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To Whom It May Concern

I am writing today to inquire about the possibility of changes to the current taxi fare rates as set out by the City of Kawartha Lakes. In today's ever changing economy we as a company are facing many new challenges. In 2015 there was big change to the local Taxi industry, the closing of one major company prompted the startup of several other smaller companies. At that time, company owners brought a motion to council to completely revamp our bylaws to be what they are today. Since then there have been several increases to minimum wage, insurance hikes, and a major increase in fuel prices, shop and repair rates as well as the cost of replacement vehicles.

At this time we are asking to have our rates increased to stay in line with current inflation rates, the following represents the changes being proposed followed by surrounding area pricing for reference purposes.

Currently we have a drop rate of \$3.75 with a travel rate of \$3.00/ km and \$32.00 per hour waiting time. I am proposing a drop rate of \$4.25 with a travel rate of \$3.50/km and a waiting time of \$35.00/hour.

As a point of reference I have contacted other companies in surrounding municipalities to compare current rates and charge structures. Please see attached document for Market Research findings. Some prices shown are direct contact with the company and others are from online resources. We cannot verify the accuracy of the online for being current pricing.

Many smaller companies in the immediate neighboring communities such as Sunderland, Port Perry and Uxbridge have been forced to close. We are very fortunate to have a great community that supports local business and depends on the transportation services we provide. In order to continue to operate and maintain the level of service our community is used to we see no other way but to request this increase.

In addition to the above mentioned changes, perhaps while in debate and on the subject we could request some other minor changes to the bylaw as set out in appendix A attached.

PROVINCIAL RATES FOR COMPARISON

PETERBOROUGH, ONTARIO

Taxi Start (Normal Tariff)	4.75 C\$
Taxi 1km (Normal Tariff)	3.00 C\$
Taxi 1hour Waiting (Normal Tariff)	34.00 C\$

AJAX, ONTARIO

Taxi Start (Normal Tariff)	4.50 C\$
Taxi 1km (Normal Tariff)F)	3.02 C\$
Taxi 1hour Waiting (Normal Tarif	30.00 C\$

BRANTFORD, ONTARIO

Taxi Start (Normal Tariff)	4.00 C\$
Taxi 1km (Normal Tariff)	3.20 C\$
Taxi 1hour Waiting (Normal Tariff)	30.00 C\$

COBOURG, ONTARIO

Taxi Start (Normal Tariff)	5.88 C\$
Taxi 1km (Normal Tariff)	1.38 C\$
Taxi 1hour Waiting (Normal tariff)	45.00 C\$

Orillia,

Taxi Start (Normal Tariff)	\$3.50
Taxi 1km (Normal Tariff)	\$2.50
Taxi 1hour waiting (Normal Tariff)	\$60/hour

Gravenhurst

Taxi Start (Normal Tariff)Drop charge: \$4.00
Per kilometre charge: \$3.50
Waiting time: \$50.00 per hour
Deliveries: Minimum charge is \$15.00

Source

https://www.numbeo.com/taxi-fare/country_result.jsp?country=Canada

APPENDIX A

SECTION 2.01 D) No Person shall accept calls or hires in any manner for a Taxicab or Limousine in the City for the conveyance of Passengers or goods except under the authority of a Taxicab or Limousine Broker's License issued by the City.

** In other municipalities there is a grace period for new drivers to try the job while they work towards getting their paperwork in order and make some money to pay for the license. In my research I found the consensus to be 7 to 10 business days.***