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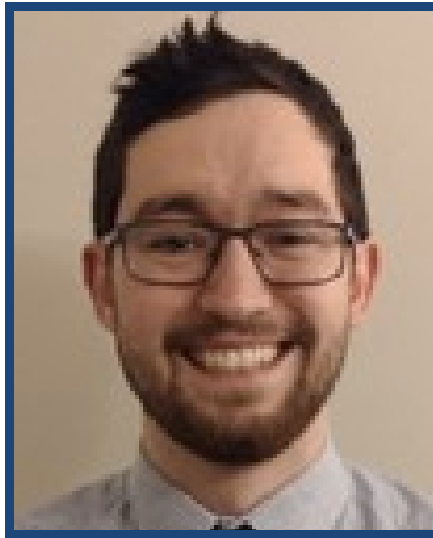
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PEO NORTH BAY CHAPTER HAS PRODUCTIVE MEETING WITH MINISTER



Hon. **Victor Fedeli**, MPP (Nipissing) (left), Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade met with PEO North Bay Chapter GLP Rep **Donovan Rainbow**, P.Eng. (centre) and Chapter Chair **Danielle Demers**, P.Eng. (right) on February 18.

NORTH BAY - PEO North Bay Chapter GLP Rep **Donovan Rainbow**, P.Eng. and Chapter Chair **Danielle Demers**, P.Eng. met virtually with Hon. **Victor Fedeli**, MPP (Nipissing), Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade on February 18.

The purpose of the meeting was to introduce Mr. Rainbow as the Chapter GLP Rep for Minister Fedeli's riding.

Also participating in the meeting were **Jeannette Chau**, P.Eng., PEO's Manager, Government Liaison Programs and **Howard Brown**, PEO Government Relations Consultant.

Mr. Rainbow and Ms. Demers discussed with the Minister PEO's mandate and the role of the different engineering organizations.

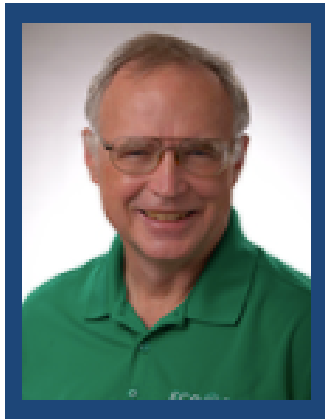
Minister Fedeli has participated in two PEO GLP Academies and Congresses in both North Bay and Sudbury as well as many other PEO events. He has been visiting companies in North Bay and expressed an interest in Miller Technology Incorporated where Mr. Rainbow works. The Minister indicated that he would like to participate in a Take Your MPP to Work Day there.

It is important for PEO Chapters to maintain relationships with their MPP to ensure that PEO's perspective is heard, reflecting PEO's mandate to regulate the profession in the public interest.

PEO COUNCIL ELECTION RESULTS ARE IN

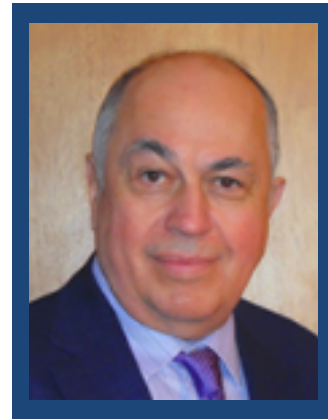
Congratulations to the newly elected PEO 2022-2023 Councillors! Click [here](#) to view the candidate statements and [here](#) to view the election results.

PRESIDENT-ELECT



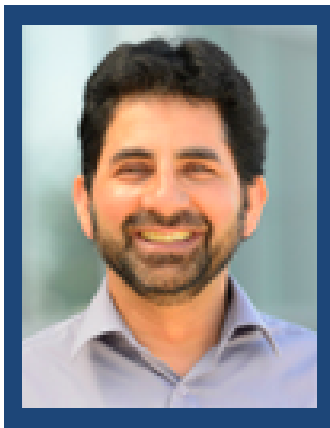
Roydon Fraser,
P.Eng.

VICE PRESIDENT



Greg Wowchuk,
P.Eng.

COUNCILLOR-AT-LARGE



Vajahat (Vaj) Bandy
P.Eng.

NORTHERN REGION COUNCILLOR



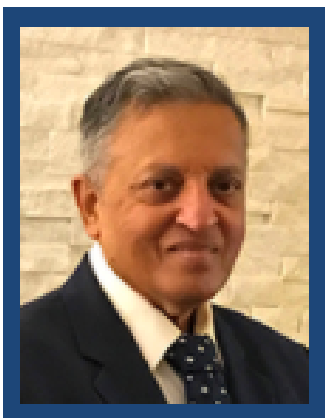
Dana Montgomery,
P.Eng.

WESTERN REGION COUNCILLOR



Vicki Hilborn,
P.Eng.

WEST CENTRAL REGION COUNCILLOR



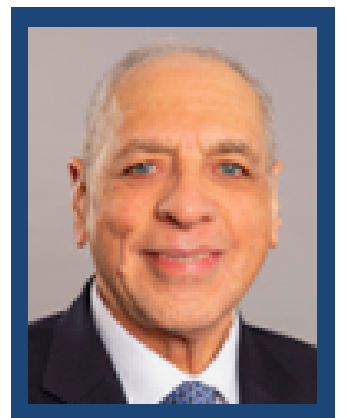
Pappur Shankar,
P.Eng.

EASTERN REGION COUNCILLOR



Tim Kirkby,
P.Eng.

EAST CENTRAL REGION COUNCILLOR



David Kiguel,
P.Eng.

PEO GRAND RIVER GLP REP ATTENDS EVENT WITH GREEN PARTY LEADER



Green Party Leader **Mike Schreiner**, MPP (Guelph) was the guest speaker at an event as part of an "In Conversation with the Leaders" series hosted by the Brampton Board of Trade on February 24. PEO Grand River GLP Rep **Hamish Corbett-Hains**, P.Eng. attended the virtual event.

BRAMPTON - PEO Grand River GLP Rep **Hamish Corbett-Hains**, P.Eng. attended a virtual event with Green Party Leader **Mike Schreiner**, MPP (Guelph) on February 24.

It was part of an "In Conversation with the Leaders" series hosted by the Brampton Board of Trade. The event covered the priorities and vision of the Green Party of Ontario in the lead-up to the provincial election scheduled for June 2, 2022.

MPP Schreiner is a regular participant in PEO events and previously was a guest speaker at the 2020 PEO Government Relations Conference. Also attending the event was **Howard Brown**, PEO Government Relations Consultant. To view the event, [click here.](#)

To view the other two events in the series, see below:

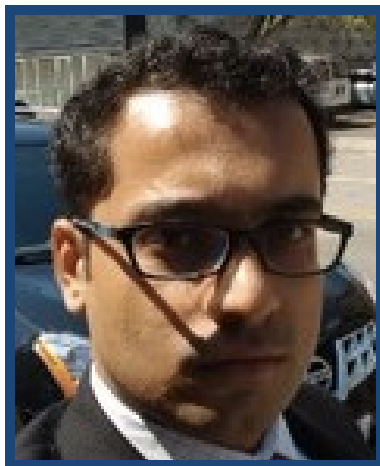
- In Conversation with **Andrea Horwath**, Leader of the Official Opposition of Ontario and Leader of the Ontario NDP
- In Conversation with **Steven Del Duca**, Leader of the Ontario Liberal Party

The purpose of Mr. Corbett-Hains attending the event was for him to be informed and to get to know his MPP better. This will help to develop the relationship with MPP Schreiner to ensure that PEO's perspective may be heard.

PEO GLP REP ATTENDS EVENT WITH ENERGY MINISTER



PEO Quinte Chapter GLP Rep **Kartik Suresh**, P.Eng. attended a virtual event with Hon. **Todd Smith**, MPP (Bay of Quinte), Minister of Energy on February 24.



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Hon. **Todd Smith**, MPP (Bay of Quinte), Minister of Energy was a panelist for the Ontario Energy Association Speaker Series on February 24.

PEO Quinte Chapter GLP Rep **Kartik Suresh**, P.Eng. participated in the event.

It was a panel discussion with industry leaders on the possible impact of small modular reactors (SMRs) on Ontario's energy sector.

Although Minister Smith was an early and vocal opponent to the repeal of the industrial exception in the *Professional Engineers Act*, PEO recognized that it is important to maintain relationships with all MPPs despite their opposition to some PEO initiatives that are believed to protect the public interest.

MEET YOUR MPPS

This week, the GLP Weekly Times features Hon. **Michael Tibollo**, MPP (Vaughan—Woodbridge), Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addictions and **Monique Taylor**, MPP (Hamilton Mountain), NDP Critic for Mental Health and Addictions.

HON. MICHAEL TIBOLLO, MPP



Hon. **Michael Tibollo**, MPP
(Vaughan—Woodbridge)

Hon. **Michael Tibollo**, MPP (Vaughan—Woodbridge), was first elected to the Ontario Legislature in 2018.

He is the Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addictions.

Minister Tibollo previously served as Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services and the Minister of Tourism, Culture, and Sport.

Prior to his election, Minister Tibollo was the principal at Tibollo and Associates Professional Corporation and has been a practicing lawyer for the last 30 years. He recently met with PEO York Chapter on February 4 and spoke at a Chapter licence certificate ceremony shortly after his election.

MONIQUE TAYLOR, MPP

Monique Taylor, MPP (Hamilton Mountain) was elected to the Ontario Legislature in 2011.

She is the NDP Critic for Mental Health and Addictions.

Prior to her election, MPP Taylor worked as an assistant to **Scott Duvall**, City Councillor for Ward 7 on Hamilton Mountain.

PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown** has worked with MPP Taylor on a number of issues over the years.



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The event, which discussed the future of the P.Eng. Licence in Canada, was moderated by the host of TVO's The Agenda, **Steve Paikin** who is a previous recipient of the PEO President's Award. Other panelists included:

- **Mark Frayne**, P.Eng. - President and Chair, Ontario Society of Professional Engineers (OSPE);
- **Heidi Yang**, P.Eng. - CEO, Engineers and Geoscientists BC; and
- **Jay Negendran**, P.Eng. - Registrar & CEO, Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of Alberta

The event was organized by OSPE.

March 1 was the fifth annual Professional Engineers Day, as declared by the Ontario Legislature. In 2018, OSPE worked on the Professional Engineers Day initiative that was proposed by then MPP, **Granville Anderson**. It was endorsed by all parties and all members of the Legislature.

This year will also be the 100th anniversary of PEO since the *Professional Engineers Act* was enacted by the Ontario Legislature in 1922.

GLP TRIVIA CONTEST

CONGRATULATIONS to PEO Scarborough Chapter's **Narayana Asogan**, P.Eng. for being the first to submit the correct answer to:

Question: What Minister did PEO York Chapter meet with on February 4 as reported in the February 11 issue of the *GLP Weekly Times*?

Answer: Hon. **Michael Tibollo**, MPP (Vaughan—Woodbridge), Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addictions.



Narayana Asogan, P.Eng. is the winner of last issue's trivia contest.

This week's question: What Minister hosted a January 27 New Year's Levee that PEO Scarborough Chapter's Past Chair Victor Lan, P. Eng. attended, as reported in the February 18 issue of the *GLP Weekly Times*?

Join the Contest: Test your knowledge of the GLP Weekly Times with our weekly trivia question! Send your answers to Emily Binkley at emily@brown-cohen.com by Monday, March 7. You may only win once in a four-week span.

UPCOMING MPP EVENTS

Saturday, March 5 at 7 PM – Ontario Women's Liberal Commission (OLWC) International Women's Day Celebration with MPPs including Lucille Collard, MPP (Ottawa-Vanier). Tickets are \$10.
To register, click [here](#).

Monday, March 7 at 6 PM – An Evening with Robin Martin, MPP (Eglinton—Lawrence), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Health and Attorney General Hon. Doug Downey, MPP (Barrie—Springwater—Oro-Medonte). Cocktail tickets are \$500. To register, click [here](#).

Tuesday, March 9 at 7:30 PM - Durham Region Provincial Election Countdown with Jennifer French, MPP (Oshawa). To register, click [here](#).

Through the *Professional Engineers Act*, PEO governs over 90,000 licence and certificate holders and regulates and advances engineering practice in Ontario to protect the public interest. Professional engineering safeguards life, health, property, economic interests, the public welfare, and the environment.

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Deadline for submissions is the Thursday of the week prior to publication. The next issue will be published on March 11.

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