

Corporate Support Committee Resolution

Committee Meeting Date: May 2, 2023

Agenda Item: 7.c

Resolution Number: 2023-05-02 309

Moved by: M. Martin

Seconded by: S. Dibb

Council Meeting Date: May 17, 2023

"That the Corporate Support Committee, having considered the correspondence from the Municipality of Trent Lakes and Township of Lake of Bays regarding 'Municipal Oath of Office', recommend that County Council support the correspondence; and

Further That the Committee recommend that County Council direct staff to send a copy of this resolution to the Honourable Doug Ford (Premier of Ontario), the Honourable Steve Clark (Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing), the Honourable David Piccini (Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks and MPP for Northumberland - Peterborough South), Alderville First Nation, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and to all Ontario Municipalities."

Carried _____



Committee Chair's Signature

Defeated _____

Committee Chair's Signature

Deferred _____

Committee Chair's Signature

Council Resolution

Moved By B. Ostrander

Agenda
Item 10

Resolution Number
2023-05-17- 343

Seconded By J. Logel

Council Date: May 17, 2023

"That Council adopt all recommendations from the four Standing Committees, as contained within the Committee Minutes (meetings held May 1, 2 and 3, 2023), with the exception of the following items (referenced from the Standing Committee Minutes), that will be held for discussion:

Committee Name	Item #	Description	Held By
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And Further That the items listed above and held for separate discussion each require a separate resolution."

Recorded Vote
Requested by _____
Councillor's Name

Carried David MacIntosh
Warden's Signature

Deferred _____
Warden's Signature

Defeated _____
Warden's Signature

February 28, 2023

Via email only

To: The Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
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Curve Lake First Nation
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The Association of Municipalities Ontario
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Re: Oath of Office

Please be advised that during their Regular Council meeting held February 21, 2023, Council passed the following resolution:

Resolution No. **R2023-119**

Moved by Councillor Franzen
Seconded by Deputy Mayor
Armstrong

Whereas most municipalities in Ontario have a native land acknowledgement in their opening ceremony; and

Whereas a clear reference to the rights of Indigenous people is the aim of advancing Truth and Reconciliation; and

Whereas Call to Action 94 of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada called upon the Government of Canada to replace the wording of the Oath of Citizenship to include the recognition of the laws of Canada including Treaties with Indigenous Peoples; and

Whereas on June 21, 2021 an Act to amend The Citizenship Act received royal assent to include clear reference to the rights of Indigenous peoples aimed at advancing the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action within the broader reconciliation framework; and

Whereas the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada outlines specific calls to action for municipal governments in Canada to act on, including education and collaboration;

Therefore be it resolved that Council request to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing that the following changes be made to the municipal oath of office: I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III and that I will faithfully observe the laws of Canada including the Constitution, which recognizes and affirms the Aboriginal and treaty rights of First Nations, Inuit and Metis peoples; and further

That this resolution be forwarded to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), all Ontario municipalities, MPP Dave Smith, MP Michelle Ferreri, Premier Doug Ford and Curve Lake First Nation.

Carried.

Sincerely,

Mayor and Council of the Municipality of Trent Lakes

Cc: All Ontario municipalities

March 14, 2023

Via email: clerk@trentlakes.ca

Municipality of Trent Lakes
Attn: Jessie Clark/Clerk
760 Peterborough County Road 36
Trent Lakes ON K0M 1A0

**RE: Resolution of Support for Municipality of Trent Lakes – re: Resolutions
regarding an Oath of Office, dated February 28, 2023**

On behalf of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays, please be advised that the above-noted correspondence was presented at the last regularly scheduled Council meeting on March 14, 2023, and the following resolution was passed.

“Resolution TC-68-2023

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays receives and supports the attached resolution from the Municipality of Trent Lakes requesting changes to the municipal Oath of Office, dated February 28, 2023

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to all Ontario Municipalities, Muskoka Area Indigenous Leadership Table (MAILT), MPP Graydon Smith, MP Scott Aitchison, and the Premier of Ontario.

Carried.”

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our Municipal Office at 705-635-2272.

Sincerely,



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

Copy to: Premier of Ontario
Local members of the Provincial Parliament
Municipalities in Ontario
Muskoka Area Indigenous Leadership Table

Encl: Municipality of Trent Lakes Resolution R2023-119



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February 28, 2023

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