

## **Notice of Motion – Land Acknowledgement**

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Sherry Senis, Seconded by: Councillor Anita Locke

Whereas the Truth and Reconciliation Commission was formed to identify calls to action in order to redress the legacy of residential schools and advance the process of Canadian reconciliation; and

Whereas, as a region through the Community Economic Development Initiative (CEDI), local First Nation communities and municipalities have worked collaboratively to learn about our histories, our culture and to look for ways to improve the lives of our community members through mutual respect and understanding; and

Whereas, it is acknowledged that the lands of Selwyn Township are on the traditional territory of the Michi Saagiig Anishinaabeg;

Be it Resolved that the Township of Selwyn adopt the following Land Acknowledgement statement to be shared at all Council meetings as an action to advance reconciliation and as a regular reminder of the gratitude to the First Nations for their care and stewardship of mother earth:

### **Land Acknowledgment**

“We respectfully acknowledge that we are on the treaty and traditional territory of the Michi Saagiig Anishinaabeg. We offer our gratitude to the First Peoples for their care for, and teachings about, our earth and our relations. May we honour those teachings.”