

Municipality of Killarney

32 Commissioner Street, Killarney Ontario, P0M 2A0

April 17th, 2014

The Honourable Bill Mauro, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, 777 Bay Street – 17th Floor, Toronto, Ontario M5G 2E5

Dear Sir:

RE: Amending Municipal Act S.O. 2001, c. 25 to Permit Electronic Meetings

The Municipality of Killarney at their Regular Meeting of Council held April 9th, 2014 passed Resolution No. 14-145 directing staff to send a letter to your Ministry regarding electronic meetings.

It is our understanding that your Ministry is constantly reviewing the Municipal Act and this letter is to request your consideration of amending the Act to permit municipalities to hold meetings by using electronic means for Municipal Council, Board and Committee Meetings.

Electronic meetings are sanctioned in other Provinces and Council is of the opinion that this method of conducting meetings should be considered in the Province of Ontario.

Killarney is an isolated northern community and the fact that some form of remote meeting would make Council both more accessible to residents and cottagers in the farther corners of the municipality, and which would also permit persons from those demographics to run for and participate on Council we feel would be an option worth exploring.

Your consideration of this request is respectfully submitted. Further, this letter is to be circulated to all Ontario municipalities for support.

Sincerely;

THE MUNICIPALITY OF KILLARNEY

Mrs. Candy K. Beauvais, Clerk-Treasurer.

cc: Hon. Kathleen Wynne; Premier of Ontario Ontario Municipalities

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