



**Township of Amaranth
Council Minutes
Wednesday, July 15, 2020
6:00 p.m.**

Electronic Meeting

The Township of Amaranth Council held an electronic regular meeting on Wednesday, July 15, 2020, commencing at 6:00 p.m.

Council Present:

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| Mayor | B. Currie |
| Councillor | M. Tijssen |
| Councillor | G. Little |
| Councillor | H. Foster |

Via Audio:

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| Deputy Mayor | C. Gerrits |
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Staff Present:

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| Acting CAO/Clerk | N. Martin |
| Township Planner | J. Johnstone (for parts) |

Via Audio:

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| Treasurer | F. Quadri (for parts) |
| Director Public Works | B. Ryzebol (for parts) |
| Interim Planner | V. Schmidt (for parts) |

1. Call to Order

Mayor Currie called the Meeting to Order at 6:01 p.m.

The Mayor made the following statement at this time. "I am sorry that my words caused offence to some people and I retract them. That was never my intention in the first place. I want to let people know that was not my intention without question."

2. Added Items (Late Submissions) – No added items

3. Approval of Agenda

Resolution #1

Moved by: M. Tijssen – Seconded by: H. Foster

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Council do hereby approve the agenda as circulated.

CARRIED

| Recorded Vote | Yea | Nay | Abstain |
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| Deputy Mayor Chris Gerrits | X | | |
| Councillor Heather Foster | X | | |
| Councillor Gail Little | X | | |
| Councillor Mark Tijssen | X | | |
| Mayor Bob Currie | X | | |

4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest with Reasons

Deputy Mayor provided a Declaration of Interest with respect to item 9.3

5. Approval of Minutes

- 5.1. Regular Meeting Minutes held June 17, 2020
- 5.2. Regular Meeting Minutes held July 2, 2020
- 5.3. Special Meeting Minutes held July 7, 2020

Resolution #2
Moved by: M. Tijssen – Seconded by: H. Foster
BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Council do hereby adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on June 17, 2020; the Regular Meeting of Council held on July 2, 2020 and the Special Meeting of Council held on July 7, 2020 as circulated.
CARRIED

| Recorded Vote | Yea | Nay | Abstain |
|----------------------------|-----|-----|---------|
| Deputy Mayor Chris Gerrits | X | | |
| Councillor Heather Foster | X | | |
| Councillor Gail Little | X | | |
| Councillor Mark Tijssen | X | | |
| Mayor Bob Currie | X | | |

Councillor Little made the following prepared statement at this time:

Mayor Currie has once again caused incredible difficulties in this Township. At our June 17 council meeting, the Mayor demonstrated his extremely poor judgement when he stated his very personal feelings about the LGBTQ community. In doing so, he was in contravention of our Code of Conduct, Article 14.1 “Members shall avoid any conduct towards a member of Council or staff which is known or ought reasonably to be known to be unwelcome, which offends, embarrasses or intimidates, or which reflects intolerance towards any group or individual.”

If that terrible misstep by the Mayor wasn’t bad enough, he then went on TV and radio with his again very personal views, dragging this township, its employees and members of this council down to his level of intolerance. In doing so he has offended many members of our community and people around the world who have signed a petition, as of today at 19,135 signatures, requesting the Mayor resign immediately.

Same-sex relationships have been lawful in Canada since 1969 and same-sex marriage has been legal since 2005. Most of the population of Canada support the legislation and the right of homosexuals to have and raise children. Currently, over 90% of the population of Canada support the LGBTQ community and welcome its members into their neighbourhoods.

The Mayor based his comments on his right to Freedom of Speech. It seems that the Mayor does not extend this same right to other members of society. In fact, using various methods which have included bullying, intimidation and accusations, the Mayor has repeatedly tried to restrict my comments and opinions at council meetings.

Flying the Pride Flag is a form of Speech. It represents a long-fought battle by the LGBTQ community to gain equity, acceptance and inclusion. Clearly, as demonstrated by the Mayor’s words, their work is not yet done.

Therefore, I would put forward the following motion:
“As the Pride Flag is flown worldwide as a symbol of inclusion and support for all members of the community and is a reminder that everyone must be treated with dignity and respect, I move that the Pride Flag be raised at the office of the Township of Amaranth on June 1, 2021 and be flown until the end of day on June 30, 2021.”

I ask for a seconder.

Resolution #3
Moved by: G. Little – Seconded by: M. Tijssen
BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

As the Pride Flag is flown worldwide as a symbol of inclusion and support for all members of the community and is a reminder that everyone must be treated with dignity and respect, I move that the Pride Flag be raised at the office of the township of Amaranth on June 1, 2021 and be flown until the end of day on June 30, 2021.

CARRIED

| Recorded Vote | Yea | Nay | Abstain |
|----------------------------|-----|-----|---------|
| Deputy Mayor Chris Gerrits | X | | |
| Councillor Heather Foster | X | | |
| Councillor Gail Little | X | | |
| Councillor Mark Tijssen | X | | |
| Mayor Bob Currie | X | | |

Councillor Little continued her prepared statement and comments with the following:

I also hold that Councillors Foster and Tijssen breached Section 14.1 of the Code of Conduct when they would not attend the emergency meeting of council called for June 26 where the issue of the Mayor’s statements could have been fully discussed and possible actions voted on to rectify the situation created. Their lack of action clearly supported the Mayor’s intolerant views.
Further, I ask the Mayor to extend a true and heartfelt apology to all the taxpayers and residents of the Township of Amaranth and the County of Dufferin, the employees of this township and of the county and to the members of this council. In addition, the Mayor should deliver an apology to all members of the LGBTQ+ community both on TV and radio. At the same time, he should announce his resignation as Mayor.

6. Public Question Period

The following is a letter received from a ratepayer and was read and will form part of the minutes.

Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillors
Township of Amaranth
RE: 2020 Budget

After listening to the better part of one budget meeting and a portion of the last budget meeting and actually going through the approved budget I feel Council did not do their jobs. Council is suppose to take the taxpayers of Amaranth as there first consideration. YOU ALL FAILED TO DO THAT. You increased the Municipal tax rate by 12% but when the county tax rate and the education tax rate are factored in the overall residential tax rate increase is 4.15%. Not acceptable. I guess no one told you what the increase in residential assessment was from 2019 to 2020.I will tell you it was 4.34%. Obviously that was not taken into consideration so this is what will happen on an average assessment in Amaranth this year.

Average Assessment \$500,000
2019 500,000 X tax rate = \$5,022.55
2020 521,700 X tax rate = \$5458.14
\$435.59 increase

This computes to an 8.67% dollar increase. Pretty hefty when a lot of people are laid off from work or just not back to work.
I am not very pleased with the way Council went through the budget all you had to do is cut 364,000 out of your budget and the tax rate would have stayed level the only increase we would have faced is the increase in assessment. When I went through your budget there were several places where money could have been reduced or cut.
I just wanted to explain a few things and express my concerns as an Amaranth Taxpayer. You people were voted in to run this township in an orderly, efficient manner. That has not happened yet. Start looking after the important issues in the township and priorities.
Respectfully submitted, Jane M. Wilson

The following letters were received from ratepayers and 15 minutes worth of letters were read and will form part of the minutes. Remaining letters will form a Schedule A attached to these minutes.

Mayor Currie and council members,

I am writing this letter in absolute shock and disgust. In the two weeks since the last township meeting the Amaranth community has been shaken to its core by the continued and unapologetic discrimination and homophobic comments of its own mayor, Bob Currie. What began as a simple request to fly the Pride flag and show support for the LGBTQ community of Amaranth, has uncovered one of the biggest failings of this council in its history: we are being governed by an individual that proudly, and unapologetically supports discrimination against members of the community he has been entrusted to support and represent. Hiding behind the phrases "I am not a typically politically correct politician", "I speak my mind and MY truth always", "Don't confuse me with facts" and "If I hurt somebody, that's their problem, not mine" the mayor has made it abundantly clear that he does not see anything wrong with his comments, is unwilling to acknowledge the extreme pain he has caused this community, and is unfit to hold this position. In the past 72 hours, our town has been the subject of media coverage surrounding the horrific comments made by the Mayor, news outlets from as far away as Barrie and Toronto. Other communities are angry with the statements coming from the Mayor. In the past 72 hours, a petition has been circulating telling Mayor Currie he needs to resign. This petition has collected over 5000 signatures in just 72 hours. This community is angry with the statements coming from the Mayor. I do not say "Our Mayor or My Mayor" because, Mr. Currie, You Do Not Represent Me. You Do Not Represent This Community. The people of Amaranth have spoken with this petition. They want you out. You can NOT represent the community of Amaranth if you refuse to represent EVERYONE in this community. In the past 72 hours, Mr. Mayor, elected representatives from all over Dufferin County have spoken out against your words and actions. Other politicians are angry with the statements coming from the Mayor. MP, Kyle Seebach said "Bob Currie's statements are absolutely disgraceful." , Mayor Mills from Shelburne said, "Not only were these remarks insensitive, but they showed a lack of understanding of the issues and struggles involved in the slow but steady advancement of civil rights." , and MPP Sylvia Jones said, "Generally, I do not insert myself into the affairs of other levels of government, but I am compelled to address recent comments made by Amaranth Mayor Bob Currie. I have zero tolerance for hate and discrimination in any form. As elected officials we have a duty to represent everyone in our community with the respect and dignity they deserve. Government, at all levels, has a leading role to play in standing against all forms of discrimination and hate - in our actions and in our words." Mr. Mayor, I could go on with more of these. Perhaps most notably, the words of Warden Darren White, "Any leader who truly has the best interest of the County and its residents at heart would not make comments and cause the type of pain felt today by a segment of our community. Counsellor Currie, public statements made by you indicating you won't apologize for speaking your truth and that if people are hurt by what you have said that's their problem, have no place at this table. Members of the LGBTQ2+ community should not have to apologize for their truth either. They should be able to live their lives free from persecution and hate in this community and in any other in this great nation, in accordance with our Canadian values." Mayor Currie, the people of Amaranth have spoken, the people of Dufferin County have spoken, and your peers and colleagues have spoken. There is no faith in your leadership, your ability to govern fairly and rationally, your ability to represent your constituents, and your ability to hold this office. We are all watching. And we will accept your resignation, immediately.

Stacey Whittington

Hello

I'm super disappointed in the comments of the mayor about the pride flag. Rather than belittle him or council or employees, all I am asking is for you to share the economic impact of his words to him. What is the cost (financial or in time) of receiving and responding to all the inquiries about the pride flag? I won't be able to change a homophobe's mind set but if he considers himself a

business person, he should understand the economic consequences of his actions.

Best
James Craig

I DEMAND BOB CURRY BE TAKEN OUR OF GOVERNMENT AND PRIDE FLAG BE HUNG. Anyone who works in this township and ISNT speaking out - you are problematic and we are keeping names.
Rebecca

Good morning,
I'm writing this morning from my home in Amaranth Township, where our family has lived for many generations. Mayor Currie showed his true colours of his personal homapobic beliefs when he stated at the April 16 Dufferin County Council meeting he does not support "Celebrate your Awesome" a pride festival in Orangeville. Then the statements from Mayor Currie at the June 17 council meeting regarding a request to fly the pride flag are absolutely disgusting and have no place in public office. Then again to repeat his homapobic remarks on News Talk 1010 and Barrie CTV News June 23 and 24. He is a disgrace and embarrassment to our community. This was not a slip of the tongue on his part, Currie on multiple occasions has shared offensive views. He is not remorseful and he does not deserve to represent this Township with such dated and appalling views. He does not represent my views as a long time resident of this community. I did not vote for him.
Mayor Currie has displayed disgusting self serving behaviour since his term began, thank you to Councillor Little and Deputy Mayor Gerrits for your continued efforts to work for the greater good of Amaranth Township and stand up for what's right. As for Councillors Foster and Tjissen your behaviour in my opinion is just as appalling as Mayor Currie. You two aren't fit to hold office either. Your silence and lack of support of Councilor Little and Deputy Mayor Gerrits speaks volumes !!
Concern Resident of Amaranth Township
Kate Bryan

I reside about 10 minutes from the Council Chambers of Amaranth where the Township Public meeting had a request put forth to them to wave the pride flag. I was shocked and rather bothered by the comments that Bob Currie stated in response to the simple request that people who are marginalized see a symbol that shows them they are safe in their own community.
Bob Currie, you are making a mistake by not allowing the pride flag to fly in your community. There are so many young people who are struggling with their own identity that need to feel safe in their community. Over 47% of gay, lesbian, bisexual and trans young people have contemplated suicide because they don't have a safe place to be who they are born to be. Fly the flag!!
Tammy Axt

Good morning, Mayor Bob Currie's recent comments in open council about members of the LGBTQ+ community have negatively impacted the reputation of the Township of Amaranth and as such he should step down as Mayor. His statements go against Human Rights and show deep rooted discrimination which has no place in public office. I would not want tourists, visitors and returning community members to believe this is the kind of behaviour that is tolerated. Bob Currie to save the reputation of your community you need to resign.
Stacy Wight

I'm writing today to voice my support of the call for Bob Currie to resign his position as Mayor of Amaranth Township.
While I absolutely support everyone's right to freedom of expression and speech, when that right is abused for the purpose of spreading homophobia, transphobia, bigotry and hate it must be silenced and reprimanded. Make no mistake, the words spoken by Mr. Currie during the June 17th council meeting and in

subsequent television and radio interviews were indeed hateful and dangerous. To allow an elected official, who was sworn into office as a representative of ALL constituents, to speak these words is an egregious abuse of power. I grew up on the third line of Amaranth Township and graduated from C.D.D.H.S in Shelburne in 1985. The type of rhetoric and lack of awareness displayed by Mr. Currie was prevalent back then and it saddens me to see it perpetuated still some 35 years later. The 2SLGBTQ+ community existed then and it exists now and we will not stand for these aggressions to go unchallenged.

I'm further troubled by the lack of any substantive response by other members of Amaranth council who remained silent to the mayor's comments. Your silence was deafening. I realize some have since spoken of their "regret" for not saying something at the time but I can't help but wonder if those regrets would have been voiced at all if not for the publicity this despicable act has garnered? Your silence makes you complicit. Hate such as this MUST be met with strong and passionate words and actions of anti-hate and nothing less. Silence is not an option.

While it's clear Mr. Currie has no intention of being "confused by the facts," I would urge him to do the right thing and resign as mayor of Amaranth Township.

Regards, Randy Davis

I listened to the mayor of your township speak about the pride flag and was so disgusted how a leader of the people can discriminate so strongly.

Time to resign.

Sabrina Lang

Hello, I am an Ontarian. I am not a member of your Township. I still feel the need to assert myself. Your Mayor's comments about gay and lesbian people is archaic. The LGBTQ community is not about to take over the world making this the last generation of humans. The statement was foolish and removed from reality. Raising a flag will not prevent the millions of children born everyday from being born. That comment is the essence of prejudice. It does hurt people and he should care. Is he only Mayor of SOME of the people in his riding? The justification that he is "a man that speaks his mind", is appalling. He is a servant and seems to have forgotten that. He isn't there to "speak his mind". He is there to better his community as a servant of the people. Shameful.

Jodi Greenwood

To whom it may concern,

Upon hearing Mayor Bob Currie's homophobic statement from the most recent publicly available meeting minutes - specifically, why he will not fly the Pride flag this year - I am not only in disbelief, I am ashamed to call him Mayor.

Mayor Bob Currie's backwards belief that flying a mere flag will transform everyone into a homosexual and result in the end of the human species is not only a ludicrous, unscientific and long-debunked myth from decades past. It is unconscionable for a leader in Canada - a tolerant society - to utter such nonsense that does nothing but promote intolerance and hatred.

The community he claims to serve includes homosexuals. Tax payers who pay his salary include homosexuals. Teachers who have taught his children and grandchildren include homosexuals. The people who serve him in stores and restaurants include homosexuals.

If Mayor Bob Currie believes that homosexuality is contagious, then it's a wonder he and his family have not been 'converted' after all these years.

If Mayor Bob Currie believes that homosexuals will lead us to extinction, then it's a wonder that didn't happen in 1969 when it became legal to be one, and again in 2005 when it became legal to marry as one.

Mayor Bob Currie is not fit to hand out awards to graduating students. After all, some may be homosexuals themselves, and he wouldn't want to promote them and their lifestyle now would he?

Mayor Bob Currie holds beliefs that are incompatible with the town of Amaranth. He has two choices: resign, or be voted out next election. I sure know who WON'T be getting my vote!

Cordially, Nathan King

Based on the remarks Bob Currie made at a council meeting He NEEDS to be removed from office TODAY!

And GET That flag up!

Bob Currie holds a position that represents the people of Amaranth. I am SHOCKED by the comments he made at the council meeting.

There needs to be a public apology and he needs to be removed from office!

Kim Chidwick-Flaherty

Dear Sir\Madam,

I am writing to express my utter disappointment in regard to Mayor Currie's homophobic remarks during your June 17th public meeting.

Not only were his words hurtful but his tone reeked of utter disgust and contempt for not only the LGBTQ community, but any organization that seemed to ask for something a little out of the ordinary. He lives in his so-called straight world the entire year and doesn't think twice about it. I highly doubt he has any idea what it means to be marginalized. Asking to fly the Pride flag for the month of June is minimal.

However, not only do I think he should apologize to everyone as it was not only LGBTQ people he offended, but I think he should step down as Mayor. This is not the kind of leadership that is needed nor accepted these days.

Respectfully, Dan Wheeler

Mayor

Your refusal to fly the Pride Flag and your insensitive comments regarding gay people indicate that you are not a person that should be in a leadership position. You have no choice but to resign.

Steve Smith

To Whom it may concern.

It should concern everyone.

Bob Currie's comments are disgraceful and he should not be representing any township. He should be removed from office immediately.

We as a community should be doing everything in our power to make people feel welcomed and safe.

Bob Currie's comments don't make anyone feel safe. Do better.

Tracy Emerson

Council had general discussion regarding personal growth and forgiveness for the comments made.

The Deputy Mayor read a prepared statement at this time as follows:

Whereas the Mayor made divisive and insensitive remarks out of order during the regular meeting of council on June 17th, 2020 and subsequently during numerous media interviews as a representative of the Township of Amaranth, and;

Whereas, this Council believes these actions fall below the standards of conduct which are expected of a Member of Council through our Code of Conduct By-law Number 21-2016.

Be it resolved that Council formally expresses its censure of the Mayor for his conduct.

Resolution #4

Moved by: C. Gerrits – Seconded by: G. Little

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

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Whereas, this Council believes these actions fall below the standards of conduct which are expected of a Member of Council through our Code of Conduct By-law Number 21-2016.

Be it resolved that Council formally expresses its censure of the Mayor for his conduct.
DEFEATED.

| Recorded Vote | Yea | Nay | Abstain |
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| Deputy Mayor Chris Gerrits | X | | |
| Councillor Heather Foster | | X | |
| Councillor Gail Little | X | | |
| Councillor Mark Tijssen | | X | |
| Mayor Bob Currie | | X | |

7. **Delegations/Presentations**
7.1. **Allto Investments Holdings Inc.**
The following letter was received by Council.

July 9,2020
Dear, Mayor Bob Currie, Deputy Mayor Chris Gerrits Councillor, Heather Foster Councillor, Mark Tijssen Councillor, Gail Little Deputy Clerk, Nicole Martin
RE: LOT 19 West half on 9, Amaranth

I am a resident and taxpayer in the township of Amaranth since 1962. I am sure that the history of this property and all the occurrences to date have been explained to you by staff. I had to object to your official plan changes to allow me to remove peat soil from my property to maintain my topsoil business. The expenses that the township is claiming is equal to what I paid to defend myself, plus the cost of leveling my stockpiles and the cost of landscaping a swamp. The courts awarded you cost of \$66,000.00 primarily because I was unable to afford a lawyer to defend myself any longer. In 2018 I made an offer to settle of \$66,000.00. I am asking this council to reconsider my previous offer of \$66,000.00 so that all this can be put behind us.
Thank you for your consideration
Larry Acchione

Council discussed the delegation and requested staff to provide a summary of the file at the next Council meeting.

8. **Public Meetings**

The new Township Planner James Johnstone was introduced to Council.

Council hold a Public Meeting regarding the following:

- 8.1. **B03-2020 Consent Application McCabe**
Z03-2020 Rezoning Application McCabe
515163 2nd Line – Severance of a surplus farm dwelling from the retained agricultural lot. The application included an application for Zoning By-Law Amendment concurrent with the severance application.

The Acting CAO/Clerk reviewed the provision of calling a public meeting under the Planning Act. The Interim Planner gave an overview of the proposed severance and zoning application. Council was advised that both applications conform to the County of Dufferin Official Plan and is consistent with the Provincial Policy

Statement. It was recommended that the consent application be approved at this time. The Planner reviewed the comments received from the agencies. Agent for applicant, Brayden Libawski of The Biglieri Group was available via audio and had no further comments. The agent confirmed that his clients were aware of the conditions and in agreement with same. There were no other comments from members of public. Council decided to wait until the next meeting to move both applications at once.

9. **Unfinished Business**

9.1. **Pulled Invoices from June 17, 2020**
Memo 2020-14

As Council had pulled two accounts from the last Council meeting the memo was prepared to address the concerns and provide further information.

Resolution #5
Moved by: G. Little – Seconded by: C. Gerrits
BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Council pay the invoice for R. J. Burnside as submitted for Wilmar Property.
Council pay an amended invoice for Bob Currie to remove the April 29 meeting date and amended mileage.
CARRIED.

| Recorded Vote | Yea | Nay | Abstain |
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| Deputy Mayor Chris Gerrits | X | | |
| Councillor Heather Foster | X | | |
| Councillor Gail Little | X | | |
| Councillor Mark Tijssen | X | | |
| Mayor Bob Currie | X | | |

9.2. **Approval of Grand River’s Amended Assessment Report and Plan affecting multiple municipalities**
Update and clarification provided. Brief discussion from Council.

The Deputy Mayor had declared a conflict on the following agenda item and it was confirmed that he logged out of the meeting at 7:53 p.m.

9.3. **Ice River Springs**
Council was updated on the suggestion from the last Council Meeting to be a yearly fee charged to Ice River Springs for the pipeline. Council was interested in revisiting the 1 cent a litre idea instead. Council was also updated on the MPAC aspect of the potential assessment. Staff has been asked to find the amount of taxes in Amaranth and assessment for the Shelburne building.

The Deputy Mayor logged back into the meeting at 8:16 p.m. A break was called at this point and the Council Meeting resumed at 8:18 p.m.

9.4. **Correia, Bruce and Silvia**
Council reviewed and accepted Memo 2020-10 – Site Alteration update from Building. As requested at the last Council meeting, the building department provided comments on the site and the building envelope.

Resolution #6
Moved by: H. Foster – Seconded by: G. Little
BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Council remove the stop work order at 513464 2nd Line, Amaranth under the following conditions:

1. That any additional fill or site alteration be in compliance with By-Law 65-2009.
 2. Current soil be tested by R.J. Burnside at the expense of the homeowner.
- CARRIED.**

| Recorded Vote | Yea | Nay | Abstain |
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| Deputy Mayor Chris Gerrits | X | | |
| Councillor Heather Foster | X | | |
| Councillor Gail Little | X | | |
| Councillor Mark Tijssen | X | | |
| Mayor Bob Currie | X | | |

10. **Planning Department**

10.1 Other – Planner Valerie Schmidt provided a verbal update for upcoming matters that will be presented to Council including; follow up regarding an auto repair shop on a property and if that falls into the view of home industry; upcoming Hamount model home agreement and pre-servicing agreement; and a new application for a zoning by-law amendment which the new Township Planner will take carriage of.

11. **Public Works Department**

11.1. **Verbal Update to be provided by the Director of Public Works**

The Director provided a verbal update on the recent heavy rains and roads wash out areas. Some dead trees were removed for safety reasons. Council was updated on the 20th Sideroad reconstruction and construction is scheduled to start the week of July 20. Council inquired about “shovel ready” projects if funding became available. Staff has been asked to gather further information regarding some bridge areas that require attention.

12. **County Council Business**

The following items were reviewed and dealt with:

- 12.1. County of Dufferin Council Agenda – June 25, 2020
 - 12.2. County Bridges on Local Roads Report – Jurisdictional Responsibilities
- Council requested information from the County regarding bridges on Township roads and the report from County was received and discussed.
- 12.3. Other, if any

Council was updated on the Steering Committee activities and advised that a Council wide meeting and report should be announced soon.

13. **Committee Reports**

The following were received and/or dealt with:

- 13.1. **Grand River Conservation Authority**
More amenities reopening at Grand River Parks
- 13.2 **Grand River Conservation Authority**
Summary of the General Membership Meeting – June 26, 2020
- 13.3 **Dufferin POA update** – Update on reopening
- 13.4 **Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority** - Newsletter

14. **General Business and Correspondence**

The following were received and/or dealt with:

14.1 Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Proposed Amendment 1 to A Place to Grow

Council requested staff send a letter to OMAFRA to ask that Farm Business Registration numbers not be shared with anyone.

14.2 AMO COVID-19 Update – Readiness Toolkit, Resumption of Land Use Planning Timelines, and Masks (Clarification)

14.3 AMO WatchFile – June 18, 2020

14.4 AMO Board Update: COVID-19, Three Months and Counting

14.5 AMO Policy Update – Stage 2, Emergency Declaration Extension and Water Bottling Consultation

14.6 AMO Policy Update – Provincial Emergency Extended and Tribunals Ontario

14.7 AMO WatchFile – June 25, 2020

14.8 AMO Policy Update - Emergency Orders Extension and Towing Industry Oversight

14.9. AMO WatchFile – July 2, 2020

14.10. AMO Policy Update: Appeal for immediate financial assistance

14.11. AMO Policy Update: United Call for Emergency Municipal Financial Relief and New provincial growth, renewal and economic recovery plan

14.12. MPAC InTouch June 2020

14.13. Town of Kingsville – Resolution 391-2020
Rent Assistance Program

Council supported this resolution with the following.

Resolution #7

Moved by: H. Foster – Seconded by: M. Tijssen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Council support the Towns of Kingsville resolution 391-2020.

CARRIED.

| Recorded Vote | Yea | Nay | Abstain |
|----------------------------|-----|-----|---------|
| Deputy Mayor Chris Gerrits | X | | |
| Councillor Heather Foster | X | | |
| Councillor Gail Little | X | | |
| Councillor Mark Tijssen | X | | |
| Mayor Bob Currie | X | | |

14.14. Municipality of West Elgin – Resolution 2020-210
Universal Basic Income

14.15. Municipality of West Elgin – Resolution 2020-166
Access to affordable broadband

14.16. Township of Puslinch – Resolution 2020-166
TAPMO Executive Meeting Minutes dated May 28, 2020

14.17. **AMO Policy Update** – Provincial Legislation re: Emergency Orders

14.18. **Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing**
Ministers Letter – COVID-19 Economic Recovery Act July 8, 2020

15. **Treasury/Accounts**

15.1. **Bills and Accounts - General Accounts**

Council had brief discussions regarding some of the accounts.

15.2. **Bills and Accounts - Road Accounts**

Resolution #8

Moved by: – Seconded by:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The following Bills and Accounts be approved for payment:

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| General 2020 | \$204,250.51 |
| Roads 2020 | \$476,576.69 |

CARRIED.

| Recorded Vote | Yea | Nay | Abstain |
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| Deputy Mayor Chris Gerrits | X | | |
| Councillor Heather Foster | X | | |
| Councillor Gail Little | X | | |
| Councillor Mark Tijssen | X | | |
| Mayor Bob Currie | X | | |

15.3. **Other, if any**

Council again asked staff to contact the writer of the letter in the Public Question Period, Jane Wilson to see what sort of cost savings measures she would suggest.

Council discussed the necessity for having a year to date report on the agenda at every meeting when accounts are discussed. The Treasurer was asked to provide a year to date to the Council members by the weekend.

16. **Added Items - Late Submissions (to be in office prior to meeting)**

None at this meeting.

17. **New Business**

17.1 **Town of Orangeville**
311 Implementation Notice and sample resolution

Council discussed the request and was generally in agreement with the idea.

Resolution #9

Moved by: C. Gerrits – Seconded by: H. Foster

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Whereas the Town of Orangeville wishes to proceed with the implementation of a 311 Call Service as the non-emergency number for municipal government services; and

Whereas the Town of Orangeville plans to introduce the 311 service in consultation with surrounding jurisdictions, including the Town of Caledon, Town of Mono, Township of East Garafraxa, and Township of Amaranth; and

Whereas a 311 telephone call may originate in the overlap between the Orangeville Exchange and the geographic area of the **Township of Amaranth**;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Council of **The Township of Amaranth** has no objection to the routing of 311 telephone calls to the Orangeville's main service line, at no cost to the Township of Amaranth, on the understanding that residents of **the Township of Amaranth** who erroneously dial 311 from within this Exchange will be given the option of being transferred to **the Township of Amaranth** main phone number.
CARRIED.

| Recorded Vote | Yea | Nay | Abstain |
|----------------------------|-----|-----|---------|
| Deputy Mayor Chris Gerrits | X | | |
| Councillor Heather Foster | X | | |
| Councillor Gail Little | X | | |
| Councillor Mark Tijssen | X | | |
| Mayor Bob Currie | X | | |

17.3. Recreation Services at Township

Re-start of fitness classes. Brief discussion regarding the pandemic situation and recreation classes. Councillor Foster will follow up.

18. Notice of Motions

18.1. Notice of Motion

Flag Protocol

WHEREAS the Township of Amaranth is a diverse community
AND WHEREAS the Township of Amaranth is a community the celebrates diversity and achievement
AND WHEREAS the public display of flags is a visible and significant means by which diversity and achievement can be celebrated
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED
That the Township of Amaranth hereby dedicate one flagpole to the promotion of celebrations, causes and concerns of importance to our residents.
AND FURTHERMORE That the CAO of the Township of Amaranth shall develop and implement a protocol to establish the order, precedence, and duration of flags to be flown in keeping with international, national, provincial, and municipal guidelines, recognitions, and priorities.
OF NOTE All flags to be flown shall be provided at no charge to the Township of Amaranth along with any special considerations for display or safekeeping.
Where practical or possible, a written description of the flag and its significance shall be provided to the CAO for publication on the Township of Amaranth website for the period that the flag is on display.

18.2. Notice of Motion

That Council takes steps to create a Diversion, Equity and Inclusion Community Advisory Committee and direct staff to develop Terms of Reference for and report back to Council.

19. Closed Meeting - None at this meeting.

20. By-Laws

Notice of intention to pass the following By-Laws:

None at this meeting.

21. Confirming By-Law

Resolution #10

Moved by: C. Gerrits – Seconded by: M. Tijssen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Leave be given to introduce a by-law to confirm the Regular Meeting of Council

of the Township of Amaranth for July 15, 2020; and that is be given the necessary readings and be passed and numbered 44-2020.

CARRIED.

| Recorded Vote | Yea | Nay | Abstain |
|----------------------------|-----|-----|---------|
| Deputy Mayor Chris Gerrits | X | | |
| Councillor Heather Foster | X | | |
| Councillor Gail Little | X | | |
| Councillor Mark Tijssen | X | | |
| Mayor Bob Currie | X | | |

22. **Adjournment**

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Resolution #11

Moved by: H. Foster – Seconded by: M. Tijssen

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Council do now adjourn to meet again for the Regular Meeting of Council on Wednesday, August 12, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. or at the call of the Mayor.

CARRIED.

| Recorded Vote | Yea | Nay | Abstain |
|----------------------------|-----|-----|---------|
| Deputy Mayor Chris Gerrits | X | | |
| Councillor Heather Foster | X | | |
| Councillor Gail Little | X | | |
| Councillor Mark Tijssen | X | | |
| Mayor Bob Currie | X | | |

Head of Council

Acting CAO/Clerk

Schedule "A"

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Victoria
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 10:25 PM
To: Information
Subject: Mayor Currie

As a member of the Amaranth community, as well as a member of the LGBTQ community, Bob's comments were devastating. If he is re-elected, I will be leaving. I simply can't believe that this is a conversation I'm still having. I exist. The continued hatred I endure just for existing is exhausting and I can't believe it's still happening here at home.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Victoria<

rough <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Blair Williams
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 8:32 AM
To: Information
Subject: Dissappointed in your bigotry

Hello - I recently became aware of Mayor Bob Currie's bigoted comments, and refusal to fly a Pride Flag during Pride month. His cruel thoughtless words may do untold damage to a young queer kid in your town. His daughter says "He's not a politician..." He IS - he ran for public office, and is Mayor of your town. Please ensure he realizes he small minded personal opinions have no place in the public sphere. On top of that, they are simply stupid, and make him look ridiculous. Your town should be ashamed.

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This email was sent to you by Blair Williams< through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Giannina Descalzi
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 10:45 AM
To: Information
Subject: Mayor Bob Currie

It is with sadness that it has come to my attention that Chris Gerrits, Heather Foster, Mark Tijssen, and Gail Little are apparently anti-LGBT. I reach this conclusion as you have not publicly challenged Mayor Bob Currie's hateful, ignorant remarks regarding the LGBT community. To allow him to use procreation as justification for publicly displaying hatred for the LGBT community (choosing to not fly the Pride flag during Pride month is a hateful act), you are all displaying your ignorance of the needs of your constituents.

I request you demand Mayor Bob Currie resign. If he does not resign, and the rest of council does not publicly challenge him, I assume you are all in agreement with his hateful comments.

Sincerely,
Dr. Giannina Descalzi

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Council.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Giannina Descalzi<

> through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: David Tilley <1>
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 11:13 AM
To: Bob Currie; Information

I am a retired family doctor now living in East Garafraxa.

Mr Currie is misinformed in his thinking that gay people cannot have children.

Many of my gay patients have families either through surrogacy or through egg and sperm donation as many heterosexual couples do. Also many gay men and woman have children through artificial insemination and sometimes opt to share the responsibility of raising their children together.

The mayor's comments are simply wrong.

David Tilley MD

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Kelly Weaver
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 11:14 AM
To: Information
Subject: ignorance of mayor!!!

How ignorant and uneducated is the mayor of Amaranth? This is 2020! This is an elected official. First of all, even if the world was full of LGBTQ people, the world would not end. Many, many LGBTQ people have children!!!! Most of these families practice the same values as heterosexual families and contribute to their communities. Guess what, LGBTQ people even go to church. So sad that this ignorance and persecution of people still goes on. Can't believe it!!! I hope the people in this community and surrounding communities, where I'm sure LGBTQ people live, will speak up and elect someone that represents all humans that have a right to live their life on earth! Look around and educate yourself on the contributions that LGBTQ people have made to Ontario, Canada and the world. The world would be a kinder and better place without your kind!

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Council.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Kelly Weaver

rough <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: Eric Wolinsky
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 11:45 AM
To: Information
Cc: Bob Currie; Chris Gerrits; Heather Foster; Mark Tijssen; Gail Little
Subject: On Mayor Currie's Comments

To Council,

I am writing to you to call for the immediate resignation of Mayor Bob Currie. His homophobic comments at a council meeting are unwelcome, unkind, and bigoted.

Mayor Currie is no longer fit for duty if he cannot show respect and tolerance for all citizens. If the Mayor will not resign, council should remove him from office.

Respectfully,

Eric Wolinsky

Eric Wolinsky (MASc, PEng)

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Brad Fraser < >
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 11:47 AM
To: Information
Subject: Bob Currie

Your mayor's refusal to fly the Gay Pride flag is an embarrassment to your town and all of Canada. Please prevail on this man to stop being a homophobic dinosaur and eject him from council for his dangerous and bigoted views. Thank you.
Brad Fraser

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Brad Fraser·

> through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.



From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Greg Currie
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 2:38 PM
To: Information
Subject: Please Forward To Bob Currie

Good afternoon,

I read about your recent comments regarding LGBTQ+ people and wanted to write to you as a Minister of about 15 years.

Please do not present your position as a Christian stance of morality. That is not biblically founded. Jesus loved all people, regardless of their adherence to biblical teaching. To claim otherwise as a foundation for your position, is anti-Christian.

You are certainly welcome to personally hold your own opinions about LGBTQ+ people, but you are a mayor. You need to represent and support all members of your community. That is your responsibility and you need to separate your personal beliefs from your professional conduct.

I would hope that you would reconsider your metric of whether or not individuals can procreate as the basis for their personal worth. If you treat individuals with an inability to conceive children or those who chose not to have children respectfully, then you must be truthful with yourself that your position towards LGBTQ+ individuals has little to do with procreation and is simply based on a personal bias towards their sexuality. Which as a Christian, you need to set aside and love them as Christ did.

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This email was sent to you by Greg Currie

 > through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.



From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Zoe Garyfalakis
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 6:07 PM
To: Information
Subject: Remove Bob Currie from Office.

I am writing to you today, in regards to a series of disgusting comments that Mayor of Amaranth, Bob Currie, made about LGBTQ+ persons while on record. This hate speech is unacceptable, especially from a position of leadership in the year 2020. What a sad example to the next generation, to have yet another hateful white man spewing evil from a position of power. I, as a member of the LGBTQ+ community, feel disgusted that this person represents our township. It is no longer a matter of Bob Currie's OPINION if we should fly the Pride Flag. The choice to not fly it is bold, and pathetic. Time to adapt, Amaranth, because this is a sad look, and does not represent the beauty and vitality of our diverse community. It's truly sad when the statements of our Mayor could be easily confused for the viral hate speech of Donald Trump.

I urge you to remove Bob Currie from his position of mayor, as a response to disgusting, alienating, inaccurate, and hateful comments about the LGBTQ+ community. MY COMMUNITY.

Very disappointed,
Zoe Garyfalakis

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This email was sent to you by Zoe Garyfalakis<

> through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Anthony Bonato
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 10:55 AM
To: Information
Subject: Mayor Currie must resign

I'm extremely disappointed to hear the remarks of Mayor Bob Currie regarding the Pride flag, and his ignorant remarks regarding LGBTQ+ people. He doesn't represent the people of your city, Ontario, or the values of goodwill and tolerance we cherish in Canada.

Mayor Currie should immediately step-down from office and issue an apology to all the LGBTQ+ people he has deeply offended.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Council.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Anthony Bonato <anthony.bonato@esolutionsgroup.ca> on Friday, June 26, 2020 at 10:55 AM. Please do not reply to this email as it is an automated message. For more information, visit <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of JoAnn Daniels ✓
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 11:00 AM
To: Information
Subject: Shame on you

I have just read the CTV News article regarding Mayor Bob Currie's comments when asked why Amaranth would not fly the Pride flag. I'm horrified by his response. It's up to you Chris Gerrits, Heather Foster, Mark Tijssen and Gail Little. Do the right thing. Stand for inclusion. Stand for equality. STAND!

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by JoAnn Daniels<

> through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Robert <
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 11:30 AM
To: Information
Subject: Mayor

Mayor Bob Currie needs to be fired.
Shame on him.
This is 2020

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Council.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Robert< through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

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From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Sandie Fischer <
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 1:54 PM
To: Information
Subject: Mayor Bob Currie's LGBTQ comments are unacceptable

Mayor Bob Currie should be removed immediately for his outdated and discriminatory comments. There is no place in Canada for this backwards mentality!

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Sandie Fischer<

ough <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

MON 10:59 PM

I recently listened to the town council meeting where Mayor Currie made his homophobic remarks public, after a suggestion was submitted that the pride flag be flown at Town Hall. I am totally disgusted by this man's lack of decency and embarrassed as a longtime business owner in Dufferin County, to have this man representing any kind of leadership. I want him to resign immediately. Effective leadership requires respect for all the people in your riding.

9:16 AM

thank you for the note. I encourage you to contact each Council members via email with your concern. I am happy to read this comment at the next available Council meeting and have it form part of the minutes. Please note that all comments will include your name but not contact information, should you wish to not have this read please contact the office. Thank you,



Ryan Latkolik

5:02 PM

highly recommend the mayor step down before he is taken out of office. I feel sorry this town has a homophobic ignorant bigot as their mayor. its pretty sad and you all should be embarrassed by this man



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From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Robert R Pardy <
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 10:22 AM
To: Information
Subject: Your Mayor Needs To Resign

With the past comments made about the Pride Parade, did Mayor Bob forget the LGBTQT community pays taxes? Are law abiding citizens? Adopts children or actually have children of their own? Supports all economies? This bigot needs to be removed from office. As I travel around Ontario a lot, I will never set foot in your community! I am disgusted and it really doesn't matter if I am straight or gay!

Origin: http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Council.aspx?_mid_=101216

This email was sent to you by Robert R Pardy<

rough <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: kdp
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 10:08 AM
To: Information
Subject: Your Mayor needs education

Greetings,

I do hope you are all well during the COVID pandemic. I have just sent this message to your Facebook account:

That said, I am sure you are horrified by the far reaching attention brought, unfairly, to your community by the comments of your Mayor. Not only his shocking bigotry, but his, "if I hurt someone that is their problem not mine" attitude - that cannot be how you wish to be represented?? The Integrity Commissioner has been much more responsive than your Mayor, and I would suggest that you, and the Mayor, examine articles 3.1 and 12.1 of your code of conduct, at a bare minimum. Allowing dated, bigoted ideas to represent you is only a small step from promoting those ideas yourself.

Thank you for your time,

Kerrie De Poli



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From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Allan Ferguson
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 9:08 PM
To: Information
Subject: The dinosaur that is your mayor

I am appalled by the statements made by your mayor. What a terribly stupid and ignorant thing to say. It's time for this dolt to be put out to pasture.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Council.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Allan Ferguson <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Tom Wharton <
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Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 8:37 PM
To: Information
Subject: Get rid of your bigot Mayor

Hey Bob and supporters! As a straight guy and born Ontarian I have to admit the thoughts shared by mayor Bob are nothing short of disgusting. It's an embarrassment to Canada. Grow up Bob! Who cares if two gay people live each other?

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Council.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Tom Wharton

· through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of James Csoko <
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 8:01 PM
To: Information
Subject: Mayor Currie's comments

Your mayor is an embarrassment to our country. His orthodox Christian views have no place in a modern nation that prides itself on acceptance and diversity. It is free speech yes, but the utterances of a public official carry too much weight for this type of misinformed, homophobic garbage.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by James Csoko<

ugh <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Joan DaCosta <
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 7:10 PM
To: Information
Subject: Your mayor

Obviously your mayor, Bob Currie, is lacking in intelligence. His ignorance is so profound that it is evident he lacks the ability to think logically. For the safety of Amaranth township, he needs to step down immediately. Shame on you all if you allow him to stay.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Joan DaCosta<

ugh <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Barry Fisher <
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 6:43 PM
To: Information
Subject: Mayor Curries hateful and homophobic remarks

So very disturbing to read about the tolerated homophobic mayor. What does it take to make folks realize that the days of tolerating this sort of hate are over?? As someone who is not only gay but also married with one child I am appalled that this is the sort of man that the people of this township wish to have representing them. We have a home in both PEI and Toronto and do many day trips to your area. Never ever again with we spend one cent in this township!!! The people of this township need to speak up loudly NOW. Mayor Currie needs to not only apologize but then promptly resign. I am also going to make sure all of our families and friends both read about this and commit to no longer spending time nor our cash in t township!! Disgraceful!!

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Barry Fisher<

ough <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Josh Lombard
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 5:49 PM
To: Information
Subject: Pride Flag

My family and I will not be stopping in your town and spending any of our money being tourist until you closed minded mayor issues an apology to the gay community and you have the pride flag flying at your town hall.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Josh Lombard< through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Jim Rahmon <
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 12:59 PM
To: Information
Subject: Bob Currie

Bob Currie is not fit for office and the petitions, emails, and uproar will not stop and infact will only put increasing pressure on the council. I hope you see his "fossil" mentality has just run his entire integrity into the ground

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Council.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Jim Rahmon through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Max Butler <
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 7:24 PM
To: Information
Subject: Bob Currie

I just wanted to say how disgusted I am with the mayor of your town disregarding the identity of LGBTQ+ people living in Amaranth. Bon Currie is a disgrace to the town, and should not be representing the community. The world would be a lot better place without him and his disgusting, unfiltered views. Shame on those representing the community who are not standing up to these prejudice man. This pig should resign.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Max Butler<

> through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Michael Hall <
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 12:44 PM
To: Information
Subject: Mayor's depiction of LGBT Canadians

I would like to voice my concern with the attitude that the Mayor of Amaranth has taken towards LGBT Canadians. In particular, he publicly stated that homosexuals "can't reproduce" and "So, why would I want to support something when this would be the last generation on Earth? I'm not going to go there".

First, let's state the obvious: Not all LGBT people are incapable of reproduction. Furthermore, many LGBT couples adopt the children that heterosexual couples are unable or unequipped to take care of. Your Mayor may be surprised to know that studies have shown that LGBT parents provide a higher level of care and attention to their children than traditional couples.

More importantly, we need to address the characterization of LGBT Canadians as a threat to the human race. This is a hurtful, untrue, and frankly unCanadian way for the Mayor to think of his LGBT constituents (yes, they exist), and LGBT Canadians at large.

The Township must take a stance against the Mayor's publicly stated viewpoint. As COVID-19 impacts our workplace strategies and many Canadians are working from home, lots of young Ontarians like myself are realizing they could afford to work and live in rural Ontario towns, such as Amaranth. You have an opportunity to welcome young professionals, but your Mayor may as well have raised a Confederate flag instead of refusing to raise the Pride flag (a token gesture, to be sure).

As a PhD candidate desperately looking for an affordable, quiet, rural home once I am finished my education in Nova Scotia, you can be certain that I will not be looking at Amaranth. There are too many rural areas that will accept LGBT Canadians with open arms, and the only way Amaranth is currently standing out is in its demeaning attitude towards a large demographic of Canadians.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Michael Hall through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Bob Cunningham
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 12:37 PM
To: Information
Subject: Note to mayor

Mr Currie

Your statement on not raising the pride flag is ignorant. Thankfully you are old and your ignorant ideas will soon be a thing of the past.

Clearly you lack knowledge, courage and empathy and are not representative of most Canadians.

Bob Cunningham

Origin: http://www.amaranth.ca/en/resident-services/About-Amaranth.aspx?_mid_=101214

This email was sent to you by Bob Cunningham.

<http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

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From: Sober Julie >
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 10:14 AM
To: Information
Subject: Bob Currie

Hello there,

As a resident of your neighbouring town Orangeville and someone who supports Amaranth businesses, I'm writing to inquire about Bob Currie's statements made at your recent council meeting in response to flying a Pride Flag.

Can you please inform me if the following homophobic statements are indicative of the Township's representation of residents?

"There's all kinds of proclamations through the year...the Black community in our county...they had something this last month, there was no flag for that...

So anyways I don't think we should be flying the flag for this year and I will PLAINLY speak why.

If everybody was either lesbian or homosexual, this would be the last generation on Earth. Because two homosexuals cannot produce offspring, two lesbians cannot produce offspring. So why would I want to support something when this could be the last generation on Earth,"

I for one hope they do not. I would like Mayor Currie removed immediately in order to protect the LGBTQ residents of Amaranth and surrounding areas.

Mayor Currie has made veiled statements in the past, including one at Dufferin Council in response to the Celebrate Your Awesome Celebration. Further to that he has shown erratic behaviours such as Mayor Currie has called 911 to have police remove a councillor from a meeting in November 2019, he independently padlocked Amaranth Town Hall in December 2019 without council authorization.

Can Amaranth Township please respond and tell me if these homophobic statements are in line with Township values and representation.

Regards,

Julie

Julie Elsdon-Height

From: Denise < >
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 10:58 AM
To: Information
Subject: Re bob currie

It is the year 2020 and statements like what is shown below can not stand unchallenged.
This man needs to be reprimanded if not replaced.

Dufferin County is changing for the better...please keep up to the standards of today.

Denise Fashina
(63 years old)

On June 17, 2020 a member of
Amaranth submitted a letter to the To
Amaranth, Ontario because they did n
Pride Flag this year. In a clip from the
Township's Public Meeting Minutes, M
Currie provides an extremely homoph
response. He states, "Why would I war
support something when this could be
generation on earth," referencing that
"homosexuals cannot produce offsprir

From: Khaman Mitchell
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 11:00 AM
To: Information
Subject: Disgraceful!!!!

After hearing what the Mayor of Amaranth said about his reasons not to support the LGBT+
He is is not able to support EVERYONE in his community.
THEN HE SHOULD BE REMOVED FROM OFFICE!!!

THIS IS A DISCRACE TO ALL IN AMARANTH!

UNACCEPTABLE !!!

concerned town member..
Khaman Sherwood

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of F Rattray <
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 2:45 PM
To: Information
Subject: Mayor Currie

I live in rural Wellington County and understand Mayor Currie refuses to fly the Lesbian and Gay Pride Flag because gays "don't reproduce, and humans will die out". Leaving aside the fact that some gay people do have children, and the fact that one could argue there are too many people on this planet already making a mess of things, my question is: What the heck does reproduction have to do with whether or not Lesbians and Gays have human rights? And whether your city hall flies a Pride Flag? You know very well that Lesbians and Gays are protected under Canadian Law. Your Mayors' statement is discriminatory You know, Lesbians and Gays are everywhere, even your constituency.

Origin: http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Council.aspx?_mid_=101216

This email was sent to you by F Rattray·

through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: heidemarie schneider
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 3:31 PM
To: Information
Subject: Bob Currie

To whom it may concern,

This email is being written in disgust for the recent ramblings of a person in the position of Mayor of Amaranth. This person should be forced out of this position, not asked to resign! The remarks he has made about displaying the Pride flag are absolutely disgusting and should not be coming from a person in his position! Shame on Bob Currie!

A disgusted neighbour!
Heide Schneider

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Mitch Craig ·
Sent: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 6:19 PM
To: Information
Subject: Pride Flag

Wow I can't believe this still goes on.

Origin: http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Council.aspx?_mid_=101216

This email was sent to you by Mitch Craig< > through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Wendy Davidson
Sent: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 6:22 PM
To: Information
Subject: Your Mayor

I am absolutely disgusted in his racist and homophobic comments. I am a 60 year old woman who is married to an RCMP/Military person. Yes a woman. We have an adopted child and are Billet parents. You need a new mayor!!!!

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/Modules/search/index.aspx?q=I am disgusted by your Mayor. He is living in by gone days and should realize his actions are racist and homophobic. How dare he.>

This email was sent to you by Wendy Davidson ·  <http://www.amaranth.ca/>

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From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Matt Hudson
Sent: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 7:19 PM
To: Information
Subject: Mayor Currie's refusal to fly the Pride flag

As a proud gay man who has lived in Amaranth for a number of years, I wish to express my absolute horror and disgust at the mayor's comments regarding Pride. His comments were absolutely homophobic, and honestly not surprising considering I see people in Amaranth feel the need to drive around with Confederate flags on their cars. I would appreciate a response regarding when we can expect to see the Pride flag up and which LGBTQ organizations the Township of Amaranth will be donating to this year.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Matt Hudson<

igh <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.



From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Meghan Potts
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 12:09 AM
To: Information
Subject: Disturbed to hear comments from your mayor.

Hello,

I write to you from Victoria, BC after living in Toronto for a decade.

I do not live in your township or community but I fear for queer youth in your district.

Misguided and egotistical rhetoric expressed by mayor of the town is damaging. It creates an environment where folks and youth especially do not feel safe to express themselves without fear of homophobic backlash.

It's public comments from people in power that perpetuate closed minded ideologies. You can cry freedom of speech all you like, but it's truly disturbing to witness someone in a position of power express such disdain.

I hope that this can be a learning experience for the mayor. The whole country is watching.

Regards,
Meghan Potts

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Meghan Potts<

ough <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Glen Hart <
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 8:57 AM
To: Information
Subject: Mayor's homophobic comments

This anti-LGBTQ bias is unacceptable in today's world. He is a fossil of another time and needs to resign.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Glen Hart< through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Jerome Gagnon-Voyer
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 9:41 AM
To: Information
Subject: Homophobic mayor

Hello

I don't think a homophobic mayor that is getting into hate speech should be a mayor. It's time for you to change mayor and I'm requesting his resignation.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Jerome Gagnon-Voyer

ğh <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

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From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Jay D Elle < >
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 10:50 AM
To: Information
Subject: Mayor

He has to go. Your mayor is a disgrace and a fool. Unbelievable.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/Modules/search/index.aspx?q=Fire your mayor. He is a disgrace and a fool>

This email was sent to you by Jay D Elle < > through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

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From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Fred Pierce <
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 11:31 AM
To: Information
Subject: currie

Your township has my deepest sympathy. Your mayor deserves to be let go.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Council.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Fred Pierce<

<http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

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From: Michael Myers <
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 11:38 AM
To: Information
Subject: Very Sad

Saddened by the Mayor's hurtful comments.

The tragic death of Egyptian activist - Sara Hegazy - is a poignant reminder of the profound importance of the Rainbow Flag.

I hope the Mayor will recognize the dignity and worth of LGBT citizens.

Michael Myers

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Timmy Hurtin
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 11:53 AM
To: Information
Subject: Homophobes

Hateful Homophobes

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Timmy Hurtin.

through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Henry Monteforte
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 12:11 PM
To: Information
Subject: Your homophobic Mayor

Hello, I just read the article in the news about your homophobic Mayor and how he is using his religion as a reason to justify his hate for certain types of people. I don't live in your town but this really bothered me so I had to let you know anyway. We don't live in a Theocracy. Please leave your religion out of politics.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Council.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Henry Monteforte

through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Dr. Peter Lemiski
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 12:22 PM
To: Information
Subject: End of life

I do believe that lesbians and gays can still procreate. The mayor sound like TRUMP. Creating falsehoods. Dump the mayor.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Dr. Peter Lemiski

ough <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

R

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Mark Smith <
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 12:29 PM
To: Information
Subject: Pride Lessons

Sad that the misguided commentary from your Mayor has prompted me to send this. PLEASE WATCH is the video is not big city commentary it is Northern Ontario people speaking. Please take the effort to listen to Elder Ma ne.

https://www.931theborder.ca/2020/06/24/two-spirit-panel-discussion-pride-month-and-indigenous-history-month-come-together/?fbclid=IwAR2Tosrk1myLMwLdTzdmVsfThbXnOX4iYFz_dKGy7TJSVm6UHp2JvOhs1xQ

Origin: http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx?fbclid=IwAR2MwoHjk-Ye1Uzckn2vgjeZpvV2TfVYf3rQFpCY4TptN_Rdp2-aaN6s078

This email was sent to you by Mark Smith<

ough <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

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From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Jonathan Mucklow
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 12:41 PM
To: Information
Subject: Mayor's resignation

At what time will the Mayor be apologizing and then resigning from his position? Friday afternoons are also a good time to fire someone and escort them off property.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Council.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Jonathan Mucklow through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

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From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Chris Fassbender
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 1:54 PM
To: Information
Subject: Shame on Your Town

I live in a community like yours. We are often in the national news because of rhetoric from our 'leadership' like your own. You bring so much shame to Canada and your community. Your legacy is broken. Will you fix it? Your mayor is broken. Will you send him for the mental health council he needs or do you hate the seniors in your community as much as you do marginalized groups of humanity?

Origin: http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx?fbclid=IwAR1N0I3dsi5KRB8_keJ3TGRgDKqiW4vHWyoQ3Sn5jMqCWMkkUCvTxKZgo2M

This email was sent to you by Chris Fassbender< through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: Feedback Form - feedback.services.esolutionsgroup.ca
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 3:48 PM
To: Information
Subject: Feedback Form [Feedback Form] – New Submission

Feedback Details

Date:
Thu Jun 25 15:48:19 EDT 2020

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- Township of Amaranth

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<http://www.amaranth.ca/Modules/search/index.aspx>

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Rating:
1.0 - Needs Improvement


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iOS

First Name:
Mark

Last Name:
Grath

E-mail:


Comments:
Why is it 2020 and your town won't put up the Pride Flag to show support during Pride Month?

IP:

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Stephen Cornish
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 4:57 PM
To: Information
Subject: Pride Flag

The mayor's comments regarding the LGBTQ community and Pride Day are antiquated, bigoted and despite his claims, not valid.

If he is the chosen representative of your community, it reflects more than poorly on your whole community.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Stephen Cornish<

> through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Christie Knapp <
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 9:48 AM
To: Information
Subject: Must step down

Dear Mr. Currie,

You must step down from your position as mayor. You have proven yourself to be homophobic and that is not acceptable. You need to take what time you have left on this earth to reflect and remove hate from your heart. I wish you and your family the time you need to heal together.

Christie Knapp

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Council.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Christie Knapp< through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Max Voth <
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 3:55 PM
To: Information
Subject: Bob Currie Flag

Categories: Blue Category

Hey, this message is for Bob. As a fellow Manitoban neighbour, I wanted to say there was nothing wrong with the comments you made. They were facts and not derogatory in any way. Don't back down to the pressures of this cancel culture. Stick with what you believe and don't crumble. I fully support your choices here and felt I needed to show some support. I wish you the best of luck with this situation.

Max V.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Max Voth<

through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Steve Weller
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 4:32 PM
To: Information
Subject: Mayor Currie/Pride flag

Mayor Currie is obviously uncomfortable with this issue. Perhaps it's time to retire.

Origin: http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx?fbclid=IwAR0t62J4qdwjMSxrJErOu4yQNEPpS_0gl4WCXLLC1TXCzpLPa7eMCvwf2VI

This email was sent to you by Steve Weller<

rough <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Gary Good <
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 4:35 PM
To: Information
Subject: your mayor

I would like to bring this to your attention. An apo<https://www.thestar.com/news/canada/2018/01/12/london-ont-mayor-to-apologize-to-lgbtq-community-for-predecessors-1995-refusal-to-declare-pride-weekend.html?fbclid=IwAR2cSIGEO9Na9zagNqu3m-cSJMYTJzQ0-2wF60SiN8yF5YDfxBxPolf9vU>logy is warranted before court actions begin.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Gary Good·

hrough <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Jacklyn <
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 5:16 PM
To: Information
Subject: Appalling representation.

I am appalled and deeply offended at the latest remarks of the current mayor regarding the LGBTQ2S community. It is backwards and makes me feel ashamed to live in a place that does not celebrate individualism. Your mayor should step down, and I will be signing any petition that supports this motion.
Your council should be ashamed for supporting such a bigoted individual.

People have died for the right to live peacefully amongst their communities. People still die due to bullying and suicide. This lack of support in my province and country for the LGBTQ2S community is not helping the problem. The world is already suffering. Why do we need a backwards regressed representing this township?

Terrible. Just terrible. I will not be supporting this township and will be sharing this information on social media hoping for as much attention to be brought to this matter

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Jacklyn<

> through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Nasir Khan <
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 5:23 PM
To: Information
Subject: Mayor's remarks on LGBTQ flag raising
Categories: Blue Category

I fully support Mayor Currie's stance for not raising the LGBTQ flag. Everyone has the right to his opinion so long as it is not hate speech which is against the Charter of Rights and Freedoms. Mr. Currie has done nothing illegal or even anything immoral that he should be chastised in the manner that he is by certain members of the community. This is a free society and no one should be pressured to conform their beliefs to anybody.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Council.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Nasir Khan<

'M> through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Alexander Kovalev < >
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 5:45 PM
To: Information
Subject: In support of Bob Currie

Categories: Blue Category

"If everybody was either lesbian or homosexual, this would be the last generation on Earth, because two homosexuals cannot produce offspring. So why would I want to support something when this could be the last generation on Earth? I'm not going to go there."

Second it!

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Alexander Kovalev<

rough <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Douglas McGoldrick
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 6:20 PM
To: Information
Subject: Flag flap

Mr. Mayor,

I would like to congratulate you on the comments regarding the 'pride' flag and homosexuality. For some strange reason people who don't agree with these deviants are attacked when it is these deviants that are screwing up our society in many ways.

Mr. Mayor you were correct on your assessment of homosexuality and I hope you stick to your guns.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Douglas McGoldrick<

through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of SUSAN MUTCH
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 7:20 PM
To: Information
Subject: Commendation of Bob Currie

Categories: Blue Category

I respect Mayor Currie for opposing flying the gay flag. People speak about mutual respect, yet if someone disagrees with a homosexual lifestyle, they are decried as homophobic and charged with hate speech. This has gone beyond ridiculous in our time. There is no mutual respect offered here. Because one disagrees, it is presumed they hate the people. To say a drunken lifestyle is not good, it doesn't mean one hates the drinker. Tolerance is demanded by the LGBTQ community, but numbers of them are intolerant of those who disagree with that lifestyle. I respect Mr. Currie for having the courage to simply state his disagreement, for many fear to do that these days, and I am disappointed in those who are quick to charge him with hate speech or intolerance. I support him and, more importantly...the Word of God supports him.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by SUSAN MUTCH< through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: Feedback Form - feedback.services.esolutionsgroup.ca >
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 8:24 PM
To: Information
Subject: Feedback Form [Feedback Form] – New Submission

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First Name:

David

Last Name:

Raetsen

E-mail:

Comments:

I had never heard of Amaranth before. Now I know it's the town with the hateful, homophobic mayor. Fantastic first impression. I won't be visiting.

IP:

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Arlene Pickel
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 8:48 PM
To: Information
Subject: Pride Flag

Categories: Blue Category

Please stand by your dear Mayor. All this ridiculous social engineering like forcing Pride flags on innocent communities has to stop. Your Mayor is a hero.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Council.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Arlene Pickel<

rough <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Keith
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 10:47 PM
To: Information
Subject: Mayors Comments

I am appauled at the lack of judgement of your mayor and his lack of remorse for his highly inappropriate and insensitive comments with respect to the gay community. It is unfortunite that this kind of mind set still exists in this modern age. If any of your employees made these remarks, they would be rightfully disciplined. He should undergo the same scrutiny. How unfortunate for your community.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Keith through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Wes A Schartner ·
Sent: Saturday, June 27, 2020 1:41 AM
To: Information
Subject: Message to Mayor Bob Currie

Categories: Blue Category

Hello sir, I wish to thank you for making a decision not to fly the Pride flag at your office.
We need people to act as they believe regardless of the consequences.
God is still in control and ultimately rules us all. God bless you.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Council.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Wes A Schartner< through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Miranda < >
Sent: Saturday, June 27, 2020 6:18 AM
To: Information

Categories: Blue Category

I wish there were more mayors that would be like you sir!

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Council.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Miranda< through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Charles Hume <
>
Sent: Saturday, June 27, 2020 10:51 AM
To: Information
Subject: Shame on you!!!

You bunch of biggoted hillbilly farmers! Grow the Hell up and fly the Pride flag!

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Charles Hume<c hrough <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Joel Taylor <
Sent: Saturday, June 27, 2020 11:06 AM
To: Information
Subject: Bob Currie

Categories: Blue Category

Good for you Bob. You have a right to your own opinion. Freedom of speech allows us to voice our opinions. If you don't go along with a certain group, you're hung. How is that a free country? Thanks Bob for being strong enough to stand for your own opinions.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Council.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Joel Taylor<

through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Ron Kennedy <
Sent: Saturday, June 27, 2020 1:27 PM
To: Information
Subject: Bob Currie

Categories: Blue Category

Thank you for not backing down Bob! Social justice snowflakes have gotten WAY out of hand... What you said is fact!

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Council.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Ron Kennedy.

through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Adam HOUBEN <
Sent: Saturday, June 27, 2020 5:18 PM
To: Information
Subject: Mayor Bob's Pride flag comments

Hi, Mayor Bob,

You're really old, i get it, it's hard to keep up with the times. Prolly even more frustrating that you've now solidified your legacy as being on the wrong side of history - a relic of selfish, religiously indoctrinated thinking.

If you actually took the time to use that big ol' beautiful brain of yours - of which I'm sure you think is the most wonderful gift from god - you would have done some reading on the subject of homosexuality. In short, it's actually very natural in many of god's creations (i.e. species if you're scientifically inclined), and often occurs in up to 5-10% of individuals within a species. Now I know you feel a bit insecure and worry about the extinction of the human species, but don't worry, 10% is far from 100% and we'll be just fine for another millenium or two without you.

I'm including a link on the subject as a primer; it's from a comedian so it's a nice light take on homosexuality. But don't worry, from my phd in biology, I can concur that it's got some scientific basis behind it all.

So have a laugh, enjoy some humble pie, and head out to pasture for a good retirement.

Thanks for reading

Adam

p.s. i'm not gay, but your news reached me all the way up in the high Arctic of Nunavut - yeah, that's right, your comments and even more tone-deaf follow-up made it all the way up here. So congrats on being so out of touch to now be an internet-wide joke.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Selna1LZHQ4>

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This email was sent to you by Adam HOUBEN<

ugh <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Matthew Yeoman
Sent: Saturday, June 27, 2020 5:31 PM
To: Information
Subject: Resign

That's it. Resign. You're not fit for any office--not even an Office Depot--in 2020. Resign.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Council.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Matthew Yeoman<om> through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Sandra (Sandi) McCartney <
Sent: Saturday, June 27, 2020 6:50 PM
To: Information
Subject: Canada Day .

Categories: Blue Category

good for the Mayor for standing up .. you bet your last dollar you fly one FLAG other then the Canadian Flag for one group .. you will then have to do it for the next and the next and the next .. WE ARE CANADIAN PERIOD!

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Sandra (Sandi) McCartney through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Vivian < >
Sent: Saturday, June 27, 2020 9:56 PM
To: Information
Subject:

I am absolutely disgusted at Bob Currie's ignorant and prejudiced remarks regarding LGBTQ individuals. In this day and age, his views are archaic, and actually a form of hate speech which is illegal in Canada. Criminal Code Section 319(1) makes it an offence to communicate statements in a public place which incite hatred against an identifiable group, where it is likely to lead to a breach of the peace. The Crown prosecutor can proceed either by indictment or by summary process.

He should not be a representative of your township or any place in Canada.

Sincerely,

Vivian Chong

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Council.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Vivian > through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of norberto castrejon
Sent: Sunday, June 28, 2020 2:21 PM
To: Information
Subject: mayor

The comments made by your mayor are so disgusting. He claims that he's going to hurt people and its not a problem for him. I can't believe this is happening in Canada, where's the humanity in this man? By his logic if somebody hurts him it's his problem not anybody else's? I hope this doesn't back fire on him, he might need a few bodyguards or police escort. There's no place for people like that in Canadian society. Do the right thing and toss him out!

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/resident-services/Visiting.aspx>

This email was sent to you by norberto castrejon through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Stephen Rankin
Sent: Sunday, June 28, 2020 5:42 PM
To: Information
Subject: Mayor, you're no longer relevant.

Reading about his response to the Pride Flag story that is now being read everywhere in Canada, maybe update your tourism collateral to note: Gays not important. Or, remove your Mayor for being stuck in 1955. He's irrelevant and his out of touch opinions are hurtful to millions of people. Millions of people who are googling your town right now to take action.

I hope your team is ready for what's coming.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/resident-services/Visiting.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Stephen Rankin through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: James Thordarson >
Sent: Sunday, June 28, 2020 9:52 PM
To: Information
Subject: Inquiry

Fire the mayor! What a disgusting awful old man! He needs to be sent to a deserted island. His words will add to the misery and hell so many kids face because of people like your mayor.

Gross!

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Elizabeth >
Sent: Sunday, June 28, 2020 10:38 PM
To: Information
Subject: Support of Bob Currie

Categories: Blue Category

Regarding flying the GBLTQ flag you must remember that many are silent for fear of being targeted. Public property should NOT be used to highlight groups that everyone does not support. Stick with the Canadian Flag as all are represented. What they fly on their own private property is their concern.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Elizabeth through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: Emma Hutchison-Hounsell
Sent: Monday, June 29, 2020 2:10 PM
To: Information
Cc:
Subject: Call to Fire Mayor Bob Currie

Hello,

It has come to my attention that mayor Bob Currie has made homophobic comments and refuses to raise the Pride flag. This is absolutely despicable to see in Canada in 2020. I demand that he is fired and replaced with someone who values all human rights.

Emma Hutchison-Hounsell

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Derrick Lewis
Sent: Monday, June 29, 2020 3:29 PM
To: Information
Subject: Poufter Flag

Categories: Blue Category

Mayor Bob, I am proud of you! So very proud of you! Honourable Sir; stick to your guns, man! Millions of people are behind you; worldwide, billions of good folks are in agreement. Your bravery and virtue are an inspiration to me and others! God bless you! I do not have the pleasure of your acquaintance but I love you. Would that others had your integrity!
Fight the good fight!

Origin: [http://www.amaranth.ca/Modules/search/index.aspx?q=Mayor's email](http://www.amaranth.ca/Modules/search/index.aspx?q=Mayor's%20email)

This email was sent to you by Derrick Lewis<

> through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Timothy Piddington ·
Sent: Tuesday, June 30, 2020 2:27 AM
To: Information
Subject: Pride month

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I just want to wish a happy pride month to anyone potential government officials who are forced to work under a leader who seems to not understand science, or his role as a leader in a country that is supposed to support LGBTQ+ rights. Print this email out and stick it on the staff room fridge. HAPPY PRIDE MONTH, Amaranth!!! To everyone except the mayor.

Origin: http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Council.aspx?_mid_=101216

This email was sent to you by Timothy Piddington

through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

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From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Karen <
Sent: Tuesday, June 30, 2020 2:34 PM
To: Information
Subject: CTV interview of your mayor

I am writing in response to the offensive position that your mayor has taken. He might be a good guy. He may have done a lot of things for your community but it all goes down the drain when he states that he will not condone a PRIDE flag. He states that if we were all LGBTQ folks then the generations would come to an end and further states it is not his problem if he hurts people's feeling. This is not an issue about a park in the north or the south end of town. This is an issue about human rights. This is about the mayor of a town saying some members of the community are less valuable than others. Being gay or queer is not a choice. It is not a political issue. It is however a human rights issue. It is likely a legal position. It is certainly a moral issue. You as a mayor or a council do not get to choose which members of the community that you represent are more valuable. You don't get to say queer people are less valuable because they are not procreating children. So infertile women by this logic are less valuable. Or are you suggesting it's okay to be gay as long as you do it somewhere else? Being LGBTQ is not a choice. It is who we are and you don't get to marginalize this community further. I speak for 1000s when I hope that you respond appropriately and ask your mayor to step aside. Human rights are serious issues and all people who live in this province count. Karen Stoltz

Origin: http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Council.aspx?_mid_=101216

This email was sent to you by Karen:

through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Robert
Sent: Tuesday, June 30, 2020 12:47 PM
To: Information
Subject: Disgusted.

Hi. I am writing this email to express my feelings on the mayors decision with not flying a pride flag. I think it is DISGUSTING and so offensive to the LGBTQ community. Being a gay and proud male myself I want to address that yes, we actually can reproduce. We donate sperm to single women who need a donor and they actually reproduce for the men who cannot reproduce on their own either. Just to prove the straight forwarded living in a box mind wrong. There is actually straight people who use us to for that stuff and we have NO PROBLEMS with it. I hope you're getting a lot of heat from this because it is deserved. Maybe an old senior isn't the best idea because the image created for this town which is now known across the nation as an old fashioned place ran by a trump like leader. Good thing it shouldn't be many more years of this (age reference). Although I don't live there, there are youth that could be struggling with acceptance and need that kind of thing to feel supported. It's 2020, start acting like it. Whenever I drive through I'll make sure to have my pride flag flying proud out my car window. Have a great day!

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This email was sent to you by Robert through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: Aaron Crowe
Sent: Thursday, July 2, 2020 8:13 PM
To:
Subject: Hate speech/mayor's resignation

I am writing today to voice my support of the call for Bob Currie to resign as mayor of Amaranth Township.

Freedom of speech does not extend to protecting hate speech. There can be no doubt that the words spoken by the mayor on multiple occasions and widely rebroadcast in media and online are hate speech. The mayor has caused significant harm to 2SLGBTQI individuals within the broad reach of his tirades. For further reading I recommend the following: <https://www.refworld.org/pdfid/525b9eb64.pdf>

In addition, not only did the mayor's words regarding ability of 2SLGBTQI people to procreate perpetuate hateful language and stereotypes, they attributed a citizen's total value as being limited solely to one's fertility - an issue affecting people of all identities. His words were also factually incorrect. The mayor's statements reflect an outdated gender-binary mentality. In fact there are trans women with penises and there are trans men with vaginas who have procreated with their same sex partners.

This matter demands the strongest of possible responses including:

1. The immediate resignation of the mayor
2. Individual statements issued by all other town councillors rejecting the views expressed by the mayor and including apologies from those who were present at the town council meeting and remained silent when the mayor expressed the hateful views in question.
3. A pledge and an action plan for council to improve inclusivity of the 2SLGTBQI community in town policies, bylaws, proceedings, and events.
4. All township councillors and employees should undergo safer spaces training.

Regards,
Aaron Crowe

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Sonya Shorter <
Sent: Tuesday, June 30, 2020 10:35 AM
To: Information
Subject: Mayor Currie

Mayor Currie should be removed from office immediately and charged with hate speech.
His comments and subsequent non-apology declaring his disgusting opinion as the truth need to be dealt with immediately.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Council.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Sonya Shorter<com> through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Ann-Marie Carruth
Sent: Tuesday, June 30, 2020 8:27 PM
To: Information
Subject: Mayor Bob Currie

I was very disheartened to hear Mayor Currie's position on raising the pride flag. However, I was even more disturbed to hear his reasoning. Whether or not his daughter or he recognize his views as homophobic, does not diminish the fact that his actions, words and lack of concern are indeed homophobic and hurtful. He has openly admitted that he does not care that he is not representing all of his constituents. Surely he is not a dictator and this also falls on council's shoulders. Please note this is disturbing. Sincerely, a concerned Ontarian. Ann-Marie Carruth

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This email was sent to you by Ann-Marie Carruth

through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Katharine Moores
Sent: Wednesday, July 1, 2020 6:36 PM
To: Information
Subject: Pride Flag

I heard about the refusal to fly the Pride flag. Whatever one feels about the flag or the mayor's subsequent comments, I'd just to put out three thoughts for your consideration:

1. flying the Pride flag should not be mandatory. Something is very wrong if it HAS to be flown to avoid anger, career-ending reprisals, or threats.
 2. The Maple Leaf should be seen to represent ALL Canadians, straight, gay, whatever. No 'special' flag should be needed for anyone. All of us. Together. Under the Maple Leaf.
 3. Whether the mayor should continue in his position should be decided in the next election, by mandate from the people of his community; he should not be forced out by pressure from the professionally angry.
- Thanks for reading. Hope you can resolve this with mutual respect, we all seem to be in short supply of that, these days. Best wishes.

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This email was sent to you by Katharine Moores<

> through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Alina Novak
Sent: Thursday, July 2, 2020 9:03 PM
To: Information
Subject: Bob Currie

You leave Bob Currie alone, you communist mob! I am so sick and tired of this virtue signaling, cancel cultures and the idiocy going on. Don't you have better/more important things to do? Like running your county?

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This email was sent to you by Alina Novak

.> through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Brian Hicks
Sent: Friday, July 3, 2020 7:44 AM
To: Information
Subject: Your Mayor

Aren't you ashamed to have a Mayor who is so bigoted that he refuses to fly a Rainbow flag for Gay Pride? It makes your town look totally out of touch with reality, and it seems incongruous that someone is unwilling to represent the whole community- yet he IS the mayor of that community!

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Brian Hicks<[redacted]> through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of julian lautenschlager
Sent: Thursday, July 2, 2020 6:22 PM
To: Information
Subject: Flag Protocol

I see no the news that in this instance you were flying the Canada flag and the Rainbow flag on the same pole. Please correct as this is in accordance with the Directive on Flag Protocol. It and others that you wish to display 'must' be on a separate flag pole. In other words the Canada flag must flag 'alone'. Other Townships and cities do. Please action. Thanks.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by julian lautenschlager<
<http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From:
Sent: Tuesdav. June 30, 2020 5:10 PM
To:
Subject: RE: Support of Bob Currie

Further to my previous email, I was discussing the raising of personal group flags in public places and a certain individual brought up the fact that the indigenous people have been having pow wows for many years in celebration of their culture. These events are huge and people come from all over for the festivities. Just wondering why their flags are not also flying proudly in public areas during these pow wow events. Every town can be holding their own pow wow event and invite the public to celebrate the indigenous culture. What we are wondering is who supplies the flags?

Regards,

Elizabeth Thomas

From: Information
Sent: June 29, 2020 9:29 AM
To: Elizabeth
Subject: RE: Support of Bob Currie

Thank you for your email. Your comments will be passed on to the appropriate individual.
We encourage and appreciate all comments from citizens.

Township of Amaranth

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From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca <noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca> On Behalf Of Elizabeth
Sent: Sunday, June 28, 2020 10:38 PM
To: Information <info@amaranth.ca>
Subject: Support of Bob Currie

Regarding flying the GBLTQ flag you must remember that many are silent for fear of being targeted. Public property should NOT be used to highlight groups that everyone does not support. Stick with the Canadian Flag as all are represented. What they fly on their own private property is their concern.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of David Kruger
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 11:25 AM
To: Information
Subject: Mayor Currie/Pride Flag

Hi there.

Just fly the Pride flag.

I'm sure you do other things that you don't approve of.

You're Christian.

Christ would fly the Pride flag.

Do the right thing.

Thanks!

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by David Kruger<

through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Natacha <
Sent: Wednesday, July 8, 2020 11:56 AM
To: Information
Subject: For Mayor Bob Currie, our brother in Christ

Good morning brother! We are happy in our heart to see how strong you stand for the truth and sadden in the same time to see the hatred going around and the attack for standing for the truth and showing such wisdom! We are with you in prayers! The Lord spoke and I started a new petition to remove the petition that is trying to remove you from office. The whole world is grieving and needs more people like you, not less. I will give you the link of this petition to help out too in your community to keep you as Mayor and also to help others to know how the Lord is great and is there for his people when they are faithful. God bless you dearly Mayor Bob Currie!
<http://chnng.it/wjVShjQSkw>

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This email was sent to you by Natacha

rough <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Natacha <
Sent: Wednesday, July 8, 2020 2:09 PM
To: Information
Subject: For our dear brother Mayor Bob Currie

Good afternoon dear brother in Christ,

I am sending this email right now as an encouragement and to share with you a link on YouTube that I posted in honor of you and Our Lord. Here is the link: <https://youtu.be/iUlwzt2CfKQ> We love you in Christ and God keeps you safe and bless you. Natacha

Origin: http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Council.aspx?_mid_=101216

This email was sent to you by Natacha<

ugh <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

6/26/20

Mr. Currie - As reported on the news,
your recent comments about LGBT
people reveal you to be a repugnant
dinosaur - God made LGBT people
who they are - who are you to
question God's work? When you are
dead and gone people will wonder
how you could have been so
hateful -

Jack

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Dan MacLachlan <
Sent: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 6:26 PM
To: Information
Subject: gay pride flag
Categories: Blue Category

1 million kudos to your Mayor for refusing to raise gay pride flag. I live in Grey Highlands, however if I was a resident of Amaranth I would do whatever I could to support your Mayor. Keep up the good work!

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Dan MacLachlan·

through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Ted Dobroski
Sent: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 6:27 PM
To: Information
Subject: Mayor Bob Currie

Categories: Blue Category

I my wife and I had watched the News regarding the Pride Flag. We both agree with Mr Currie. We live in Burlington ON. And were very upset about our City painting a Rainbow walkway cost \$10,000. People are allowed our opinions and not having thinks forced on us. Do not resign! I would live in your location!

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This email was sent to you by Ted Dobroski

rough <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of James Hutchinson ·
Sent: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 7:00 PM
To: Information
Subject: Mayor Currie

Categories: Blue Category

Mayor, In a time of not being able to say Christian beliefs and Law and Order I commend you.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Council.aspx>

This email was sent to you by James Hutchinson through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Jim chatterton <
Sent: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 11:27 PM
To: Information
Subject: Flag
Categories: Blue Category

This message is to the Mayer. In today's world where there are to many people complaining. You have stood your ground and not given in to protests. I am proud of you for holding ground. Thank -you

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Jim chatterton through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.



From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of David Davies
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 7:58 AM
To: Information
Subject: The mayors position on not flying gay flag.
Categories: Blue Category

Dear Sir, I live in Campbellford, Ontario, and I support you 100 Percent in not flying this flag. Many of the 'straight' people also support you. Keep up your position. We're frankly getting fed up with all this gay stuff being jammed up our behinds. We congratulate you for taking a stand on this matter. Stand fast!!!
We have rights too. There's too much of this by politicians, especially John Tory in Toronto.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Council.aspx>

This email was sent to you by David Davies<

> through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Kaitlyn reyes >
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 11:48 AM
To: Information
Subject: Thank you!

Categories: Blue Category

To the Mayor, Mr. Currie:

Thank you so much for standing by your belief in the authority of scripture. You are awesome and the Lord will bless you immensely! Keep up the good work! I wish I could live in a town where the leadership was not afraid to stand up for truth! May you live a long time and continue to make a difference. <3

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This email was sent to you by Kaitlyn reyes

ugh <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

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From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Lee Hearn
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 12:33 PM
To: Information
Subject: Mayor's comments regarding 'Pride' flag

Categories: Blue Category

Well said your worship. There are many in Canada who agree with you. May God bless you

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Departments.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Lee Hearn

gh <http://www.amaranth.ca/>



From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Marlene Sanderson
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 12:35 PM
To: Information
Subject: Pride flag
Categories: Blue Category

I stand with you I'm not flying the flag. You should not be bullied into going against your convictions. All the best to you!!

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Council.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Marlene Sanderson<

n> through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.



From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Michael Thomas
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 1:08 PM
To: Information
Subject: Thank you

Categories: Blue Category

Good work Mr. Currie. As long as these flamboyant groups demand to be heard and accommodated, why are they then telling you what to do? Double standards perhaps. These people fail to accept the facts. You are not describing anything else but their lifestyle. It is not a "personal attack like they are doing to you. Are you telling them to resign, step down or apologize, NO. They act like they represent a "new world" when in fact they are laden with old issues. They fail to acknowledge what has been in place before their very inception and ideas. They in fact have narrow minded thinking. The world is not here just for their demands and disposal. Hypocrisy has infiltrated so many levels of society and none of their entitlements have made this world better. Thank you for staying truthful and honourable. I wish you and your Counsel the best Sir. Thank you.

P-S, I hope this note is presented to you.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/Modules/search/index.aspx?q=Mr. Currie>

This email was sent to you by Michael Thomas<

> through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Grace Dean <
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 1:43 PM
To: Information
Subject: Don't fly the pride flag

Categories: Blue Category

Thank you Mr. Mayor Curie for standing firm about not flying the pride flag. Although you're not my mayor (I live in Barrie), I wish you were my mayor. We need more leaders like you.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Grace Dean<

ough <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

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From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Kevin Adamson >
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 2:35 PM
To: Information
Subject: Mayor's comments

Categories: Blue Category

Everyone has a right to free speech and opinions.
Glad he stood up and spoke freely.
Good for you sir!
Too much political correctness in this day and age

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Kevin Adamson< through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Robert Kuhn
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 4:46 PM
To: Information
Subject: Mayor Bob Currie's decision on "rainbow" flag

Categories: Blue Category

I want to express my wholehearted support to Mayor's decision not to fly "rainbow" flag. You fly a provincial flag and a national flag. LGBT, or whatever they call themselves this week, are not a province or a country. And even if they were, why should you fly a flag of this particular country? There's 200 countries in the world, do they expect you to fly 200 flags? Preposterous.

And, on a general note, gay and lesbians are who they are not because they are special but because they are burdened with a genetic disorder, some chromosome imbalance.

I'm not saying they do not deserve to live their lives as they see fit, but I don't want anyone to ask for some special rights for them.

Please keep it this way, your Honor.

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This email was sent to you by Robert Kuhn<

rough <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Norm Larkin <
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 5:48 PM
To: Information
Subject: Support for Mayor Currie's comment on Pride

Categories: Blue Category

Mayor Currie

I support your right to speak your opinion on Pride.

I'm not anti gay but I believe you're entitled to your opinion.

I hope you don't resign sir.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Norm Larkin<

hrough <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Ian Ball <
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 12:56 PM
To: Information
Subject: ! "Pride' Flag

Categories: Blue Category

Written in my grandmother's Bible is the thought, "Let us stand for something, lest we fall for anything." I commend your opposition to flying this banner. The Town of St Marys has lost its moral compass and decided to raise it not only at the Town Hall, but also at the town barns and the rec centre. History will prove you right. Keep up the fight.
Ian Ball, St Marys

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Council.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Ian Ball

ugh <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

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From: Alex Nelyubin <
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 8:32 PM
To: Information
Subject: Bravo to the Mayor

Categories: Blue Category

Bravo to the Mayor and Counselors for not raising the p.... flag.
Thank you from all my family.

Alex

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From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Debbi Morrison
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 9:18 PM
To: Information
Subject: The Flag
Categories: Blue Category

I would just like to say thank you for standing up for what you believe and not being bullied. Im sure some would have something to say if you put a christian flag up. Thank you again

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This email was sent to you by Debbi Morrison<

rough <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Terrin Newton <
Sent: Thursday, June 25, 2020 11:26 PM
To: Information
Subject: Mayor Bob Currie is in the right

Categories: Blue Category

Bob Currie is an elected official. If people don't like his way of running things, they can vote against him or run against him, or move away. I don't live in your township. I just don't want to see duly elected officials forced out of office for stating things some may find offensive. Personally, I think Bob is wrong about gays and lesbians being the "last generation," but who cares. Not the issue. I support Bob. When did the pride flag become more important than free speech and the Canadian way?

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This email was sent to you by Terrin Newton<

ugh <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Peter Wainwright
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 12:43 AM
To: Information
Subject: Support for Mayor over pride flag
Categories: Blue Category

Want to message SUPPORT for mayor Bob Currie. When society publicly celebrates adulterers, thieves and liars, by flying flags then will be the right time to fly flags for lgbtq2+++

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Peter Wainwright<

through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.



From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Eddy Ba
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 10:29 AM
To: Information
Subject: Support for the Mayor Bob Currier

Categories: Blue Category

I express my support to Mayor Bob Currier. The gay propaganda has gone so big that it is banning freedom of expression. It is promoting making the work gay. If you are gay it is fine, nothing against you, but don't start marketing and advertising to make the world gay.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Eddy Ba through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.



From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of T.Mill < >
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 10:32 AM
To: Information
Subject: ' flag

Categories: Blue Category

Dear Mr. Mayor: God bless you for standing up to the bullies who want to fly their offensive political flag. This flag is offensive because to many people, it represents intolerance-intolerance against people who don't agree with them. Keep up the good work!

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This email was sent to you by T.Mill< > through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Patty Kempf <1>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 11:08 AM
To: Information
Subject: Mayor

Categories: Blue Category

You should be proud to have a mayor who can think for himself. No one else today has the guts to say anything that isn't politically correct.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Patty Kempf< through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Glenn Gundermann
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 12:08 PM
To: Information
Subject: It's your choice
Categories: Blue Category

Everyone has their choice. I think you made the right one by not flying the Pride flag. It should be up to the people and I have no doubt your actions represent your constituents. I bet you're getting a lot of hate mail. This is why I'm writing. I bet I'm part of the silent majority. You probably won't get many positive letters but know you are right. I have many gay friends but I don't necessarily agree with everything they demand. Take care.

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Glenn Gundermann<

> through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.



From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of Mario Marcopoulos
< >
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 12:12 PM
To: Information
Subject: MayorBob Currie raising gay pride flag.
Categories: Blue Category

To whom it may concern, re mayor Bob Currie.

The man said nothing hateful, nothing untrue, but gave a perspective of a culture full of compromise. He has shown true grit in the face of a political correctness for all the wrong reasons.

Let the man do the job he has been called to! Lead and speak truth!

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Committees-and-Boards.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Mario Marcopoulos<

> through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.



From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of John Williams ·
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 12:20 PM
To: Information
Subject: Free speech

Categories: Blue Category

Stand your ground, Mr. Mayor. Free speech is becoming non-existent and will soon be a thing of the past. You have the right to form your own standards and opinions. If people don't like what you have to say, let them vote you out. But don't back down. Stand by your words.

Thank you.

John Williams

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This email was sent to you by John Williams<

through <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.



From: noreply@esolutionsgroup.ca on behalf of S. Bruno <
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 2:26 PM
To: Information
Subject: Mayor's LGBTQ comments

Categories: Blue Category

Please convey to the mayor that we agree with his sentiments and stand behind him 100%!!

Origin: <http://www.amaranth.ca/en/municipal-government/Contact-Us.aspx>

This email was sent to you by S. Bruno<

ough <http://www.amaranth.ca/>.

IS 9:6 Jesus - Prince of Peace

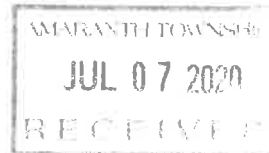
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Thanks! healthcare workers

Attention: Mayor Bob Currie
374028 6th Line
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June 26 to 20

Mayor Bob Currie,
Thank you for standing
up for truth and wisdom. There
are many who agree with your stand
against Pride Promotion flags on
public bldgs. May you be of good
courage as you stand for what
is right. I will continue to pray for
you - may the Lord open eyes & ears
before it is too late. Respectfully
Mrs J Dubé

Heavenly Father, thank you for Mayor Bob Currie whom I read about recently. He is standing up for Your truth and is being slandered for doing so. Please, Lord, I pray that You put on him a fresh anointing of the Holy Spirit that he may speak with boldness and courage as the disciples did in Acts 4:31.

Your Name and Your Truth are being attacked and blasphemed continuously. Like the early church, the devil wants to destroy Your people..... especially Jews and Christians. Raise up, Lord, more Davids, Daniels and Cyruses to fight. Strengthen us, Lord. So many have allowed the devil to steal their faith.

We pray for forgiveness, individually and corporately, for failure to keep Your Word in our hearts, in our minds and to instill them in our children. We have allowed the spirit of deception to invade the government, educational institutes, art/entertainment arenas, churches, families, media and in relationships. Our apathy has led to an anti-Christ presence in Canada and other nations. We have bent over backwards to be "politically correct" but have not been "God correct". We have not stood up when we needed to do so and we are in a crisis. Our freedoms are slowly being eroded and few are noticing -- freedom of speech, religion and freedom of meeting.

The "pandemic" that has overtaken the world, has filled so many people with fear. Yet, more babies are still being murdered than have died from the virus. The anger that is oozing from so many is not from You. Where is the mercy and grace in people's hearts? Where is love? In 2 Timothy 1:7, we read, "For He has not given us a spirit of fear but of power and of love and of a sound mind". Where is the "sound mind" today? People don't seem to have any common sense.

People are praying for a vaccine but the majority have no idea of the ingredients that are put in vaccines. I have often wondered if the reason there are so many homosexuals and lesbians is because of the fetal tissue that is found in vaccines. If female tissue is put in a male baby, does that cause the gender dysphoria? We do research for a house, university or car but people seem to hand over their precious baby to anyone in a white coat without doing research on vaccinations. Lord, how we need wisdom and discernment.

We need boldness to stand up and set our boundaries. We give facts but "they" don't want to hear the truth. Lord, what was good is now bad and vice versa. You gave rules, regulations and set boundaries all through the books in the Bible for a reason. When they were broken, You administered discipline with mercy.

Help us, Lord. Help, Mayor Currie. We pray for our nation of Canada. We want to be a sheep nation....a nation that follows the master Shepherd. Help all leaders in authority. We pray for wisdom, courage and discernment. We pray for peace. Most importantly, Lord, we pray for strength to face the battle in full armor as in Ephesians 6. We know that this is a spiritual battle. You are our leader. We pledge to follow You.

We will not back down. We will not give up. We will speak Your truth. Like Joshua saying, "Choose this day who you will serve", we choose You. We choose Christ over the crisis. We choose to fight with worship, Scripture and with bold audacious prayers.

Please keep Mayor Currie safe. Keep him strong in mind, body and spirit. I thank You, Lord, that there are still some good, honest, Christian men fighting the battle. I plead the precious sin-free, poverty-free, and disease-free blood over him, his home and family, and his work. In the mighty name of Jesus, I pray. Amen