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December 22nd, 2016

VIA Email

The Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario
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Dear Honourable Wynne,

The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Montague at its Council meeting on December 6th, 2016 passed Resolution 336-2016, supporting the Township of McKellar's Resolution 16-384 concerning funding for Fire Department Infrastructure.

Please find the resolution in support and the original resolution attached to this letter.

Please feel free to contact Jasmin Ralph at jralph@township.montague.on.ca or at 613-283-7478.

Thank you,

Jasmin Ralph
Acting CAO/Clerk

Cc: Hon. Brad Duguid, Minister of Economic Development and Growth
Cc: Randy Hillier, MPP



TOWNSHIP OF MONTAGUE

MOVED BY: 

RESOLUTION NO: 336-2016

SECONDED BY: 

DATE: December 6, 2016

That the Council of the Township of Montague hereby supports the Township of McKellar's resolution 16-384 concerning funding for Fire Department infrastructure; and

That this resolution in support be circulated to Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario, Minister of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure, and Randy Hillier, MPP

CARRIED

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November 22, 2016

The Honourable Kathleen Wynne
The Honourable Brad Duguid
The Honourable Bob Chiarelli
Norm Miller, MPP for Parry Sound-Muskoka
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM)
Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA)
All Ontario Municipalities

Please be advised that at its regular meeting held, Monday November 21, 2016 the Council of the Township of McKellar passed the following resolution:

RESOLUTION: 16-384

WHEREAS the *Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997*, legislates that fire prevention, public education and fire protection services are a mandatory municipal responsibility;

AND WHEREAS there are a total of 449 Fire Departments operating in the province comprised of 32 Full-Time Departments, 191 Composite Departments and 226 Volunteer Departments with 11,376 Full-Time Firefighters, 19,347 Volunteer Firefighters and 343 Part-Time Firefighters staffing these departments;

AND WHEREAS the fire service represents a significant percentage of small, rural and northern municipalities' managed capital assets;

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Fire Department and associated assets represent critical municipal infrastructure;

AND WHEREAS there are currently no funding opportunities available from the Provincial or the Federal Government for the equipment, training, maintenance, operating or capital requirements of local fire departments;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of McKellar hereby petition the Provincial Government to recognize the municipal fire service as critical infrastructure by including funding for Fire Department infrastructure as part of the Provincial Governments Infrastructure Strategy to Move Ontario Forward;

AND FURTHER that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure, Norm Miller, MPP for Parry Sound-Muskoka, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM), the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) and all Ontario municipalities.

As per the above resolution, please accept this correspondence for your information and consideration.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact undersigned.

Sincerely,

Shawn Boggs
Clerk Administrator
Township of McKellar