

March 9, 2021

Premier Doug Ford

By email only premier@ontario.ca

Dear Premier Ford,

Please be advised that the following resolution was passed at the February 22, 2021 Limerick Township Council Meeting:

Moved By: Councillor Ingo Weise

Seconded By: Councillor Jan MacKillican

Resolution No. 036-2021

Whereas, the Province of Ontario has announced that as of March 31, 2021 the Gravenhurst campus of the Ontario Fire College will be permanently closed and Whereas, the Province of Ontario announced plans to modernize and expand access to firefighter training in Ontario; and

Whereas, there has been no clear plan communicated by the Province of Ontario on how firefighter training in the absence of the Ontario Fire College campus; and Whereas, there has been no clear plan communicated by the Province of Ontario on how firefighter training in Ontario will be modernized and expanded; and Whereas, there has been no clear plan communicated by the Province of Ontario regarding the costs or funding for modernized and expanded firefighter training in Ontario; and

Whereas, the Township of Limerick is a small rural municipality that operates a volunteer fire department to provide fire protection;

Now therefor, be it resolved that Council respectfully request a clear plan be communicated that establishes how the Province intends to modernize and expand firefighter training ensuring equal access to all municipal fire departments in Ontario, and as well, present a plan for funding to subsidize and or regulate the cost for firefighter training in the Province of Ontario.

Sincerely,

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