Township of McKellar



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Municipalities of Ontario

Re: Governance Models

Please be advised that at its regular meeting held, Monday October 1, 2018 the Council of the Township of McKellar passed the following resolution:

18-317 WHEREAS on September 17, 2018 the following statement was issued from the AMO Office of the President "We urge the Ontario government to clearly state its interests in having governance review, and how it will proceed. And we urge the Ontario government to work with AMO and the municipal order of government to change requirements that undermine municipal finance, infrastructure investment and efficient service delivery all across Ontario" as per the attached letter;

AND WHEREAS the current President of AMO is the Mayor of Parry Sound;

AND WHEREAS the goals for a "Governance Review" may not be the same for the Town of Parry Sound as they are for other municipalities in the District of Parry Sound;

AND WHEREAS AMO has no mandate from the District of Parry Sound Municipalities to speak on their behalf on governance models such as Regional Government or Amalgamations;

AND WHEREAS the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing sent out the attached letter indicating there will be discussion with municipal partners regarding governance models;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of McKellar requests that any discussions that AMO has with the Province be preceded with an open meeting between AMO, all members of Council and members of the public to determine the desires of each municipality in regard to governance models; AND FURTHERMORE BE IT RESOLVED that our MPP Norm Miller and the Province of Ontario also have an open dialogue with the Township of McKellar and respect the opinions of the township as it regards to any review of the local governance model.

YEAS: Councillors Beier, Haskim, Kekkonen, Zulak and Reeve Hopkins NAYS:

Carried

Sincerely,

Ina Watkinson Administrative/Treasury Assistant Township of McKellar