

February 10, 2020

Please be advised that during the regular meeting of the Committee of the Whole on January 9, 2020 the following motion was carried;

RESOLUTION NO. CW-013 -2020

DATE: January 9, 2020

MOVED BY: Councillor Roberts

SECONDED BY: Councillor St-Jean

Council's support for Quinte Conservation Authority

WHEREAS the Municipality of Prince Edward County is a member of the Quinte Conservation Authority (QCA) and is represented on their Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS the QCA is a community-based environmental protection agency that serves 18 municipalities in the watersheds of the Moira, Napanee and Salmon Rivers and Prince Edward County with programs and services focused on a sustainable ecosystem where people and nature live in harmony, and

WHEREAS the QCA provides the Municipality of Prince Edward County and its residents with valuable contributions to recreation, education, water quality, reduction of vegetation loss and soil erosion, preservation of species at risk, as well as protecting life and property through a variety of measures, and

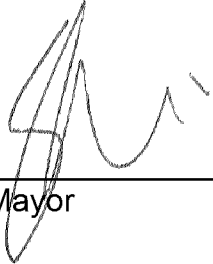
WHEREAS the QCA has a flood management program employing a watershed-based approach that forecasts flooding, issues flood warnings, monitors stream flow, regulates development activities in flood-plains, educates the public about flooding and protects natural cover that helps reduce the impacts of flooding; and

WHEREAS the Municipality of Prince Edward County has experienced disastrous and unprecedented flooding in both 2017 and 2019, with indications that these inundations may constitute the new normal; and

WHEREAS the Ontario provincial government has announced a 50% cut to their \$7.4 million Natural Hazards Transfer Payment Grant (Section 39) to Ontario conservation authorities (including QCA) that includes flood and erosion control infrastructure, flood forecasting and warning, watershed planning projects and technical studies, etc., an impact that will be immediately and particularly felt in smaller and more rural areas such as the Municipality of Prince Edward County;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

1. **THAT** the Municipality of Prince Edward County supports the continuation of the programs and services of the Quinte Conservation Authority; and
2. **THAT** this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, Premier Doug Ford, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), Todd Smith MPP, the QCA and all Ontario municipalities.



Mayor