



COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT

Between

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF GEORGINA

- and -

CANADIAN UNION OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEES, LOCAL 905.26

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ARTICLE 1 – PURPOSE

1.01 The general purpose of this Agreement is:

- i) To promote and maintain a harmonious relationship and establish and maintain collective bargaining relations between the Corporation of the Town of Georgina (“Corporation”) and its Employees;
- ii) To provide machinery for the prompt and equitable disposition of grievances and to maintain and establish wages, hours of work and other working conditions as herein provided;
- iii) To encourage cooperation in the promotion of high standards of organizational service;
- iv) To encourage cooperation in the efficient and effective delivery of Town services.

ARTICLE 2 –RECOGNITION & DEFINITIONS

2.01 The Corporation recognizes the Canadian Union of Public Employees (“Union”) as the sole exclusive Bargaining Unit for all Employees of the Corporation employed in the Road and Water/Waste Water divisions, save and except Supervisors and those above the rank of Supervisors, casual, and contract Employees, and Employees covered by subsisting Collective Agreements.

2.02 **Employee** shall mean a person hired by the Corporation for a position within the Bargaining Unit as outlined in this Agreement.

2.03 **Probationary Period**

All newly hired Employees shall be on probation for the first six (6) months of employment and will have no seniority rights during that period. After six (6) months service, the Employee’s seniority shall date back to the day in which the Employee was hired. Probationary terminations will not be grieved by the Union except in circumstances where the termination is discriminatory or in bad faith.

- i) This probationary period may be extended by mutual agreement of the parties that will not be unreasonably withheld. Said extensions will be for no more than four (4) additional months.
- ii) In the event that such an Employee is absent for ten (10) or more working days during the probationary period, such probationary period shall be extended to provide for a total of the required period noted above.
- iii) A probationary Employee shall be subject to the terms of this agreement, except as expressly otherwise provided.



2.04 Contract Employees

A contract Employee is a person filling a position created by the Corporation for a period of time not to exceed eight (8) months in any twelve (12) month period. A longer period of time may be allowed if requested and agreed to by the Union. Such requests would not be unreasonably denied. Contract Employees are exempt from the Bargaining Unit.

In the event that there are lay-offs, no permanent Employee shall be laid off while Contract Employees are still employed.

2.05 Temporary Replacement Employees

Where a permanent Employee is on an approved leave of absence, the Corporation may fill the incumbent's position for the length of their absence to a maximum of twenty-four (24) months. In the event of a medical leave of absence, under the Long-Term Income Protection Plan the duration of leave may be extended to two and one-half (2-1/2) years. Temporary Replacement Employees shall only be covered by the following provisions of this Collective Agreement: 3, 4, 5.06, 11, 15.06, 17.01, 21.07, 21.08 and Appendix A, and shall have the right to grieve the violation of these articles.

Temporary Replacement Employees shall be entitled to one (1) paid personal day for every seventeen (17) continuous weeks of service up to a maximum of three (3) personal days per calendar year. Should the Temporary Replacement Employee's employment terminate prior to the end of a full year it is understood time taken shall be prorated and any time taken but not accrued will be deducted from the Employee's final pay.

The suspension or discharge of a Temporary Replacement Employee shall be within the sole discretion of the Corporation and cannot be made the subject of a grievance.

- 2.06 (i) in the event that a Contract or Temporary Replacement Employee becomes a permanent Employee in the same position and at the same classification, all time spent as a Contract or Temporary Replacement Employee shall be counted towards the Employee's probationary period and progression through the wage grid.
- (ii) in the event a Contract or Temporary Replacement Employee becomes a permanent Employee at a higher classification level, any time spent as a Contract or Temporary Replacement Employee will not be counted toward the Employee's probationary period. Progression through the wage grid shall be based on the start date of permanent employment.
- 2.07 An Employee who fills a position temporarily outside of the Bargaining Unit shall pay dues in accordance with Article 5.06 of the Collective Agreement. Such Employee shall have the right to return to their former position in the Bargaining Unit, within a period of two (2) years, with no loss of seniority.



2.08 Work of the Bargaining Unit

In the event that it becomes necessary to contract out the work of the Bargaining Unit, the Corporation will provide written notification with rationale to the Unit Chair, or designate, prior to the work being performed. There is no need to inform the Union in the case of instruction, demonstration, or emergency.

It is agreed that no Bargaining Unit member shall be laid-off or have a reduction of hours as a result of contracting out.

The Parties agree to meet, at the request of the Union, to discuss opportunities where work could be contracted in.

ARTICLE 3 – RELATIONSHIP

- 3.01 The Corporation endorses the right of every Employee to work in an environment free from personal harassment and sexual harassment as defined in the *Occupational Health and Safety Act* and discrimination. The Corporation and the Union agree that there will be no intimidation, discrimination, interference, restriction or coercion exercised or practiced with respect to any Employee by reason of age; ancestry, colour, or race; citizenship; ethnic origin; place of origin; creed; disability; family status; marital status; gender identity or gender expression; record of offences; sex, including pregnancy and breastfeeding; sexual orientation; the association with others similarly protected; or any other prohibition of the Human Rights Code; nor by reason of their activity or non-activity in the Union.
- 3.02 It is agreed that the Union and the Employees will not engage in Union activities during working hours or hold meetings at any time on the premises of the Corporation without the permission of the Head of Human Resources or designate. Where meetings are held during regular working hours, the Union Officers and affected Employees will request permission to leave the work station in the same manner as outlined in Article 5.02.
- 3.03 No Employee covered by this Agreement shall be required or permitted to make a written or verbal Agreement with the Corporation or the Corporation's representative which may conflict with the terms of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 4 – MANAGEMENT RIGHTS

- 4.01 The Union recognizes and acknowledges that the management of the operations and direction of the working force are fixed exclusively in the Corporation, and without restricting the generality of the foregoing to:
- (a) maintain order, discipline and efficiency;
 - (b) hire, promote, demote, classify, transfer, suspend, and rehire Employees, and to discipline or discharge any Employee for just cause, provided that a claim by an Employee who has acquired seniority that they have been discharged or disciplined without just cause may be the subject of a grievance and dealt with as hereinafter provided;



- (c) make, enforce, and alter, from time-to-time, rules and regulations to be observed by the Employees. Such rules and regulations shall not be inconsistent with the terms of the Agreement;
- (d) to determine the number of personnel required from time-to-time, the standards of Employee performance, service levels of the organization, the methods, procedures, machinery and equipment to be used, schedules of work and all other matters concerning the Corporation's operations not otherwise specifically dealt with in this Agreement.

4.02 The Corporation agrees that these functions shall only be exercised in a manner consistent with the provisions of this Agreement, and at all times, in a fair and reasonable manner.

ARTICLE 5 – REPRESENTATION

5.01 The Corporation will recognize the following Union representatives of members of the bargaining unit:

- (a) two (2) Employees selected by the Union who have completed their probationary period to be known as Stewards;
- (b) the CUPE 905 Georgina Unit Chair, who may be from CUPE 905.03 or CUPE 905.26, and the CUPE 905.26 Vice Chair;
- (c) a staff Representative of the Canadian Union of Public Employees.

5.02 Stewards

It is understood that Stewards have their regular work to perform and that if it is necessary for them to service a grievance or potential grievance during working hours, they will not leave their work without first obtaining permission from their immediate Supervisor. Wherever possible, the Steward shall provide their Supervisor with at least 24 hours written notice of any such meeting and will provide the names of those involved. In obtaining such permission, the Stewards shall state their destination to their immediate Supervisor and report again to their Supervisor at the time of their return to work. In accordance with this understanding, Stewards dealing with Employee grievances during their regular hours of work, shall not suffer any loss in pay. It is understood that any such meeting may need to be rescheduled due to operational needs.

Stewards shall experience no loss of pay, seniority or benefits for time spent attending grievance meetings, mediations or arbitrations.

It is understood that Stewards are assigned by the Union. Where a Steward is required or requested, communication will be done through the Unit Chair or Vice Chair.

5.03 The Corporation acknowledges the right of the Union to appoint or select a negotiating committee of not more than two (2) Employees covered by the Collective Agreement plus the CUPE 905 Georgina Unit Chair, who may be from CUPE 905.03 or CUPE 905.26 and a staff representative of the Canadian Union of Public Employees, for the purpose of negotiating a renewal Agreement pursuant to notice given under Article 23, Duration.



Employees shall not experience any loss of pay, seniority or benefits for time spent in direct negotiations with the Corporation. All hours spent in conciliation meetings will be compensated at straight time.

- 5.04 An Officer of the Union shall be given the opportunity to interview each new Employee within regular working hours without loss of pay, for a maximum of thirty (30) minutes during the first month of employment at a mutually agreed upon time for the purpose of acquainting the new Employee with the benefits and duties of Union membership and responsibilities and obligations to the Corporation and the Union.
- 5.05 The Union shall keep the Corporation notified in writing of the names of the Union executive, current Stewards, and members of the negotiating committee.
- 5.06 Employees occupying positions set out in the column headed "Position Title" in Appendix "A" shall be required to pay an amount equivalent to the regular monthly union dues as determined from time-to-time. The Corporation shall deduct such dues from each pay of each Employee and remit them to CUPE 905. The Union shall notify the Corporation of any changes to this monthly sum and such notification shall be the Corporation's conclusive authority to make the deductions specified.
- 5.07 **Labour Management Committee**
- (a) A Labour/Management Committee may meet with a view to promoting good labour management relations and communications. The Committee shall meet as required at a mutually agreeable time and date. Meetings will be scheduled a minimum of two (2) times per year.
 - (b) No Employee acting as a Union Committee representative will lose pay, benefits or seniority for time spent at Committee meetings.
 - (c) This Labour Management committee shall consist of two (2) Union representatives and the National Union representative, plus three (3) Corporate representatives. The Union shall select only (1) representative from any division in order to minimize the impact on operations and customer service.

ARTICLE 6 – GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

- 6.01 (a) The parties to this Agreement are agreed that it is of the utmost importance to adjust complaints and grievances as quickly as possible and further, that every effort shall be made by the parties to effect a mutually acceptable resolution to such differences before advancing to Step No. 1 of the Grievance Procedure.
- (b) After a grievance has been initiated, the Corporation shall not initiate negotiations with the aggrieved Employee with respect to the grievance, either directly or indirectly, without the consent or presence of a Steward, Unit Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson. Once initiated, the grievance shall become the property of the Union. For the purpose of the grievance procedure, "working days" shall be Monday to Friday inclusive. The date of submission of any grievance or the giving of any grievance or decision shall be excluded from the computation time.



- (c) All in person disciplinary/grievance meetings will be conducted in a mutually agreed upon location that allows for privacy.
- 6.02 A grievance shall be defined as any difference concerning the interpretation, application, administration or alleged violation of the provisions of this Agreement.
- 6.03 (a) No grievance shall be considered where the circumstances giving rise to it or when the Employee and/or the Union becomes aware of it, occurred or originated more than ten (10) full working days before the filing of the grievance.
- (b) Grievances and replies to grievances shall be in writing at all stages and shall be delivered in person or via email. The Union shall submit grievances to the appropriate individual described in the Grievance Procedure. However, should that individual not be available, the Union may submit the grievance to the appropriate individual's immediate Supervisor or designate, or given their unavailability to the Head of Human Resources or designate. The Corporation shall submit responses to the Unit Chair and the Vice Chair, as well as the Steward that participated in the meeting. Responses to Step 3 grievances will also be submitted to the CUPE National Representative assigned to the Unit.
- 6.04 (a) The Corporation and Union agree that it is of the utmost importance to resolve grievances as quickly as possible at the lowest level where possible. Grievances properly arising under this Agreement shall be adjusted and settled as follows:

Step No. 1: The aggrieved Employee shall, with the assistance of a steward present their grievance in writing to their Supervisor or designate. Within ten (10) working days of receipt of the grievance the Supervisor or designate will meet with the Employee. The Employee shall be accompanied by a representative of the Union. The Supervisor or designate shall give their decision in writing within ten (10) working days following such meeting. If the Supervisor's or designate's decision is not satisfactory to the Employee concerned, then the grievance may be presented as follows.

Step No. 2: Within ten (10) working days after the decision is given under Step No. 1, the aggrieved Employee, accompanied by their steward may present their grievance in writing to the Manager or designate. Within ten (10) working days of receipt of the grievance the Manager or designate will meet with the Employee. The Employee shall be accompanied by a representative of the Union. The Manager or designate shall render their decision in writing within ten (10) working days following such meeting.

Step No. 3: Within ten (10) working days after the decision is given under Step No. 2, the aggrieved Employee, accompanied by a Steward may present the grievance in writing to the Head of Human Resources or designate.

Within ten (10) working days of receipt of the grievance the Head of Human Resources or designate and Respective Department Head will meet with the Employee. At this stage, the Employee shall be accompanied by a representative of the Union and a CUPE National Representative. The



Head of Human Resources or designate shall render a decision in writing within ten (10) working days following such meeting.

- (b) Time limits are to be mandatory for all steps of the entire Grievance Procedure unless the Union and the Corporation mutually agree in writing to extend the time limits.
 - (c) The parties recognize the value of informal discussion between the Union and the Corporation to the end that problems might be resolved informally at any stage of the grievance process. When notice is given that the Union wishes to take advantage of this clause, it is agreed that the time limits of this grievance procedure are paused and shall not count as elapsed time for the purpose of grievance time limits.
- 6.05 If final settlement of the grievance is not reached at Step No. 3, and which has been properly carried through all the steps of the grievance procedure and if the grievance is one which concerns the interpretation, application, administration or alleged violation of the Agreement, then the grievance may be referred in writing by either party to an Arbitrator as provided in Article 7 below at any time within thirty (30) working days after the decision is given under Step No. 3, and if no such written request for arbitration is received within the time limited, then it shall be deemed to have been abandoned.
- 6.06 Where a dispute involving a question of general application or interpretation within the Collective Agreement occurs, or where a group of Employees or the Union has a grievance, the grievance will be filed at Step 2.
- 6.07 Where a grievance concerns job selection for a Bargaining Unit position, the aggrieved Employee will file their grievance at Step 2 with the Manager of the job in question.
- 6.08 A claim by an Employee who has completed their probationary period that they have been unjustly discharged shall be treated as a grievance if a written statement of such grievance is lodged with the Corporation as Step 3 of the grievance procedure within five (5) working days after the date the discharge is effected.
- 6.09 Where no written answer has been given within the time limit specified, the grievance may be submitted to the next step of the foregoing procedure, including arbitration.
- 6.10 It is agreed that the Griever shall suffer no loss of pay, seniority or benefits while attending grievance meetings with the Corporation, mediation or arbitration, except in cases of discharge.

ARTICLE 7 – ARBITRATION

- 7.01 When either party requests that any matter be submitted to arbitration as provided in the foregoing article, it shall make such request in writing addressed to the other party to this Agreement, and the Corporation and the Union will mutually agree upon a single Arbitrator.
- 7.02 The decision of the Arbitrator shall be binding on both parties.



- 7.03 No matter may be submitted to arbitration which has not been properly carried through all requisite steps of the grievance procedure.
- 7.04 The Arbitrator shall not have any power to alter or change any of the provisions of the Agreement or to substitute any new provisions for any existing provisions, nor to give any decision inconsistent with the terms and provisions of this Agreement.
- 7.05 The parties to this Agreement will bear the expense of the Arbitrator jointly.
- (a) At any time after either party has requested Arbitration, either party may provide the other party with a written request to have the matter heard by a Mediator agreed to by both parties, in an attempt to find a resolution, before proceeding to Arbitration under this provision. The opposing party shall provide a written response to the request within fifteen (15) working days of receipt. The expenses of the mediation shall be divided equally between the parties. The Union Representatives shall suffer no loss of pay and/or loss of seniority for the time spent at mediation.

ARTICLE 8 – NO STRIKES – NO LOCKOUTS

- 8.01 In view of the orderly procedure established by this Agreement for the settling of disputes and handling of grievances, the Union agrees that during the life of this Agreement, there will be no strike, picketing, slowdown or stoppage of work, either complete or partial and the Corporation agrees that there will be no lockouts.

ARTICLE 9 – WAGES AND DIFFERENTIALS

- 9.01 The wage rates for Employees covered by this Agreement shall be as set out in Appendix A which is attached to and forms part of this Agreement.
- 9.02 The Corporation agrees to maintain a Joint Job Evaluation Program, jointly agreed to by the Union and the Corporation, for the purposes of providing and maintaining the basis of an equitable wage structure.
- 9.03 **Wage Differentials**

A permanent full-time or part-time Employee specifically appointed by their Department Head or designate to perform temporary duties in a higher rated position that is or is not subject to this Agreement shall:

- (i) receive the next higher rate of pay for that position that would result in an increase for all hours worked in that position; or,
- (ii) if the Employee is temporarily assigned to a lower rated position, their rate of pay shall not be changed.

ARTICLE 10 – JOB VACANCIES

- 10.01 The Vacancy date is considered the first day following the last day of the previous incumbent.

Where the Employer determines the following vacancies are required to be filled;



1. A Permanent Vacancy
2. A Temporary Vacancy exceeding one hundred and twenty (120) calendar days, or;
3. A newly created position within the bargaining unit

Such vacancies shall be posted within fourteen (14) calendar days of such determination/establishment, for a period of ten (10) calendar days.

The Corporation must circulate a posting to the CUPE 905 Unit Chair and concurrently post the position internally for a minimum of ten (10) calendar days.

External applications will be considered only when no qualified internal applicant applies and is successful.

The posting will indicate the Department, location, nature of the position, required qualifications, shift, and wage rate or range, in order that Employees may have the opportunity to make written applications to the Human Resources Department for such positions.

All Employees who have completed their probationary period may make written application for the vacant position.

The Union will be responsible for posting on their union communication boards.

10.02 Vacancies which will not or are not expected to exceed ninety (90) calendar days need not be posted unless agreed to by the parties. Such temporary vacancies may be filled at the discretion of the Corporation, and the Union will be provided with notification.

10.03 The Corporation shall consider applicants for whom a successful bid would result in a promotion or transfer (as defined herein) to a higher or equal rate classification. In cases of promotion or transfer, the following factors shall be considered:

- (a) qualifications and demonstrated performance;
- (b) seniority.

When the matters in factor a) are relatively equal in the opinion of the Corporation, then factor b) shall govern.

10.04 The successful applicant shall be placed in the vacancy or new position for a trial period not exceeding three (3) calendar months. During the trial period, the Employee shall be paid the full rate of pay for the job classification. If during the trial period, the Employee proves unsatisfactory or makes a request to be returned to their former position, he/she will be returned to their former position and rate of pay without loss of seniority, as will any other Employee in the Bargaining Unit who was promoted or transferred by reason of the original filling of the vacancy or new position. Any applicants for the original posting will then be given consideration in accordance with Article 10.03. If there are no qualified applicants, then the position would be reposted.



- 10.05 It is understood that posted positions shall be filled from within the Bargaining Unit first, then from the temporary pool of Employees working in a temporary position within the Roads or Waterworks Divisions and then from any other CUPE Bargaining Unit within the Corporation, prior to posting externally.
- 10.06 It is agreed and understood that a permanent Employee who has successfully applied for a temporary assignment is restricted from applying for further temporary assignments for a period of one (1) year, or the actual term of the temporary assignment, where the term is less than one (1) year, unless the assignment would be a promotion
- 10.07 **External Advertising** – Union positions shall not be simultaneously internally and externally advertised without the consent of both parties. External applications will be considered only when no qualified internal applicant applies.
- 10.08 It is agreed and understood that a permanent Employee who has been the successful candidate for another position and elects to invoke their right to return to their former position as per Article 10.04 is restricted from applying for further assignments for a period of six (6) months.
- 10.09 Where a vacancy arises in the same position within three (3) months of the original posting date, reposting of the job is not required where there were additional applicants that were successful in the initial recruitment process, in accordance with Article 10.05.

ARTICLE 11 – HOURS OF WORK AND OVERTIME

11.01 Hours of Work

The normal workweek for full-time Employees shall consist of forty (40) hours per week scheduled in eight (8) hour shifts, excluding the lunch period. The normal workday shall begin at 07:30 and end at 16:00, Monday to Friday. These hours of work can be modified by mutual agreement.

Each Employee will be eligible to take a thirty (30) minute unpaid meal and two fifteen (15) minute breaks during their shift. It is understood and agreed that meal breaks and break times will not unduly interfere with the efficient operation of the Corporation. It is understood and agreed that Employees prevented from completing their meal break shall be permitted to extend said period to provide a thirty (30) minute meal break.

- 11.02 It is expressly understood that the provisions of this article shall not constitute a guarantee of working schedules and/or starting/quitting times.
- 11.03 The parties agree that daily or weekly hours of work may exceed the time limits noted in Section 17 of the *Employment Standards Act, 2000*, as amended from time to time.
- 11.04 (a) After thirteen (13), or more, continuous hours of work the next consecutive eight (8) hours must be time off except in emergency situations as defined by applicable legislation and, if any of the eight (8) hours off fall within the Employees' next regular scheduled shift, all such hours shall be paid at straight-time rates.
- (b) Under no circumstances will any Employee be required or allowed to work more than sixteen (16) hours, without an eight (8) hour break.



11.05 **Special Shift**

Should it be deemed necessary by the Corporation, a special shift consisting of a normal working day or working week at hours other than normal hours, may be scheduled (for example, but not limited to, training, parades, street light inspections etc.). This would constitute a normal shift and notice of it must be given twenty-four (24) hours in advance. Failure to provide twenty-four (24) hours notice shall result in payment of overtime for any hours worked during such special shift. However, the Corporation will endeavor to provide as much notice as possible.

Special shifts will not be scheduled for a period in excess of five (5) continuous days unless mutually agreed upon by the Union and the Corporation.

11.06 **Overtime**

Overtime means time worked in excess of the normal workday and/or workweek, as specified in Article 11.01. Overtime shall be paid at the rate of time and one-half (1-1/2) the Employee's regular straight time rate for all overtime hours worked, with the exception of hours worked on Sunday, which shall be at the rate of two (2) times the regular straight time rate.

All overtime opportunities assigned or requested by management shall be offered equally on a rotational basis among the qualified Employees, based on their work location. Notice of scheduled overtime will be provided with as much notice as possible, but no less than eight (8) hours prior. At the request of the Union, management shall provide a written record of offered overtime.

Overtime includes the following conditions:

i) Continuation of Work

Up to three (3) hours of work continued past an Employee's regularly scheduled shift will not require the use of an overtime availability or stand-by list.

ii) Call Back

A call back is defined as a request to return to work for an Employee who is off-duty in order to participate in overtime.

An Employee participating in a call back shall be paid at the Employee's applicable overtime rate or two (2) hours at the Employee's regular rate of pay, whichever is greater.

The Employee shall be paid from the scheduled start time, or when the Employee arrives, whichever is later.

One other call back received during the first two (2) hour period will constitute a continuation of the first call-back and any time worked will be paid for at the applicable overtime rate. However, a third or subsequent call-back during any twenty-four (24) hour period shall be treated as a new call-back.



Where an Employee responds to a call back using electronic means, the Employee will receive a minimum of one (1) hour at the appropriate overtime rate.

iii) Call Out

A call-out is defined as mandatory overtime to which an Employee on standby must immediately respond at the request of the Corporation.

If the Employee is required to physically respond to a call out, the Employee will have up to one (1) hour to report to work after being notified, and shall receive a minimum of three (3) hours at the appropriate overtime rate starting at the time of notification.

Any other call out received during the first three (3) hour period will constitute a continuation of the first call-out. All further call outs after the first three (3) hour period has lapsed will constitute a new call out.

If the Employee is able to respond to a call out using electronic means, the Employee will be required to respond immediately, and the Employee will receive a minimum one (1) hour at the appropriate overtime rate.

The Corporation agrees that any missed opportunity for overtime shall be corrected by the Employee being offered another opportunity of equal hours, at the rate of pay for which the missed overtime would have been paid. The parties agree that the missed overtime opportunity will be outside of the normal rotation, and no grievance will be filed with respect to the made-up shift.

11.07 Stand-by

The option to invoke the stand-by provisions is at the sole discretion of management. All qualified Employees will be assigned to stand-by on a rotational basis with a schedule provided at least thirty (30) days in advance.

In the event an Employee is unable to be on standby as scheduled; the Employee must make arrangements to switch and/or giveaway the stand-by period or portion thereof with another Employee.

The Corporation will make best efforts to assign stand-by shifts as equally as possible, by seniority. All Employees must participate in at least twenty-five percent (25%) of their assigned stand-by shifts.

Employees may be assigned to stand-by with less notice in situations where previously scheduled stand-by has become vacant.

In the event a previously scheduled stand-by becomes vacant, the Employer shall utilize the volunteer stand-by list on a rotational basis. Should no Employee volunteer, the Employer will assign the stand-by by reverse seniority. Employees on vacation, lieu time or other such approved time off shall not be assigned standby on short notice.



Stand-by shifts will not be scheduled, switched or given away that results in a period in excess of twelve (12) continuous days unless mutually agreed upon by the Employee and the Corporation.

An Employee on stand-by Monday to Friday will be paid two (2) hours at their regular rate of pay for each day on stand-by. An Employee on stand-by on Saturday, Sunday or a paid holiday (with the exception of the floating holiday) will be paid three (3) hours at their regular rate of pay for each day on stand-by.

The stand-by period shall begin on a Friday and conclude the following Friday.

An Employee on stand-by must participate in overtime.

The Corporation will make best efforts to schedule Employees to not be on standby for more than one (1) holiday weekend in a row and to rotate holiday weekends on standby year over year.

An Employee assigned by their immediate Supervisor to be on stand-by shall ensure that they are immediately available to take all necessary calls and communications during the period of the stand-by assignment. The Employee shall also ensure that the technological means of receiving said calls and/or communications (e.g. telephone) are in working order, and if not in working order, the Employee shall take all reasonable steps to notify their Supervisor in order to ensure uninterrupted communication with the Employer.

The primary means of contact for Employees on stand-by shall be via phone call and Employees on stand-by shall be immediately available at all times.

11.08 **Lieu Time**

- (i) At the election of the Employee, time off with pay equal to the number of overtime hours worked at the overtime rate may be substituted in lieu of overtime pay, at a time suitable to the Corporation and the Employee.
- (ii) A total of one hundred twenty (120) hours may be banked in a banked time period. The banked time period is December 1st to November 30st of the following year. The banked time may be deferred in such manner and used no later than March 31st of the year following end of the banked period.
- (iii) Any deferred days as set out in subsection (ii) of this Article not requested for a payout or used as lieu time by March 31st, shall be paid out to eligible Employees no later than April 30th in each calendar year.



11.09 Shift Premiums

The Corporation agrees to pay a shift premium of \$1.75 per hour to Employees for each hour worked between the hours of 17:00 and 07:30. Overtime and premium payments will not pyramid under any circumstances.

11.10 Meal Allowance

An Employee who is required to work three (3) or more hours overtime immediately prior to or following that day's regularly scheduled shift shall be provided a meal allowance of seventeen dollars (\$17.00).

ARTICLE 12 – PAID HOLIDAYS

- 12.01 (a) The following paid holidays and any other holidays proclaimed by the Federal, Provincial or Municipal Government, regardless of when they fall, will be granted with pay to all Employees:

New Year's Day	Family Day
Victoria Day	Good Friday
Easter Monday	Canada Day
Civic Holiday	Labour Day
National Day of Truth and Reconciliation	½ Day Christmas Eve
Thanksgiving Day	Boxing Day
Christmas Day	1 Floating Holiday
½ Day New Year's Eve	

- (b) Payment for such holidays will be based on the Employee's regular hourly rate multiplied by the number of hours they would normally have worked on such day.
- (c) When any of the above-named holidays fall on a Saturday or Sunday, then the Friday preceding or the Monday following such holiday shall be designated by the Corporation as the day of observance of such holiday.
- 12.02 Any Employee required to work on a paid holiday (with the exception of the floating holiday) as defined above shall be paid for all authorized work performed on such holiday at two (2) times their regular straight time rate of pay for all hours worked in addition to their holiday pay.
- 12.03 Observance of the one (1) Floating Holiday shall be at a time mutually agreed upon by the Supervisor and the Employee and shall be subject to the following:
- (i) it shall be taken during the calendar year in which it was awarded;
- (ii) failure to take the Floating Holiday during the calendar year forfeits all entitlement to the holiday.



- (iii) Employees are entitled to the Floating Holiday after successful completion of the probation period.
- (iv) requests for the Floating Holiday will not be unreasonably denied.

ARTICLE 13 – VACATIONS

13.01 Accrued vacation can be taken after the probationary period. Employees will accrue paid vacation time as follows:

Years of Service	Days based on a 5-day work week	Based on a 40-hour work week
Less than 1 Year	1 day per month, to a maximum of 12 days	8 hours per month worked to a maximum of 96 hours
After 1 years	12 days	96
After 2 years	15 days	120
After 3 years	15 days	120
After 4 years	15 days	120
After 5 years	16 days	128
After 6 years	17 days	136
After 7 years	18 days	144
After 8 years	19 days	152
After 9 years	20 days	160
After 10 years	21 days	168
After 11 years	22 days	176
After 12 years	23 days	184
After 13 years	24 days	192
After 14 years	25 days	200
After 15 years	26 days	208
After 16 years	26 days	208
After 17 years	27 days	216
After 18 years	27 days	216
After 19 years	28 days	224
After 20 years	28 days	224
After 21 years	29 days	232
After 22 years	29 days	232
After 23 years	30 days	240

13.02 The vacation year shall be January 1 to December 31. Employees shall be credited with their vacation entitlement on January 1st of each year in accordance with the schedule. Progression on the schedule shall occur in the calendar year in which the Employee's anniversary date falls and shall be pro-rated from the Employee's anniversary date of employment to December 31 of that year.



13.03 In any vacation year, Employees shall be permitted to take their annual vacation prior to having earned it. Should an Employee leave their employment before earning the vacation time taken, the Employee is responsible for payment of unearned vacation credits taken and the Town will withhold or make deduction from the Employee's final pay.

13.04 **Vacation Carryover**

It is understood and agreed that as a general principal, Employees are encouraged to take their annual vacation entitlement. It is further understood that Employees will be approved to take such vacation subject to demonstrated operational requirements.

- (a) An Employee may postpone part of their annual vacation entitlement provided the Employee uses the lesser of the annual entitlement or two (2) weeks; and the total vacation carryover may not exceed fifteen (15) days.
- (b) An Employee may make a written request carryover more than fifteen (15) days for specific use. Details of the specific reason for this carryover must be provided at the time of the request and must contain the expected dates the vacation shall be taken. The approval of such request shall be at the discretion of the Department Head.
- (c) Any additional days or hours beyond the cap of fifteen (15) days shall be paid out in January of the following year at the Employee's regular, current rate of pay.
- (d) Where a Manager requests, and the Employee agrees to the postponement of all or part of the Employee's vacation, that period shall be in addition to the time specified in paragraph (a) above.

13.05 If an Employee's vacation is interrupted due to illness or accident requiring hospitalization, the period of hospitalization will be considered sick leave upon submission of a satisfactory medical documentation and the vacation credits will be restored.

13.06 An Employee shall give notice in writing to their Supervisor by November 15 each year of preferred vacation dates for the following year. On receipt of such notice, vacation dates shall be confirmed by December 15. When two or more Employees in the same division request the same or overlapping dates, preference will be given to the senior Employee.

Vacation requests received by November 15th of four (4) consecutive days or more shall take priority over a request of less than four (4) days.

13.07 Employees who fail to give notice of vacation preference by November 15 shall be granted vacation, considering vacation dates confirmed by December 15, on a first come, first served basis, and such vacation request will be confirmed or denied within two (2) weeks of application.

13.08 Vacation entitlement will accrue whenever an Employee is away from work because of: short term income protection plan, pregnancy/parental, personal emergency or any other approved ESA leave. Paid vacation credits will not accrue while an Employee is absent from work on an unpaid leave of absence in excess of thirty (30) calendar days for any other reason.



ARTICLE 14 – SENIORITY

- 14.01 Seniority as referred to in this Agreement shall mean length of service from date of last hire in the employ of the Corporation and shall be on a Bargaining Unit wide basis.
- 14.02 Seniority lists maintained by the Corporation shall be revised every twelve (12) months and a copy sent to the Union and posted on staff bulletin boards.
- 14.03 An Employee's seniority shall be frozen if absent from work because of lay-off or leave of absence that is unpaid but is approved by the Employer. An Employee shall not lose, and shall continue to accumulate, seniority if absent due to sickness, accident or approved paid leave of absence.
- 14.04 The CUPE 905 Georgina Unit Chair AND THE 905.26 Vice Chair shall be notified within five (5) working days of all appointments, all hirings, lay-offs, promotions, transfers, recalls and terminations of employment and all transitions to and/or from the Bargaining Unit. When a vacancy occurs, or a new position is created within the Bargaining Unit, the Corporation shall notify the Union electronically.
- 14.05 Seniority lists, including Employee addresses, personal emails and phone numbers maintained by the Corporation shall be shared every six (6) months to CUPE Local 905 at reception@cupe905.com.

14.06 Loss of Seniority

An Employee shall lose all seniority and shall be deemed to have quit if they:

- (a) resign;
- (b) are discharged and not reinstated through the Grievance or Arbitration procedures;
- (c) retire;
- (d) are laid off for a period no longer than two (2) years;
- (e) are absent from work without permission for three (3) consecutive schedule shifts without notifying the Corporation, unless such notice was not reasonably possible;
- (f) accept gainful employment while on a leave of absence without first obtaining the consent of the Corporation in writing;
- (g) fail to return to work within eight (8) calendar days following a lay-off and after being notified by registered mail to do so, unless through sickness or other reasonable cause. It shall be the responsibility of the Employee to keep the Corporation informed of their current address; or,
- (h) are absent from work for any reason for a period longer than thirty (30) consecutive months.



14.07 **Lay-off**

(a) Notice and Consultation with Union

In the event of a proposed layoff the Corporation shall meet with the Union as far in advance as possible, but no less than four (4) weeks, to discuss the reasons/rationale for such layoffs.

(b) Lay-off

In the event of a lay-off:

- (i) Employees to be laid off will be provided with notice as soon as possible but no less than four (4) weeks' notice. The Corporation will meet with the Union to communicate reasons for lay-off, expected duration, and affected Employees.
- (ii) Employees shall be laid off in reverse order of their seniority provided they have the qualifications and ability to do the work remaining.
- (iii) An Employee being laid off may:
 - accept the lay-off; or,
 - be transferred into a position the Corporation has declared vacant in the same wage grade or a lower wage grade, provided they have the qualifications and ability to do the work; or,
 - be entitled to displace any Employee in the Bargaining Unit who has less seniority in the same wage grade or a lower wage grade, provided they have the qualifications and ability to do the work.
- (iv) An Employee who elects to bump into a position in a lower wage grade will be paid the full wage rate of the position as per Article 26.01.

14.08 **Recall**

- (a) Employees shall be recalled in the order of their seniority provided they have the qualifications and ability to do the work.
- (b) Employees being recalled from layoff are not entitled to be recalled into a position at a higher rate of pay than the position they were laid off from.
- (c) The posting provisions of this Collective Agreement shall be suspended for the purposes of recalling laid off Employees.
- (d) If a vacancy is not filled through recall, it will be posted.



ARTICLE 15 – LEAVES OF ABSENCE

15.01 Leave of Absence Without Pay

The Corporation may grant leave of absence without pay and without loss or accumulation of seniority to an Employee for good and sufficient personal reasons. All requests for such leaves of absence shall be in writing as far in advance as practicable and the Corporation agrees to confirm or deny the request for such leaves as soon as practicable.

15.02 Bereavement Leave

- (a) In the event of a death in the immediate family of an Employee covered by this Agreement, the Employer agrees to grant time off with normal pay (exclusive of premiums) for the purpose of grieving, making arrangements for and/or attending the funeral.
 - (i) Up to five (5) days for spouse/partner, (common-law spouse) or child (step-child), father, mother (or said step relative); of the Employee or the Employee's spouse/partner.
 - (ii) Up to three (3) days for brother, sister, grandchild, grandparent (or said step-relative) of the Employee or the Employee's spouse/partner, son-in-law, daughter-in-law;
 - (iii) Up to one (1) day for attending the funeral of an aunt, uncle, niece or nephew (or said step-relative) of the Employee or the Employee's spouse/partner; or to act as a pallbearer.
- (b) Bereavement leave must be taken in consecutive days. However, an Employee may reserve one (1) bereavement day from the appropriate entitlement to attend a funeral, burial or "Celebration of Life", which occurs at a later date.
- (c) When attending a funeral as outlined above and the burial occurs within the Province of Ontario and is five (5) hours or more by car, then such leave shall include reasonable travelling time, not to exceed one (1) additional day.
- (d) When attending a funeral as outlined above and the burial occurs outside the Province, or more than 800km from the Employee's residence, such leave shall include reasonable travelling time, not to exceed four (4) additional days.
- (e) When bereavement occurs during an Employee's vacation period the Corporation shall substitute bereavement days for vacation days.
- (f) Bereavement leave may not be accrued or transferred to any other date, with the exception of the circumstances outlined in Article 15.02(b).



15.03 **Serious Illness Leave**

Employees are entitled to Serious Illness Leave after successful completion of the probation period.

In the event of a serious illness of any family member as outlined in Article 15.02, approval must be granted in advance by the Employee's Department Head and/or the Chief Administrative Officer. Approval for paid days, when granted, will not exceed ten (10) days total in a calendar year.

15.04 **Family Related and Personal Leave**

Employees are entitled to Family/Personal Leave after successful completion of the probation period.

Family Related and Personal Leave is to enable an Employee to be absent from employment for a maximum of six (6) days (a maximum of forty-eight (48) hours), per calendar year, non-cumulative, without loss of wages or benefits, for the following reasons:

- (a) Unanticipated emergency-related incidents, and dependent/family care;
- (b) Medical-related appointments of the Employee, Employee's spouse, parent, parent-in-law, child or dependent, which prevents the Employee for reporting to work or requires them to leave the workplace early;
- (c) For religious or ethno-cultural observances or an oath of citizenship ceremony.
- (d) It is understood that time will be booked in hourly increments.

15.05 **Birth/Adoption Leave**

Employees are entitled to Birth/Adoption Leave after successful completion of the probation period.

An Employee shall be entitled to three (3) days without loss of wages or for the birth/adoption benefits of a child of which the Employee is the parent, legal guardian or primary caregiver. This clause will not apply to any Employee who is entitled under the Collective Agreement to a same or greater benefit.

15.06 **Leave for Union Business**

- (a) The Corporation agrees to grant leave of absence without loss of seniority for Union business to not more than two (2) Employees from each division, on any one day(s), selected by the Union to attend conventions, conferences or training. It is understood however, that the cumulative total of leave of absence granted under this section shall not exceed thirty (30) days in any calendar year and that request for such leaves of absence shall be made in writing at least two (2) weeks in advance of such leave. The Corporation agrees to confirm or deny the request for such leave of absence within five (5) days of receipt of the request. It is understood by the parties that less than two (2) weeks' notice may be accepted in exceptional circumstances.



In addition to the above, each member of the Union negotiating committee shall be allowed four (4) days leave of absence with pay to prepare for negotiations.

It is agreed and understood by the parties that the Corporation shall invoice the Union and the Union shall forthwith provide full reimbursement to the Corporation.

- (b) Where an Employee who is elected or appointed to a full-time or part-time office, or employment with CUPE Local 905 or CUPE National or CUPE Ontario, the Corporation will consider a request for an extended leave of absence for such Employee and the Corporation may grant such leave of absence. Such leave shall not be unreasonably denied. The Corporation shall pay the Employee's wages and benefits during such leave and may be required to top up the salary/Grade/level, to that which is assigned by the 905 Executive Board. However, it is agreed and understood by the parties that the Employer shall invoice the Union and Union shall forthwith provide full reimbursement to the Corporation.
- (c) Upon thirty (30) days written notice, the Employee shall be returned to their former position or to a position comparable to which they were employed before taking office. It is understood the Corporation may fill the position with a temporary Employee for the length of the leave.

15.07 Jury Leave

Employees who are required to serve as jurors or who are subpoenaed to appear in court as witnesses in cases in which they are not personally interested, shall be granted leave of absence for this purpose. Such leave will not constitute a break in service for the calculation of seniority or sick leave credits. Upon completion of jury or witness service, such Employee shall present to their Department Head a satisfactory certificate showing the period of such service. Such Employee shall be paid their full salary or wage for every day of active duty or such jury or witness service provided that they shall deposit with the Treasurer of the Corporation the full amount of compensation received, excluding mileage and traveling expenses, and an official receipt therefore.

15.08 Continuation/Cancellation of Benefits During Leave of Absence

- (a) Where an Employee requests a leave of absence for a period greater than one (1) month, the Employee shall be given the option to continue the benefits, or to have the benefits cancelled, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the carrier. If the Employee elects to continue the benefits, payments must be tendered to the Corporation to cover the cost of the benefits during the period of leave of absence.

The benefits include:

Extended Health and Dental

Group Life Insurance

- (b) Payment may be made to the Corporation by way of post-dated cheques dated the first day of each month. The effective date of all benefits provided by the



Corporation shall be on the basis as those on commencement or termination of employment.

- (c) The provisions of this Article shall not be applicable to those Employees on Workplace Safety and Insurance leave or Employees on protected leaves of absence, as defined by the *Employment Standards Act, 2000*.

15.09 Pregnancy and Parental Leave

- (a) The Corporation shall grant leaves in accordance with the *Employment Standards Act, 2000*, as amended from time to time for Pregnancy and Parental Leave.
- (b) Seniority for all purposes continues to accrue during pregnancy or parental leaves.
- (c) The Corporation shall pay the premium for all applicable benefits, (excluding OMERS), for the duration of the pregnancy or parental leave. If the Employee wishes to contribute to the OMERS pension plan during the pregnancy or parental leave, the Corporation will match the contribution for the period involved. The Employee can elect to not continue contributions to the OMERS pension plan during the pregnancy or parental leave.

ARTICLE 16 – SICK LEAVE

- 16.01 All full-time Employees shall be covered by the Corporation's Short Term Income Protection Plan as defined herein and in Appendix "B" attached hereto.
- 16.02 The Corporation will pay 100% of the premium costs for a Long Term Disability insurance plan. It is understood and agreed that the administration of the plan is not arbitrable.

ARTICLE 17 – EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

- 17.01 Every Full-time Employee who meets the eligibility criteria under the Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System shall join OMERS upon commencement of employment. The Corporation and the Employee shall make contributions in accordance with the provisions of OMERS.
- 17.02 The Corporation shall make available a group Life Insurance Plan in the amount of two (2) time's salary for each Employee upon commencement of employment and the Corporation agrees to pay one hundred percent (100%) of the premiums for such plan.
- 17.03 The Corporation agrees to maintain and make available, a Dental Plan, a Vision Care Plan, and a Drug Plan equivalent to those plans agreed to at the date of ratification of this Collective Agreement.
- 17.04 When an Employee is absent from work by reason of personal workplace illness or injury which is compensable pursuant to the Workplace Safety Insurance Act, the Corporation shall maintain the Employee's contributions to the benefit plans in which the Employee is a participant, for a maximum of thirty (30) months.



17.05 **Early Retirement**

An Employee under age 65 who has at least 20 years of continuous service from the last date of hire with the Town of Georgina and who retires prior to normal retirement age under the OMERS Pension Plan, will continue to receive Dental and Extended Health Benefits, plus Life Insurance coverage, with the Corporation paying one hundred percent (100%) of the premiums for such benefits. This coverage will continue for a maximum of ten (10) years or age sixty-five (65), whichever comes first, subject to the termination provisions of the Group policy.

17.06 It is understood that the Corporation may at any time substitute another carrier for any Plan provided the benefits conferred thereby are not in total decreased. Before making such a substitution, the Corporation shall discuss the proposed change with the Union.

17.07 **Wellness Benefits (Effective January 1, 2025)**

The Employer will provide the Employees covered under the Collective Agreement with a reimbursement up to two hundred dollars (\$200.00) per calendar year to be utilized for the purchase of a program for nutrition, health/active living, and/or smoking cessation. Reimbursement will be provided to the Employee upon receipt and claim. Employees must have passed probation before becoming eligible for this benefit and during the first year of employment will be provided prorated on a basis.

17.08 **Extended Health Care**

All benefit increases to be effective January 1, 2025, unless otherwise stipulated.

Paramedical Services

100% up to a maximum of \$500 per person per benefit year per specialty for the qualified paramedical practitioners listed below.

- psychologists, social workers or psychotherapists
- speech therapists
- naturopaths
- osteopaths or osteopathic practitioners, including x-ray examinations
- podiatrists or chiropodists, including x-ray examinations

100% up to a maximum of \$700 per person per benefit year per specialty for the qualified paramedical practitioners listed below.

- massage therapists
- physiotherapists
- chiropractors, including x-ray examinations



Vision care

- 100% for visual therapy up to a lifetime maximum of \$200 per person.
- Contact lenses, eyeglasses, including prescription sunglasses or laser eye correction surgery - 100% up to a maximum of \$550 every 2 benefit years
- Contact lenses for the treatment of specific medical conditions - 100% up to a maximum of \$200 every 2 benefit years
- Services of an ophthalmologist or licensed optometrist - 100% up to a maximum of 1 examination per person per benefit year

Dental Care

The current fee guide for general practitioners in the province where the Employee lives, regardless of where the treatment is received.

Reimbursement Level

Preventive procedures	100%
Basic procedures	100%
Major procedures	50%
Orthodontic procedures	50%
Benefit year maximum	Preventive and Basic dental procedures - unlimited Major dental procedures - \$1,500 -per person
<i>A separate lifetime maximum (below) applies to Orthodontic expenses</i>	
Lifetime maximum	Orthodontic procedures - \$2,000 per person

ARTICLE 18 – SERVICE RECOGNITION

18.01 It is agreed that the Employer will provide a bonus in recognition of long-term service with the Corporation commencing on the date the Employee completes five (5) years of service at \$200.00 and increasing by the amount of \$25.00 each year thereafter.

Rules of Application

- (i) Years of Service shall be calculated on the Employee's anniversary date, being the date of commencement with the Corporation;
- (ii) Awards shall be paid to the Employee within thirty (30) days of the anniversary date.



- (iii) Awards shall be calculated in one (1) year increments, as the following schedule will clarify:

Years of Service on Anniversary Date	Award Amounted
5 years	\$200.00
6 years	\$225.00
7 years	\$250.00
8 years	\$275.00
9 years	\$300.00
10 years	\$325.00
11 years	\$350.00
12 years	\$375.00
13 years	\$400.00
14 years	\$425.00
15 years	\$450.00
16 years	\$475.00 etc

ARTICLE 19 – DISCIPLINE AND DISCHARGE

- 19.01 An Employee shall have the right upon giving five (5) working days' notice, to have access to and review their personnel record in the presence of a Human Resources Representative and a Union Representative if requested.

No evidence from the Employee's record of which the Employee was not aware at the time of filing may be introduced as evidence in any hearing.

The Employer will make and provide copies of any material contained in their personnel record at the request of the Employee.

19.02 Discipline Letters

All notations of reprimand and letters of discipline will be copied to the CUPE Local 905, Georgina Unit Recording Secretary within four (4) business days of the Employee receiving such a notations or letter.

19.03 Removal of Discipline

The Corporation shall remove, upon the Employee's request, any notations of a reprimand or written disciplinary action from the Employee's record after a period of eighteen (18) months from the date of the discipline, provided the Employee has remained discipline-free for the eighteen (18) month period.

19.04 Counselling Letter

It is agreed that Counselling Letters or Letters of Expectation are not disciplinary in nature and may be removed from the Employee's file twenty-four (24) months from the date of the letter, at the Employee's request.



19.05

- (a) Where meetings are disciplinary in nature the Employee shall have the right to a Steward in attendance. The Employer will notify the Steward in advance of any disciplinary or discharge meetings.
- (b) All notice of suspension, discipline or discharge will be done in person where practicable.
- (c) Where an Employee declines to exercise their right to Union representation the Employer shall obtain dated and signed documentation of such refusal. A copy will be provided to the Union.

ARTICLE 20 – TECHNOLOGICAL CHANGE

20.01 It is agreed that no Employee will be laid off as a result of technological change.

20.02 The Corporation agrees that it will notify the Union as far as possible in advance of implementing technological change.

20.03 An Employee whose position may be affected by technological change shall be provided training.

20.04 It is further agreed that a committee consisting of two (2) representatives of each party shall be formed for the purpose of discussion only of the proposed changes.

ARTICLE 21 – GENERAL

21.01 Correspondence arising under the provisions of this Agreement shall be in writing to the Union, to the CUPE 905 Georgina Unit Chair or designate and CUPE 905.26 Vice Chair, and if to the Corporation, to the Head of Human Resources or designate.

21.02 When an Employee uses their privately owned motor vehicle on Corporation business, they will receive mileage in accordance with the CRA Guidelines.

21.03 The Corporation will provide bulletin boards in staff areas mutually agreed upon for the purpose of posting notices regarding meetings and other matters restricted to Union activity. Before posting, such notices must be signed by an Officer of the Local Union.

21.04 New Job Positions

- (i) The Corporation shall provide to the Union, in writing, notification and details of any new or modified classifications. If the parties are unable to agree on inclusion in or exclusion from the Bargaining Unit, the matter shall be submitted to the grievance process.
- (ii) When the Corporation creates a new job position within the Bargaining Unit, the Joint Job Evaluation Committee shall evaluate the position in accordance with the Job Evaluation Program.

21.05 Schedule "C" attached hereto headed "Provision of Work Clothing and Safety Equipment" is hereby made a part of this Agreement.



21.06 The Corporation shall print the Agreement as soon as possible after the date on which it is signed and issue a copy to each Employee and the cost for the same shall be shared equally by both parties.

21.07 Each Employee shall notify the Human Resources department, electronically, of any change in the Employee's address, personal email or primary phone number or change in dependant status within one (1) week of any such change. The Employee or the Union shall save the Corporation harmless in any action resulting from the Employee not making the required changes in records as noted above.

21.08 It is the Employee's responsibility to maintain and keep up to date the required licences and qualifications for their position. Employees shall notify the Corporation in writing of any change to the status of their driver's license or water/waste water operator's certificates and shall provide the Corporation with any related documentation with respect to this change as soon as they are made aware, but not later than their first scheduled shift after they become aware.

21.09 Medical Certificate Reimbursement

The Corporation shall reimburse the cost incurred by an Employee as a result of a request for medical documentation by the Corporation up to a maximum of \$50.00 per medical certificate and Functional Ability (with proof of receipt).

21.10 License Related Reimbursement

The Corporation shall compensate all Road Division drivers for the following:

1. The Driver Medical Reporting costs for a Class A and/or D license.
2. The cost of knowledge and road test.

21.11 Employee Development

The Corporation will provide paid time off for Employees who are writing Provincial Operator Certification exams. The Employee will be paid at their regular rate of pay for the time spent writing the exam and any necessary travel time.



ARTICLE 22 – AMALGAMATION OR MERGER

- 22.01 In the event the Corporation may merge or amalgamate with any other body, the Corporation shall notify the Union and the affected Employees as soon as they are reasonably able, recognizing that such notice may be delayed where confidentiality is initially required.
- 22.02 Upon such notification, the parties agree to discuss potential impacts on the Employees of the Bargaining Unit. These discussions shall include but not be limited to pertinent financial and staffing implications.
- 22.03 Where possible, the Corporation agrees that in the event the Corporation merges or amalgamates with any other body, that it shall use its best efforts, to the extent that it is within the control of the Corporation, to obtain an agreement that will preserve the following rights of its Employees;
- (a) Credit for all accumulated seniority rights to be carried into employment with a new Employer;
 - (b) Full-service credits with respect to vacations with pay and all other negotiated benefits;
 - (c) That the work and services performed by members of the Canadian Union of Public Employees Local 905 shall continue to be performed by such members in the employ of the new Employer;
 - (d) That Employees shall receive the better of their conditions of employment and wage rates under this Agreement or the conditions of employment and wage rates obtained or in effect with the new Employer;
 - (e) That no Employee shall suffer loss of employments as a result of such merger; and
 - (f) That preference in location of employment in the service of the new Employer shall be on the basis of seniority.

ARTICLE 23 – DURATION

- 23.01 This Agreement shall continue in effect from April 1st, 2024 to March 31st, 2028 and shall continue automatically thereafter for annual periods each of one (1) year unless either party notifies the other in writing within ninety (90) days prior to the expiration date that it desires to amend or terminate the Agreement.
- 23.02 Any changes deemed necessary to this Agreement may be made by mutual consent and agreement at any time during the existence of the Agreement.
- 23.03 Increases to the salary schedule as a result of bargaining, shall be retroactive to the effective date agreed upon by the parties, and shall be paid to all Employees in the active employ of the Corporation as of the date of ratification by the Parties.



DATED this 8th day of September, 2025.

FOR THE EMPLOYER:


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Head of Human Resources



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HR Business Partner



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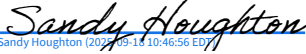


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Michael Quinn
Bargaining Committee (905.26)



Noelle Douitsis
CUPE National Representative

APPENDIX “A” – WAGE RATES

Job rates to be determined through the Job Evaluation Program, i.e. the CUPE Town of Georgina Job Evaluation Program:

- If the process results in lower rates than currently provided, existing Employees will be red circled.
- If the process results in higher rates than currently provided, retro payments to be issued.

New Occ Code	New Grade	Position Title (40 hours per week)		April 1, 2024 - March 31, 2025 3.25%		April 1, 2025 - March 31, 2026 3.00%		April 1, 2026 - March 31, 2027 3.00%		April 1, 2027 - March 31, 2028 3.25%	
				Step 1 Start Rate	Step 2 6 months	Step 1 Start Rate	Step 2 6 months	Step 1 Start Rate	Step 2 6 months	Step 1 Start Rate	Step 2 6 months
RW1	1	W/WW Operator in Training (OIT)	Hourly Annual - 40 hrs	29.22 60,777.60	32.47 67,537.60	30.10 62,608.00	33.44 69,555.20	31.00 64,480.00	34.44 71,635.20	32.00 66,560.00	35.56 73,964.80
RW8	2	Roads Labourer	Hourly Annual - 40 hrs	31.14 64,771.20	34.60 71,968.00	32.08 66,726.40	35.64 74,131.20	33.04 68,723.20	36.71 76,356.80	34.11 70,948.80	37.90 78,832.00
RW4 RW5	3 3	Municipal Infrastructure Locator Road Attendant	Hourly Annual - 40 hrs	33.06 68,764.80	36.73 76,398.40	34.05 70,824.00	37.83 78,686.40	35.06 72,924.80	38.96 81,036.80	36.21 75,316.80	40.23 83,678.40
RW2	4	Water/Wastewater Operator I	Hourly Annual - 40 hrs	34.98 72,758.40	38.87 80,849.60	36.04 74,963.20	40.04 83,283.20	37.12 77,209.60	41.24 85,779.20	38.32 79,705.60	42.58 88,566.40
RW3 RW6	5 5	Water/Wastewater Operator II Lead Hand Roads	Hourly Annual - 40 hrs	36.90 76,752.00	41.00 85,280.00	38.01 79,060.80	42.23 87,838.40	39.15 81,432.00	43.50 90,480.00	40.42 84,073.60	44.91 93,412.80
RW7	6	Lead Hand Water/Wastewater	Hourly Annual - 40 hrs	40.04 83,283.20	44.49 92,539.20	41.24 85,779.20	45.82 95,305.60	42.47 88,337.60	47.19 98,155.20	43.85 91,208.00	48.72 101,337.60

Retroactivity

All adjustments to monetary entitlements, including compensation, are prospective in nature, unless expressly provided otherwise, and will be made no later than three (3) pay periods from the date that the last party ratifies this agreement.

Retroactive wage adjustments shall be applicable to all previous compensation (retroactive from April 1, 2024). Employees will be paid no later than three (3) pay periods from the date that the last party ratifies this agreement.

All retroactivity will be paid to Employees on a cheque/ direct deposit or itemized on an Employee's regular cheque/ direct deposit.

All former Employees shall be sent notice by the Employer at their last known address and will have thirty (30) calendar days from the date notice is sent to claim retroactive payments.



APPENDIX “B” – STIPP/LTIPP

SHORT-TERM INCOME PROTECTION PLAN (“STIPP”)

1. (a) STIPP is a period of disability resulting from illness or injury, which prevents an Employee from attending regular work and which extends for a period of not more than twenty-six (26) weeks (130 days).
- (b) Employees entitled to STIPP will be paid at one hundred percent (100%) rate of pay and then seventy percent (70%) rate of pay in accordance with the following schedule:

Length of Service	100% Pay	70% Pay
From 3 months Service to the end of the first calendar year	--	15 Weeks
Less than Two Years	2 weeks	24 weeks
Two Years	3 weeks	23 weeks
Three Years	4 weeks	22 weeks
Four Years	5 weeks	21 weeks
Five Years	6 weeks	20 weeks
Six Years	7 weeks	19 weeks
Seven Years	8 weeks	18 weeks
Eight Years	9 weeks	17 weeks
Nine Years	10 weeks	16 weeks
Ten Years	11 weeks	15 weeks
Eleven Years	12 weeks	14 weeks
Twelve Years	13 weeks	13 weeks
Thirteen Years	14 weeks	12 weeks
Fourteen Years	15 weeks	11 weeks
Fifteen Years	16 weeks	10 weeks
Sixteen Years	17 weeks	9 weeks
Seventeen Years	18 weeks	8 weeks
Eighteen Years	19 weeks	7 weeks
Nineteen Years	20 weeks	6 weeks
Twenty Years	21 weeks	5 weeks
Twenty-one Years	22 weeks	4 weeks
Twenty-two Years	23 weeks	3 weeks
Twenty-three Years	24 weeks	2 weeks
Twenty-four Years	25 weeks	1 week
Twenty-five Years or more	26 weeks	-----



- (c) Length of service for any Employee, for the purposes of this Plan, shall mean completed continuous years of service with the Corporation as of January 1st, in any year, and shall commence from the date of permanent employment with the Corporation and shall be based on full years of service in any year.
 - (d) For the purposes of this Plan, weekly pay is the greater of:
 - i) the Employees regular weekly earnings and the applicable entitlement percentage as outlined in B); or,
 - ii) the minimum Employment Insurance (EI) benefit the EI program would pay.
 - (e) The schedule outlined in (b) shall be renewed on January 1 of each year. Where an Employee is not actively at work due to illness, leave of absence without pay, modified work program or lay-off as of January 1st, or where an Employee exhausts their full STIPP entitlement (130 days), the STIPP bank will not be restored until the Employee can meet the active employment requirement defined below in (f).
 - (f) Active Employment Requirement: An Employee must return to work on full-time hours and work the regular full-time hours consecutively for twenty-eight (28) consecutive calendar days before the STIPP bank will be restored. It is further understood that approved bereavement leave will be included in the twenty-eight (28) consecutive calendar days' accumulation.
2. Payments from the Schedule will be made from the first day of absence.
 3. An Employee who is absent from work, on a Workplace Safety and Insurance claim, is entitled to draw upon their one hundred percent (100%) STIPP entitlement schedule, and this source only, for the purpose of topping up Workplace Safety and Insurance benefits to one hundred percent (100%) of net salary. In this event, Workplace Safety and Insurance Board payments will be paid directly to the Corporation and the appropriate STIPP bank adjustments will be made. Such arrangement shall occur automatically and continue, if necessary, until STIPP entitlement is exhausted.

If an Employee has to attend a medical appointment as a result of a WSIB approved workplace injury and is entitled to receive Loss of Earnings benefits to attend that appointment, such time will not come out of Personal leaves.
 4. It is understood that while an Employee is in receipt of WSIB top-up in accordance with paragraph 3 above, OMERS contributions will continue to be paid by both the Employee and the Corporation. Should there be a period where OMERS contributions are not made, if the Employee wishes to contribute to the OMERS pension plan in respect of this period, the Employee may purchase the leave period and the Corporation will match the contribution for the period involved. The Employee may elect in writing not to purchase the leave period under the OMERS pension plan.
 5. Whenever any Employee is absent from their employment, such Employee must notify the Corporation in the morning on the first day of such absence, and each subsequent day of absence, unless such notification cannot reasonably be given, or unless notification has been provided for the length of the absence. In the event that such notification cannot



reasonably be given within this period, such Employee must notify, or cause notification to be given, at the earliest reasonable opportunity.

6. A medical certificate from a qualified medical professional will be required for each period of absence lasting five (5) or more consecutive working days.

The Employer may request a medical certificate in situations of patterned or excessive absenteeism. In such cases the Employer shall only request verification if there is evidence to suspect inappropriate use. Any such request shall not be unreasonable, discriminatory, arbitrary, or in bad faith.

A medical certificate from a qualified medical professional may also be required after each thirty (30) calendar days, and prior to returning to work, and at the Employers request. The certificate must attest to the fact that the Employee was under the Doctor's care, provide the estimated date the Employee may return to duties and must be signed and dated by the attending physician. In specific circumstances, the Corporation may request, at the Corporation's expense, that additional documentation be completed by the Employee's physician and forwarded to the Corporation to assess eligibility. This request by the Corporation may occur at any time during the Employee's absence from work. A satisfactory medical certificate may be required before permission is granted to return to normal duties.

There shall be no sharing of medical information to any third party without the express permission of the Employee, in writing.

It is the Employee's responsibility to provide medical certificates within the specified time periods or at the Corporation's request and expense, in accordance with Article 21.09.

7. Payments will be made for a maximum of twenty-six (26) weeks (130 days) during any one continuous period of disability.

Successive absences due to the same or related cause, as verified by a medical certificate, will be considered as one continuous period of disability unless separated by return to active employment as described above in (f).

8. STIPP benefits shall not be payable to Employees who are receiving pregnancy, parental, or compassionate care of family caregiver benefits under the *Employment Insurance Act*.

9. An Employee who is engaged in outside employment, apart from their employment with the Corporation, is entitled to benefits under the provisions of this Plan for any occupational illness or injuries sustained during such periods of outside employment for which benefits under The Workplace Safety and Insurance Act or a Short-Term Disability Plan are not available.

10. It is understood that from time-to-time, circumstances may occur for which provision has not been made in a Plan. When such circumstances do arise in relation to this Plan, the Administrator shall make the final decision as to disposition; however, the decision shall be consistent with the spirit of this Plan.



LONG TERM INCOME PROTECTION PLAN (“LTIPP”)

The following outlines the LTIPP benefits applicable to all Employees. This is a summary of the benefits available only and all matters must be referred to the actual insurance plan when determining eligibility and the level of benefits available.

The Town shall pay the premiums to provide an insurance plan providing Employees with LTIPP. All issues regarding Employee eligibility for LTIPP benefits are determined by the insurance plan provider and any disputes regarding said eligibility would be between the Employee and insurance company beyond the scope of this Collective Agreement.

For eligible Employees, a benefit level of seventy-five percent (75%) of monthly earnings to a maximum of \$7,500.00 would be payable to the earlier of retirement or age 65. The plan is subject to a three (3) month waiting period and a one hundred eighty (180) day elimination period.

All group benefits not eligible for waiver of premium provisions, such as Semi-Private Hospital, Extended Health Care and Dental Benefits would be discontinued after twenty-four (24) months of continuous disability on LTIPP.



APPENDIX “C” – PROVISION OF WORK CLOTHING AND SAFETY EQUIPMENT

1. All Employees will continue to be eligible for:
 - i. Up to two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) for one (1) pair of CSA certified Grade 1 footwear bearing the green triangle patch each calendar year, and
 - ii. One (1) pair of insulated rubber safety boots as required.
2. Permanent full-time Employees will have 1000 points to select clothing based on the following chart:

Clothing Item	Point Value
Parka	210
Insulated Bomber	170
Insulated Coverall	270
Insulated Overall	230
Summer Utility Jacket	130
Summer Bomber	105
Short Sleeve t-shirt	30
Long Sleeve t-shirt	30
Short Sleeve Button Up	60
Long Sleeve Button Up	65
Work Pants	70
Coverall	130
Overall	120
Crew Neck Sweater ¼ Zip	150
Crew Neck Sweater Pull Over	150
Hard Hat -Hat/Liner	50
Hooded Sweatshirt Full Zip	165
Hooded Sweater ¼ Zip	165
Insulated Vest	120
Coolworks Hi-Vis Cargo Work Pants	75
Chainsaw Pants	345
Hi Vis 2-Piece Rainsuit	125
Summer Gloves (Leather)	Per Calendar Year
Winter Gloves (Leather Insulated)	Per Calendar Year
Insulated Rubber Safety Boots	As Required

3. Points cannot be transferred to other Employees.
4. If an Employee has exhausted their point bank and are requested by the Corporation to maintain a groomed appearance, the clothing ordered will be taken from the next year's point bank.
5. If Employees require additional PPE for health and safety reasons the cost shall be solely borne by the Employer.



6. In lieu of points, Temporary Replacement Employees assigned up to one (1) year of employment will receive the following clothing as required.

- i. Five (5) shirts (choice of long or short-sleeve)
- ii. One (1) sweater
- iii. Three (3) pants
- iv. One (1) coverall, overall

Temporary Replacement Employees assigned for longer than one (1) year are eligible to receive replacement items as required.

7. Employee Responsibilities

- i. Wear work clothing provided by the Corporation when required by the Corporation;
- ii. Ensure that all safety equipment is worn in accordance with safety regulations and the appropriate statutes;
- iii. Ensure all clothing is clean, in good condition, fits appropriately, and is in compliance with legislation;
- iv. Order the necessary clothing that ensures a groomed appearance.
- v. Return worn or tattered items to the Town for disposal.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have hereunto affixed their Corporate Seals under the hands of their Officers fully authorized in that behalf on that day and year first written above.

DATED this 8th day of September, 2025.

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CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF GEORGINA
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- and -

CANADIAN UNION OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEES, AND ITS LOCAL 905.26
(the "Union")

RE: UNIFORM COMMITTEE

The Parties agree that a committee shall be struck consisting of two (2) representatives from the Union and two (2) representatives from the Corporation. The Parties shall meet on an annual basis to discuss clothing allotments and /or any additions to the clothing entitlement including the point of value for any new pieces of clothing.

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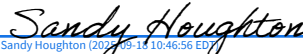


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RE: ROADS OPERATIONS SCHEDULING

WHEREAS Article 11.01 of the Collective Agreement outlines normal hours of work;

AND WHEREAS the Parties wish to enhance operational efficiencies and increase safety measures;

NOW THEREFORE the Parties agree that in addition to the existing schedule, that the following new schedules will be implemented in the Roads Operations Division:

1) From April 15th to May 15th and October 15th to November 22nd :

- a. The Corporation has the option to schedule up to two (2) Employees on a shift from 10:00am to 18:30pm daily from Monday to Friday, as required for spring and /or fall maintenance.
- b. The Corporation will make best efforts to schedule Employees into these alternate shifts on one (1) week rotations.

2) From December 1st to March 15th:

- a. Schedule up to four (4) Employees on a shift from 03:00am to 11:30am daily from Monday to Friday. Scheduled Employees from each classification will be: one (1) Lead Hand Roads, up to two (2) Road Attendants and one (1) Roads Labourer. The Corporation will make best efforts to limit the number of full-time permanent Employees assigned to this shift to two (2).
- b. Employees scheduled for the above noted shifts shall be available to begin work at 0300hrs. By default, Employees scheduled shall attend work at 0300hrs, unless otherwise notified and mutually agreed upon. If an Employee is not required, management will notify the Employee by the end of the previously scheduled shift for the same Employee to attend work at the hours set out in Article 11.01.
- c. For the purpose of this Letter of Understanding, the hours of work as outlined in 1(a) and 2(a) shall be the normal hours of work. Any hours worked before or after shall be paid at the applicable overtime rate of pay.
- d. Shift premiums as defined in Article 11.09 shall be paid for all hours worked between 17:00 and 07:30.



- e. The Corporation will schedule Employees into these alternate shifts on one (1) week rotations, unless mutually agreed upon by the Employee and the Employer.
- 3) A minimum of thirty (30) days' notice shall be provided to each Employee, in writing, indicating their new shift and date of implementation.
- 4) The Corporation will provide a list of available shifts when a shift change is required to Employees. Employees will select their preferred shift based on their seniority.
- 5) The parties shall meet by June 15 of each year to review and revise the schedules if necessary. Any revisions will be mutually agreed to.

DATED this 8th day of September, 2025.

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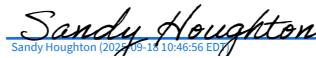


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RE: BOOK OFF TIME – UNIT CHAIR

The parties agree to meet within ninety (90) days of ratification to discuss book off time for a Unit Chair elected from 905.26.

DATED this 8th day of September, 2025.

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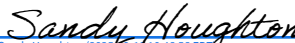


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