



May 16, 2018

Crowe Valley Conservation Authority
70 Hughes Lane
Marmora ON
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RE: CROWE VALLEY CONSERVATION AUTHORITY- 2018 LEVY

This is to advise that the Township of Havelock-Belmont-Methuen and the Municipality of Marmora and Lake have withdrawn their appeal to the Lands and Mining Commissioner under Section 27(8) of the Conservation Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. C.27 as amended. A copy of the decision dismissing the appeal by the Tribunal is attached.

The Council of the Township of Havelock-Belmont-Methuen passed the following motion:

"Whereas the Township of Havelock-Belmont-Methuen and the Municipality of Marmora and Lake have withdrawn their appeal to the Mining and Lands Commissioner regarding the Crowe Valley Conservation Authority (CVCA) levy; and

Whereas the appeal has been formally dismissed; and

Whereas the Crowe Valley Conservation Authority approved the CVCA Budget for 2018 on April 19, 2018; and

Whereas the 2018 CVCA Budget included a Special Benefitting Levy in the amount of \$82,000.00 to fund legal and other expenses associated with the appeal to the Mining and Lands Commissioner; and

Whereas the funds from this Special Benefitting Levy will no longer be required by CVCA;

Be It Resolved That staff is hereby authorized to inform the CVCA that the Township of Havelock-Belmont-Methuen (HBM) will be deducting the HBM portion of the Special Benefitting Levy from payment of the current levy; and further

That staff is hereby authorized to advise the other CVCA member municipalities of the HBM decision and suggest that all CVCA member municipalities adopt the same approach; and further

That staff is hereby authorized to advocate on behalf of all member municipalities and petition the Minister of Finance and the Minister of Natural Resources and

Forestry for increased provincial funding to the CVCA noting that the level of Provincial Government funding remains unchanged from 1996 levels and stressing that levy increases from the CVCA are not sustainable."

Council has requested that a letter be sent to all participating members of the Crowe Valley Conservation Authority to request that you support our efforts to reduce the 2018 Levy by \$82,000, which would make the total 2018 Levy at \$913,998.00 and that you pay your share based on your apportionment %.

We would also respectfully request that you join our efforts to petition the Minister of Finance and the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry to increase the provincial funding to the CVCA as the current level is not sustainable.

So based on the above resolution the Township will be remitting its payment with the special levy removed.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 705-778-2308 Ext. 222.

Yours truly,

Pat Kemp, A.M.C.T.
Chief Administrative Officer