

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GEORGIAN BLUFFS

MOVED BY: Sue Carleton

NO: RES2019-156

SECONDED BY: Ryan Thompson

DATE: May 15, 2019

WHEREAS Climate Change and flooding are mounting threats in Grey and Bruce Counties, and Conservation Authorities provide services including real-time flood forecasting, emergency planning support and water-related studies, and

WHEREAS, in 1996, the total provincial Section 39 Transfer Payment to all of Ontario's conservation authorities for Flood and Erosion Control and Natural Hazard Prevention was reduced from \$50-million to \$7.4-million, and Grey Sauble Conservation Authority's share of this payment has remained static at \$71,779 since 1996, and

WHEREAS the recent Provincial Budget has further reduced Grey Sauble Conservation Authority's Section 39 Transfer Payments from \$71,779 to \$37,055 or about 50%, and

WHEREAS this will affect emergency management supports and municipal planning, zoning and development input activities provided by Grey Sauble Conservation Authority, and

WHEREAS there is a provincial role in province-wide flood risks reduction and emergency management, and investments in prevention can potentially avoid or reduce losses to life and property and major expenditures during and after an emergency, and

WHEREAS the Ontario Government's Proposal on the Environmental Registry of Ontario 013-5018 on Modernizing Conservation Authority (CA) Operations proposes to define a limited list of the core mandatory programs and services for CAs,

THAT the Township of Georgian Bluffs recognizes the value provided by the work of the CA, and supports the current multi-municipality governance model for the selection of programs, and the current municipal levying approach that includes annual input from Municipal Councils, and

THAT Council of the Township of Georgian Bluffs recommends that the province acknowledge a strong and positive provincial role in flood risk reduction programs and reinstate funding to CAs, and

THAT Staff be directed to provide a copy of this resolution to the Environmental Registry of Ontario (Proposal 013-5018) prior to the May 21st deadline, to AMO, and to Minister Bill Walker.

CARRIED

DEFEATED

DW Burley
Mayor

Recorded Vote

	F	A
Councillor Cathy Moore Coburn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Paul Sutherland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Carol Barfoot	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Ryan Thompson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Councillor Grant Pringle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Deputy Mayor Sue Carleton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mayor Dwight Burley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

TOTAL

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Name

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Disclosed his/her/their interest, abstained from and did not vote on the question.

Clerk