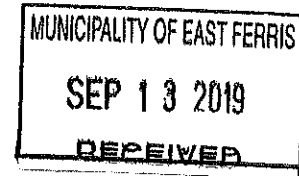




September 10, 2019



Pauline Rochefort, Mayor
East Ferris Municipality
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Dear Mayor Rochefort:

Presentation to Municipality of East Ferris

Thank you for your letter dated August 29th, inviting us to speak to the Municipality of East Ferris about our application to become an Ontario Health Team (OHT) at your next Council meeting slated for September 10th. Please know that my Executive Assistant did speak with Monica Hawkins in your office to advise that we were unfortunately not available for that evening.

Our application known as Near North Health & Wellness (NNH&W), has been selected as an OHT candidate and we have been invited to complete the full application to be submitted October 9th. The self-assessment form for the Near North Health and Wellness (NNH&W) OHT was endorsed by 34 health and social service partners from across our designated geographic region.

An important part of this process is community engagement and municipalities are a key part of that process. We have committed to developing a next phase engagement plan and municipalities, including East Ferris, are on this list. At this stage of the process, and considering the amount of resources our respective partners have to allocate to meet the October deadline, we would like to request we come speak to Council at a later date.

Sincerely,

Paul Heinrich
President & CEO

Monique Rocheleau
Associate Executive Director

Kim Lalonde
Director of Health Services

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Hello Mr. Heinrich, Ms. Rocheleau and Ms. Lalonde:

At the recent annual conference of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), Minister of Health Christine Elliott and other government officials strongly encouraged all municipalities to be involved in the formation and application process of Ontario Health Teams. We were advised that you are the official applicants on behalf of our area that includes the Municipality of East Ferris.

As you may know, the local availability of medical services in East Ferris was a major election issue in our recent municipal elections. As elected officials, it is our responsibility to ensure the views of citizens in Astorville and Corbeil are formally conveyed to you. As indicated on the Ministry's website, "Ontario Health Teams are being introduced to provide a new way of organizing and delivering care that is more connected to patients in their local communities.

Under Ontario Health Teams, health care providers (including hospitals, doctors and home and community care providers) will work as one coordinated team - no matter where they provide care". With that being said, we are interested in knowing how the introduction of Ontario Health Teams will affect our residents and whether there are opportunities to increase the availability of health services in East Ferris.

Council for the Municipality of East Ferris requests your presence at an upcoming Council meeting. Our meetings occur on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month with our next meeting being held on September 10th. Please confirm your availability with our Clerk, Monica Hawkins, at (705) 752-2740 or monica.hawkins@eastferris.ca.

Thank you in advance for meeting with our Council.

Sincerely,

Pauline Rochefort

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Mayor

Cc. Dr. John Séguin, Doc on The Lake Medical Clinic