

December 19, 2022

Via email: slord@wawa.cc

Municipality of Wawa
Attn: Maury O'Neill, CAO/Clerk
40 Broadway Ave
Wawa, ON P0S 1K0

Dear: Mayor and Council

RE: Resolution of Support for Municipality of Wawa – re: Resolution regarding Bill 3, Strong Mayors, Building Homes Act, dated September 20, 2022

On behalf of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays, please be advised that the above-noted communication was presented at the last regularly scheduled Council meeting on December 13, 2022 and the following resolution was passed.

“Resolution TC/42/2022

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays hereby receives and supports the attached resolution from the Municipality of Wawa – re: Resolution regarding Bill 3, Strong Mayors, Building Homes Act, dated September 20, 2022.

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Municipality of Wawa, Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Hon. Graydon Smith, MPP for Simcoe-Muskoka, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and other Municipalities in Ontario.

Carried.”

In accordance with Council's direction, I am forwarding you a copy of the resolution for your reference. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or require clarification.

Sincerely,



Carrie Sykes, *Dipl. M.A., CMO, AOMC*,
Director of Corporate Services/Clerk

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Copy to: Premier of Ontario
Local member of Provincial Parliament
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Association of Municipalities
Municipalities in Ontario

Enclosure: Municipality of Wawa Resolution





The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

Tuesday, September 20, 2022

Resolution # RC22159	Meeting Order: 5
Moved by: 	Seconded by: 

WHEREAS the Government of Ontario, through the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, has introduced Bill 3 which is described as "An Act to amend various statutes with respect to special powers and duties of heads of council";

AND WHEREAS this Bill, if enacted, will initially apply to the City of Toronto and City of Ottawa, but will later be expanded to include other municipalities according to a statement made by the Premier at the 2022 AMO annual conference;

AND WHEREAS this Bill, if enacted, will give Mayors additional authority and powers, and correspondingly take away authority and powers from Councils and professional staff, and will include giving the Mayor the authority to propose and adopt the Municipal budget and to veto some decisions of Council;

AND WHEREAS this Bill, if enacted, will give authority over professional staff to the Mayor, including that of the Chief Administrative Officer;

AND WHEREAS these changes will result in a reduction of independence for professional staff including the CAO, who currently provide objective information to the Council and public and will now take direction from the Mayor alone when the Mayor so directs;

AND WHEREAS these are surprising and unnecessary changes to the historical balance of power between a Mayor and Council, and which historically gave the final say in all matters to the will of the majority of the elected Council; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa does hereby pass this resolution to petition the Government of Ontario that:

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The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

1. These changes to the Municipal Act, 2001, are unnecessary and will negatively affect the Municipality of Wawa;
2. That if the Ontario Government deems these changes necessary in large single-tier municipalities such as Toronto and Ottawa, that such changes should not be implemented in smaller municipalities;
3. That the Ontario Government should enact legislation clarifying the role of Mayor, Council and Chief Administrative Officer, similar to those recommended by the Ontario Municipal Administrator's Association and those recommended by Justice Marrocco in the Collingwood judicial inquiry of 2020; and
4. That if the stated goal of this legislation is to construct more housing in Ontario that this can be accomplished through other means including amendment of the Planning Act and funding of more affordable housing.

FURTHER, Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa directs the Clerk to ensure that a copy of this resolution be provided to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the "Standing Committee on Heritage, Infrastructure and Cultural Policy", MPP for Algoma-Manitoulin – Kapuskasing, Michael Mantha, MPP, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and other Municipalities in Ontario."

RESOLUTION RESULT		RECORDED VOTE		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CARRIED	MAYOR AND COUNCIL	YES	NO
<input type="checkbox"/>	DEFEATED	Pat Tait		
<input type="checkbox"/>	TABLED	Cathy Cannon		
<input type="checkbox"/>	RECORDED VOTE (SEE RIGHT)	Bill Chiasson		
<input type="checkbox"/>	PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARED	Mitch Hatfield		
<input type="checkbox"/>	WITHDRAWN	Melanie Pilon		

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof.

Disclosed the pecuniary interest and general name thereof and abstained from the discussion, vote and influence.

Clerk: _____

MAYOR - PAT TAIT	CLERK - CATHY CYR