



Municipality of Huron Shores
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March 25, 2024

Re: Res. #24-08-23 – Potential Equipment Operator Course

The Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores passed Resolution #24-08-23 at the Regular Meeting held Wednesday, March 13th, 2024, as follows:

“WHEREAS municipal public works departments from across the Province of Ontario provide invaluable services to our communities ensuring the health and safety of all residents;

AND WHEREAS, if it was not for our municipal public works employees from across the Province of Ontario maintaining our public roads systems, our communities would not be able to function as emergency personnel could not respond to calls, school buses could not get our children to school, residents would not be able to get to work, school or appointments, and many more basic functions would not be able to happen;

AND WHEREAS, municipal public works departments are already feeling the impacts of a labour shortage, which will only be exasperated over the next three (3) to five (5) years, which will cause the levels of service that municipalities are able to provide to ensure the health and safety of our residents to decrease;

AND WHEREAS there is currently no provincial-wide course that properly trains potential municipal public works employees, specifically relating to municipal heavy equipment;

NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED THAT the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores supports the work of the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors to develop a Municipal Equipment Operator Course to address this issue;

AND THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Huron Shores calls on the Province of Ontario's Ministry of Labour, Training, Immigration and Skilled Trades to fully fund the Municipal Equipment Operator Course in 2024 through the Skills Development Fund;

AND THAT a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Labour, Training, Immigration and Skilled Trades, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors (AORS); and all Ontario Municipalities.”

Should you require anything further in order to address the above-noted resolution, please contact the undersigned

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Natasha Roberts". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Natasha Roberts

CAO/Clerk

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Cc: Minister of Labour, Training, Immigration and Skilled Trades, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors (AORS); and all Ontario Municipalities