



April 16, 2021

Hon. Patty Hajdu
House of Commons
Ottawa, ON
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Honourable Minister Hajdu:

Re: Cannabis Licencing and Enforcement

Council for the Town of Mono passed the following resolution in open council on March 23, 2021.

Resolution #11-6-2021

Moved by Sharon Martin, Seconded by John Creelman

WHEREAS the Government of Canada introduced Bill C-45 (the Cannabis Act) to create the foundation for a comprehensive national framework to provide restricted access to regulated cannabis, and to control its production, distribution, sale, importation, exportation, and possession;

AND WHEREAS the police have not been given lawful authority to lay charges under the Cannabis Act to appropriately respond to violations of Health Canada Registrations and Licenses;

AND WHEREAS there is no direct communication or dedicated effort to provide a communication channel between Municipal government staff or Police Agencies for dealing with Health Canada Registrations and Licenses;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Mono has not been consulted by Health Canada prior to the issuance of licenses for properties not in compliance with municipal zoning by-laws.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Mono requests that Health Canada:

- 1. Require Federal Licenses and Registrations for Designated Growers to conform with local zoning and control by-laws;*
- 2. Ensure local authorities are provided with notification of any licence issuance, amendment, suspension, reinstatement or revocation within their jurisdiction;*
- 3. Provide dedicated communication with local governments and Police services;*
- 4. Provide lawful authority to Police agencies to lay charges when registered or licenced operations grow in excess of their registration or licence through Health Canada; and,*

5. *Provide enforcement support and guidance to local municipalities for dealing with land use complaints relating to cannabis.*

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT this motion be sent to the local MP and MPP; the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs; the Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food; and all municipalities in Ontario, requesting that the Federal government enact legislation to better support local governments with land use management and enforcement issues as they relate to Cannabis Production and Processing.

"Carried"

Regards,

Fred Simpson
Clerk

cc: Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau, Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food
Honorable Kyle Seebach, MP Dufferin-Caledon
Honourable Ernie Hardeman, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs
Honourable Sylvia Jones, Solicitor General and MPP Dufferin-Caledon
All Ontario Municipalities