May 8, 2023

The Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing 777 Bay Street, 17th Floor Toronto, ON M7A 2J3 Sent via email: minister.mah@ontario.ca

Dear Hon. Steve Clark:

RE: Reinstatement of Legislation Permitting a Municipality to Retain Surplus Proceeds from Tax Sales

The Council of the Corporation of Tay Valley Township at its Council meeting on April 25th, 2023, adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #C-2023-04-32

"WHEREAS, prior to being repealed by the Modernizing Ontario's Municipal Legislation Act, 2017, Section 380(6) of the Municipal Act, 2001 allowed for a municipality to retain surplus proceeds from tax sales within their jurisdiction;

AND WHEREAS, the Public Tax Sale process is burdensome to a municipality who invest a considerable amount of time and money recovering these proceeds for the potential sole benefit of the Crown in Right of Ontario;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, a letter be sent to all relevant taxation bodies, including the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Ministry of Finance, John Jordan, MPP, the Association of the Municipalities of Ontario and all other municipalities in Ontario urging them to re-instate previous legislation that permitted a Municipality to apply for and retain the surplus proceeds from a tax sale in their jurisdiction."

ADOPTED



If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at (613) 267-5353 ext. 123 or cao@tayvalleytwop.ca.

Sincerely,

Amanda Mabo

Amanda Mabo, CAO/Clerk

cc: Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance John Jordan, MPP Lanark-Frontenac-Kingston Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) All Municipalities in Ontario