

Presque Isle Township
12653 E. Grand Lake Rd.
Presque Isle, Michigan 49777

RESOLUTION # 2 of 2016

WHEREAS, Line 5 is a pipeline owned by Enbridge that has transported crude oil and natural gas liquids since 1953 from Superior, WI, eastward across Michigan's Upper Peninsula to where a dual pipeline crosses the bottom of the Straits of Mackinac, just west of the Mackinac Bridge continuing South crossing under the Indian River, in Cheboygan County, on its route through the lower Peninsula to its terminus point in Canada.

WHEREAS, Line 5 was constructed prior to Public Act 247 of 1955 Great Lakes Submerged Land Act as amended which purpose is to protect the waters of the Great lakes and the Great lakes bottomlands by requiring a permit when constructing structures in the Great Lakes within Michigan; and

WHEREAS, there is a potential risk that Line 5 could develop a leak which would cause environmental damage to the Great Lakes as well as economic loss with damage to the harbors of Rogers City and Presque Isle; and

WHEREAS, damage to the Great Lakes could bring a halt to the shipping from our quarries; and

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan has the legal authority to manage the bottomlands and waters of the Great Lakes within Michigan from the prevention of pollution and to protect the natural resources, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Presque Isle Township Board of Trustees request that Governor Snyder utilize the State's Authority by acting immediately to restrict Line 5 to its original designed capacity and to limit its cargo to non-oil products (e.g., liquid Petroleum Gas and Propane) until the recommendations within the Michigan Petroleum Pipeline Task Force Report specifically; requiring an independent risk analysis and adequate financial assurance for the straits pipelines, an independent analysis of alternatives to the existing straits pipelines as well as obtaining any additional information requested from the report is completed and analyzed.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Presque Isle Township Board of Trustees will send a copy of this resolution to the Governor, Attorney General, our State Representatives and State Senators.

Signed this Date January 11, 2016

Mark Devers, Supervisor

Cynthia Paavola, Clerk

Jennifer Wiczorkowski, Treasurer

Patricia Hart, Trustee

Lynn Morrison, Trustee

