

From the Office of the Clerk

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January 26, 2017

Re: Request to Minister of Education to Initiate Immediate

<u>Stay of Execution on the Accommodation Review Process</u>

Please be advised that, at the regular meeting of Council for The Corporation of the County of Prince Edward held January 24, 2017, the following motion was passed:

Motion 2017-32 Moved by Councillor Roberts Seconded by Councillor Gale

WHEREAS the current Accommodation Review Process is not reflective of the reality of rural school and community life;

AND WHEREAS school closures impact single-school small rural communities in all educational, social and economic aspects to a far greater degree than those impacts in multi-school urban communities;

AND WHEREAS the Board of Education has initiated an unachievable timeline for the proposed transition plan and will have a negative impact on the health and safety of the students;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipality of Prince Edward County requests the Minister of Education initiate an immediate Stay of Execution on the Accommodation Review Process until such time as a review of the above mentioned impacts on small rural communities can be studied, completed and the results and recommendations be considered; and



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THAT this resolution be circulated to Premier Kathleen Wynne, OMAFRA Minister Jeff Leal, MPP Todd Smith, Hastings and Prince Edward School Board, Community School Alliance, and all municipalities in Ontario.

CARRIED

Yours truly,

Kim White Clerk

Copy: The Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario

The Honourable Mitzie Hunter, Minister of Education

The Honourable Jeff Leal, Minister of Agriculture Food & Rural Affairs

Todd Smith, MPP Hastings-Prince Edward

Hastings and Prince Edward District School Board

Community School Alliance

Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)