

**MOTION**  
**Mayors Meeting of the Cassellholme Member Municipalities**  
**East Ferris Community Centre**  
**October 13, 2021**

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**Subject:** Cassellholme Redevelopment

**Resolution Number:** 2021-01

**Moved by:** Dean Baker

**Seconded by:** Gail Degagne

WHEREAS the City of North Bay, Municipality of East Ferris, Township of Chisholm, Municipality of Calvin, Township of Papineau-Cameron, Town of Mattawa, Township of Mattawan, Township of Bonfield, and Township of South Algonquin are the nine member municipalities of The Board of Management for the District of East Nipissing (the "Cassellholme") as defined by the Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007;

AND WHEREAS the Mayors of eight of the nine member municipalities of Cassellholme have met to discuss the Cassellholme Redevelopment and have voiced the following concerns:

- the Cassellholme Board of Management has developed a project without a budget and consequently the cost of the Project has risen substantially from approximately \$64 million estimated in June of 2019, to the total project cost of approximately \$121,900,000.
- the RFP process for selection of the general contractor was flawed and resulted in only 1 qualified proposal.
- the Board of Management did not utilize a competitive tender process for awarding any of the professional services for development of the design, project management, communications and financing proposals.
- the project as currently designed is located at the existing site of Cassellholme and if it proceeds will result in an expensive stage construction approach that will expose staff, visitors, our seniors and other long term care patients to living within a construction site for 5 years.
- alternative project models (on green field sites) have been proposed and never brought forward to the board of management for further discussion.
- The project's financing plan has been rejected by the majority of the municipalities and The Board of Management has ignored the member municipalities concerns and moved forward with the motion to levy its member municipalities for their apportionment share.
- member municipalities have raised numerous concerns related to the governance of the Board of Management and in fact 4 directors of the board of management have recently resigned citing governance issues.

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- Cassellholme has recently spent thousands of dollars on a public marketing campaign which openly blames municipalities for its own shortcomings.

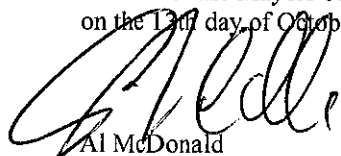
AND WHEREAS all the nine member municipalities recognize the need for the redevelopment to occur, but it must be accomplished in a cost effective, competitive, transparent way;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT that a letter be sent to Honourable Vic Fedeli, MPP-Nipissing and Honourable, John Yakabuski, MPP-Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke requesting a meeting between the Long-Term Care Ministry and the member municipalities be convened, and that a copy of the letter be sent to Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; Honourable Rod Phillips, Minister of Long-Term Care;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Minister of Long-Term Care NOT provide final approval of Cassellholme's submission to move forward with the LTC Development Agreement executed on October 13, 2020, until the concerns noted above are fully addressed.

Member	Mayor	For	Against	Absent
Town of Mattawa	Dean Backer	√		
Township of Chisholm	Gail Degagne	√		
Township of Bonfield	Randall McLaren			√
Municipality of East Ferris	Pauline Rochefort	√		
Municipality of Mattawan	Peter Murphy	√		
Municipality of Calvin	Ian Pennell	√		
Township of Papineau Cameron	Robert Corriveau	√		
Township of South Algonquin	Jane Dumas	√		
City of North Bay	Al McDonald	√		

CERTIFIED to be a true copy of  
 Resolution No. 2021-01 passed by the  
 Council of the Mayors of the Member Municipalities of Cassellholme  
 on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2021.

  
 Al McDonald  
 Chair of Meeting