The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

Tuesday, July 23, 2024

| Resolution # RC24166 | Meeting Order: 9 | |
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| Moved by: | Seconded by: | |

WHEREAS the increased importation and use of non-Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) aftermarket batteries is presenting a significant increase in fire and explosion, putting citizens and responding personnel in danger and;

WHEREAS these after market batteries are not Underwriter Laboratories of Canada (ULC) certified but can be imported into Canada without any associated regulations and;

WHEREAS unlicensed persons and locations can store and modify lithium-ion batteries in our communities without regulations, providing dangerous conditions within a community and charging these batteries within the home or multi-unit dwellings can result in larger fires with grave results and;

WHEREAS as Canada becomes more aware of Green Energy solutions, these batteries are used more often, increasing the danger to our communities;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa does hereby support the Ontario Fire Marshal's program to educate citizens on the danger associated with lithium-ion batteries and encourage every municipality to actively promote safe practices for the use of lithium-ion batteries and;

FURTHERMORE that Council does hereby call upon all levels of government to enact regulations for the importation, sale, storage, and use of non-OEM or ULC certified lithium-ion batteries and that this resolution be shared with the Township of Otonabee-South Monaghan, the Ontario Municipal Fire Prevention Officers Association and all Ontario Municipalities.

| RESOLUTION RESULT | RECORDED VOTE | | |
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| CARRIED | MAYOR AND COUNCIL | YES | NO |
| DEFEATED | Mitch Hatfield | | |
| TABLED TABLED | Cathy Cannon | | |
| RECORDED VOTE (SEE RIGHT) | Melanie Pilon | | |
| PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARED | Jim Hoffmann | | |
| WITHDRAWN | Joseph Opato | | |

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof.

Disclosed the pecuniary interest and general name thereof and abstained from the discussion, vote and influence.

Clerk:___

MAYOR - MELANIE PILON

CLERK – MAURY O'NEILL

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