

October 11, 2014

Dear Tiny Friends and Neighbours,

Deputy Mayor George Lawrence and Councillors Andre Claire and Nigel Warren have worked very hard during the last four years to unify Council. Their success is reflected by the evidence: 104 Council Meetings, 100% agreement on the Budget votes over the last four years and 95.6% unanimity on 2679 resolutions!

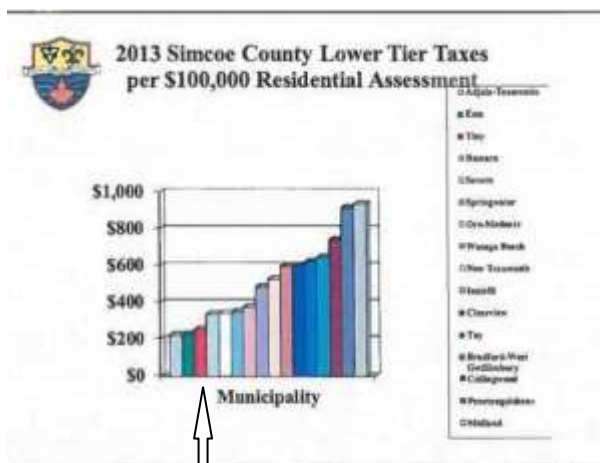
Of the 55 "in camera" sessions that were conducted during the last 4-years, only 1 was conducted following a dissenting vote. 40% of the "in camera" sessions were conducted in 2011. This was as a result of the need to appoint various committee members and a similar spike will likely occur during 2015 when this appointment process has to be repeated. Your current Council has held 14 in Camera sessions during the year 2013. By comparison, previous Councils had a much higher number of "in camera" sessions in the year prior to an election year. During 2005, 24 "in camera" sessions were held and 25 in 2009. The decrease in percentages and the associated increase in transparency is worth noting!

FACT: Council Vote Record Summary:

Year	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total	2009	2005
# of meetings	31	30	25	18	104	32	29
# of resolutions	730	758	676	515	2679	815	844
# of dissenting votes	36	30	26	22	114	11	8
# of In Camera	22	11	14	8	55	25	24
Average % In-camera			56.00%		52.88%	78.13%	82.76%

From the chart above, it is clear that the 4-year "in camera" average is well below the percentage of previous Councils. This record clearly confirms the transparent & co-operative nature of your current Council! We, Lawrence, Claire and Warren want to continue to work for Tiny in this cooperative and transparent manner!

FACT: Excellent stewardship of Tiny's tax dollars has been displayed by your last Council. The Township has over 8 million dollars in reserve, a balanced budget and no debt! Fiscal prudence is further evidenced by the fact that Tiny in 2014 had the 3rd lowest millrate in Simcoe County only surpassed by Adjala-Tesseronto and Essa Townships. Both these Townships have a significant industrial base with Honda in Alliston and Essa Township with its broad range of employers. As an agricultural, residential and cottage Township, Tiny leads low taxes in Simcoe County! Please refer to the chart below:



REALITY CHECK: When 95% of the votes in Council are **UNANIMOUS** how can some candidates claim that the last Council was run "by a special interest group" ??

Were Ray Millar and Gibb Wishart **NOT** part of this last Council ?? Were they **NOT** present in body and spirit during these meetings and subsequent votes??

Were Ray Millar, George Cornell, Peggy Breckenridge and Gibb Wishart **NOT** on previous FOTTSA recommended Candidate Lists ??

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Your current Council has received some criticism in regards to its handling of the septage disposal issue in spite of a great effort that commenced in 2010. Both your Council and the Township's Staff have made numerous efforts with our neighboring communities attempting to obtain realistic numbers for the purpose of cost comparisons when dealing with the options available to Council. To date, Tiny has not received any follow-up from the 3 Municipalities and is not in a position to provide a comparison with regard to costs for disposal at their facilities vs. building a system in Tiny. Tiny's total cost on this project to-date is \$ 275,309.

FACT: All monies spent to date on septage and related consulting have been spent as a result of the mandatory Environmental Assessment process that is very rigid and was forced on Tiny by the Provincial Ministry of the Environment. Regardless of the final disposal manner chosen by Council, this money HAD to be spent on this mandatory process.

The fiscally responsible, co-operative and transparent approach to resolving matters on behalf of Tiny taxpayers has been clearly evidenced by Lawrence, Claire and Warren over the years. New ideas to this successful experience will be provided by Richard Hinton and Dick Wesselo. Both Richard and Dick have a solid business background and a track record of bringing resolutions to areas of public concern. Richard Hinton has been a cottager in Tiny Township for many years and has also been actively involved in Township events. As the President of his Beach Association, he successfully brought closure to a matter between the Cawaja Beach Association and the Township. The origins of this particular matter dated back to the sixties! Dick Wesselo, a founding Director of the Canadian Healthcare Anti-Fraud Association, played a significant role in providing a National voice to both public and private sector health care payer organizations interested in preventing fraud and abuse in the Canadian health care system. Richard and Dick both have a proven team playing record. In addition, Dick Wesselo has attended the Tiny Council meetings since January of this year and has become familiar with many of the ongoing issues in the Township.

Our individual histories of successful cooperation, combined with a proven track record of resolutions have brought us together for the 2014 Municipal elections. Respectfully, we are convinced that the combination of Lawrence, Claire, Warren, Hinton & Wesselo will provide Tiny with the perfect mix of experience and new ideas. We do not provide a guarantee that we will never disagree but collectively have the confidence that (1) we will work together and (2), provide the commitment, to you the tax payer, that collectively we will make the best decisions possible for Tiny Township.

Our individual records speak for themselves. Facts stand on their merits and a story, no matter how good it may sound, will never trump the truth. We encourage all voters to check the facts and to talk to as many candidates as they possibly can.

On October 27, 2014 we collectively ask for your support. Your informed vote will enable us to form the next Council for the Township of Tiny. **The only way for you to vote in this election is by MAIL. Please vote NOW and make sure that your vote is mailed by Oct 18 to be counted.** Alternatively you may deliver your ballot envelope to the Township Office on or before Oct. 27. Your voting card **MUST** reach the Township Offices prior to October 27. Ballots received after this date unfortunately will not be counted as they will be considered invalid. We appreciate your support!

George Lawrence	-	Candidate for Mayor - Maire
Andre Claire	-	Candidate for Deputy Mayor - Maire Adjoint
Nigel Warren	-	Candidate for Councillor - Conseiller
Richard Hinton	-	Candidate for Councillor - Conseiller
Dick Wesselo	-	Candidate for Councillor - Conseiller

PS. - Happy Thanksgiving to All!