

## **Mayor's Report**

April 11, 2023

## **EASTER IN PORT**

For the first time in Port Colborne history, we celebrated Tugboat Bunny! Just as Santa arrives in the canal at Christmas time, the Easter Bunny arrived on the deck of the Pilot Boat on a sunny Saturday morning.

Many thanks to the BIA for coordinating the Easter Bunny arrival with the J.W. Cooper crew. After a big welcome from a big crowd along the Port Promenade on West Street, it was off to the Vale Centre for an Easter Egg hunt at 11am.

It was great to see so many children at Vale filling their Easter baskets, and participating in crafts, activities and skating all afternoon. Well done to our special events team, for helping make Easter so egg-cellent.

## MEET WITH PROVINCIAL MINISTERS

The province is moving quickly on issues such as building and planning, housing, heath care, climate change, and environmental initiatives. Things are changing quickly, and we want to make sure we don't miss out on anything. I am attending the Good Roads conference in Toronto April 16 to 19 with Gary Long, our Director of Strategic Projects and Steve Shypowskyj, our Director of Public Works.

The Premier will be there, as will his ministers and their staff. Gary has already arranged oneon-one meetings with Ministers of Health, Transportation, and Infrastructure. Good work, Gary. I know these are not easy to set up. Meetings like this are critical, and productive.