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Climate change initiative.

It has become increasingly evident over the last few years that climate change is well underway with the extreme weather events that seem to be constantly occurring throughout Canada. We've witnessed wildfires, ice storms, excessive rainfall events and flooding. As a community, one of our greatest climate change threats here in Pelham is the loss of hydro service due to wind damage or ice storm events.

It is therefore imperative that Council plan a proactive strategy in co ordination with our local hydro providers to protect our electrical grid. The best way to protect the grid is to pursue a long term plan to bury our overhead wire network. It is interesting to witness Bell currently burying their cable throughout all of Pelham. Surely our electricity providers can undertake a similar initiative in partnership with the town that will not only protect us from future blackouts but also position Pelham as a leader in adapting to climate change.

Sincerely

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