

December 6, 2023

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Mr. Jason Trottier  
Chief Administrative Officer/Treasurer  
Municipality of East Ferris  
25 Taillefer Road  
Corbeil, ON P0H 1K0

Dear Mr. Trottier:

**Re: 2024 Municipal Levy**

Your **2024 Municipal Levy Information Package** is attached. At its budget meeting on November 29, 2023, the Board of Health approved the 2024 budget. It has a 1% increase (already confirmed) in provincial mandatory program funding and a 5% increase in Municipal share (2% paid from the Reserve and 3% billed to Municipalities).

Mitigation funding from the province has been rolled into the provincial share during the next three years, until a new funding formula for public health units is developed.

During the next three years, the Ministry of Health's Strengthening Public Health initiative will affect public health by increasing the size and reducing the number of health units through voluntary mergers, revising the Ontario Public Health Standards, and introducing a new funding formula. How all these changes will affect municipalities at this time is uncertain.

COVID-19 specific funding will no longer be available in 2024. This may put a strain on available resources and influence the amount of COVID-19 related work that is done.

In accordance with the Board of Health Municipal Reserve policy (B-F-007), municipalities will be updated on the 2023 year-end status of the municipal reserve following the audit process in April 2024. The reserve balance as of October 31, 2023, is \$1,998,408.45.

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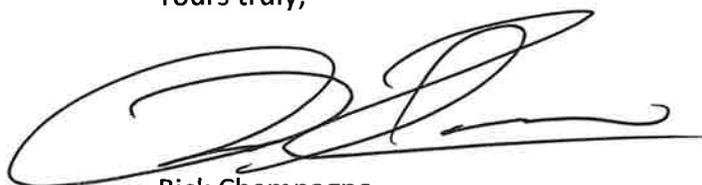
To learn more about your health unit programs, activities and reports, refer to the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit website at [www.myhealthunit.ca](http://www.myhealthunit.ca). The website is completely searchable and contains information on a wide range of health topics.

The following information is attached:

- Appendix A – 2024 Levy Payment Schedule
- Appendix B – 2024 Board of Health Approved Budget Summary Sheet

Please do not hesitate to contact Isabel Churcher, Executive Director, Finance at (705) 499-6016, if you have any questions.

Yours truly,



Rick Champagne  
Chairperson, Board of Health

Enclosures (2)

Copy to: Isabel Churcher, Executive Director, Finance  
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Board of Health