

June 29, 2023

Town of Parry Sound  
Rebecca Johnson, Clerk  
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***Via email***

RE: reinstatement of previous legislation that permitted municipalities to apply for and retain surplus proceeds from tax sales in their jurisdictions

Dear Ms. Johnson,

During the June 26, 2023 regular meeting of council, council pulled and discussed the circulated correspondence in relation to the above, with the following resolution passed:

Moved: Liz Welsh

Seconded: Debb Pitel

WHEREAS prior to being repealed by the Modernizing Ontario's Municipal Legislation Act, 2017, Section 380(6) of the Municipal Act, 2001 allowed for a municipality to retain surplus proceeds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

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

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Petrolia supports the Town of Essex & Township of Parry Sound in the call for reinstatement of previous legislation that permitted municipalities to apply for and retain surplus proceeds from tax sales in their jurisdictions:  
and

FURTHER DIRECTS THAT: this resolution be circulated to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH), the Ministry of Finance (MOF), the Ontario Municipal Tax & Revenue Association (OMTRA), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), MPP Bob Bailey and all Ontario Municipalities.

Carried

Kind regards,

*Original Signed*

Mandi Pearson  
Clerk/Operations Clerk

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