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RE: Association of Municipalities Report

I attended the 2024 Association of Ontario Municipalities Conference and participated in delegations and several workshops and sessions as listed below. Town priorities were discussed and I was updated on several topics related to municipalities as follows.

August 18

- Water and Wastewater
LAS and AMO staff shared expertise on water and wastewater systems and governance.
- Ottawa Tourism Presentation
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- Networking – Speaker Edith Dumont, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario
- Municipal Affairs and Housing Delegation
Hon. Minister Paul Calandra
ASKS: Establish a Provincial Technical Working Group made up of provincial and municipal officials, to explore and collaborate on different policy and regulatory solutions.
Strengthen municipal enforcement powers to combat illegal land use through amendments to the Planning Act and Municipal Act that:
 - Enable physically barring entry to properties
 - Increase maximum penalty amounts for individuals (to \$50,000) and corporations (up to \$100,000 + \$50,000 for each day continued)
 - Grant municipalities the ability to include all charges, fines, orders, notices, prohibitions, injunctions, court-imposed fines on the title of a property

Outcome: Demonstrated Town action and advocacy on a prominent issue that communities have continuously raised concerns about.

August 19

Keynote, Andrew Coyne, Ontario Chief Abram Benedict, Colin Best, AMO President Council learned about trends in engagement between community member and elected officials.

- VIA Rail presentation on services.
- The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario Address
- Women's Leadership Forum
Women leaders sharing experience at local and national levels.
- Rural Caucus Lunch
- Leader of Official Opposition – Marit Stiles
- Leader of Green Party Mike Schreiner
- Ontario Liberal Party, Bonnie Crombie, Leader of the Ontario Liberal Party
- Evening Reception
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August 20

- Region of Peel Meeting
- Ontario NDP Caucus, Marit Stiles, Leader of the Official Opposition and NDP
- Peel Meet and Greet Breakfast
- Lunch session: From Cloud to Community: How AWS Technology is Shaping the Next Generation of Canadian Cities
- AMO Board Election Results
- OMERS - Re-imagining retirement while creatig economic impact in Ontario

- The Honourable Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health
- The Honourable Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure
- PJ Marshall Award Winners
- AMO-Ontario MOU Signing
- The Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
- Minister's Forum
- Provincial Reception
- Ontario Green Party Green Party Leader Mike Schreiner
- Hydro One Delegation

This meeting is to discuss with Hydro One plans to account for Caledon's growing capacity needs; solutions to prevent and address power outages; and opportunities for closer collaboration with the Town.

ASKS:

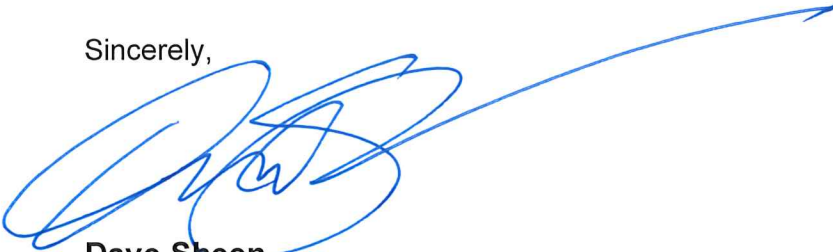
- Collaborate with the Town in expanding renewable energy systems in the community for large developments and in its own facilities.
- Consider attending a community Town-hall session for residents to discuss their concerns around power outages affecting their neighbourhoods.
- Continue to dedicate resources to plan for climate change, particularly the increasing demand for electricity to power buildings and transportation, and to ensuring resiliency in the grid and renewable energy resources.

Outcome: Demonstrated Town efforts to work with Hydro One to address concerns from businesses regarding the need for clear and transparent servicing timelines, as well as power outage concerns raised by residents.

August 21

- Insight Breakfast: Renewal of Canada Community Building Fund
- Incoming AMO President Address
- Plenary: Housing in Ontario
- Plenary: Thinking Differently About Infrastructure

Sincerely,



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