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October 12, 2018

Superintendent M.M. (Marc) Bedard Commander, Municipal Policing Bureau 777 Memorial Avenue Orillia, ON L3V 7V3

RE: OPP Detachment Move to Clinton and Impacts to South Huron Satellite Office

Dear Superintendent Bedard;

The Province recently announced that it will fund construction of nine (9) new OPP detachments spending more than \$182M including our Huron County-Detachment. This is welcome news but has created much speculation and concern regarding the future of our OPP satellite office located in Exeter.

As a result, the following resolutions were passed at the Council meeting of October 1, 2018:

Motion: 461-2018 Moved: W. DeLuca Seconded: T. Tomes

Whereas there have been concerns raised regarding the closure of the Exeter OPP Station; and

Whereas MPP Lisa Thompson has indicated that a new detachment will be coming to her riding in Clinton; and

Whereas the municipality of South Huron Council has not been provided the opportunity for dialogue while the process took place;

Be it resolved that a letter be sent to Lisa Thompson MPP Huron-Bruce, Michael Tibollo, Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services, Monte McNaughton, Minister of Infrastructure, and the OPP Municipal Policing Bureau for an up to date status report on the future of the Exeter OPP Station.

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Disposition: Carried

Motion: 462-2018 Moved: W. DeLuca Seconded: M. Vaughan

That South Huron Council direct CAO Best to write and send a letter requesting an up to date status report on the new detachment and submit the letter for information at the next Council meeting.

Disposition: Carried

At this time, the Municipality is seeking a response to the following:

- What impacts (if any) the announcement regarding the Huron County OPP Detachment move from Goderich to Clinton will have on the Exeter OPP Satellite Office?
- What are the future plans for the Exeter OPP Satellite Office?
- An overall update on the construction project including timelines.

We hope you are able to respond as quickly as possible to the above in order to ensure that the correct information is provided to our community.

If you have any questions, or if you or staff from the Municipal Policing Bureau would like to present to our Council, please feel free to contact me directly at 519 235-0310 ext.228 or via email at <u>cao@southhuron.ca</u>

Kind regards,

Dan Best MPA, BA

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 cc. Hon. Michael Tibollo, MPP Vaughan-Woodbridge, Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services
Hon. Lisa Thompson, MPP Huron-Bruce, Minister of Education
Hon. Monte McNaughton, MPP Lambton-Kent-Middlesex, Minister of Infrastructure
J.V.N. (Vince) Hawkes, OPP Commissioner
Mary Silverthorn, OPP Provincial Commander, Corporate Services South Huron Council