# Future looks bright for Halton Hills Community Energy: Report

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The Halton Hills Community Energy Corp. is an umbrella for three smaller entities: Halton Hills (HH) Hydro; Southwestern Energy; and Quality Tree Service. All are owned outright by the town, and at a recent council meeting, President and CEO Art Skidmore gave an update on 2017, with glimpses of what's to come, as captured in the title of the report "Innovation in Action".

Starting with share-

distributions since 2001 were close to \$30 million. Skidmore followed with a summary of each company. In 2017, the corporation—which is both a holding and an operational company launched a company-wide "innovation strategy", to address future concerns. Highlights included the commissioning of two FIT 4.0 renewable energy projects on the Acton Arena and the other on the Town operations building, for a total of one megawatt of solar genera-

holder info, the total tion throughout the town. EV charging is available at the Acton Arena now for a total of 16 charging stations town wide. Halton Hills Hydro was awarded the Electricity Distributor's "Innovation Excellence Award" last year.

System reliability was good, ranging from less than an hour per year disruption to just under two hours, with a blip in 2015 the result of system upgrades. The single biggest source of interruptions in 2017 was vehicular hits to poles. Skidmore went

through "2017 by the numbers" which showed billing accuracy of 99.78 per cent, with 100 per cent of both appointments met and issues resolved on the first appointment.

The GridSmartCity Cooperative is an initiative amongst 13 "like-minded" LDC's across Ontario that has allowed for joint purchasing of materials, for considerable cost savings. HH Hydro is participating in a research project with the McMaster Institute of Energy Studies to study integrated energy

harvesting systems.

Conservation efforts last year exceeded targets, done in collaboration with Milton and Burlington Hydro. The new transformer station is a decade-long project mostly due to regulatory hurdles—which started construction last year. It was designed to handle the new load coming online from Steeles Avenue and Vision Georgetown. The station is on time and on budget, with a completion date of spring 2019.

Councillor Fogal commended Skidmore for the

corporation's "forward thinking" and how proud she was. She asked where the 16 EV stations were located. Seven doublecharging stations are at the front of Mould Masters, and one double at the Acton Arena. Asked how much they were used, he conceded they were minimally used at present, but that Halton Hills is ahead of the curve provincially, and they'll be at the right place when the time comes. Councillor Brown inquired about cost, which is free at the moment.



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# **Halton Hills Canada Day Household Waste Collection Notice**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		Area A, B & C Collection moves		Area D Collection moves	
July 2	3	4	5	6	7

Due to the Canada Day holiday recognized on July 2, household waste collection services will take place the day after your regular collection day.

Please place your waste at the curb by 7 a.m. on your scheduled holiday collection day.

#### Halton Waste Management Site (HWMS)

will be closed on Sunday, July 1 and Monday, July 2, 2018.

5400 Regional Road 25, Milton

Friday, June 29	Saturday, June 30	Sunday, July 1	Monday, July 2	Tuesday, July 3
Open	Open	Closed	Closed	Open
8 a.m. to	8 a.m. to			Open 8 a.m. to
4:30 p.m.	4:30 p.m.			4:30 p.m.

#### **Regular operating hours:**

Monday to Saturday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



### Remember these tips when sorting your waste:

- Ensure that all recyclable materials are rinsed, clean and dry before placing in your Blue Box or clear bag.
- Place all plastic bags and plastic overwrap in one plastic bag and tie shut for
- Some paper materials, such as greasy pizza boxes, shredded paper and coffee cups, can go in the Green Cart.

Not sure where an item goes? Visit **halton.ca/waste** and use our online waste sorting tool.

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## **DEADLINE TO FILE CANDIDATE REGISTRATION/NOMINATION** 2018 MUNICIPAL ELECTION

This notice is for anyone proposing to be a candidate in the Municipal Election on October 22, 2018 for the Town of Halton Hills for the offices of:

- Councillors (Local and Regional)
- Regional Chair (nomination forms to be filed with the Region of Halton)
- Trustee, Halton District School Board
- Trustee, Halton Catholic District School Board
- Trustee, Conseil scolaire Viamonde (nomination forms to be filed with the City of Hamilton)
- Trustee, Conseil scolaire catholique MonAvenir (nomination forms to be filed with the Town of Oakville)

Candidates may file a nomination form during regular business hours as of May 1, 2018 (8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.), with the last day for filing being July 27, 2018 (9 a.m. – 2 p.m.). Filing of nomination forms to take place at the Clerk's Office - Service Halton Hills Counter.

A prescribed fee which may be refundable, in the amount of \$200.00 for Mayoral candidates and \$100.00 for all other candidates payable by cash, certified cheque, money order, or by debit, must accompany the nomination form as well as 25 signatures endorsing the nomination. (Please Note: 25 signatures of endorsement are not required for School Board Trustees)

A person who proposes to be a candidate may not solicit or accept contributions for election purposes, or incur expenses, until after that person has filed a nomination paper with the Town Clerk.

Additional information may be obtained by visiting the Town of Halton Hills website at <a href="https://www.haltonhills.ca/elections/index.php">https://www.haltonhills.ca/elections/index.php</a> or by contacting the Clerk's Office at 905 873-2601 ext. 2333 or 2330.

La version Française de cet avis est affichée sur le site Web de la Ville d'Halton Hills et peut également être obtenue auprès du Bureau de la secrétaire municipale dont l'adresse et le numéro de téléphone sont indiqués ci-dessus.

Suzanne Jones Clerk & Director of Legislative Services Town of Halton Hills Dated this 28 day of June 2018

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