

# THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF ATIKOKAN

## COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Date: 23 January 2017

Moved By M. Makarenko

Seconded By [Signature]

WHEREAS it has been identified that Railway Companies in the province of Ontario, do not pay a proportionate share of municipal property tax as compared to other properties in their class, or compared to any other municipal tax class; and

WHEREAS in other provinces and jurisdictions the railway companies do remit a more equitable share of taxes to the local tax base; and

WHEREAS taxes in other jurisdictions for railway properties are calculated using a ton-mile concept; and

WHEREAS said fees are reviewed and adjusted on a regular basis according to inflation and ongoing current conditions; and

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has continued to fall further and further behind in their approach to railroad property taxation over the past 112 plus years;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Atikokan call upon the Minister of Finance for the Province of Ontario to implement a new system of municipal property taxation for railroad right-of-way properties based on utilizing a per ton-mile concept; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT this resolution be sent to every Municipal Council within the Province of Ontario seeking their support, the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Finance of Ontario, Ontario MPPs, Local MPs, RRDMA, NOMA, AMO and FONOM.

RECORDED VOTE	COUNCIL MEMBER			
	YEA	NAY	CARRIED	DEFEATED
BOYKO, Samantha				
DAVIDSON, Marlene				
FERGUSON, Rob				
MAKARENKO, Mary				
MOSLEY, Harold				
SHINE, Liz				
BROWN, Dennis				

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