



October 21, 2020

Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Hon. Steve Clark
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Toronto, ON M5G 2E5
via email steve.clark@pc.ola.org

Dear Minister Clark,

Re: Registry Office Closure and Storage of Surplus Hard Copy Documents (LRO #27 Almonte)

Please accept this letter of support on behalf of the Council of the Corporation of the County of Lanark for the Board of Archives Lanark and their efforts to obtain the Land Abstract books, documents, wills, microfilm, maps and surveys currently being housed in the Land Registry Office #27 located in Almonte, Ontario.

It is our understanding that the holdings mentioned above are being transferred to an online forum, and hard copies are to become surplus and discarded. With that in mind, Archives Lanark has expressed their interest to County Council in saving these documents and housing the hard copies locally so that the public may access them when needed. On October 14, 2020, County Council passed motion #ED-58-2020 in support of the Archives Lanark's request and proposal to obtain these documents, as we are confident in their ability to safely store and make available these documents to the public.

If you would like to discuss this request in more detail, I would be happy to set up a time with you and your staff.

I am looking forward to a favorable response.

Yours truly,

Brian Campbell
Lanark County Warden

Cc: Hon. Randy Hillier, MPP – Lanark-Frontenac-Kingston
All Lanark County Municipalities
Frances Rathwell, Chair Person, Archives Lanark