

March 28, 2018

Kathleen Wynne, Premier
Legislative Building
Queen's Park
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier Wynne:

Re: Funding for Local Libraries

Please be advised that the Council of the Town of Hanover, at its regular meeting held on March 19, 2018, endorsed the following resolution:

Moved by COUNCILLOR FITZSIMMONS | Seconded by COUNCILLOR KING

WHEREAS public libraries provide safe, inclusive, and vibrant community spaces where everyone is welcome to learn, work, connect, and have fun; and,

WHEREAS the Hanover Public Library engages with the community and contributes to a culture of social good by sharing knowledge and resources; and,

WHEREAS the Hanover Public Library continues to seek funding opportunities through donor development and sponsorships to increase services and expand programming outside of their core funding; and,

WHEREAS the Hanover Public Library continues to manage public resources with the utmost care and are committed to the sustainability of their services;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Hanover urges the Province of Ontario to recognize the contribution of local libraries within their communities and to cease the 20 year budget freeze to local libraries in an acknowledgement to the services they offer to all residents; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town of Hanover urges the Province of Ontario to reinstate adequate and appropriate funding for local libraries, increasing each year going forward in line with the consumer price index; and,

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Minister of Tourism, Culture, and Sport; to the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs; to the local MPPs; to the Association of Municipalities Ontario; to the Ontario Library Association; to the Federation of Ontario Public Libraries; and to the County of Grey and local area municipalities. **CARRIED**

We thank you for your consideration of this important matter.

Respectfully,



Brian Tocheri
CAO/Clerk

- c.c. D. Ford, Ontario PC Party
A. Horwath, Ontario NDP Party
B. Mauro, Minister of Municipal Affairs
D. Vernile, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Sport & MPP – Kitchener Centre
I. Naidoo-Harris, Minister of Education & MPP
B. Walker, MPP Grey-Bruce-Owen Sound
M. Turner, Association of Municipalities Ontario
S. Paterson, Ontario Library Association
S. Abram, Federation of Ontario Public Libraries
Grey County Municipalities
A. Rivers-Moore, CEO/Chief Librarian – Hanover Public Library