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Thank you for the E-mail, I would just remind every one that the Pelham resolution failed to mention that the NPCA has full authority to levy Regional council for their budget, and Regional Council has no authority on the amount of the levy, it must pay the bill , unlike Police Board budget where council can say no to the amount, and can decide how much of the tax dollar the Police Board is given by Regional Council, with no authority over how the Police board spends that amount. NPCA is different, Council can ask the Board to levy for less, and will usually ask the NPCA to levy for a “ guidance amount, The NPCA Board has full and final Authority on how much it bills the Niagara Region, the City of Hamilton and Haldimand County.

The Police board can appeal to the Ontario Civilian Police Commission for more money from the Region, and that body can tell the Region to pay “ enough money to provide adequate policing” that body has the final say. There is no such body or avenue of appeal for the Conservation Authority levy, and that is true for all 36 C.A.s across the province. So Civilian Board members are not accountable to the taxpayer for how much they levy or for anything else they decide to do within the authority of the C.A. Act until it comes time for reappointing 4 years later.

SO the Pelham resolution fails to mention the Levy power of the Conservation Authority, and I would have made this point at Regional council if the whole matter had not been referred to Prof Sancton for Governance revue. That was referred to Sancton for revue along with my motion to add 2 more Regional seats IF, that is IF, Hamilton is given 2 more seats on the NPCA Board because we made them pay their fair share.

Please correct me on any of these points if I have anything wrong,

Thanks for your time, I hope this information is helpful .

Sent from my iPad

On Nov 22, 2018, at 4:36 PM, Diana Kelley <DKelley@forterie.ca> wrote:

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