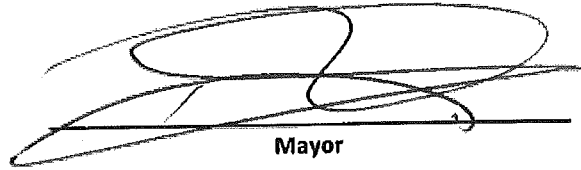
And Whereas numerous studies, including those by Parliamentary committees, have identified our First Past the Post electoral system as driving increasing polarization and declines in voter participation, and have recommended some form of proportional representation;

And Whereas electoral reform enjoys broad public support, with a majority of polling respondents who identify with every major party supporting change in the way that they vote;

Therefore Be It Resolved that the Municipality of Brighton call upon the provincial and federal governments to enact electoral reform, adopting proportional systems in which every vote counts and polarization is diminished, in order to safeguard and empower Canadian democracy;

And Be It Further Resolved that this motion be circulated to Prime Minister Mark Carney, Premier Doug Ford, and all Ontario municipalities.

Carried  OR Defeated

  
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 Mayor

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Councillor Emily Rowley					
Councillor Jeff Wheeldon					
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**tgorgerat@khrtownship.ca**

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**From:** mayor@khrtownship.ca  
**Sent:** September 25, 2025 7:35 AM  
**To:** Tammy Gorgerat  
**Subject:** Fw: Letter from CUPW | Canada Post Mandate Review  
**Attachments:** 2025-09-09\_\_Resolution Municipalities\_EN.pdf

Hello Tammy,

Could you deal with this. I am in conflict with this one.

**David Mayville**

Mayor  
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**From:** Marty Le Gallez <mlegallez@cupw-sttp.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 24, 2025 2:50 PM  
**To:** mayor@khrtownship.ca <mayor@khrtownship.ca>  
**Subject:** Letter from CUPW | Canada Post Mandate Review

**BY EMAIL AND MAIL**

September 24, 2025

Mayor David Mayville  
Township of Killaloe, Hagarty, & Richards  
PO Box 39 1 John St  
Killaloe ON K0J 2A0  
mayor@khrtownship.ca

Dear Mayor Mayville,

**Re: Upcoming Mandate Review of Canada Post Could Affect Jobs and Services in Your Community**

I am writing you to let you know that the Federal Government is planning a mandate review of Canada Post from October 2025 to March 2026. At this time, we do not have details regarding the format, process or terms of reference. We are very concerned that there is no guarantee of public or stakeholder consultation (please see enclosure).

I had written you earlier this year about the Industrial Inquiry Commission (IIC) launched to review negotiations between Canada Post and our union. Unfortunately, it examined issues that were beyond collective bargaining and made some recommendations for drastic service cuts. Notably, these were in the form of post office closures and to resume conversion to community mailboxes – something the first Liberal Government after Harper was elected to stop.

CUPW's recommendations for expanded services, including things like postal banking, seniors check ins, community hubs, the reinstatement of an improved Food Mail Program, were rejected as a means to immediately address the financial challenges faced by Canada Post. This, despite the fact that many individuals, municipalities and organizations have supported our efforts over the years.

Canada Post also used the IIC to set up its demands for regulatory changes that could form the basis of the mandate review. We believe that regulatory changes should only be examined after Canada Post returns to stabilized operations, the full impact of the January 2025 stamp price increase is realized, and when parcel volumes reflect sectoral demand.

Canadians deserve to have their say on a public service they own. Our Federal Government must respect their voice, their needs, their communities, including those in rural, remote and Northern locations, workers and their rights, and safeguard public services and jobs – not try to quietly erode them.

I am asking your municipality to:

- 1) Pass a resolution asking for a delay on this mandate review,
- 2) Ask the Government to commit to a fully transparent, public process involving input and hearings from all stakeholders in all regions, and;
- 3) Make a written and/or oral submission to the upcoming mandate review – if you have the capacity and depending upon how the review is structured.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to me via Vanessa Murenzi at [vmurenzi@cupw-sttp.org](mailto:vmurenzi@cupw-sttp.org)

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Jan Simpson  
National President  
Canadian Union of Postal Workers

Encl.

PS - We are pleased to see some municipal-level pushback around the unilateral change in delivery practice for the red flags on rural mailboxes. This has raised concerns, in particular for elderly residents and those with mobility issues, who now have to go to their mailbox to check for mail.

c.c.:  
National Executive Board  
Regional Executive Committees  
CUPW Locals

## Appendix A

### Canada Post Corporation Review

*Notionally, public consultations may be undertaken to consider the Canadian Postal Service Charter (2009) and to get a pulse on Canadians' needs and use of the postal service. Should engagement be necessary, the goal would be obtain [sic] views from Canadians and stakeholders to redefine the government's service-oriented vision for Canada Post, in a context where the postal industry landscape has changed, the needs of Canadians have evolved, and the volume of mail and letters has declined significantly to the point where Canada Post's sustainability has been undermined.*

**Source:** Secretariat, Treasury Board of Canada. 2025. "Consulting with Canadians." Canada.ca. <https://www.canada.ca/en/government/system/consultations/consultingcanadians.html>. Accessed September 5, 2025. Search term "Canada Post Corporation Review"

## Federal Government Plan: Canada Post Corporation Review

**WHEREAS** the Federal Government has announced a planned Canada Post Corporation Review from October 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026 as follows:

*Notionally, public consultations may be undertaken to consider the Canadian Postal Service Charter (2009) and to get a pulse on Canadians' needs and use of the postal service. Should engagement be necessary, the goal would be obtain [sic] views from Canadians and stakeholders to redefine the government's service-oriented vision for Canada Post, in a context where the postal industry landscape has changed, the needs of Canadians have evolved, and the volume of mail and letters has declined significantly to the point where Canada Post's sustainability has been undermined.<sup>1</sup>*

**WHEREAS** the current plan does not ensure that there will be any public consultation or engagement with all stakeholders, and the process and terms of reference for the mandate review have yet to be announced.

**WHEREAS** the recent Industrial Inquiry Commission report recommended service cuts in the form of post office closures and the reintroduction of the community mailbox conversion plans of the last Federal Conservative government.

**WHEREAS** it will be crucial for the mandate review to hear the views from municipalities on key issues, including maintaining Canada Post as a public service, the importance of maintaining the moratorium on post office closures, improving the Canadian Postal Service Charter, home mail delivery, parcel delivery, keeping daily delivery, improving postal banking, greening Canada Post, EV charging stations, food delivery, improving delivery to rural, remote and Indigenous communities, and developing services to assist people with disabilities and help older Canadians to remain in their homes for as long as possible – and at the same time, helping to ensure that good jobs stay in their communities and that Canada Post can remain financially self-sustaining.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that (name of municipality) formally writes the Minister of Government Transformation, Public Works and Procurement, Joël Lightbound, to demand that no mandate review takes place until Canada Post returns to stabilized operations, until the full impact of the stamp price increase is realized, and until parcel volumes reflect sectoral demand.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that (name of municipality) will include in its letter to Minister Lightbound that any review of Canada Post and the Canadian Postal Service Charter must be done through a full and thorough transparent public review of Canada Post, including public hearings, with all key stakeholders, in every region of Canada.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that (name of municipality) will make a written submission and/or participate in hearings to provide input in the upcoming mandate review of Canada Post.

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<sup>1</sup> Secretariat, Treasury Board of Canada. 2025. "Consulting with Canadians." Canada.ca. <https://www.canada.ca/en/government/system/consultations/consultingcanadians.html>. Accessed September 5, 2025. Search term "Canada Post Corporation Review"

## MAILING INFORMATION

1) Please send your resolution to the Minister responsible for Canada Post, and your Member of Parliament:

- Joël Lightbound, Federal Minister of Government Transformation, Public Works and Procurement, House of Commons, Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 0A6
- Your Member of Parliament

Note: Mail may be sent postage-free to any member of Parliament. You can get your MP's name, phone number and address by going to the Parliament of Canada website at <https://www.ourcommons.ca/Members/en>

2) Please send copies of your resolution to:

- Jan Simpson, President, Canadian Union of Postal Workers, 377 Bank Street, Ottawa, Ontario, K2P 1Y3
- Rebecca Bligh, President, Federation of Canadian Municipalities, 24 Clarence St, Ottawa, Ontario, K1N 5P3



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**From:** Lynn Flokstra <lynnanne2009@live.com>  
**Sent:** September 25, 2025 12:06 PM  
**To:** Tammy Gorgerat (tgorgerat@khrtownship.ca)  
**Subject:** FW: Letter

Please include my letter to the mayor for the next council meeting and please read it aloud.  
Thank you.  
Lynn Flokstra

**From:** Lynn Flokstra <lynnanne2009@live.com>  
**Sent:** September 22, 2025 8:00 AM  
**To:** mayor@khrtownship.ca  
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**Subject:** Letter to Mayor Mayville

September 22, 2025

Dear mayor Mayville,  
I feel it is important to explain why I can no longer support your leadership as mayor of our township, despite having wholeheartedly endorsed you during your campaign and since your election in 2022.

My support first faltered during the KHR budget process this past April, when I received messages from concerned residents regarding disparaging remarks about councillors, and particularly our CAO. These communications troubled me, as they showed attempts to influence the budget process and encouraged letters backing your interpretation of the budget, especially around Killaloe's water and sewer issues. The involvement and the tone of these messages raised concerns among several individuals, who shared them with me. At the time, I chose not to act or share this information. In retrospect, I regret this decision, especially in light of what transpired at the council meeting of August 20, 2025.

What is the Township's policy on councillor/mayor's family involvement in municipal matters, and how does Council ensure transparency when potential conflicts may exist?

Currently, every KHR councillor has called for your resignation and expressed a lack of confidence in your leadership. Recovering from this seems unlikely. Even those who previously supported you are now voicing strong opposition—especially in response to your proposal to grant yourself Strong Mayor Powers, which goes against the wishes of elected officials, residents, and ratepayers.

While I understand you feel mistreated by some team members, suspending our democratic process and undermining councillors who disagree with you is not justified. As someone with experience as a hockey coach and GM, I would have expected more resilience. Even in hockey, players who do not play

fair ultimately end up in the penalty box—hurting not only themselves but also putting their entire team at risk of losing.

You often acknowledged during your campaign that the role of mayor would be challenging if elected and that you were up for it. Apparently, you were not up to it after all.

Ultimately, your election reflected more an indictment of the previous mayor's tenure than an endorsement of your leadership. If that wasn't clear before it is becoming clearer by the day as opposition to your leadership continues to grow.

I do not support Strong Mayor Powers in KHR! I do not support your overturning the unanimous May 6, 2025 council resolution to reject SMPs for KHR.

A foundation of trust is essential for effective teamwork and decision-making. Recent actions, such as cancelling votes and, by extension, silencing our voices, have led to a serious breach in trust. It becomes difficult to expect anyone to sit around the table and collaborate after such events, especially when people feel they have been disregarded and left unsupported.

Given the current circumstances, it is difficult to see how trust and effective collaboration can be restored. Just as a team cannot win when a key player is consistently putting themselves—and by extension, the team—in the penalty box, our township risks further division and setbacks if we continue down this path. For these reasons, I respectfully ask you to consider stepping down as mayor.

Regards,

Lynn Flokstra

*Killaloe Resident/Concerned KHR Taxpayer*

Cc:

Marathon; Township of Conmee; Township of Dorion; Township of Gillies; Township of Manitouwadge; Township of Nipigon; Township of O'Connor; Township of Red Rock; Township of Schreiber; Municipality of Charlton and Dack; Town of Cobalt; Town of Englehart; Town of Kirkland Lake; Town of Latchford; Township of Armstrong; Township of Brethour; Township of Casey; Township of Chamberlain; Township of Coleman; Township of Evanturel; Township of Gauthier; Township of Harley; Township of Harris; Township of Hilliard; Township of Hudson; Township of James; Township of Kerns; Township of Larder Lake; Township of Matachewan; Township of McGarry; City of Oshawa; City of Pickering; Durham Region; Municipality of Clarington; Town of Ajax; Town of Whitby; Township of Brock; Township of Scugog; Township of Uxbridge; City of Burlington; Halton Region; Town of Halton Hills; Town of Milton; Town of Oakville; City of Niagara Falls; City of Port Colborne; City of St. Catharines; City of Thorold; City of Welland; Niagara Region; Town of Grimsby; Town of Lincoln; Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake; Town of Pelham; Township of Wainfleet; Township of West Lincoln; City of Brampton; City of Mississauga; Peel Region; City of Cambridge; City of Kitchener; City of Waterloo; Region-Waterloo; Township of Wellesley; Township of Wilmot; City of Markham; City of Richmond Hill; City of Vaughan; Town of East Gwillimbury; Town of Georgina; Town of Newmarket; Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville; Township of King; York Region; Council Secretariat; Municipality of Dutton Dunwich; Township of Faraday; Township of Moonbeam; Township of Pickle Lake; Municipality of South Dundas; Township of Hornepayne; Township of Chapleau; Township of Oro-Medonte; Grey County; Village of Thornloe; Township of Tay; Municipality of Central Manitoulin; Township of Adjala-Tosorontio; Township of Nairn & Hyman; Township of Athens; Municipality of Trent Lakes

**Subject:**

Township of Woolwich Council Resolution - Bill C-61 First Nations Clean Water Act

**Attachments:**

Township of Woolwich Resolution Letter - Bill C-61 First Nations Clean Water Act.pdf

Good Morning Right Honourable Prime Minister Carney,

Please see the attached Resolution Letter regarding a resolution the Council of the Township of Woolwich passed at their Council meeting on Tuesday, September 23, 2025 regarding Bil C-61 First Nations Clean Water Act.

Thank you,

*Alex Kirchin (Smyth)*

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September 26, 2025

Prime Minister  
Right Hon. Mark Carney  
Office of the Prime Minister  
80 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, Ontario  
K1A 0A2

Right Honorable Prime Minister:

RE: Resolution Passed by Woolwich Township Council – Bill C-61 First Nations Clean Water Act

This letter is to inform you that the Council of the Township of Woolwich passed the following resolution at their meeting held on September 23, 2025:

**WHEREAS in December 2023, the Minister of Indigenous Services introduced house government bill C-61: An Act respecting water, source water, drinking water, wastewater and related infrastructure on First Nation lands also known as the First Nations Clean Water Act; and**

**WHEREAS in an open letter to Members of Parliament on December 12, 2024, the Assembly of First Nations (AFN) called on all Members of Parliament to prioritize the advancement of Bill C-61, calling it “a step toward addressing the long-standing water issues faced by First Nations”; and**

**WHEREAS Bill C-61 was not passed into law before Parliament was prorogued on January 6, 2025; and**

**WHEREAS Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks Todd McCarthy has been unclear on Ontario’s position on this legislation, identifying Bill C-61 as a potential piece of legislation that would “undermine competitiveness” and “delay project development” before apologizing for any confusion and clarifying the need to “bring clean drinking water to First Nations communities, while also bringing the kind of regulatory certainty that attracts investment in businesses and communities”; and**

**WHEREAS Prime Minister Mark Carney and Indigenous Services Minister Mandy Gull-Masty have indicated the Canadian government’s support for introducing legislation like Bill C-61 in the fall of 2025; and**

**WHEREAS as of September 2025, Indigenous Services Canada data shows that while 93 long-term drinking water advisories have been lifted, since November**

2015, 37 long-term drinking water advisories remain active, including in 27 communities in Ontario; and

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

1. **Calls on the Government of Canada and the Minister of Indigenous Services to reintroduce legislation to ensure First Nations have the right to clean and safe drinking water in the Fall of 2025 in the same form as Bill C-61;**
2. **Calls on the Government of Ontario and the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks to support this important Federal legislation; and**
3. **Directs staff to forward this resolution to the Prime Minister, Minister of Indigenous Services, Premier of Ontario, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, Assembly of First Nations and all Municipalities in Ontario.**

Should you have any questions, please contact Alex Kirchin, by email at [akirchin@woolwich.ca](mailto:akirchin@woolwich.ca) or by phone at 519-669-6005.

Yours truly,



Jeff Smith  
Municipal Clerk  
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cc. Hon. Mandy Gull-Masty, Minister of Indigenous Services  
Hon. Todd J. McCarthy, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks  
Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Assembly of First Nations  
All Municipalities in Ontario

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**Subject:** FW: City of Kitchener Resolution - Postage  
**Attachments:** Letter - Postage.pdf

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**Subject:** City of Kitchener Resolution - Postage

Good morning,

Please see attached for a resolution that was passed at the August 25<sup>th</sup> City of Kitchener Council meeting. This resolution is being sent to you as you may have an interest in this matter.

Thank you and have a wonderful day,

**Siobhan Delaney**

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**SENT VIA EMAIL**

September 26, 2025

Honourable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building  
Queen's Park  
Toronto ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier Ford:

This is to advise that City Council, at a meeting held on August 25, 2025, passed the following resolution regarding postage:

"WHEREAS Postage costs have seen significant increases, including 25% in 2025 alone;

WHEREAS paper billing has a further environmental cost in both materials (trees) and transportation;

WHEREAS paper billing is increasingly being displaced by environmentally friendly and cost-efficient e-billing;

WHEREAS the Municipal Act indicates the right to a paper bill, and cost-recovery fees for paper billing for tax, and utility bills are unclear;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Kitchener City Council request the Province of Ontario to amend the Municipal Act to permit municipalities the ability to grandfather-out paper billing as the default option, and to permit municipalities to establish fees for paper billing for new accounts that opt for this method of delivery;

THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY BE RESOLVED that a copy of this motion be sent to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Premier of Ontario, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and housing, all other municipalities within Ontario for their consideration and possible endorsement."

Yours truly,



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A. Fusco  
Director of Legislated Services & City Clerk

Cc: Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO)  
Sloane Sweazey, Senior Policy Advisor, City of Kitchener  
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**From:** Frances Murphy <francymurphy@yahoo.ca>  
**Sent:** September 26, 2025 5:27 PM  
**To:** mayor@khrtownship.ca  
**Cc:** councillorbrowne@khrtownship.ca; councillorsmith@khrtownship.ca;  
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councillorpecoskie@khrtownship.ca; councillorlavigne@khrtownship.ca;  
tgorgerat@khrtownship.ca  
**Subject:** Strong mayor directives

Mr, Mayville,

I generally try to assume that people have good intentions even if I don't agree. Your rationale for the strong mayor powers have me questioning your motives.

The community voted for seven people to be on our council. That is what we demand. We have a strong council. We have good, well intentioned and well informed councillors. We want them to have a voice! You may have heard recently, that many townships, even one's much larger than ours, are protesting against these powers. Nobody wants them. They are undemocratic.

I don't understand why a mayor would alienate his constituents and his Council so irrevocably. It is very hard to believe anything you say, since you signed a resolution saying that you did not want these powers, and then enforced them without informing Council. If nothing else, this makes you untrustworthy.

I attended the meeting where the council voted to ask for your resignation. Instead of trying to make peace with the council, you seem to have alienated them even further. Nothing is being done in KHR and it is because of your actions. Please! Think of the constituents and your responsibility towards us. Listen to us!!!!

Sincerely,

Fran Murphy

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Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

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**From:** OPP GHQ Municipal Policing (OPP) <opp.municipalpolicing@opp.ca>  
**Sent:** September 29, 2025 3:16 PM  
**To:** mayor@khrtownship.ca; tgorgerat@khrtownship.ca  
**Subject:** Issuance of the 2026 Annual Billing Statements  
**Attachments:** 132-2025-3641\_SG\_EN.pdf

Hello,

Following the formal communication from the Office of the Solicitor General dated Friday, September 26, 2025, we wish to inform you that preparation of the 2026 annual billing statements is currently in progress. The statements are scheduled for release before November 30, 2025.

If you have questions regarding the regulatory updates, feel free to reach out to [solgeninput@ontario.ca](mailto:solgeninput@ontario.ca).

For inquiries related to your annual billing statement, please contact the OPP Municipal Policing Unit at [opp.municipalpolicing@opp.ca](mailto:opp.municipalpolicing@opp.ca).

A copy of the Solicitor General's memo has been attached for your reference.

Thank you,

OPP MPU Financial Services Unit

**Solicitor General**

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132-2025-3641  
**By email**

September 26, 2025

Dear Heads of Council and Chief Administrative Officers of OPP-Policed Municipalities:

The Ministry of the Solicitor General has undertaken a review of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) cost recovery model. I would like to extend my gratitude for your participation and input into this process.

I am writing to inform you that because of the review, regulatory amendments have been made to Ontario Regulation 413/23: Amount Payable by Municipalities for Policing from Ontario Provincial Police under the *Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019*. These amendments are in effect and will inform the 2026 annual billing statement to be issued shortly.

Firstly, an 11 per cent cap is established on the increase in policing costs owed by municipalities for the 2026 calendar year when compared to 2025, excluding the costs related to any service enhancements.

Secondly, a new discounts table will be established in regulation and will apply to the 2026 billing year and going forward. This new discount table introduces a lower eligibility threshold to receive a discount. Municipalities will now receive calls for service and overtime discounts when they are three or more standard deviations from the average calls for service weighted time to property count ratio, rather than the current regulatory threshold of five standard deviations.

The amendments have been approved by Cabinet and have been filed with the Registrar of Regulations. They will be accessed publicly online through the [e-Laws page](#) – and will be available here within the next few business days.

The preparation of 2026 annual billing statements is underway and statements are targeted for release in November 2025.

As we undertook this review, we heard loud and clear that greater clarity, predictability and stability in the OPP cost recovery model, and associated billing statements, is critical to municipalities as annual budget processes are undertaken. These amendments were contemplated, and ultimately decided upon, based on those concerns and the direct feedback that we heard from OPP-policed municipalities.

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Should you have any questions about the regulatory updates, please reach out to [solgeninput@ontario.ca](mailto:solgeninput@ontario.ca).

Please direct any questions about your annual billing statements to the Crime Prevention and Community Support Bureau at [opp.municipalpolicing@opp.ca](mailto:opp.municipalpolicing@opp.ca).

Thank you again for your partnership.

Sincerely,



The Honourable Michael S. Kerzner  
Solicitor General

c: Mario Di Tommaso, O.O.M.  
Deputy Solicitor General, Community Safety  
Ministry of the Solicitor General

Thomas Carrique, C.O.M.  
Commissioner, Ontario Provincial Police

# Council and Committee Monthly Summary

## September 2025

Below you will find highlights of the County of Renfrew County Council and Committee meetings held September 10 and September 24, 2025.

Please note that this summary does not constitute the official record of the meetings and approved minutes should be consulted for that purpose.

The full [Council and Committee packages](#) can be found online.

The [September 10, 2025](#) and [September 24, 2025](#) meetings are on YouTube.

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## Warden's Address

### Key highlights

- At the September 24 meeting, Warden Peter Emon recognized the passing of John Hildebrandt, former Mayor of the Township of Madawaska Valley and former County Councillor. He noted Mr. Hildebrandt was a larger-than-life presence whose deep love for family, community, and service shaped everything he did. Whether through his leadership in municipal government, his contributions to local healthcare and heritage, or his role as a business owner and mentor, his impact on Barry's Bay and the broader Valley was profound. He extended condolences to his beloved wife Beth, their children and grandchildren, and all who had the privilege of knowing him.
- The Warden expressed his pride and thanks to the team which participated in a [cleanup](#) along the Algonquin Trail and Ottawa River on September 16. This included County staff from Public Works and Trails, Community Services, Paramedic Service, HART Hub as well as City of Pembroke staff, Community Mental Health workers and staff from the Renfrew County District Health Unit along with Councillor Michael Donohue and Mesa clients. Together the group gathered a truckload of debris and brushing was later conducted along the trail to open up views of the Ottawa River.
- He highlighted the fifth Recovery Day held in Renfrew on September 19, which was a powerful celebration of hope, healing, and resilience. This year's event shone a spotlight on youth, with a focus on prevention and awareness. Recovery Day honours those we have lost, supports individuals on their recovery journey, and works to break down stigma surrounding addiction and mental health. Renfrew County is proud of the compassionate, community-driven efforts underway to help individuals recover and thrive.
- On September 20 the Warden attended the Global Day of Action in Eganville, where diverse groups from all across the world marched to ask governments to increase their efforts for a healthier world, free from war, with a just transition away from fossil fuels and the need for migrant dignity in troubled times, which was named Draw the Line March.