



## REPORT

**TO:** Mayor and Council

**FROM:** Jason Kabel, Manager of Community Services

**DATE:** November 4, 2013

**RE:** **100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Fort Frances paper mill opening – Sherry George**

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Please find attached a letter from Museum Curator, Sherry George requesting direction from Mayor and Council for the 100th anniversary of the opening of the Fort Frances paper mill on March 14, 2014. As it is a significant milestone for the Town, the Museum will be providing an exhibit focussing on a forest industry theme for the summer months, May through August 2014.

The letter recommends opportunities for other recognition of the centennial event such as advertisements with local media, a partnership with the mill's Quarter Century Oldtimers Club, striking a committee to commemorate the event, or any other ideas that Council may have for the Fort Frances milestone.

### **Recommendation**

The Community Services Executive Committee recommends that Museum Curator, Sherry George strike an ad-hoc advisory committee to help commemorate the centennial event in Fort Frances on May 14<sup>th</sup> with members of the mill's Quarter Century Oldtimers Club and other interested community groups to recognize the significant community milestone.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jason Kabel,  
Manager of Community Services

### **Council approval of this report will endorse:**

Sherry George, Museum Curator to strike an ad-hoc advisory committee to help commemorate the centennial event in Fort Frances on May 14<sup>th</sup> with members of the mill's Quarter Century Oldtimers Club and other interested community groups to recognize the significant community milestone.

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259 Scott Street  
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Mayor & Council  
Town of Fort Frances  
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October 30, 2013

Dear Mayor Avis & Council:

May 14<sup>th</sup> of 2014 marks the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the opening of the Fort Frances paper mill. As this is a major milestone for the mill and the town, the Fort Frances Museum will be providing an exhibit around a forest industry theme for the summer months, May through August. It would be nice to have an opening on May 14<sup>th</sup>, perhaps a wine and cheese reception, or something similar. I am open to suggestions on this or other means of celebrating the occasion.

I will be advertising shortly in the Fort Frances Times, asking for interested individuals to come forward to help with the event. It is my understanding that a group from the mill's Quarter Century Oldtimers Club has already begun planning an event around this theme.

I am hoping that the Town itself will be interested in helping where it can. Perhaps the Town has already discussed plans to commemorate the occasion? If yes, I would be happy to work alongside a committee, or, at the very least, coordinate events around yours. If no, is it possible that there might be some funding for the event?

Let me know how I should proceed. I will be communicating with Derrick Lindgren of Resolute Forest Products as well. I truly feel that this is an occasion worthy of celebration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Sherry', is written over the printed name.

Sherry George  
Museum Curator  
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