



September 17, 2025

To: Hon. Stephen Lecce, Minister of Energy and Mines  
Ontario Energy Board  
MPP Doug Downey  
MPP Jill Dunlop  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)

**Re: Correspondence from Enbridge Gas re: Have your say: Consultation on the Future of Natural Gas Expansion in Ontario.**

Please be advised at its meeting held on September 10, 2025, Council of the Township of Oro-Medonte passed the following resolution:

**Be it resolved**

**Whereas** the Province has posted ERO 0250923, Consultation on the Future of Community Natural Gas Expansion, seeking feedback from municipalities, Indigenous communities and other stakeholders on how Phase Three (3) could best support access to natural gas for community development;

**And Whereas** expanding access to natural gas is identified as a tool to support affordability and economic growth in Ontario communities and specifically supports the needs of the Township of Medonte's existing agriculture and business sectors and residential communities as identified by them through numerous consultations and is a priority within our Economic Development Strategy;

**And Whereas** the Township of Oro-Medonte is actively supporting the development of new housing and employment growth as defined within its Official Plan and recognizes that timely servicing solutions (including natural gas) can help enable this growth;

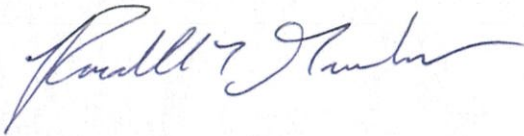
**And Whereas** Ontario's energy future relies on a balance of affordability, reliability, and sustainability by leveraging a mix of energy solutions—including natural gas, electricity, and emerging energy technologies to reduce carbon footprint while meeting growing community needs;

**And Whereas** natural gas continues to play a critical role in supporting energy affordability, economic competitiveness, and enabling housing and employment growth across the province.

**Therefore, be it resolved that:**

1. Council supports the Ministry's consultation on the Future of Community Natural Gas Expansion (NGEP Phase 3) and endorses access to natural gas as an option to other energy solutions to advance the Township of Oro-Medonte's housing, employment, agriculture, environmental stewardship and economic development objectives;
2. Staff submit comments to ERO 0250923 reflecting Oro-Medonte's priorities;
3. And that this resolution be forwarded to MPP Downey, MPP Dunlop, the Minister of Energy and Mines, the Ontario Energy Board, AMO, and neighbouring municipalities under the Mayor's signature.

Yours sincerely,



Randy Greenlaw  
Mayor

Cc: Township of Oro-Medonte Council  
City of Orillia  
City of Barrie  
Township of Springwater  
Township of Tay  
Township of Severn  
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