The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

Tuesday, May 16, 2023

| Resolution # RC23135 | Meeting Order: 6 |
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| Moved by | Seconded by: Cathy anno |

WHEREAS Whe Municipal Elections Act requires all individuals wishing to be a candidate in a municipal or school board election to file Nomination Paper - Form 1 with the municipal clerk and;

WHEREAS the Municipal Elections Act requires all candidates who sought election to a municipal council or school board to file Financial Statement – Auditor's Report Candidate – Form 4 with the municipal clerk and;

WHEREAS Form 1 requires candidates to provide their qualifying address and;

WHEREAS Form 4 requires candidates to list the name and home address of any donor contributing over \$100.00 and;

WHEREAS the Municipal Elections Act specifies that these documents are not protected by the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, and requires the municipal clerk to make Form 4 available on a website and;

WHEREAS there has been concern expressed about those who hold public office and those who support them that they have been the subject of unnecessary attention and excessive scrutiny and;

WHEREAS the requirement to publish the personal home address of donors to specific candidates may discourage individuals from engaging in the democratic process to elect municipal and school board politicians;

THEREFORE, BE RESOVLED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Wawa calls on the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing for the Province of Ontario to protect the privacy of candidates and donors by removing the requirement for their street name, number and postal code to be listed on publicly available forms and;

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FURTHER THAT for verification purposes, the addresses of all candidates and all donors over \$100.00 be submitted to the municipal clerk on separate forms that are protected by the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and will not be published and;

FINALLY THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Area Members of Provincial Parliament, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Association of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario, the Ontario Public School Boards' Association, the Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association, and all Ontario municipalities.

| RESOLUTION RESULT | RECORDED VOTE | | |
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| CARRIED | MAYOR AND COUNCIL | YES | NO |
| DEFEATED | Mitch Hatfield | | |
| TABLED | Cathy Cannon | | |
| RECORDED VOTE (SEE RIGHT) | Mitch Hatfield | | |
| PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARED | Jim Hoffmann | | |
| WITHDRAWN | Joseph Opato | | |

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 - MELANIE PILON

CLERK - MAURY O'NEIL

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