



**RE: Gypsy Moth Spraying**

**JANUARY 19, 2022**

At its meeting of January 17, 2022, the Council of the Township of Limerick passed a motion in regard to the Gypsy Moth Concentration and Control Measures;

“WHEREAS the Gypsy Moth defoliation in Limerick Township has caused significant damage, with Limerick Township reportedly having the highest concentration of Gypsy moths in Hastings County due to the Rural nature of the Township; and

WHEREAS the reported responses from the public do not present an accurate picture of the devastation as the geographical area is quite large in relation to the low population of Limerick Township;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Council of the Township of Limerick request that the County of Hastings consider the impact of the Gypsy Moth Caterpillars on the rural communities across Ontario, not only through online reporting but also taking into consideration the land mass associated with each municipality. For example, one property owner recently purchased 27,000 acres of land, but was only able to submit 1 report for the entire property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the population of seasonal residents not reporting in the area during the off season also be taken into consideration, as there is potential that they are unaware of the reporting process.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County of Hastings take the necessary steps to accurately interpret the devastation of the Gypsy Moth Caterpillar by way of geographical consideration along with the online reporting method to ensure accurate and beneficial spraying to combat this problem is undertaken.”

Please reach out to the Township Clerk with any additional questions at 613-474-2863.

Sincerely,

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