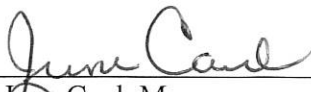


ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I, June Caul, Mayor of the Town of Fort Frances, hereby acknowledge that:

1. Sections 224 to 229 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25 ("***Municipal Act***") confer on me, as head of council, no role in the administration of the municipality;
2. The Town of Fort Frances' *Procedural By-Law* and *Staff/Council Relations Policy* create no powers, authority, or role for the Mayor in the administration of the municipality;
3. Council of the Town of Fort Frances has delegated no management or administrative powers, authority, or role to me under section 23.1 of the *Municipal Act* or otherwise;
4. The function of the chief executive officer of the municipality, as defined in section 226.1 of the *Act*, confers no administrative or internal management role in the municipality on the head of council;
5. I was never appointed chief administrative officer ("**CAO**") of the Town of Fort Frances or otherwise given the ability to exercise the role of the CAO, which is disallowed by section 258(1) of the *Municipal Act*;
6. As Mayor, I have no power or authority, without the prior authorization, delegation, or direction of Council, nor any power or authority under any by-law or policy of the Town of Fort Frances:
 - a. To order, direct, or instruct administrative staff of the municipality to do or not to do anything;
 - b. To exercise or enforce the rights of the municipality under any contract unless specifically authorized; or
 - c. To instruct legal counsel for the municipality; and
7. The role of the head of council, under section 225 of the *Municipal Act*, "to provide leadership to council" and "to provide information and recommendations to council with respect to the role of council" does not confer on the head of council any role, power, or authority:
 - a. To obstruct or block informational requests from councillors to administration;
 - b. To withhold information or records from councillors that is properly requested from administration;
 - c. To direct municipal staff to disregard inquiries from councillors; or
 - d. To undermine and interfere with the democratic function, lawful role, and performance of the duties of councillors.

SIGNED at the Town of Fort Frances, this 11 day of February, 2022.


June Caul, Mayor