

TOWN OF FORT FRANCES

AGENDA - FEBRUARY 13, 2012

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COUNCIL MEETING

(Session No. 38) 7:00 p.m. to 7:25 p.m.

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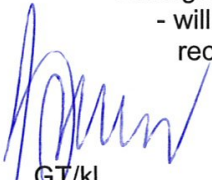
- * Previously distributed to Council.
- **Items can be viewed by contacting the Clerk.

Agenda Item # 3.1

THE TOWN OF FORT FRANCES

REPORT TO: Mayor and Council
FROM: G. Treftlin
SUBJECT: Town of Fort Frances
Council Meeting - Monday, February 13, 2012
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1. Items referred from Committee of the Whole:
See individual reports.
2. Invitation received February 1, 2012 from Alzheimer Society, Kenora/Rainy River Districts Annual "Spring Reflections" Charitable Dinner – March 24, 2012.
 - will be referred to Administration and Finance Executive Committee for recommendation.
3. Resolution passed January 27, 2012 from Fort Frances Police Services Board re: The establishment of a by-law for the purpose of controlling excessive alarm reports within the Town of Fort Frances.
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 - will be referred to Community Services Executive Committee for recommendation.
6. Letter dated February 3, 2012 from E. Katona re: Smoking By-Law enforcement issues.
 - will be referred to the Complaint Process.
7. Financial request dated February 8, 2012 from Ontario 9-1-1 Advisory Board re: The Continuation of 9-1-1 Advisory Board as technical and information authority respecting implementation and operation of 9-1-1 Emergency Number Systems in Ontario.
 - will be referred to Administration and Finance Executive Committee recommendation.


GT/kl
February 9, 2012



Alzheimer Society

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City of Fort Frances
320 Portage Avenue
Fort Frances, ON, P9A 3P9

Dear Mayor Roy Avis :

We would like to invite you to the Alzheimer Society of the Kenora/Rainy River Districts charitable "Spring Reflections" dinner on Saturday, March 24, 2012 at La Place Rendez-Vous. The dinner provides participants with a wonderful meal and the evening includes entertainment and a silent auction.

We currently have over 1,000 people affected with Alzheimer's disease in the Kenora and Rainy River Districts. Those families and individuals need your support in facing this devastating disease.

We would like you to support this cause by purchasing tickets for \$65 each (includes a \$35 charity tax receipt) or a table of 8 for \$520.

To purchase your tickets, please contact us at 1.800.682.0245, purchase online at www.alzheimerkrr.com or visit Northwoods Gallery.

Table Benefits

- Night of fun for dinner of 8 people
- Corporate Name on Table
- Name in Event Program
- Corporate Name in Thank you in Fort Frances Times

Proceeds from this event will go towards developing and delivering services and programs for those coping with Alzheimer's disease and their caregivers.

Thank you so much.



Charitable Business Number:
88961-4970-RR0001

Lynn Moffatt
Lynn Moffatt
Executive Director

- ☒ OK *Refer to Administration and Finance Executive Committee for recommendation*
- ☐ Recommended
- ☐ Includes my input
- ☐ Recommended as amended/with comment
- ☐ Not recommended
- ☐ Will Speak to this
- ☐ Other

Feb 1, 2012
Date:

M. McCaig
M. McCaig, Administrator

FORT FRANCES POLICE SERVICES BOARD

January 27, 2012

Mayor and Council
Town of Fort Frances

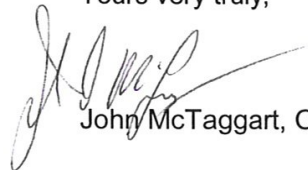
Dear Mayor Avis and Council Members:

At their regular meeting of Police Services Board held January 27, 2012, Board members passed a resolution as follows:

"THAT Council of the Town of Fort Frances consider establishing a by-law for the purpose of controlling excessive alarm reports within Town limits and further establishing a fee schedule to prevent same."

For your reference, attached please find Business Licensing By-Law 2006-13 from the City of Kingston, which in part establishes alarm installation and monitoring.

Yours very truly,




John McTaggart, Chair

JM/kl

- ☒ OK *refer to Planning and Development Executive Committee for recommendation*
- ☐ Recommended
- ☐ Includes my input
- ☐ Recommended as amended/with comment
- ☐ Not recommended
- ☐ Will Speak to this
- ☐ Other

Feb 1, 2012
Date:


M. McCaig, Administrator

Agenda Item # 3.4



CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF KINGSTON

Ontario

BY-LAW NO. 2006-213

A BY-LAW TO LICENSE, REGULATE AND GOVERN CERTAIN BUSINESSES

PASSED: September 19, 2006

As Amended By By-Law No:

By-law No.

2008-16
2010-12
2011-87

Date Passed:

December 18, 2007
January 5, 2010
July 19, 2011

(Note: By-law No. 2002-255 repealed by By-law No. 2006-212 on September 19, 2006)

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THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF KINGSTON

BY-LAW NO. 2006-213

A BY-LAW TO LICENSE, REGULATE AND GOVERN CERTAIN BUSINESSES

PASSED: September 19, 2006

WHEREAS Part IV of the *Municipal Act, 2001* authorizes the council of every local municipality to pass by-laws for licensing, regulating and governing any business carried on within the municipality;

AND WHEREAS Council considers it desirable to exercise this authority for the purposes of health and safety, nuisance control and consumer protection;

THEREFORE the Council of The Corporation of the City of Kingston enacts as follows:

1.0 DEFINITIONS:

In this by-law:

"aesthetic services" means any services relating to enhancing beauty, which are not surgical procedures, including but not limited to: skin care, cosmetology services, makeup artistry, water therapies, manicures, pedicures, aromatherapy, airbrush tanning, facials, spa therapy, body treatments, waxing, reflexology, artificial nails, eyelash/eyebrow tinting and shaping.

"alarm system" means any device installed in a building, structure or premises to detect unauthorized entry or criminal activity which, when activated, emits an audible sound or transmits a signal or message to an alarm monitoring business, and includes a bank automated teller machine and a holdup or panic alarm, i.e., a device to report that a robbery is in progress, but does not include a medical alert alarm or a fire alarm system;

"Appeals Committee" means the Administrative Policies Committee or, in the event of organizational changes another Committee designated by Council to carry out the Committee's responsibilities for appeals.

"attendant" means any person who is employed in or performs at an establishment that provides services designed to appeal to erotic or sexual appetites or inclinations at an Adult Entertainment Establishment.

"body rub" means to knead, manipulate, rub, massage, touch or stimulate by any means of a person's body;

"body rub parlour" includes any premises or part thereof within the geographic limits of the City where a body rub is performed, offered or solicited in pursuance of a trade, calling, business or occupation, but does not include any premises or part thereof where the body rubs performed are for the purpose of medical or therapeutic treatment and are performed or offered by persons otherwise duly qualified, licensed or registered so to do under the laws of the Province of Ontario;

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"Building & Licensing Division" and **"Division"** means the Licensing & Enforcement Section, Department of Community Development Services Group or, in the event of organizational changes, another unit designated by Council to carry out the Division's responsibilities for the administration and enforcement of this by-law;

"City" and "City of Kingston" mean The Corporation of the City of Kingston, as incorporated on January 1, 1998;

"Council" and "City Council" mean the Council of the City of Kingston;

"Downtown Kingston Business Improvement Area" means the geographic area designated by by-law;

"false alarm" means any signal or message from an alarm system to an alarm monitoring business that is reported to the Kingston Police, where there is no evidence that unauthorized entry or criminal activity was made or attempted and where the alarm system appears to have been activated unnecessarily, improperly, accidentally or for a purpose other than that for which it was installed, including:

- (a) by testing an alarm system without the prior knowledge and approval of the Kingston Police;
- (b) by reporting an attempted or completed criminal act or an emergency situation where there is no evidence that such an act took place or that such a situation existed;
- (c) as a result of mechanical failure, malfunction or faulty equipment;
- (d) as a result of negligence, error or carelessness on the part of the owner of the system, e.g., by permitting authorized persons to be on the premises without alarm passwords; or
- (e) as a result of atmospheric conditions, excessive vibrations or a power failure;

"flower sale by a local flower vendor" means a specific location sale of flowers carried on by a vendor who has a regular place of business in the City in which flowers are sold;

"flower sale by another person" means a specific location sale of flowers carried on by a vendor who does not have a regular place of business in the City in which flowers are sold;

"food" means food or drink for human consumption, and includes refreshments and confections;

"food premises" has the same meaning as in the *Health Protection and Promotion Act*;

"guardian" means a person who is the parent or permanent caregiver to a person under the age of 18 years

"highway" means any provincial or municipal highway within the geographic limits of the City, and includes all lands within the lateral boundaries of the highway;

"license" means a license issued under this by-law;

"licensee" means a person who holds a license under this by-law, and **"licensed" and "licensed business"** have a corresponding meaning;

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"manager" means the Manager of Licensing & Enforcement or their designate

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“motor assisted bicycle” and ***“motorcycle”*** have the same meaning as in the *Highway Traffic Act*;

“non-resident” means a person who does not reside or have a regular place of business in the City;

“person” means a person as defined in the *Interpretation Act*; and includes a corporation;

“personal service salon” means every place of business which does body modifications including but not limited to tattoo's, piercings, and stapling.

“place of business” means any place, premises or location, or part thereof, in which a business is carried on, and including but not limited to a shop, store, office, a dwelling unit or vehicle.

“property standards by-law” means the Property Standards By-Law of the City of Kingston a by-law enacted under section 15.1 of the *Building Code Act* that prescribes standards for the maintenance and occupancy of property;

“regular place of business” means the place of business in which a business is normally carried on, but does not include a place, premises or location in which a business is conducted on a one-time or temporary basis;

“resident” means a person who resides or has a regular place of business in the City;

“special sale” means a special show and sales event and includes but is not limited to such events as antique shows, craft fairs, and sales of jewellery, leather and fur products;

“street” means that part of a highway that is improved, designed or ordinarily used for vehicular traffic, but does not include the sidewalk or shoulder;

“tobacco” has the same meaning as in the *Tobacco Control Act*;

“vehicle” means a vehicle as defined in the *Highway Traffic Act*; and

“zoning by-law” means a by-law enacted under section 34 of the *Planning Act* that restricts the use of land.

2.0 APPLICATION:

2.1 The requirements of this by-law apply to the following trades businesses and occupations carried on within the geographic limits of the City of Kingston:

General

- alarm installation;
- alarm monitoring;

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- amusement arcades;
- auctioneers;

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- automotive repair;
- bill posters;
- billiard tables;
- food service premises;
- gasoline sales;
- hawkers and peddlers;
- lodging houses;
- meat and fish sales;
- pawnbrokers;
- pet stores;
- refreshment vehicles;
- salons;
- specific days sales and/or purchases
- specific location sales;
- street performers;
- theatres;
- tobacco sales.

Adult Entertainment

- adult entertainment establishments;
- adult entertainment attendants;
- adult entertainment stores.

- 2.2 The requirement to obtain a license applies to every trade, business or occupation described in section 2.1 regardless of whether the trade, business or occupation is being carried on wholly or partly within the City, and even if the trade, business or occupation is being carried on from a location outside the City.

3.0 ADMINISTRATION:

- 3.0 The Building and Licensing Division is responsible for the administration and enforcement of this by-law. (By-law No. 2006-213)
- 3.1 Every application for a new license or a renewal or extension of an existing license shall be submitted to the Division in the form provided.

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- 3.2 Every application for a new license or a renewal or extension of a license shall be accompanied by the full license fee, as set out in the applicable schedule.
- 3.3 Except as otherwise provided in the applicable schedule, the license fee for the current year will be reduced by 25 per cent if an application for a new license is submitted between July 1st and November 30th.
- 3.4 Except as otherwise provided in the applicable schedule, the license fee for the current year will be waived if an application for a new license is submitted after November 30th and is accompanied by the full license fee for the next calendar year.
- 3.5 Despite sections to the contrary, the full license fee shall be paid, regardless of the date of application, if a person begins to carry on the business before submitting an application for a new license.
- 3.6 And any other rates for "A By-Law to License, Regulate and Govern Certain Businesses" are as prescribed by by-law 2005-10, as amended, being "A By-Law to Establish Fees and Charges to be collected by The Corporation of The City of Kingston.
(By-law No. 2006-213; 2008-16)
- 3.7 Every application for a license will be reviewed to determine whether it meets all of the general regulations set out in Part 4, *General Regulations*, and any special conditions set out in the applicable schedule for that business.
- 3.8 As part of this review, an application will be circulated to the departments and agencies set out in the applicable schedule for that business.
- 3.9 Where an application is circulated to a department or agency in accordance with the applicable schedule for that business, the department or agency may require an inspection of the proposed place of business.
- 3.10 If it is determined that an application meets the requirements of this by-law and all circulated agencies, the Division will issue the license if the license fee has been paid.
- 3.11 If it is determined that an application does not meet the requirements of this by-law or is objected to by a circulated agency, the Division will refuse to issue the license and will refund the license fee.
- 3.12 If, at any time, the Division determines, as a result of evidence that is provided, that the operation of a licensed business does not conform with the requirements of this by-law, it may suspend or revoke the license.

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- 3.13 A person whose application for a new license or a renewal of a license has been refused or a person whose license has been suspended or revoked may, within fifteen days of being notified of the Division's decision, apply to the Appeals Committee for a review of the decision.
- 3.14 A person who wishes to appeal the Division's decision to the Appeals Committee shall file an application for a hearing and pay a fee of \$100.00 (one hundred) to the Committee to be collected by the Corporation of the City of Kingston.
- 3.15 A person who has applied for a review of the Division's decision will be given an opportunity to make written representations to or to appear before the Appeals Committee when it reviews the matter.
- 3.16 The Appeals Committee will review the matter and may affirm the decision of the Division or direct it to issue, renew or reinstate the license.
- 3.17 Decisions of the Appeals Committee are final.

4.0 GENERAL REGULATIONS:

- 4.1 No person shall carry on any trade, business or occupation within the City of Kingston for which a license is required under this by-law unless that person has first obtained a license from the Building and Licensing Division.
- 4.2 A license shall be required for each separate place of business.
- 4.3 A person is not eligible for a license unless his or her application is accompanied by the full license fee for that business, as set out in the applicable schedule or as determined under sections 3.3 and 3.4
- 4.4 Except as otherwise provided in the applicable schedule, a license is valid for one calendar year and every licensee shall renew the license by December 31st of each year.
- 4.5 A licensee is not eligible for the renewal or extension of an existing license unless the licensee has paid the full license fee for that business, as set out in the applicable schedule.
- 4.6 A licensee is not eligible for the renewal or extension of an existing license unless the licensee has provided an application form annually where required by the division.
- 4.7 A license is not transferable.
- 4.8 No person shall carry on any trade, business or occupation for which a license is required under this by-law: (i) if the license has expired or been revoked; or (ii) while the license is under suspension.
- 4.9 If work that requires a building permit under the *Building Code Act* is to be undertaken on

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the property to be used for carrying on a business, a person shall not submit an application for a license until the work has been completed in accordance with the requirements of the Act and the building code.

- 4.10 A person is not eligible to hold a license if the proposed use of the land, building or structure is not permitted by the zoning by-law that applies to the property, unless the land, building or structure was lawfully used for this purpose on the day of the passing of the zoning by-law.
- 4.11 A person is not eligible to hold a license if the property to be used for carrying on the trade, business or occupation does not conform with all applicable law, including but not limited to the property standards by-law that applies to the property, the *Tobacco Control Act*, the *Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997*, the fire code, the *Health Protection and Promotion Act*.
- 4.12 Despite Section 4.11 a conditional license may be issued to the applicant if it is determined that there are deficiencies found by the relevant inspectors that can be remedied within a specified time frame in order to come into compliance, and if the deficiencies are not likely to be a danger to the public.
- 4.13 Any conditional licenses shall clearly state the duration of the temporary license, and if the applicant fails to come into compliance with any Act or Code within the time specified then the license shall become null and void.
- 4.14 A person is not eligible to hold a license if the operation of his or her business does not conform with the applicable standards and requirements of: (1) every by-law of the City; (2) every provincial or federal Act and regulation made under such an Act; and (3) every instrument of a legislative nature made or issued under a provincial or federal Act or regulation, including standards and requirements with respect to the qualifications of the persons carrying on or engaged in the business and with respect to the vehicles and equipment used for the purposes of the business.
- 4.15 Where any order issued by the Division has been appealed and upheld by the Appeals Committee, or where there has been no appeal requested, the division may suspend or revoke the license.
- 4.16 The Appeals Committee may modify, uphold or quash an order issued by the Division.
- 4.17 A licensee shall display the license permanently in a prominent place in his or her place of business.
- 4.18 In the case of vehicles and other equipment used for the purposes of the business, a licensee shall display the license or evidence of the license prominently on each vehicle and other equipment.
- 4.19 A licensee who does not have a place of business shall carry the license on his or her person at all times while carrying on the business.

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- 4.20 Every licensee shall produce the license for inspection on the request of an authorized employee or agent of the City.
- 4.21 Every person carrying on a trade, business or occupation for which a license may be required under this by-law shall allow, at any reasonable time, an employee or agent of the City authorized by the manager to inspect their place of business and any other premises, equipment, vehicles or property used for purposes related to the trade ,business or occupation , other than a room or place actually being used as a dwelling, to determine compliance with the requirements of this by-law.
- 4.22 No person shall obstruct, hinder or otherwise interfere with an authorized employee or agent of the City while carrying out an investigation, making inquiries, or performing an inspection for the purposes of enforcing this by-law.
- 4.23 No licensee shall construct or equip a place of business or other premises used for the business so as to hinder the enforcement of the by-law.
- 4.24 Every licensee shall maintain his or her place of business in a clean and sanitary condition, with adequate measures for the storage and disposal of garbage and waste and sufficient levels of illumination to permit the safe use of the premises.
- 4.25 No licensee or employee of a licensee shall discriminate in the carrying on of the trade, business or occupation against any member of the public on the basis of race, ancestry, place of origin, colour, ethnic origin, citizenship, creed, sex, sexual orientation, age, marital status, family status or disability.
- 4.26 No licensee or employee of a licensee shall refuse to permit a person to enter and remain in a place of business or other premises used for the business to which the public are customarily admitted for the reason that he or she is a blind person accompanied by a guide dog.

5.0 EXEMPTIONS:

- 5.1 The requirement to obtain a license under this by-law does not apply to a business that is engaged exclusively in the sale of goods by wholesale.
- 5.2 The requirement to obtain a license under this by-law does not apply to those persons or classes of business that are exempted in a schedule to this by-law.
- 5.3 Market Vendors holding leases and operating on Market Square in accordance with the Market By-law are not required to obtain a license under this by-law.

6.0 SCHEDULES: ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS FOR INDIVIDUAL BUSINESSES

- 6.1 The following schedules are attached to and form part of this by-law:

General Businesses

- Schedule A-1 Alarm Installation
- Schedule A-2 Alarm Monitoring

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Schedule A-3	Amusement Arcades
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Adult Entertainment Businesses

Schedule AE-1	Adult Entertainment Establishments
Schedule AE-2	Adult Entertainment Attendants
Schedule AE-3	Adult Entertainment Stores.

7.0 OFFENCE AND PENALTY PROVISIONS:

- 7.1 Any person who contravenes any provision of this by-law is guilty of an offence and, upon conviction, is subject to a fine as provided in the *Municipal Act*, the *Municipal Act, 2001* or the *Provincial Offences Act* and to any other applicable penalties.
- 7.2 If this by-law is contravened and a conviction entered, the court in which the conviction has been entered and any court of competent jurisdiction thereafter may, in addition to any other remedy and to any penalty that is imposed, make an order prohibiting the continuation or repetition of the offence by the person convicted.
- 7.3 If this by-law is contravened and a conviction entered, the court may also order that the premises or part of the premises be closed to any use for a period not exceeding two years.

8.0 VALIDITY:

- 8.1 If a court of competent jurisdiction declares any provision, or any part of a provision, of

(By-law No. 2006-213)

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this by-law to be invalid, or to be of no force and effect, it is the intention of Council in enacting this by-law that each and every provision of this by-law authorized by law be applied and enforced in accordance with its terms to the extent possible according to law.

9.0 COMMENCEMENT:

- 9.1 This by-law comes into force on November 1, 2006.
- 9.2 In accordance with subsection 150(13) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, this by-law expires on November 30, 2011.

(By-law No. 2006-213)

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SCHEDULE A-1

Applicable to:	Every business which installs, replaces, maintains, repairs and services security alarm systems
Exemptions:	None
Reason for Licensing/Conditions:	Consumer protection, nuisance control.
Annual License Fee:	As prescribed by By-Law 2005-10, as amended.
Application Circulated to:	(1) Building Section (2) Kingston Police
Special Conditions:	In addition to the General Regulations set out in Part 4 of this by-law, the following special condition applies to every alarm installation business: (1) The past conduct of an applicant shall provide reasonable evidence that the issuance of a license would not be adverse to the public interest, including evidence that the applicant has not been convicted of an offence under the Criminal Code.

(By-law No. 2006-213; 2008-16; 2010-12)

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SCHEDULE A-2

ALARM MONITORING

Applicable to:	Every business which monitors security alarm systems and notifies the Kingston Police when an alarm system has been activated.
Exemptions:	None
Reason for Licensing/Conditions:	Consumer protection – adequate responses to legitimate alarms Nuisance control - protect public from unnecessary use of police time
Annual License Fee:	As prescribed by by-law 2005-10, as amended. (By-law No. 2006-213; 2008-16)
Additional Fees for False Alarms:	If the Kingston Police respond, within a 365 day period, to false alarms from a registered alarm system, the business monitoring the system will be required to pay the fees as prescribed by by-law 2005-10, as amended. (By-law No. 2006-213; 2008-16)
Application Circulated to:	(1) Building Section (2) Kingston Police.
Special Conditions:	In addition to the General Regulations set out in Part 4 of this by-law, the following special conditions apply to every alarm monitoring business: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) the past conduct of an applicant shall provide reasonable evidence that the issuance of a license would not be adverse to the public interest, including evidence that the applicant has not been convicted of an offence under the <i>Criminal Code</i>; (2) an alarm system shall not be monitored unless it has been registered with the Kingston Police and assigned a registration number; and Kingston Police will not respond to an alarm that is not registered in accordance with this by-law; (3) every application for a license shall include a register which identifies the name and address of the owner and the registration number of every alarm system that is to be monitored; (4) every licensee shall maintain this register and inform the Kingston Police promptly of any changes to the information; (5) every licensee shall pay the fee for a false alarm to the Kingston Police within 30 days of the date of the invoice and, if a licensee fails to do so, the Division may suspend, revoke or refuse to renew his or her license.

(By-law No. 2006-213; 2008-16)

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January 27, 2012

Attention: Mark McCaig, CAO for the Town of Fort Frances

Re: Union Gas proposal for "Helping Hands" project at Canadians & Ice for Kids Arenas

Hi Mark,

As discussed, Union Gas has a program where each of our employees/retirees can submit a volunteer "Helping Hands" project and receive up to \$1000 in grants to help improve the community; through work with a town or registered charity group. We call them Community Improvement Grants funded by our parent company Spectra Energy. The money is to be used for supplies while our employees and other volunteers do the labour ("sweat equity"). For example, last year Union Gas put in for the Project Petunia and used the \$1000 to purchase flowers for the down town beautification while our employees and volunteers helped to plant the flowers.

Two of my employees are interested in submitting a project to help repair or replace some of the damaged seats at the Ice for Kids and Canadians Arenas. The concept for these two projects is the same, one for each arena, and would entail Union Gas employees and other volunteers repairing or replacing some of the damaged seats. This would include physically removing any broken parts and replacing with new ones or even replacing the damaged seat all together. If approved, the funds to purchase the materials would be provided to the Town of Fort Frances and then Union Gas employees and other volunteers would assist with the installation of the materials.

With support from the Town of Fort Frances, Union Gas could access up to \$1000 for each of these two projects (\$2000 total) that would be directed towards improvements at our municipal arenas. While this isn't enough money to repair all of the damaged seats it would certainly be a valuable contribution for all citizens of our community who use the seating in these two arenas.

The timing for this work would need to be outside of core work hours, in the evening or on a weekend, at a mutually agreed upon time. Possibly a day in the April or May timeframe could fit.

Please review this proposal with your staff and City Council and respond back to me on whether or not there is support to proceed with the projects as described. Should additional information or questions regarding this proposal come up, I can be reached via the contact info in the signature below.

Regards,

Luke Skaarup P.Eng

Utility Services & Construction Manager- Rainy River & Kenora Districts

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refer to Community Services
☒ OK Executive Committee for
☐ Recommended *recommendation*
☐ Includes my input
☐ Recommended as amended/with comment
☐ Not recommended
☐ Will Speak to this
☐ Other
Jan. 30, 2012
Date: M. McCaig, Administrator

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cc Mayor, Council, Mark
George 2011-01-30

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January 27, 2012

Mayor and Council
Town of Fort Frances
320 Portage Avenue
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Re: 2011-2013 Rainy River District Business Plan

The Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) is now in the second year of our 3-year business planning cycle (2011-2013). Last year you were sent the highlights of the OPP Strategic Plan for service delivery across the Province. The OPP Strategic Plan is the base from which OPP Detachments develop local priorities and objectives for service delivery which will appear in our annual business plans. I have included a copy of the OPP Strategic Plan highlights again this year for you to refer to.

The majority of information used in the development of the Rainy River District Detachment Business plan comes from frequent and ongoing consultation with community partners and the constant monitoring of local trends effecting operational police service delivery and related administration.

To ensure that we as a police service are providing the best possible service delivery to the diverse communities across the Rainy River District, the Rainy River District OPP is consulting with various community groups and local governing bodies. We wish to accurately capture information from which we will establish our local business planning goals. Ultimately these goals will be designed to address local priorities and objectives as well as those mandated as Provincial core policing functions.

Your agency or governing body is being contacted as it has a direct interest in public safety for the residents of the Rainy River District. Our Detachment goals are identified through this consultation process along with calls for service and statistical analysis related to crime and traffic trends within the District. Our aim is to maintain this ongoing process and ensure any goals set within our business plan are both measurable and attainable.

If your agency or governing body is currently involved in a partnership with the OPP, much of the day to day business that is conducted will be reported by your local police representatives and captured in the development process for the upcoming business plan.

Should your agency or governing body wish to provide more direct input or discuss any aspects of our business planning process and the establishment of our local priorities and objectives, you

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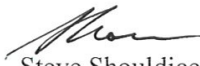
Rainy River District Business Plan
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are encouraged to consult with the lead local OPP officer involved with your individual community partnership.

If a more formal consultation is desired, contact me directly at the Rainy River District OPP Detachment at (807) 274-3322 during normal business hours. We will arrange a meeting with your agency or governing body to ensure you are included and involved in the process.

The 2012 OPP Rainy River District Detachment Business Plan is to be finalized early in 2012. I look forward to hearing from you and working with you as community partners in public safety.

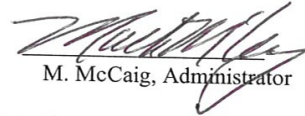
Yours truly,



Steve Shouldice
A/Inspector Detachment Commander
Rainy River District OPP

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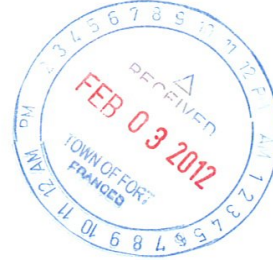
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M. McCaig, Administrator

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February 3, 2012

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Mayor and Council,
Corporation of The
Town of Fort Frances

This letter is being written in regard to By-Law No.
61/08.

It is observed on numerous occasions that the contents of
Section 2(2.2) of said By-Law are not being adhered to
and are not being enforced on a consistent basis as per
Section 5(5.1) of said By-Law.

As the provisions of said By-Law are not being enforced on
a consistent basis, the signage regarding said By-Law as
posted at the entrance to the Sportsplex, and indeed this
By-Law itself, is proving to be very ineffective.

Respectfully submitted.

Edward Katona

refer to the Complaint Process

☒ OK
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Date: Feb 8, 2012
M. McCaig, Administrator

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Glenn Treftlin/Frances
08/02/2012 09:53 AM

To Kathy Lawson/Frances@Frances, Lori
Pattison/Frances@Frances
cc
bcc
Subject Fw: Ontario 9-1-1 Advisory Board

For Monday's Council Consent agenda for referral to A&FEC for recommendation.

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Subject Ontario 9-1-1 Advisory Board

TO: Municipal Councils - Ontario

The Ontario 9-1-1 Advisory Board is seeking financial assistance from each municipal government in order to continue as the technical and information authority respecting the implementation and operation of 9-1-1 Emergency Number systems in Ontario.

Please present the attached request for assistance to your municipal council for consideration.

Best Regards,

Peter Glen, Chair
 Ontario 9-1-1 Advisory Board

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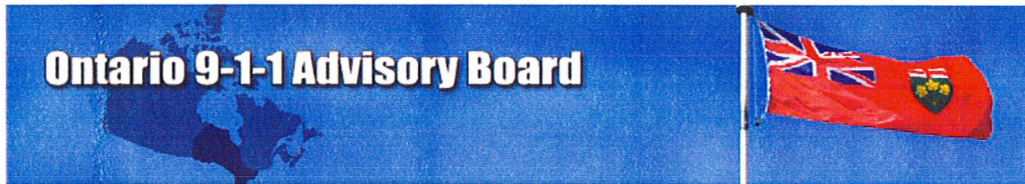
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February 7, 2012

TO: ALL MUNICIPAL COUNCILS

FROM: 9-1-1 ONTARIO ADVISORY BOARD

ISSUE: 9-1-1 ADVISORY BOARD SEEKS YOUR ASSISTANCE

a) What is Needed and Why:

The 9-1-1 Ontario Advisory Board (OAB) is seeking financial assistance from each municipal government in order to continue as the technical and information authority respecting the implementation and operation of 9-1-1 Emergency Number systems in Ontario.

In August 2007, an appeal for financial assistance was made to Ontario municipalities resulting in receipts of \$26,000.00 and we are very grateful for that support. Those dollars have assisted the 9-1-1 Ontario Advisory Board greatly in continuing its efforts at maintaining and improving 9-1-1 capabilities across the Province

We need operating support and therefore are making this request for assistance in the form of a small donation from each municipality. ***If each of Ontario's 445 municipalities provided \$100, this would create the funds for the Board to continue its work and represent the interests of municipal governments and their citizens on 9-1-1 issues.***

Technology advancements and the expansion of the telecommunications market have increased the work of the 9-1-1 Advisory Board. We make submissions to hearings of the Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) and provide input on implementation issues related to wireless 9-1-1 service and Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) 9-1-1 service. The costs to attend these cross Canada meetings alone are significant. We also maintain the OAB 9-1-1 website, <http://oab911.ca>, develop public awareness, liaise with all levels of government (municipal, provincial and federal) and with the Canadian Wireless Telecommunications Association. Much work remains to be done and we require funds to support these ongoing activities.

b) Activities of the OAB during 2009/2011:

- Wireless 9-1-1 - Telecom Decision 2009-40 ¹ Members of the OAB were actively involved in the discussions and proceedings that led to the Industry mandates in this Decision. As a result of our participation, the CRTC directed all Canadian Wireless Carriers to deploy location technologies that will deliver x/y coordinates on all 9-1-1 calls from cellular phones to your local 9-1-1 Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP). Further, we successfully argued that this work should be completed by the Industry at their own cost, not placing the financial burden on local taxpayers. In 2010 we have continued to actively participate in discussions to ensure Industry compliance, effective deployment practices across Ontario as well as working on ways to further improve the service.
- Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) 9-1-1 - Telecom Decision 2010-387 ² Disappointingly, on June 17, 2010, the CRTC issued this Decision that has allowed for the continuation of basic 9-1-1 service for consumers using nomadic internet phone service. Industry won their argument that any technical solutions to make these services safer at this point in time would be too costly. The OAB will continue to monitor the situation as well as search for technical solutions to improve 9-1-1 VoIP Service.
- Text Messaging for Hearing Impaired - Telecom Decision 2010-224 ³ - Improving access to emergency services for people with hearing and speech disabilities. As a member of the CRTC Emergency Services Working Group, we are assisting Industry towards establishing a technical trial in Ontario that will allow members of the Deaf, Hard of Hearing and Speech Impaired (DHHSI) communities to access their local emergency services via Text Messaging.

The 9-1-1 Advisory Board is made up of volunteers from a number of non-profit organizations and agencies whose parent organizations allow the volunteers time and cover some expenses. Board members include representatives from:

- National Emergency Number Association (NENA)
- Association of Public Safety Communications Officials, Canada (APCO)
- Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police (OACP)
- Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs (O AFC)
- Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC)
- Members of various Municipal Caucuses
- City of Toronto
- Bell Canada (non-voting)
- OPP (non-voting)
- Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH) (non-voting)
- Ministry of natural Resources (MNR), (non-voting) and
- Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services (MCSCS) (non-voting).

¹ <http://www.crtc.gc.ca/eng/archive/2009/2009-40.htm>

² <http://www.crtc.gc.ca/eng/archive/2010/2010-387.htm>

³ <http://www.crtc.gc.ca/eng/archive/2010/2010-224.htm>

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c) Why are funds being requested now?

The optimal operating budget for the OAB is about \$40,000 per year and we do not have those funds. The one-time funding received from the province in 1998 ended. If we are to continue and to undertake the work to make 9-1-1 an effective emergency communication system, your help is required.

d) How is 9-1-1 operated?

- Other provinces operate 9-1-1 systems themselves. In Ontario, local municipal authorities operate the 9-1-1 systems.
- 9-1-1 systems are provided only within municipalities electing to provide the service (now greater than 95%) with subscriber billing for network services and maintenance.
- The cost associated with staffing and equipment is provided by municipalities.
- 9-1-1 systems are designed around a central answering point (Primary Public Safety Answering Point [PPSAP]) which has dedicated lines. Incoming calls for 9-1-1 are conferenced with the associated police, fire and ambulance dispatch centre for a given municipality. Networks are designed, installed and maintained by Bell Canada.

e) A Sample Resolution:

Whereas The Ontario 9-1-1 Advisory Board was formed at the request of Ontario Municipalities; and

Whereas lack of ongoing Provincial funding for the Ontario 9-1-1 Advisory Board has resulted in the need of financial assistance from other sources in order to continue to represent our ratepayers in the face of ever-increasing technological advancement; and

Whereas technological advancement and deregulation of the local telephone market makes it necessary to represent municipalities and ratepayers at the Canadian Radio Telecommunication Commission (CRTC) and the CRTC Interconnection Steering Committee (CISC) on a regular basis;

Therefore be it resolved that the municipality of _____ contributes \$_____ to the Ontario 9-1-1 Advisory Board in order to allow it to continue to advance a safe delivery of 9-1-1 system for police, fire and ambulance emergency services in our municipalities and throughout the Province.

f) Thank you: Thank you for your consideration of this issue and for more information please visit our website at <http://oab911.ca>

Please make cheques payable to "Ontario 9-1-1 Advisory Board" and send to Tom Voisey, c/o the Peel Regional Police Telecommunications, 7750 Hurontario Street, Brampton, ON L6V 3W6.

Agenda Item # 7.1

TOWN OF FORT FRANCES

BY-LAW NO. 10/03-X

(Being a by-law to amend Town of Fort Frances By-Law No. 10/03 the Traffic Control By-Law)

WHEREAS on January 9th, 2012, Council approved a recommendation from the Planning and Development Executive Committee to install a second Church Loading Zone on Victoria Avenue as requested by the Salvation Army.

NOW THEREFORE Council for the Corporation of the Town of Fort Frances HEREBY ENACTS as follows:

1. That Town of Fort Frances By-Law No. 10/03 (The Traffic Control By-Law), as amended, be now further amended as follows:
 - 1) That Schedule "AA-1" (CHURCH LOADING ZONES) be amended by the addition of the following:

<u>NO.</u>	<u>STREET</u>	<u>SIDE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>RESPECTIVE CHURCH</u>
" 5.	Victoria Ave	East	commencing from a point 52.7 m. south of Church St southerly for a distance of 6.7 m.	Salvation Army"

This by-law shall come into force and take effect on the final passing thereof.

READ THREE TIMES and finally passed in open Council this 13th day of February 2012.

R. Avis, Mayor

G. Treftlin, Clerk

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TOWN OF FORT FRANCES

BY-LAW NO. 07/12

(Being a by-law to authorize a lease with respect to certain municipal property at 501 Sixth Street West - The *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c.25)

WHEREAS on November 14, 2011 Council, on recommendation from the Administration and Finance Executive Committee, directed that a lease agreement be prepared with respect to municipal property located at 501 Sixth Street West, Fort Frances.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Fort Frances **HEREBY ENACTS** as follows:

1. That the lease agreement dated March 1st, 2012 between the Corporation of the Town of Fort Frances and Jane Peterson, attached hereto as Schedule "A" to this By-law is hereby approved.
2. That the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign and affix the Corporate Seal to said lease agreement in token of this approval.

This By-Law shall come into force and take effect on the final passing thereof.

READ THREE TIMES and finally passed in open Council this 13th day of February 2012.

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R. Avis, Mayor

G. Treftlin, Clerk

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Mark McCaig/Frances
06/02/2012 07:46 AM

To Kathy Lawson/Frances@Frances, Glenn
Treftlin/Frances@Frances
cc
bcc
Subject Fw: 2-13-12 Mayors to President and Prime Minister re
Peaceful Borders Day

Kathy,
Please put this on the next agenda of the 13th for endorsement.

Mark

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Subject 2-13-12 Mayors to President and Prime Minister re Peaceful
Borders Day

Greetings-

Attached is a joint letter from Mayor Roy and Mayor Shawn to the Prime Minister and President together with proclamations for each of them for their consideration regarding "Peaceful Borders Day". Shawn and others are going out to Washington, D.C. March 7 so I hope we can get these signed and out the door. If both look o.k. let me know and I'll bring originals over for signature.



-Rod Draft Proclamation Prime Minister Harper - International Peaceful Borders Day 2012.doc



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A Proclamation to Celebrate International Peaceful Borders Day July 2, 2012

197 years of peaceful borders between Canada and the United States have reinforced the strong bonds of friendship between these neighboring nations. It bears remembrance that we share the longest undefended border in the world, a lesson of peace for all nations.

As Canada celebrates Canada Day on July 1 and the United States celebrates Independence Day on July 4, a date marking Peaceful Borders Day between these two national celebrations honors the independence of each country while celebrating our shared histories of independence and interdependence and the ties of peace that bind us together.

To be mindful of the value of the air we breathe, we need only hold our breath. To be mindful of our peaceful borders, we should ponder our lives without them and seek specific ways to celebrate the social, educational, economic, and cultural benefits we would not enjoy if we were hostile neighbors.

We celebrate what we value and as we celebrate Peaceful Borders Day let us recommit to the building of lasting partnerships around the world so that all nations can know the blessings of good friends and good neighbors across peaceful borders.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STEPHEN HARPER, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Prime Minister of Canada, do hereby proclaim July 2, 2011, as Peaceful Borders Day. I urge all citizens of both Canada and the United States to pause on this day to appreciate the blessings of good friends and good neighbors across peaceful borders and to honor this day with appropriate ceremonies and activities such as the International Tug-of-War held across the Rainy River in International Falls, Minnesota and Fort Frances, Ontario.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this ____ day of _____, in the year of our Lord two thousand eleven.

STEPHEN HARPER

A Proclamation to Celebrate International Peaceful Borders Day July 2, 2012

197 years of peaceful borders between Canada and the United States have reinforced the strong bonds of friendship between these neighboring nations. It bears remembrance that we share the longest undefended border in the world, a lesson of peace for all nations.

As Canada celebrates Canada Day on July 1 and the United States celebrates Independence Day on July 4, a date marking Peaceful Borders Day between these two national celebrations honors the independence of each country while celebrating our shared histories of independence and interdependence and the ties of peace that bind us together.

To be mindful of the value of the air we breathe, we need only hold our breath. To be mindful of our peaceful borders, we should ponder our lives without them and seek specific ways to celebrate the social, educational, economic, and cultural benefits we would not enjoy if we were hostile neighbors.

We celebrate what we value and as we celebrate Peaceful Borders Day let us recommit to the building of lasting partnerships around the world so that all nations can know the blessings of good friends and good neighbors across peaceful borders.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BARACK OBAMA, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim July 2, 2012, as Peaceful Borders Day. I urge all citizens of both Canada and the United States to pause on this day to appreciate the blessings of good friends and good neighbors across peaceful borders and to honor this day with appropriate ceremonies and activities such as the International Tug-of-War held across the Rainy River in International Falls, Minnesota and Fort Frances, Ontario.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this ____ day of _____, in the year of our Lord two thousand eleven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-fifth.

BARACK OBAMA

DRAFT

February 13, 2012

The Honorable Stephen Harper, Prime Minister
Office of the Prime Minister
800 Wellington Street
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

The Honorable Barack Obama, President
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Prime Minister Harper and President Obama:

On behalf of the City of International Falls, Minnesota and the Town of Fort Frances, Ontario, we invite you to consider the attached Proclamation to Celebrate International Peaceful Borders Day on July 2, 2012. As you both know, Canada and the United States share the longest undefended border in the world, a lesson of peace for all nations. The enclosed proclamation celebrates the two centuries of neighborly peace between us. (See enclosed draft proclamations.)

International Peaceful Borders Day is an effort to promote the cause of peace throughout the world by celebrating the peaceful border our countries enjoy. Obviously, we are all stakeholders in the cause of peace. However, we believe that those living on international borders around the world are more intimately conscious on a day-to-day basis of the importance of peaceful borders. Here on our border, we are determined not to take for granted the good fortune we enjoy even while others living around the world on less peaceful borders are not so fortunate.

On the 100th anniversary of the beginning of the War of 1812, we hope you both remember that no armies have crossed the Canadian-U.S. border for 197 years since that war ended and we should celebrate this milestone. As stated in the enclosed draft proclamation which we are respectfully asking you to consider signing:

“We celebrate what we value and as we celebrate Peaceful Borders Day let us recommit to the building of lasting partnerships around the world so that all nations can know the blessings of good friends and good neighbors across peaceful borders.”

Thank you for your serious consideration of our request.

Respectfully,

Roy Avis, Mayor
Town of Fort Frances, Ontario

Shawn Mason, Mayor
City of International Falls, Minnesota

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TOWN OF FORT FRANCES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

February 7, 2012

Town of Fort Frances
320 Portage Avenue
Fort Frances, ON
P9A 3P9

Attention: Mayor and Council

At the Monday February 6th, 2012 meeting of the Economic Development Advisory Committee the following resolution was passed:

Jim Cumming – Dale Lawrence-Fortes: That the Economic Development Advisory Committee recommend that the Town of Fort Frances embrace commemorations of the 100th Bridge Anniversary.

CARRIED.

Yours truly,



 Gary Rogozinski
Chair

/lp

- for Council direction*
- ☒ OK
 - ☐ Recommended
 - ☐ Includes my input
 - ☐ Recommended as amended/with comment
 - ☐ Not recommended
 - ☐ Will Speak to this
 - ☐ Other

Date: Feb 8, 2012


M. McCaig, Administrator

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"Pham, Cathy (MOE)"
<Cathy.Pham@ontario.ca>
03/02/2012 07:56 AM

To "steve.hounsell@opg.com" <'steve.hounsell@opg.com'>,
"Walter.Kloostra@hydroOne.com"
<'Walter.Kloostra@hydroOne.com'>, "Levecque, Heather"
cc "Whitmore, Michelle (ENE)"
<Michelle.Whitmore@ontario.ca>
bcc
Subject Correction - FW: Osisko Hammond Reef Gold Project -
Terms of Reference and Record of Consultation

Hello,

Please note that there was an error on the email sent on February 2, 2012 entitled Osisko Hammond Reef Gold Project - Terms of Reference and Record of Consultation, as provided below.

Instead of the previous address given, comments should be submitted to:

Michelle Whitmore
Special Project Officer
Environmental Assessment Services Section
Environmental Approvals Branch
Ministry of the Environment
2 St. Clair Avenue West, Floor 12A
Toronto, ON M4V 1L5
Tel: 416-314-7225
Fax: 416-314-8452
E-mail: michelle.whitmore@ontario.ca

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Thank you and have a nice day.

Cathy Pham
Project Officer Assistant
Environmental Approvals Branch
Environmental Assessment Services
Ontario Ministry of Environment
Telephone: 416-314-3197

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From: Pham, Cathy (MOE)
Sent: February 2, 2012 11:02 AM
To: 'steve.hounsell@opg.com'; 'Walter.Kloostra@hydroOne.com'; Levecque, Heather (MAH); Lynch, Elaine (MCI); Gursaud, Leela (MTC); Webber, Gerry (MTC); Brown, Paula (JUS); Jenkins, Allan (ENERGY); Austin, Jamie (MOI); 'audrey.e.anderson@mah.gov.on.ca'; Bonnema, Jeff (MNR); Smitsnuk, Twila (MNR); Hill, Rachel (MNR); Barnes, Patrick (JUS); 'Mark.obrien@ontario.ca'; McKeever, James (MTO); 'amy.liu@ceaa-acee.gc.ca'; 'daniel.johnson@inac-ainc.gc.ca'; 'Sheelagh.hysenaj@ec.gc.ca'; 'lisa.fowler@dfo-mpo.gc.ca'; 'Melanie_lalani@hc-sc.gc.ca'; 'RegentDickey@NRCan.gc.ca'; 'Kathleen.cavallaro@nrcan-mcan.gc.ca'; 'david.zeit@tc.gc.ca'; 'angela.sharbot@atikokan.ca'; 'jhannam@thunderbay.ca'; 'gtreftlin@fort-frances.com'; McCormick, Dan (Rainy River DSSAB); 'hcampbell@amil.rrdsb.com'; 'robert.wilson@aghospital.on.ca'; 'garry.mckinnon@atikokaninfo.com'; 'info@atikokanchamber.com'; 'mckelly@tncdsb.on.ca'; 'keri.holtbylevine@tc.gc.ca'
Cc: Whitmore, Michelle (ENE)
Subject: Osisko Hammond Reef Gold Project - Terms of Reference and Record of Consultation

Hello,

I am contacting you in order to confirm that you have received the Hammond Reef Gold Project Terms of Reference (ToR) and Record of Consultation. This ToR and Record of Consultation describe the proposed gold mine and associated infrastructure development near Atikokan, Ontario by Osisko Hammond Reef Gold Ltd. (Osisko). You are also able to review an electronic copy of the ToR and Record of Consultation at <http://www.osisko.com/en/properties/hammond-reef/environmental.html>.

The role of the ToR is to provide the proponent a framework for the completion of its Environmental

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Assessment (EA). The ToR sets out how Osisko is proposing to assess the potential environmental effects of its proposal.

If you have not received the ToR and/or the Record of Consultation for this project, please notify me as soon as possible and I can arrange for a copy to be resent. However, if you have received the ToR and the Record of Consultation for this project, could you please return the Acknowledgement of Receipt Form included in the Review package and indicate if you will be providing further comments? We are interested in knowing whether your agency has any specific interests or concerns related to the ToR and/or the Record of Consultation.

Osisko submitted its ToR to the Ministry of the Environment (Ministry) on January 23, 2012, initiating the 30-day comment period within which all interested persons, including Aboriginal communities, government agencies, and the general public, can inspect the ToR and make their views known to the Ministry. Please provide your comments to me no later than **February 23, 2012**, the end of this 30-day comment period. The review of the ToR is subject to legislative timelines under the *Environmental Assessment Act*.

Comments should be submitted to:

Michelle Whitmore
Special Project Officer
Environmental Assessment Services Section
Environmental Approvals Branch
Ministry of the Environment
2 St. Clair Avenue West, Floor 14
Toronto, ON M4V 1L5
Tel: 416-314-7225
Fax: 416-314-8452
E-mail: michelle.whitmore@ontario.ca

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Thank you and have a nice day.

Cathy Pham

Project Officer Assistant
Environmental Approvals Branch
Environmental Assessment Services
Ontario Ministry of Environment
Telephone: 416-314-3197

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cc lwitherspoon@fort-frances.com

bcc

Subject Fw: Osisko Hammond Reef Gold Project - Terms of
Reference and Record of Consultation

Glenn W. Treftlin, AMCT
Town Clerk
Town of Fort Frances
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----- Forwarded by Glenn Treftlin/Frances on 03/02/2012 09:12 AM -----



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"Peggy Johnson" <chapple@tbaytel.net>, "Sylvia Smeeth"
<lavalley@nwonet.net>, "Veldron Vogan"
<vvogan@tbaytel.net>
cc "Dennis Brown" <dennis.brown@atikokan.ca>

Subject FW: Osisko Hammond Reef Gold Project - Terms of
Reference and Record of Consultation

Please forward the following message to your Mayor/Reeve and Council members. Thanks. Ang

The following is being sent on behalf of Mayor Dennis Brown

Hi Everyone

As you know the Hammond Reef Gold Project is very important to Atikokan and area. It would be very helpful if you and your friends could take the time to response positively to the Term of Reference for this project so that the Ministry of Environment will know there is great support for the project. You should send your comments by email or written form to Michelle Whitmore at the address below by February 23, 2012.

Your assistance in helping this very worthwhile project proceed will be greatly appreciated.

Dennis Brown
Mayor

The following link contains the Terms of Reference and Record of Consultation that describe the proposed gold mine and associated infrastructure development near Atikokan, Ontario by Osisko Hammond Reef Gold Ltd. (Osisko) <http://www.osisko.com/en/properties/hammond-reef/enviromental.html>

The role of the Terms of Reference is to provide the proponent a framework for the completion of its Environmental Assessment (EA). The Terms of Reference sets out how Osisko is proposing to assess the potential environmental effects of its proposal.

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The Minister of the Environment is interested in knowing whether your agency has any specific interests or concerns related to the Terms of Reference and/or the Record of Consultation.

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To Cooke" <township@emo.ca>, "Dawn Hayes"
<alberton@jam21.net>, "Glenn Treftlin"
cc "Dennis Brown" <dennis.brown@atikokan.ca>

bcc

Subject Submission by Mayor Dennis Brown re Osisko

Hi everyone

In follow-up to the email send last week, attached is the letter Mayor
Dennis Brown has submitted to the MOE regarding Osisko's Terms of Reference.

Again, if you would please forward this letter as a sample to your
Mayor/Reeve and Councillors we would greatly appreciate that. Thanks.

All written support in this matter is of utmost importance. If anyone would
like a word copy of the letter for easy editing I would be pleased to send
it to you.

Sincerely

Angela

Mrs. Angela Sharbot
Clerk
Town of Atikokan
Box 1330
Atikokan, Ontario
P0T 1C0
Phone: 807-597-1234 x233
Fax: 807-597-6168
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February 6, 2012

Michelle Whitmore
Special Project Officer
Environmental Assessment Services Section
Environmental Approvals Branch
Ministry of the Environment
2 St. Clair Avenue West, Floor 12A
Toronto, ON
M4V 1L5

Dear Michelle

On behalf of the Atikokan Town Council and our community, I would like to offer our strong support to the Term of Reference on how Osisko Hammond Reef Gold Ltd. (Osisko) is proposing to assess the potential environmental effects of its proposal.

Osisko has kept Atikokan Town Council and staff informed of their project from the outset, as did the previous owner Brett Resources. Osisko has provided almost weekly news releases to the media in Northwestern Ontario to ensure residents of Atikokan and area were kept informed of developments at the Osisko site.

This is a very worthwhile project that will significantly make a positive impact on the economy of Atikokan and all of Northwestern Ontario and we urge the Ministry of Environment to do everything possible to assist in moving this project forward quickly.

I have included a copy of the resolution that was unanimously passed by Atikokan Town Council. This resolution is an important now as it was when it was signed almost one year ago.

In summary, Atikokan Town Council and our entire community looks forward to continuing our strong support for Osisko as it continues its exploration drilling at Hammond Reef and as it enters the Environmental Assessment phase of the project.

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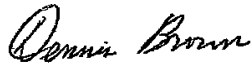
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Michelle Whitmore
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The community of Atikokan welcomes the change to host a major initiative for our region's long term future as the project will bring much-needed jobs, economic investments and social development to our region. Osisko has already impressed us with its commitment to sustainable development, health and safety, and community consultation. It has done an excellent job of keeping us informed. We look forward to continuing our good relationship based on mutual response and open communication as this project brings much needed hope to all our citizens. We are very fortunate to have Osisko doing the necessary work in our area to move this project forward.

Your assistance in helping the project proceed as quickly as possible will be much appreciated.

Yours truly



Dennis Brown
Mayor

Cc: Atikokan Town Council
Alexandra Drapack, Osisko
Hon. Rick Bartolucci, Minister Northern Development and Mines
Bill Mauro, MPP

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF ATIKOKAN

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved by: *[Signature]*

Date: 28 Feb 2011

Seconded by: *[Signature]*

WHEREAS the Town of Atikokan has lost two major employers, Atikokan Forest Products and FibraTech, due to bankruptcy during the past three years resulting in a loss of 325 jobs; and

WHEREAS many Atikokan workers are presently working out of town at extra expense; and

WHEREAS some Atikokan workers are still unemployed; and

WHEREAS the Osisko Hammond Reef Gold Ltd. project has brought a tremendous amount of hope to our community as it will create many jobs and stimulate the local economy;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Atikokan Town Council enthusiastically supports the Osisko Hammond Reef Gold Ltd. project and encourages the regulators, consultants and company to move the permitting process forward as quickly as possible for the benefit of the community, the company and all other groups who have an interest in the project; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that a copy of the resolution be sent to Premier Dalton McGuinty; Minister Linda Jeffrey, MNR; Minister Michael Gravelle, MNM-F; Bill Mauro MPP Thunder Bay-Atikokan; Sean Rossen, President and CEO, Osisko Mining Corporation; Ann Charland, Project Manager, Osisko Hammond Reef Gold Ltd.

RECORDED VOTE	COUNCIL MEMBER			
	YEA	NAY	CARRIED	DEFEATED
DAVIDSON, Marlene				
DICKSON, Bud				
DUHAMEL, Jerry				
GOSSELIN, Bob				
LAMBKIN, Marj				
MAKARENKO, Mary				
BROWN, Dennis				

RESOLUTION NO 80/11 CARRIED BY *[Signature]*

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<communicate@amo.on.ca>
25/01/2012 04:59 PM

To <klawson@fort-frances.com>
cc
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Subject AMO Urban Symposium Paints a Bold New Canvas.

AMO Urban Symposium Program Update **Event dates: April 19 & 20, 2012** **Event location: Thompson Hotel, Toronto**

What is the AMO Urban Symposium? With rapid urbanization occurring globally, Ontario's urban municipalities are confronted with the challenges and opportunities of building strong communities in the 21st Century. AMO's Urban Symposium provides a forum for sharing new ideas to better equip Ontario's urban municipal leaders for their changing role. The Symposium travels to urban areas throughout Ontario to bring together key local and international speakers that showcase Ontario's urban municipalities. With speakers and presentations that represent local, national and international initiatives the symposium is a must-not miss event, and 2012 is no different.

On the Program: The Bold Canvas of King West.

AMO kicks-off the Urban Symposium on April 19th with a hands-on case study and tour. From challenges to opportunities, discover what it takes to bring vibrancy to a downtown neighbourhood.

Once a gritty industrial zone, King West has had a spectacular makeover in the last decade. Transformed by economic shifts, inspired developers, and the City's 1996 King-Spadina Redevelopment Plan, today's King West will inspire any urbanite seeking renewal for their community.

Join us for a dynamic tour of this neighbourhood's retail, office, and residential spaces concluding with dinner and discussion at the new social and residential staple, the Thompson Hotel.

See attached flyer for information on who we've just added to the program!!!
Full program details will be made available on our website at www.amo.on.ca

Can't attend? Please feel free to forward this e-mail to someone who may be interested in the 2012 AMO Urban Symposium.



Attachments (2): Flyer and Registration Form (PDF format) flyer 1 for email.pdf registration form.pdf





The Art of the Possible

2012 AMO Urban Symposium
April 19 & 20 | Thompson Hotel, Toronto

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For details on the full program please visit www.amo.on.ca

Just added! John Tory, Chair, CivicAction and former Leader of the Official Opposition. Come hear his perspectives on the changing Ontario political environment and the new realities marked by the Don Drummond Report and the 2012 Provincial Budget on Friday, April 20th.



Association of Municipalities of Ontario

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2012 AMO Urban Symposium Registration Form

April 19 & 20, 2012

Thompson Hotel, Toronto, Ontario.

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First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Title or Function: _____

Municipality/Organization: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

Tel: _____ Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

REGISTRATION FEES (does not include hotel accommodation)

	Full Registration includes Dinner on April 19	Amount
AMO Member	\$450.00	_____
Provincial/Federal Government and Non-Members	\$550.00	_____
	add 13% HST \$	_____
	TOTAL DUE \$	_____

PAYMENT METHOD

<input type="checkbox"/> Cheque Payable to: Association of Municipalities of Ontario 200 University Avenue, Suite 801 Toronto, Ont., M5H 3C6	<input type="checkbox"/> MasterCard	<input type="checkbox"/> Visa
	Card Number: _____	
	Name on Card: _____	
	Expiry Date: _____	
	Signature: _____	
Refund Policy: Cancellations must be made in writing and received by AMO no later than March 16, 2012. An administration fee of \$75.00 plus 13% HST (\$84.75) will apply. Cancellations received after March 16, 2012 will not be refunded.		

PLEASE SEND COMPLETED REGISTRATION FORM TO:

Association of Municipalities of Ontario
200 University Avenue, Suite 801,
Toronto, ON., M5H 3C6
Fax: 416.971.6191

The official venue and hotel for the Urban Symposium is the Thompson Hotel located at 550 Wellington Street West, Toronto, ON M5V 2V4. The AMO room rate is \$219.00 per night for a King Superior room. Reservations can be made by contacting the hotel directly at 416.640.7778.

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To <klawson@fort-frances.com>
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Subject With Respect to Old Age: Why New Thinking is Needed for Older Adults

AMO Urban Symposium Program Update Event dates: April 19 & 20, 2012 Event location: Thompson Hotel, Toronto

On the Program: With Respect to Old Age: Why New Thinking is Needed for Older Adults

4.1 million people in Ontario will be over the age of 65 by 2036, doubling the number of seniors in Ontario today. The implications of this demographic shift for municipalities cannot be underestimated.

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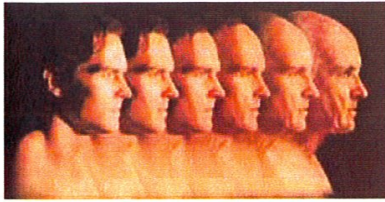
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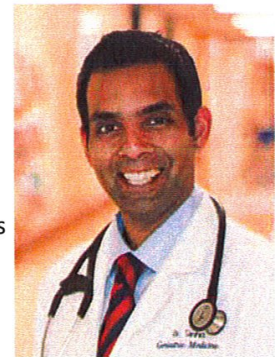
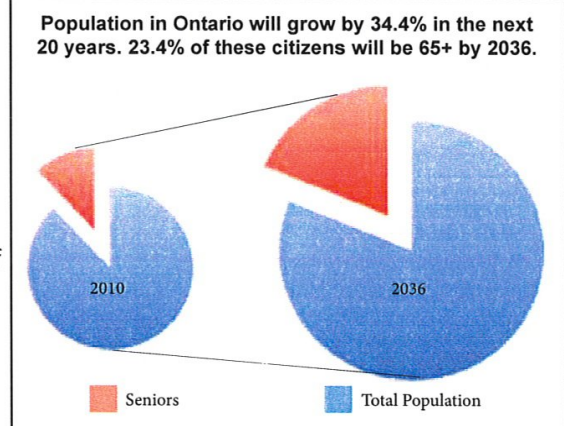
What does your municipality need to know about its aging population?

How can you prepare today for their needs in twenty years?

How will Ontario seniors affect the cost of health care and infrastructure now and into the future?

About the speaker: A passionate advocate for the needs of older persons, Dr. Samir K. Sinha is Director of Geriatrics at Mount Sinai and the University Health Network Hospitals in Toronto. Dr. Sinha's breadth of training has contributed to his growing expertise in health policy and the delivery of services related to the care of the elderly. He has consulted with hospitals and health authorities in Britain, Canada, the United States and China on models of geriatric care that reduce disease burden, improve access and promote health.

Visit www.amo.on.ca for a preview video of what Dr. Sinha has to say.



Also on the program:

John Tory offers up a municipal prescription to achieving the art of the possible in a new era.



Dr. Avi Freidman, discusses blue prints for change on retooling community sustainably for the 21st Century.



King West a case study in renewal. See how the neighbourhood was revitalized and what steps were taken to make it what it is today.



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April 19 & 20, 2012

Thompson Hotel, Toronto, Ontario.

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- Supreme Court decision on municipal taxation.
- Call for applications: Bicycle Friendly Community Awards.
- Ontario Farmland Trust Farmland Preservation Forum.
- Resolution from the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie.
- Career opportunities with Niagara-on-the-Lake, St. Marys, AMO and the Ontario Public Service.
- *Links to full text articles below.*

Provincial Matters

Today AMO and the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing released the 2011 Joint Annual Memorandum of Understanding Statement. The Joint Statement outlines the nature of the provincial policy consultation conducted at the 2011 MOU Table and provides the agreed-upon 2012 priority MOU policy topics.

Federal Matters

The Supreme Court of Canada upheld a British Columbia municipality's taxation bylaw.

The Municipal Wire *

The Share the Road Cycling Coalition is inviting applications by March 15th 2012 for recognition as a bike friendly community. Awards will be presented at the Ontario Bike Summit in Toronto April 24-25th.

How is policy for agriculture improved to support both land conservation and rural economic development? Join the Ontario Farmland Trust in Guelph on February 17th for the 2012 Farmland Preservation Forum "Balancing Agriculture and Resource Demands in Rural Ontario."

The Municipality of Arran-Elderslie resolution requests an immediate moratorium of one year, with yearly extensions as required, on the construction of Industrial Wind Turbines within the Province of Ontario, until the concerns noted are properly studied and addressed.

Career/Employment Opportunities

Contract Planner - Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake. This is a two year contract position. Confidential resumes and supporting documentation to atrudeau@notl.org will be accepted until 4:00 p.m on Friday February 10, 2012.

Chief Administrative Officer - Town of St. Marys. To learn more, please visit the Town of St. Marys website. Applications, in confidence, will be accepted via email to careers@town.stmarys.on.ca until February 10, 2012.

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Policy Intern - AMO. Assisting senior policy advisors and the Director of Policy, the successful candidate will support AMO's policy development process. Please apply in confidence to: hr@amo.on.ca by February 10, 2012.

Director, Capital and Accommodation Services - Ontario Public Service. Location: 2 Bloor Street West, Toronto. Please apply online, only, at [Ontario Careers](http://OntarioCareers), quoting Job ID 41351, by February 3, 2012.

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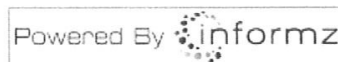
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- Transit-Supportive Guidelines released.
- AMO Urban Symposium announces keynote.
- Save on your personal home/auto insurance with LAS.
- Showcasing Municipal Innovation at the ROMA/OGRA Conference.
- Town and Gown Association of Ontario 2012 Symposium.
- Career opportunities with the City of Kingston and the City of Orillia.
- *Links to full text articles below.*

Guest Column

Don't let 'sustainability' drive you crazy. Build the skills you need to lead sustainable initiatives in your community, with AMO's new workshop, "Leading with Sustainability." Register today!

Provincial Matters

The Ministry of Transportation has released Ontario's updated Transit-Supportive Guidelines to assist communities and planners in developing services and programs to increase transit ridership.

Eye on AMO/LAS Events

The AMO Urban Symposium presents John Tory. Come hear his perspectives on the changing Ontario political environment and the new realities marked by the Don Drummond Report and the 2012 Provincial Budget - April 19 & 20 at the Thompson Hotel, Toronto.

LAS - Local Authority Service

Leverage the buying power of all Ontario municipal staff and elected officials to achieve sizeable group insurance discounts. Contact the Cowan Insurance Group for a no-obligation quote.

Ontario Municipal Knowledge Network (OMKN.ca)

The 2012 ROMA/OGRA Conference will profile leading practices in increasing Community Attractiveness for Newcomers and Information Technology Strategic Planning. For regular information on municipal innovation visit the OMKN website.

The Municipal Wire *

The Town and Gown Association of Ontario 2012 Symposium "Cities for People," to be held in Kingston, Ontario, May 13-15, 2012, has issued a Call for Presentations. The deadline for submissions is March 2, 2012. "Town & Gown" is a term which conveys the relationship between Universities/Colleges and the Communities in which they are located.

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Career/Employment Opportunities

Project Manager, Brownfields - City of Kingston. Please apply quoting file # K18-26-2012 no later than 4:30 p.m., February 29, 2012 to: Human Resources – Recruitment. Submit either to drop-box, 310 King Street East, by mail: 216 Ontario St., Kingston, ON, K7L 2Z3, fax: 613-546-1607, or email: hrcity@cityofkingston.ca

Chief Administrative Officer – City of Orillia. To explore this four year renewable contract further, please contact Jessa Chupik in Odgers Berndtson's Toronto office at 416-366-1990 or submit your resume online.

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- AMO Annual Conference registration now available.
- Leading with Sustainability: Looking Beyond the Environmental Pillar.
- LAS' Energy Planning workshop filling up fast.
- 4 new municipalities using LAS EMT – Get connected!
- Showcasing Municipal Innovation at the ROMA/OGRA Conference.
- P.J. Marshall Awards for Innovation - Call for submissions.
- Introducing Grants Ontario - a better way to apply for grants.
- P3 Guide for municipalities available.
- Career opportunities with the City of Peterborough and the Ontario Public Service.
- *Links to full text articles below.*

NOTE: Please be advised that AMO will be performing an upgrade to a new version of software on March 8th starting at 9:00 AM EDT and ending by March 12 at 2:00 PM EDT. During this time, you may experience an intermittent interruption when accessing the AMO website, including password protected areas such as Municom, MIDAS, EMT and Gas Tax Reporting.

Provincial Matters

Commissioners Lankin and Sheikh have released a second discussion paper [Discussion Paper 2: Approaches for Reform](#), focused on social assistance reform in Ontario. AMO will be meeting with the Commissioners to discuss the municipal role and considerations. The deadline for municipalities to respond is March 16, 2012. Click [here](#) for AMO's initial response.

Federal Matters

Statistics Canada has now released [Census 2011 data](#) on population and dwelling counts. Additional data will be released this Fall.

Eye on AMO/LAS Events

The [AMO Urban Symposium](#) kicks-off with a look at the once gritty industrial King West area of Toronto. Learn how economic shifts, visionary developers and a city plan renewed this area and how your municipality can leverage these techniques and tools. Register today for April 19 & 20 at the Thompson Hotel, Toronto.

AMO Annual Conference registration is now open. Don't miss out - [register today](#) to hear keynote

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speakers such as Amanda Lang co-host of The Lang & O'Leary Exchange and CBC's The National.

Sustainability is more than just environmental protection. Sustainable municipal planning requires a broad view of sustainability - and support from the entire community. We hope to see you at the workshop!

Hands-on workshop will provide municipal staff and elected officials with the tools and know-how to develop an energy plan as required by Regulation 397/11 Energy Conservation and Demand Management Plans before the July 1, 2013 deadline. Three of four locations are booking up quickly - register today to avoid disappointment!

LAS

Municipalities continue to enrol in using LAS's EMT to track their energy, water and emissions. Get connected to the service that ensures your municipality can meet the energy regulations, reduce energy consumption and save \$\$\$.

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The Municipal Wire *

By awarding and profiling innovation, the P.J. Marshall Awards continue to advance creativity and support to strong municipal government. Showcase how your municipality has implemented new, more cost effective ways of providing public services and facilities. Submit an application asap!

Grants Ontario is an online tool that provides one-window access to information about grants offered by the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport, and the Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration.

A cost-free guide is available for those municipalities considering public-private partnerships. Published by the Canadian Council for Public-Private Partnerships (CCPPP) in collaboration with PPP Canada, the guide provides the benefits and differences between traditional procurement and P3s, implementation steps, project road map, federal and provincial support programs, municipal case studies and best practices.

Career/Employment Opportunities

Fire Chief - City of Peterborough. To be considered for this position please visit Odgers Berndtson to submit your resume and related information online or for further information contact Margaret Campbell at 416-366-1990.

Regional Advisor / Conseiller(ère) régional(e) - Ontario Public Service. Location: 400 University Avenue, Toronto. Please apply online, by February 23, 2012, by visiting Ontario Careers and entering Job ID 41256 in the Job ID search field. Please follow the instructions to submit your application online.

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The 2012 ROMA/OGRA Combined Conference is only a few weeks away!

We are pleased to announce that The Honourable Dalton McGuinty, Premier of Ontario, has confirmed his attendance for Monday, February 27th!

See attached for details.



www.combinedconference.org Conference Update Jan 31.pdf

1 OF CANADA'S MOST PROVOCATIVE MINDS + **1** PREMIER OF ONTARIO

+ **4** ALL-STAR DEBATERS

+ **2** + **17** CABINET MINISTERS

= THE BIGGEST DAY IN ROMA/OGRA COMBINED CONFERENCE HISTORY

Usually these numbers equal 25. This year they add up to the biggest day in Combined Conference history. On Monday, February 27 delegates will hear the Premier and the leaders of the opposition parties outline their approaches to Ontario's first minority government in a quarter century for the first time since the provincial election. ROMA and OGRA have also assembled two all-star debate teams to tackle the resolution: "Be it resolved that Ontario municipalities require radical taxation and legislative reform". Don't miss out. Visit www.combinedconference.org to register.

February 26 - 29, 2012 The Fairmont Royal York, 100 Front Street West, Toronto, Ontario

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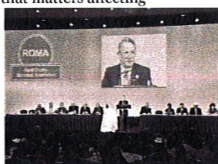
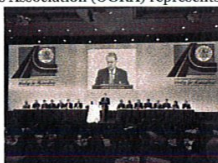


Combined Conference

Founded in 1894, the Ontario Good Roads Association (OGRA) represents the infrastructure interests of municipalities through advocacy, consultation, training and the delivery of identified services.

The Rural Ontario Municipalities is Ontario's rural municipal voice, ensuring that matters affecting rural communities are brought to the attention of the provincial and federal governments.

Together OGRA and ROMA host the Combined Conference, one of the largest annual gatherings of municipal leaders in Canada. Its aim is to reinvigorate public debate about how municipalities will respond to emergent challenges and opportunities.



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News & Information

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OGRA is Pleased to Announce the 2012 Combined Conference App Porter to Offer 20% discount to all Conference Delegates



Bridging the Gap

The 2012 Conference will mark the first time that municipalities will get to hear the direction and intentions of the newly elected provincial government.

View the list of workshops below for more information OR Click here for a complete view of the always up-to-date 2012 ROMA/OGRA Combined Conference Program.

Workshops & Info Rooms

Workshops for Monday, February 27th

- 70% Landfill Diversion Targets: Hype or Reality?
- Citizen Engagement 2.0: Towards More Representative Local Government
- Keys to Successful Municipal AFP/P3 Projects
- Now in Season: Ontario's Local Food Revolution
- Partners on Main Street - Your Local BIA and You

Workshops for Tuesday, February 28th

- Building Bicycle Friendly Communities in Ontario
- Climate Change and Infrastructure
- Interministry Community Economic Development
- Major Overhaul or Minor Tune-Up: Which Does Your Council Meeting Need?
- Reducing the Infrastructure Gap Via Asset Management
- When Disaster Strikes: Municipal Emergency Management
- Working with Our Neighbours: Municipalities and First Nations Land Claims
- Indicators for Community Attractiveness to Newcomers
- Innovation in Municipal Infrastructure Management
- Minimize Road Salt and Improve Source Water Quality: Can We Do Both?
- Socially and Environmentally Responsible Aggregate
- Surety Bonds
- The ABCs of Late Season Paving
- The Northern and Rural Lens: Towards a Better Understanding of Ontario's Rural and Northern Municipalities

Information Rooms

- Monday, February 27th
 - ODA (Info Room)
 - LAS Solar PV Program (Info Room)
- Tuesday, February 28th
 - OGRA Member Services (Info Room)

Highlights & Events

The Honourable Dalton McGuinty, Premier of Ontario
ROMA/OGRA Debate on the Future of Ontario Municipalities
Panel - Academic Potential 101

Keynote Speakers

- Tim Hudak, Leader, Ontario PCs
- Mark Kingwell
- Andrea Horvath, Leader, Ontario NDPs
- The Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing
- The Honourable Bob Chiarelli, Minister of Transportation & Infrastructure
- The Honourable Ted McMeekin, Minister of Agriculture, Food & Rural Affairs

Trade Show

Ministers' Forum

OGRA Board Elections

Awards Luncheon

Annual Banquet

Michael J. Smither Memorial Question Box

Companions' Program

February 26 to 29, 2012

FAIRMONT ROYAL YORK HOTEL, TORONTO

At the main registration area (Salon A) each companion will receive a name badge, a Monday Event ticket and a program voucher. All costs are included in the \$150 registration fee.

Click here for program details OR view this exciting program by dates and times.

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**RAINY RIVER DISTRICT MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER
320 PORTAGE AVENUE
FORT FRANCES, ON P9A 3P9**

**Rainy River
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Phone: (807) 274-5323, ext. 236 Fax: (807) 274-8479

February 2, 2012

Town of Fort Frances
320 Portage Avenue
Fort Frances, Ontario
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Attention: R. Avis, Mayor & Councillors

Dear Mayor Avis and Councillors:

Re: Resident Judge for the Rainy River District

At their 21st Annual General meeting and conference held January 28th, 2012, the members of the Rainy River District Municipal Association passed the resolution as follows:

“ WHEREAS there is a process underway which would result in the relocation of the resident judge for the District of Rainy River to a base in Kenora or Dryden;

AND WHEREAS the member municipalities of the Rainy River District Municipal Association (RRDMA), which comprise and represent the people of the District of Rainy River, are united, in the strongest possible terms, against such a plan as the process has been taken without adequate or proper consultation with the people or their representatives;

AND WHEREAS the RRDMA is in receipt of communication from the area First Nations, Fort Frances Chief's Secretariat, on behalf of the First nations leaders and their communities, in the District of Rainy River, which sets out their opposition to such a plan and implores that any recommendations in that regard be reconsidered;

AND WHEREAS the RRDMA supports fully the mandate set forth by the former Attorney General, the Honourable Michael Bryant, in 2005, for the recruitment of a full time resident judge of the Ontario Court of Justice for the District of Rainy River, and the resulting appointment accordingly;

RAINY RIVER DISTRICT MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION

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Corporation of the Town of Fort Frances
Attention: R. Avis, Mayor

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that:

- 1) The RRDMA is opposed to such a plan and supports the continued presence of a full time resident judge for the Rainy River District;
- 2) The RRDMA supports fully the submissions and actions of the area First Nations in maintaining the presence of a full time resident judge for the Rainy River District;
- 3) There continue to be a full time resident judge for the Rainy River District;
- 4) The pleas and petitions of the RRDMA, the area First Nations, and the people and communities they represent, be listened to and action taken to ensure that there is proper consultations and oppositions to be heard and considered.
- 5) That this motion be sent to all applicable parties."

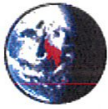
Yours sincerely,



Glenn W. Treftlin, AMCT
Secretary-Treasurer

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Subject IJC Issues Report on Governance of Lake of the Woods -
Rainy River Watershed

The International Joint Commission (IJC) has released a plan to help improve bi-national management of water quality in the Lake of the Woods – Rainy River basin.

In a [report](#) to the governments of Canada and the United States, the IJC proposed a governance model for a new International Lake of the Woods and Rainy River Watershed Board under the International Watershed Initiative. The new governance model would enhance local participation and support mechanisms to address priority issues through cooperative research and decision making. This could include bi-national studies on transboundary water quality and water-level regulation of Lake of the Woods and a Watershed Summit convened by the IJC.

"The Commission thanks the public, First Nations, Métis, Tribes, industry and officials from both Canada and the United States for participating in this process. They have helped us to develop a bi-national governance model that can provide solutions to our immediate problems and ensure that Lake of the Woods and Rainy River remain a magnificent jewel and attraction in the heart of North America" said Canadian Chair the Hon. Joe Comuzzi.

"The establishment of a watershed board will allow for greater participation of the public, First Nations, Métis and Tribes and industry. This will help ensure that the greatest variety of views and proposals are considered by both nations in their coordination of water quality and water quantity efforts in the basin. This speaks to a fundamental principle of our International Watershed Initiative; that local problems are best resolved through local solutions and participation" noted US Chair the Hon. Lana Pollack.

The new International Watersheds Initiative Board would be formed by combining the IJC's existing International Rainy River Water Pollution Board and the International Rainy Lake Board of Control and would have an expanded mandate to include reporting to governments on water quality in the boundary waters of the watershed. The amalgamation of the two existing boards into one watershed board would not result in additional regulations for industry but rather rationalize governance within the watershed. A Water Quality Plan of Study would identify what scientific work is needed in addressing the priority transboundary water issues such as nutrient enrichment and harmful algal blooms; aquatic invasive species; climate change indicators and the development of adaptation measures; and contamination of ground and surface water from sulphides and heavy metals.

The Commission also recommended the development of a Plan of Study on Lake of the Woods water levels to better inform policy, enhance understanding of the impacts of post glacial rebound and to consider the anticipated effects of climate change.

The Commission recommends that Governments partner with First Nations, Métis and Tribes in watershed governance issues and continue efforts to resolve land and flooding claims. For its part, the IJC would welcome stronger and deeper engagement with First Nations, Tribes and Métis as members of a new watershed board.

These IJC recommendations are in response to a request by the governments of the United States and Canada in June 2010 that the IJC examine bi-national governance of the Lake of the Woods and Rainy River. The International Joint Commission created the International Lake of the Woods and Rainy River Watershed Task Force (Task Force) on July 13, 2010, to examine and report to the IJC on the matters raised by the governments. The Task Force issued its final report to the IJC on July 15, 2011, entitled "Bi-national Management of Lake of the Woods and Rainy River Watershed" and the Commission held

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public hearings and received comments on the Task Force report from July 21, 2011 to August 31, 2011. The Task Force Report is annexed to the Commission's Reference Report which is available at www.ijc.org

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PUBLIC NOTICE
TOWN OF FORT FRANCES
COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT

TAKE NOTICE that the Committee of Adjustment will consider the following application at the regular meeting scheduled for **Tuesday, February 21, 2011 at 7:00 pm**, in the Committee Room of the Civic Centre, 320 Portage Avenue, Fort Frances, On.

- **File A1/2012 – 24 Armstrong Place**

This is an application for relief from section 4.1.2 (iii)(c) of Zoning By-Law #8/98 that requires an exterior side yard of 3 metre. If approved, the exterior side yard will be reduced to 0.9144 metres for the existing residential building that was constructed in 1977 with less than the 1.83 metre setback required at the time. The subject land is located in an R1 zone.

- **File A2/2012 – 1336 Elizabeth Street East**

This is an application for relief from section 4.2.2 (iii)(b) and (iv) of Zoning By-Law #8/98. If approved, the interior side yard on both sides (east and west) will be reduced from 1.5 metres to 1 metre, and the maximum lot coverage will be increased 40% to 42% to accommodate a residential dwelling and detached garaged proposed to be constructed in the summer. The subject land is located in an R2 zone.

Any person may attend this meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to an application or be represented by counsel for that purpose.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that if a person or public body that files an appeal of a decision of Town of Fort Frances Committee of Adjustment in respect of the proposed consent does not make written submissions to Town of Fort Frances Committee of Adjustment before it gives or refuses to give a provisional consent, the Ontario Municipal Board may dismiss the appeal. If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Town of Fort Frances Committee of Adjustment in respect of the proposed consent, you must make a written request to Municipal Planner at the address below.

Plans filed with the applications can be viewed in the Planning Department, Civic Centre, 320 Portage Avenue, during normal business hours. For an appointment or to obtain further information respecting the noted applications, please call Faye Flatt at 274-5323 ext. 275.

Dated this 10th day of February 2012.

N. Faye Flatt, AMCT, ACST, CPT
Municipal Planner/
Committee Secretary-Treasurer
Town of Fort Frances
320 Portage Avenue
Fort Frances, Ontario
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APPLICATION FOR MINOR VARIANCE OR FOR PERMISSION

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The undersigned hereby applies to the Committee of Adjustment for the **TOWN OF FORT FRANCES** under Section **45** of the **Planning Act, 1990** for relief, as described in this application, from By-Law No. 8/98 (as amended).

1. Name of Owner: RONALD PETER KRUPA
Telephone Number: 276-6932
2. Address: 24 Armstrong Place, Fort Frances, ON P9A 3R2
3. Name of Agent (if Any) Clare A. Brunetta, Barrister & Solicitor
Telephone Number: 274-9809
Address: 420 Victoria Ave, Box 656, Fort Frances, ON P9A 3M9

NOTE: Unless otherwise requested, all communications will be sent to the agent, if any.

4. Names and addresses of any mortgagee, holders or charges or other Encumbrances (if not applicable put N/A):

Royal Bank of Canada, Personal Service Centre,
 180 Wellington Street West, Toronto, ON M5J 1J1
5. Street Address, where applicable, and Legal description of subject land (registered plan number and lot number or other legal description).

24 Armstrong Place, Fort Frances, Ontario
 PIN: 56020-0239, Parcel 6-1, Section SM303, Lot 6, Plan SM303, McIrvine, except Parts 1 & 2, 48R2204, S/T A11477, Fort Frances. Subject to Notice of Agreement A8281 between the Town of Fort Frances and George Armstrong Co. Limited and subject to easement in favour of The Public Utilities Commission of the Corporation of the Town of Fort Frances over Part 2, 48R2204 as in A11477.
6. Nature and extent of relief applied for:

To permit the main building to be approximately 0.9144 metres, as calculated by the Planning Administrator, from the street line instead of the current 3 metres as required by the by-law. The setback requirement at the time of construction was 6 feet (1.83 metres).
7. Why is it not possible to comply with the provisions of the by-law?

Building was constructed prior to the purchase

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8. Dimensions and land affected: Frontage: Irregular
 Depth: Irregular
 Area: Not Known
 Width of Street: Unknown

9. Particulars of all buildings and structures on or proposed for the subject land (Specify ground floor area, gross floor area, number of storeys, width, length, height, etc.)

Existing:

House is a one storey frame house with concrete foundation. A complete Survey is not available.

Proposed:

To remain the same.

Location of all buildings and structures on or proposed for the subject land (Specify distance from side, rear, and front lot lines);

Existing:

Refer to memorandum of the Planning Administrator dated August 17, 2011.

Proposed:

To remain the same.

10. Date of Acquisition of Subject Land: August 16, 2011
11. Date of construction of all buildings and structures on subject land.
Dwelling constructed in 1977 under permit #4422
12. Existing uses of the subject property:
Residential Type One (R1)
13. Existing uses of abutting properties:
Residential Type One (R1)

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14. Length of time the existing uses of the subject property have continued:
Since Construction
15. Municipal services available (check services property is connected to):
Water X Sanitary Sewers X Storm Sewers X
16. Present Official Plan provisions applying to the land: Living Area
17. Present Zoning By-Law provisions applying to the land: Residential Type One (R1)
18. Has the Owner previously applied for relief in respect of the subject property?
Yes ☐ No X
- If the Answer is yes, describe briefly:
19. Is the subject property, the subject of a current application for consent under section 53 of the Planning Act, 1990. Yes ☐ No X

20. **DECLARATION** of Applicant or Authorized Agent

I/We, Ronald Peter Krupa of the Town of Fort Frances, in the District of Rainy River solemnly declare that all the statements contained in this application are true and make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the Canada Evidence Act.

DECLARED before me at the Town of
Fort Frances, in the District of Rainy
River, this 25th day of January, 2012.

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Signature of Applicant or
Authorized Agent

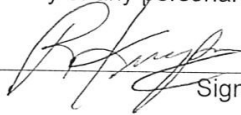
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Cindy Ann Connor, a Commissioner, etc.,
Province of Ontario, for Clare Allan Brunetta,
Barrister and Solicitor. Expires March 11, 2014.

CONSENT OF OWNER
USE AND DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL INFORMATION
(is not required if owner is a Corporation)

I/We Ronald Peter Krupa, the owner(s) of the land that is the subject of this application acknowledge that the information collected in this application is collected under the authority of The Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P13, as amended to assist in the processing of the application and will become part of a public record and, for the purposes of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, authorize and consent to the use by or the disclosure to, any person or public body of any personal information.

25-JAN-2012
Date



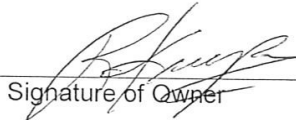
Signature of Owner

Signature of Owner

OWNER'S PERMISSION TO ENTER

I/We hereby authorize the members of the Committee of Adjustment and/or staff of The Town of Fort Frances as may be required, to enter upon the lands and premises that are the subject of this application, namely 24 Armstrong Place, Fort Frances, Ontario for the purpose of evaluating the merits of this application and for so doing, this shall be good and sufficient authority.

25-JAN-2012
Date



Signature of Owner

Signature of Owner

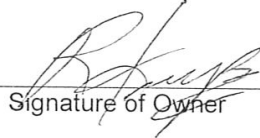
If the applicant is not the owner of the land that is the subject of this application, complete the following page.

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AUTHORIZATION AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF OWNER FOR AGENT

I/We, Ronald Peter Krupa of the Town of Fort Frances, in the District of Rainy River, as the owner(s) of the land that is the subject of this application, hereby authorize and instruct **Clare A. Brunetta** to act as my agent and make this application on my behalf and acknowledge that information requested on this form is collected under the authority of The Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P13, as amended and will assist in the processing of the application and will become part of a public record.

25-JAN-2012
Date


Signature of Owner

Signature of Owner

If the application will not be considered within 30 days as prescribed by section 45(4) of the Planning Act, the following page is to be signed by the applicant.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT & CONSENT RE HEARING

s. 45(4) of The Planning Act

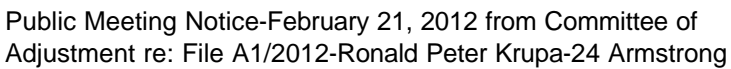
I/We, Ronald Peter Krupa of the Town of Fort Frances, in the District of Rainy River, the applicant herein, hereby acknowledge section 45(4) of the *Planning Act* that "an application be heard within thirty days after the application is received by the secretary-treasurer", and consent to the application herein being considered at the next regular meeting scheduled for _____; And further to indemnify, save and hold harmless the Town of Fort Frances, its employees and officers, their successors and assigns, for any and all costs or damages that may be incurred as a result of the said application proceeding as noted.

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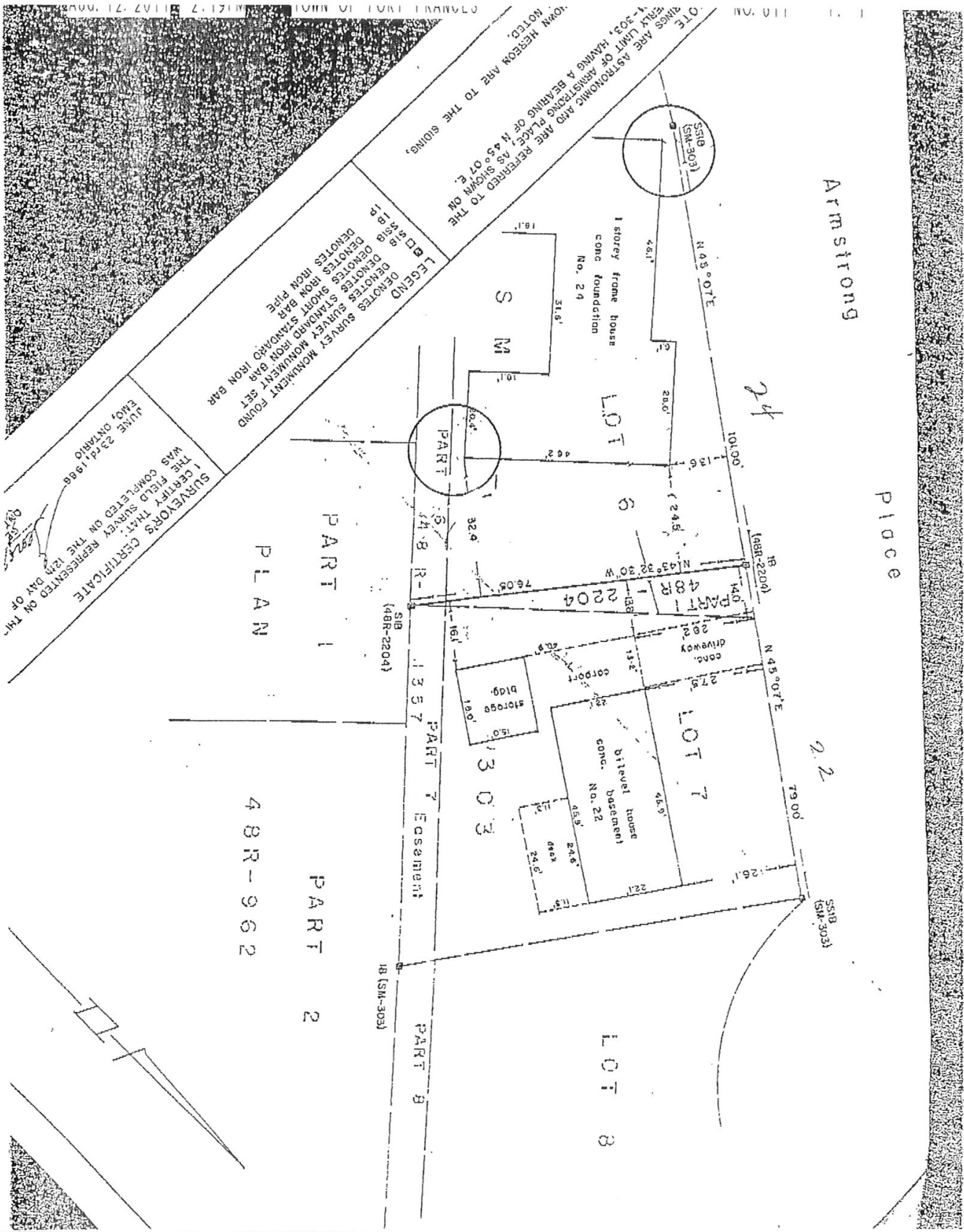

Signature of Owner

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File No A-2/2012

APPLICATION FOR MINOR VARIANCE OR FOR PERMISSION

The undersigned hereby applies to the Committee of Adjustment for the TOWN OF FORT FRANCES under Section 45 of the Planning Act, 1990 for relief, as described in this application, from By-Law No. 8/98 (as amended).



1. Name of Owner: Bill Easton and Jeanette Easton
Telephone Number: 274-7159
2. Address: 1117 Scott Street, Fort Frances, On P9A 1J7
3. Name of Agent (if Any) None
Telephone Number: _____
Address: _____

NOTE: Unless otherwise requested, all communications will be sent to the agent, if any.

4. Names and addresses of any mortgagee, holders or charges or other Encumbrances (if not applicable put N/A):

None

5. Street Address, where applicable, and Legal description of subject land (registered plan number and lot number or other legal description).

1336 Elizabeth Street East
Lot 6 and Part of Lot 7 Plan SM-27 now Parts 2 & 3 Plan 48R-4075

6. Nature and extent of relief applied for:

4.2.2 (iii)(b) – reduce interior side yard on both sides, from 1.5 metres to 1 metre;
and
4.2.2.(iv) – increase maximum lot coverage from 40% to 42%
to accommodate proposed residential dwelling and detached accessory building.

7. Why is it not possible to comply with the provisions of the by-law?

Would like to construct modular home for retirement, but am unable to find suitable design that will fit on the lot. Dwelling proposed will be one storey to accommodate possible future mobility concerns.

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8. Dimensions and land affected: Frontage: 52 ft
 Depth: 132 ft
 Area: 6864 sq. ft.
 Width of Street: 66ft

9. Particulars of all buildings and structures on or proposed for the subject land (Specify ground floor area, gross floor area, number of storeys, width, length, height, etc.)

Existing:

Small shed currently on property will be demolished prior to construction

Proposed:

Specific particulars of proposed buildings not yet confirmed. Proposal is for modular dwelling 44 feet wide.

Location of all buildings and structures on or proposed for the subject land (Specify distance from side, rear, and front lot lines):

Existing:

No information available on existing shed that will be demolished

Proposed:

See attached for location of proposed structures

10. Date of Acquisition of Subject Land: February 1, 2012
11. Date of construction of all buildings and structures on subject land.
Proposed for summer of 2012
12. Existing uses of the subject property:
Residential - vacant
13. Existing uses of abutting properties:
Residential - occupied

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14. Length of time the existing uses of the subject property have continued:

Circa 1930

15. Municipal services available (check services property is connected to):

Water ☒

Sanitary Sewers ☒

Storm Sewers ☒

16. Present Official Plan provisions applying to the land:

Living Area

17. Present Zoning By-Law provisions applying to the land:

R2

18. Has the Owner previously applied for relief in respect of the subject property?

Yes ☐

No ☒


If the Answer is yes, describe briefly:

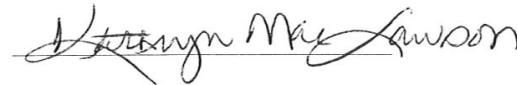
19. Is the subject property, the subject of a current application for consent under section 53 of the Planning Act, 1990. Yes ☐ No ☒

20. DECLARATION of Applicant or Authorized Agent

I/We, BILL EASTON of the Town of Fort Frances, in the District of Rainy River solemnly declare that all the statements contained in this application are true and make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the Canada Evidence Act.

DECLARED before me at the Town of)
Fort Frances, in the District of Rainy)
River, this 8th day of February, 2012)


Signature of Applicant or
Authorized Agent



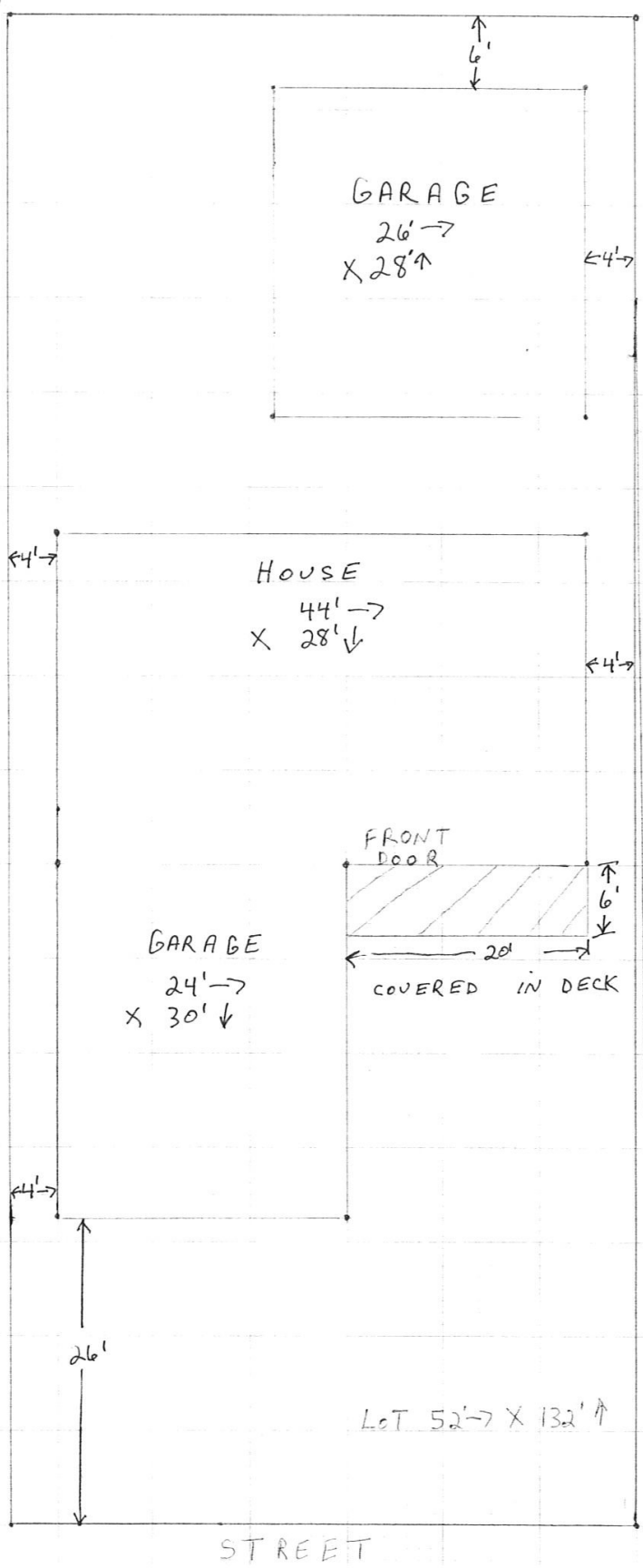
Signature of Commissioner etc.

Kathryn Mae Lawson, a Commissioner, etc.,
District of Rainy River, for the Corporation of the
Town of Fort Frances. Expires August 17, 2013.

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cc Mayor, Council
Mark

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RAINY RIVER FUTURE
DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
A Community Futures Development Corporation



Northern Ontario Development Project

Final Report

Rainy River Future Development Corporation
608 Scott Street
Fort Frances, Ontario P9A 1H6
January 24, 2012

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The following abridged reports are major projects undertaken by the RRFDC through our Northern Ontario Development Project (NODP) with FedNor and 7 of the 9 District Municipalities.

PROJECT OVERVIEW:

The following is a summary of the activities undertaken by the Rainy River Future Development Corporation (RRFDC) under the NOEDF (NODP) project # 842-503060.

The RRFDC believes that the project was successful and that many of our objectives have been met. Not only did we expand our development services agreement with the Town of Fort Frances but we were successful in selling two industrial lots, developing a slate of financial incentive programs through consultations with staff, Council, and the Economic Development Advisory Committee, developing a new industrial lot marketing strategy and attracting a condominium developer who is proposing to build a 23 unit facility in the community. We have been very active in promoting the region, and Fort Frances, as a business location for transportation and mining services. These efforts have led to continued communications between area mining companies and our business community. This is significant given the recent announcements regarding potential opening of 2 mines in the District by 2015.

The RRFDC has spent significant energy in promoting Fort Frances and the District as the Northwestern Ontario's Gateway to the U.S. Our strategy included supporting the 2009 SawTech Expo in Fort Frances, joining the North American Super Corridor (Nasco) and attending its meetings, attending the Oil Sands Buyer/Seller Forums in Edmonton, visiting Essar Steel's facilities on the Iron Range and Sault Saint Marie and providing leads to local businesses. The District's central location, proximity to the U.S. interstate system and short border wait times all contribute to making it a good location for business. These traits were also emphasized at conferences, trade shows, on the Fort Frances website and at the 2010 Northern Networks Conference.

The project also evaluated alternate energy opportunities within the region as we researched wood pellet, grass/wood pellets and anaerobic digestion as sources of energy. As a result of these efforts the RRFDC has identified two strategic directions with real world significance. The first one deals with a strategy to reduce the electrical energy costs of area First Nation communities, through the use of grass/wood pellets produced at a facility on Rainy River First Nations, to fire centrally located pellet furnaces which would heat homes and large buildings. With Ontario energy prices set to rise significantly over the next 5 years, community heating projects fuelled by local grass or wood can reduce costs and replace the imported power. The second project is one in which the District becomes home to a number of animal production facilities which will require the anaerobic digestion of waste to be feasible. Aside from the obvious benefits from slaughter and processing opportunities, the use of the manure to create green energy will stimulate further economic activity in the area.

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A major component of the project was following through on our 2008 BR&E (Business Expansion and Retention) recommendations. The RRFDC has initiated numerous business courses, training session, speakers and activities targeted at improving the competency of area SMEs. Our Customer Service Challenge was highly successful with over 40 businesses competing each year for the honour of being a champion. Our efforts in researching and promoting a "go local" project, designed to retain some of the outflow of dollars from the community, have also been well received and have garnered significant support from the private sector. The project is awaiting senior government support to move forward.

This NODP project also focused on improving the telecommunications services within district. The RRFDC pursued the expansion of wireless broadband services to the less densely populated regions of the District with little success. This being said the previous project provided expanded wireless services along the Highway #11 corridor and enabled 117 businesses to access broadband. Our analysis of Fort Frances and the region's infrastructure recommends that after TBayTel has deployed its High Speed Packet Access (3G Cellular service) in the Rainy River District the RRFDC should re-evaluate the gaps in service and work to identify potential funding sources for a telecommunications infrastructure project. If funding appears to be available, the RRFDC should proceed with the development of a new project.

The project also had a significant component for the promotion of tourism across the District. In the fall of 2009 the RRFDC along with our tourism partners hosted a regional Tourism Marketing Forum in Dryden to investigate the future of tourism. Speakers were brought in from such areas as the Wisconsin Dells and Branson, Missouri to inform the industry on how these areas diversified their tourism base. Over 50 tourist businesses attended. The RRFDC also spent considerable time and effort on developing marketing materials and promoting the region in such the southern United States, Winnipeg and national television. The corporation also assisted local tourism related events such as the International Tug of War, Canada Day and the Fort Frances Canadian Bass Championship through the use of staff time and summer students.

Finally, the RRFDC utilized the resources provided by the project to further our cooperation with area First Nations through the Northern Networks Trade Conference, the grass pellet feasibility study with Rainy River First Nations and the regional strategic planning process.

The Board of Directors and staff of the RRFDC appreciate the assistance given to us by FedNor for this project and the results outlined above indicate that it was money well spent. The Board trusts that FedNor will continue to support this type of project in pursuit of a more prosperous Rainy River District.

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Business Retention and Expansion

The RRFDC remained committed to its partnership with the Fort Frances Chamber of Commerce and the Business Retention and Expansion Program (BR&E). Our most recent Business Retention and Expansion Survey which was completed in the fall of 2008 with approximately 100 businesses being surveyed. The BR&E partners have developed action plans in the following areas: Proactive Business Recruitment, Energy Conservation, Telecommunications, Workforce Skill Development and Labour Availability, Support for the Business Community, Transportation, Tourism and Agriculture, Town Enhancement, Communication and Promote Shopping Locally

Customer Service Challenges

The RRFDC continued towards the goal of improved customer service by supporting motivational speakers and hosting our annual Customer Service Champions Awards. The RRFDC's Customer Service Challenge Program has been a significant success for the Corporation since its inception in 2004. The program has seen over 350 businesses participating and 80 Customer Service Champions being named. The RRFDC promotes the winners in local media and features the winners again during Small Business Week in October of each year. The challenge structure was changed this year to an online voting system, which encouraged the competing businesses with encouraging their customers to vote for them. Each year, attempts are made to expand and revamp the process in order to keep it relevant to today's business environment.

Workshops/Seminars/Training

The RRFDC has also worked to enhance the knowledge of area business owners in regards to new ways of doing business or potential business opportunities through speakers, workshops and training sessions. We hosted the following sessions:

Business Workshops – How to Start a Small Business and Tips and Tools to Starting a Business – These are in-house provided workshops advertising both online, through email/fax outs and in the newspaper. They are held typically 6 – 8 times per year in Fort Frances and Emo (mid-District) with anywhere from 1 – 8 attendees.

Video Conference Workshops – RRFDC provides video-conference training sessions offered through the Canada-Manitoba Business Services Centre

Social Media Workshops (M. Schenk) -1 (12 attendees) – well received

Social Media Presentation (M. Schenk) -1 (60 attendees) – well received

Fishing Opportunities Workshop - 1

Mining Information Sessions - 3

Regional Tourism Forum – Dryden - 1

E-Business Workshops -1

GST/HST Workshops - 3

Speakers:

Quincy Oliver – Customer Service

Maggie Chicione – Adapting to Change in your Business

Susan Chisholm – Customer Service

Alternative Energy



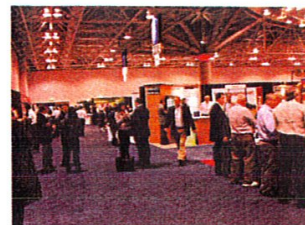
The RRFDC's strategy related to alternative energy prior to this project was to research all potential energy sources within the Rainy River District and determine the practicality of undertaking a project. Thus we explored wind sources of energy. Our research into wind, prior to the project, indicated that the only area within the District which could sustain wind turbines at an economic level was along the east shore of the Lake

of the Woods. As this area is a large distance from the power transmission lines needed to transport the electricity to market thus the project was deemed uneconomical at the present time. Subsequent events have proven this out.

Through the project, the RRFDC undertook research into solar opportunities through Ontario's Feed-in-Tariff program, meeting with Jan Carr, the chair of the Ontario Power Authority in Toronto, to determine the programs future. As a result of these talks the RRFDC lent assistance to Chapple in support of a solar land request. The Corporation also assisted to a solar developer from Emo. This support resulted in the creation of a Solar Company which is currently installing solar systems under the Feed in Tariff program across the District.

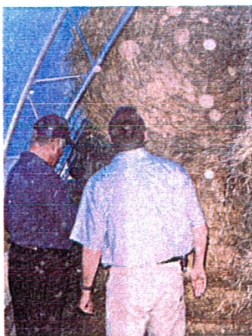
As part of this NODP project, the RRFDC also forwarded the work done on alternative energy by the Agricultural Coordinator Project. Our Local Initiatives Fund was used to gauge the potential for using grass pellets for energy. This pre-feasibility study was done in conjunction with a practical study the RRFDC did on the use of grass bails as a drying agent in the Abitibi Bowater Inc. (ABI) Co-generation Biomass facility. This project resulted in over \$20,000 in grass sales by area producers to ABI and led to the grass pellet study seen below.

In addition to these studies, the RRFDC attended the Bio-energy Conference in Minneapolis in the spring of 2010, just prior to hiring a consulting firm, to get a thorough understanding of the bio-energy business. We met with Adam Sherman of the Biomass Energy Research Center in Montpelier, Vermont who became a keynote speaker at the fall Northern Networks Conference in Fort Frances.



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His positive comments on the RRFDC's plan to research grass pellets were very encouraging.



As part of the NODP project, the RRFDC hired a consulting firm to research the feasibility of a grass/wood pellet facility on Rainy River First Nations at their Manitou Forest Products site. This research indicated that, at present, only a wood-based project would be acceptable to the marketplace as current standards are too strict for the use of grass pellets, due to higher ash content and silica levels. This being said, a follow up study into additional opportunities has determined that the rising electricity energy prices in Ontario will create significant financial issues for area communities not on the natural gas system, especially First Nations communities. It has been recommended that the partners seek to develop a system of community based grass pellet heating solutions for the First Nations. In addition, the RRFDC and our partners also investigated the potential for the utilization of whole grass bales as an energy feedstock. Our trip to Manitoba left many questions as to the viability of such a facility.

In addition to looking into grass pellets, the RRFDC researched alternative energy opportunities using municipal and agricultural waste. To this end the RRFDC's local Initiatives Program allowed a delegation from the Town of Rainy River to visit Ottawa to investigate the plasma incinerator there. The RRFDC also worked with the community to investigate the potential for a local anaerobic digester for the generation of electricity. Initial investigations indicated that, in both cases, not enough feedstock existed within a reasonable transport range. In the case of the anaerobic digester the RRFDC has recently had an opportunity to explore this type of project again, within the context of a potential agribusiness cluster now being developed with a large Manitoba producer.

First Nations

As a result of the RRFDC's attempts to set up a Conference between area municipalities and First Nations, and after talking with the Fort Frances Chief's Secretariat and Pwi-Di-Goo-Zing Ne-Yaa-Zhing Non Profit Advisory Services, it was determined that a First Nations/municipal conference would not be successful unless significant upfront work was completed. The main issues were that a level of trust between the groups and a clear focus for the event was needed.



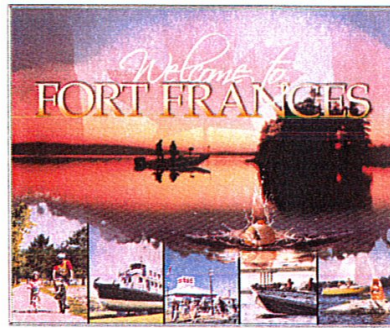
Subsequently the RRFDC developed a Joint Loan Fund with Rainy Lake Tribal Area Business and Financing Corporation, a division of Pwi-Di-Goo-Zing Ne-Yaa-Zhing Non Profit Advisory Services, initiated a grass/wood pellet plant project with Rainy River First Nations and incorporated a significant First Nations component in the 2010 Northern Networks Conference held in Fort Frances. This component comprised of bringing to the conference Chief Clarence Louie of Osoyoos First Nation to discuss his views on

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economic development and community relations. His main message was that First Nations and municipalities have to put legal issues aside, and deal with creating local economies together. This presentation was well received and we have since seen progress between the various communities. A positive outcome of these activities has been the effort to develop a Regional Strategic Plan for the entire Rainy River District. This effort will see a formal signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between the District's First Nation Communities and Municipalities. This is in the process of being developed with the expected signing in May 2012.

Tourism

The RRFDC's strategy was to promote the Rainy River District and Fort Frances as a fishing destination in non-traditional markets, in other words not in the U.S. Midwest. In order to do this we attempted to cast a broad net by attending trade shows and advertising in areas such as the southern US and Manitoba. In the fall of 2009 the RRFDC along with our tourism partners hosted a regional Tourism Marketing Forum in Dryden to investigate the future of tourism. Speakers were brought in from such areas as the Wisconsin Dells and Branson to inform the industry on how these areas diversified their tourism base. Over 50 area tourism outfitters and businesses attended this event. The RRFDC also participated in the Sunset Country and Discover Fort Frances Guides. We transitioned all marketing material to the lake theme prior to changing sign faces in Canada and the U.S.



The initial focus of the strategy was to attend the Bassmaster Classic Tournament and Trade Shows in Birmingham, Alabama (2010) and Schreveport, Louisiana (2009) in order to promote Rainy Lake as a bass fishing destination. The attendance at these events garnered significant business support from both sides of the border with companies such as Finn Tek and Rapala supplying the RRFDC with promotional materials. In fact we had over twenty companies support this

effort each year. The RRFDC also survey attendees at the trade show, over 400, and found that Rainy Lake was well known as a premier bass fishing destination. Another result of attending these shows was contact with four companies seeking distributors in Canada for their products. The RRFDC arranged a fishing opportunities session in Fort

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Frances in May 2010 to make area entrepreneurs aware of them. We had 8 businesses attend the session, three attempted to follow up with the companies, but for various reasons we were not successful in accessing these opportunities.



The RRFDC supported the Town of Rainy River in promoting the District as a fishing destination by participating in "The Dimestore Fishman" television program project in the fall of 2010. The project was a partnership between the RRFDC, Town of Rainy River and the Rainy River Walleye Tournament. The program created was aired in the spring of 2011 on various national television stations. The episode featuring Rainy River Walleye Tournament

was scheduled to air on WILD TV Canada's All Hunting & Fishing Channel the week of May 16, 2011. The Dimestore Fishermen WILD TV airs on Bell Xpress Vu Channel 389 & Star Choice Channel 456. WILD TV also airs with a large number of other cable distributors in Canada. In addition to the Dimestore Project, the RRFDC developed two TV advertisements promoting Fort Frances and the Rainy River District using footage previously taken. These commercials aired over the summer of 2011 on Shaw TV Ad out of Kenora promoting the region to tourists coming to the Kenora area from Manitoba. While the results of these efforts are difficult to measure the angler numbers are up at the Rainy River Walleye Tournament and the motel in Rainy River has been re-opened. It appears that hotels in Fort Frances have also had a good 2011.

The RRFDC believes that area events are good drivers of the local tourism economy. We also believe that these events should, as much as possible, be driven by, run by and supported by the region's residents. Our strategy was to use the RRFDC to provide as much support as possible to area events, while keeping them from being run by or being dependent upon the RRFDC. Our commitment to these events over the years can be seen in our various local initiative grants and the purchase of the events tent. Thus the strategy was to use this project to enhance our provision of assistance to events.

In early 2009, the RRFDC developed a proposal to hire an Events Coordinator Intern through FedNor's Intern program. The intern was hired in May to assist in staging area events. In accordance with our strategy, the coordinator assisted with the Emo Walleye Tournament, Railroad Daze and the Fort Frances Canadian Bass Championship. The coordinator also assisted in the early stages of the development and promotion of the 2010 Northern Networks Trade Conference by traveling to the International Trade,

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Business and Economic Development Council (ITBEC) conference in Wisconsin. Due to the premature departure of the intern, this phase of the project was terminated, Northern Networks, initially set for May 2010, was moved until the fall and a new avenue of promotion and development was taken with the event given the enhancement of the Fort Frances component on this project.

In keeping with our strategy of supporting and strengthening local events, the RRFDC was pivotal in writing the 2010 Celebrate Ontario application for Fort Frances Canadian Bass Championship. This application was successful and the tournament received \$45,000 in support of expanded events for the 2010 Tournament. Such acts as Julian Austin where brought in.



Unfortunately, this support, while well meaning, actually cost the event money due to increased costs and low attendance leaving it in a deficit position for 2011. Recent information received by the RRFDC indicated that the 2011 event was highly successful and it is now debt free. Our recent Economic Impact Study indicates that the FFCBC provides an important recreational opportunity for local residents and is a fundamental component of the District's tourism development strategy. In addition to spending during the tournament, other economic activity has been generated as a result of the FFCBC. This includes annual visitation of bass fishermen who have become aware of Rainy Lake because of tournament marketing and fishing lure testing conducted on Rainy Lake.

Total impact on GDP as a result of the FFCBC was just over \$460,000. "This means that the impact on the Rainy River District's GDP as a result of the tournament creates about 5 or 6 full-time jobs every year," said RRFDC Consultant who carried out the survey. "The numbers are very positive and we hope to continue to work with the FFCBC to increase the value to our local economy created by our fishery."

In an attempt to enhance community activities for summer 2011, the RRFDC, at the request of Fort Frances Town Council, hired two summer students; an events coordinator and special events assistant. These students assisted the RRFDC and Fort Frances in planning and staging the International Tug of War and Canada Day celebrations. The students also assisted the RRFDC in gathering the data for the 2011 Fort Frances Canadian Bass Championship economic impact study, (see above) and assisted the tournament organizers in developing a volunteer retention strategy.



The special events assistant also assisted the Fort Frances Business Improvement Association (BIA) in staging Market Thursdays each week in order to create a downtown summer marketplace. We have submitted a separate activity report to describe these activities.

Infrastructure:

In 2009, the RRFDC proposed to the Town of Fort Frances a strategy that would assist the community in developing its commercial, industrial and residential infrastructure. The RRFDC undertook an asset analysis, expanded the community's economic development financial incentives and developed a promotion strategy which focused on industrial park lots.

To meet this end the RRFDC assisted the Town in developing a slate of financial incentives/grants to encourage area developers to use underutilized lands and buildings. We developed marketing materials and promoted these grants in local print media and trade shows over the past two years. These efforts resulted in two FIPs being utilized.



The RRFDC also undertook a search for a condominium developer in the fall of 2009 and was successful in attracting a Thunder Bay company. The company subsequently structured a deal with the Town of Fort Frances for the purchase of the subject lands and proceeded to market the concept. To date they have pre-sold about 10 units but need 15 to trigger the deal with Fort Frances Council and start construction. The RRFDC assisted the developer by doing a mail out to over

200 ex-patriot Fort Frances residents. The RRFDC is hopeful that with all the mining related activity in the area, the facility will soon reach its required commitments.

The RRFDC also worked in the attempt to set up an Assisted Living facility in the community. We worked with a developer from Sudbury in a site location process and with a local community group looking to set up the facility. At present no action is being taken as the operating costs of such a facility requires a significant number of tenants in order to meet them and it appears that the area does not have the numbers. We are hopeful that in the near future senior government programs will allow such ventures.



The Town of Fort Frances' Industrial Lots are of particular interest to the RRFDC as their sales generate sales revenue and assessment for the community. To date we have assisted Fort Frances in marketing the land on our website and in various vehicles such as Area Development Magazine, Site Location magazine and Northern Ontario Business. To date the Town has received 10 inquiries and sold two lots in 2010 and 2011. As a result of issues pertaining to these sales, the

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RRFDC initiated a review of industrial lot prices in the community. In addition, the RRFDC property website has been updated to make information searches easier. The RRFDC also received 15 commercial property information requests.

In addition to assisting the community in selling its lots, the RRFDC worked with private sector developers who wanted to develop and sell their own lands. To this end we worked with a transportation service sector business to study the possibility of extending sewer services along Highway 11 corridor. This included a meeting with business.

Business Development:

The RRFDC believes that the District should be more aware of the potential opportunities around us. Our strategy was to market Fort Frances as Northwestern Ontario's trade gateway and seek out opportunities. We targeted the NASCO Corridor, Essar Steel on the Iron range in Minnesota and the opportunities surrounding the oil sands development in Alberta. In addition we were to hire a U.S. site location firm to assist us in identifying target companies. We focused on the transportation and alternative energy sectors and distributed 160 packages to companies with interests in Alberta and the U.S.



The North American Super Corridor (NASCO) runs south of Fort Frances via Highway 53 to I-35 through the U.S. and Mexico to the Pacific Ocean. The RRFDC joined NASCO and attended conferences in Quebec City (2009) and Des Moines (2010). The conferences were largely focused on highway infrastructure but it was clearly identified that the U.S. will have major congestion problems within 10 years. It is our determination that Fort Frances, with its central location, short border wait times and easy access to the U.S. Midwest, is a good candidate for companies servicing both the U.S. and Western Canada. As part of this

strategic direction the RRFDC hired the consulting firm to research opportunities in two specific sectors related to the corridor, alternative energy and transportation. They identified ten companies each sector with an interest in Fort Frances as a Gateway. The RRFDC has sent information to each of the companies and at this time we are still following up with them. The recent increase in mining activities on both sides of the border should greatly enhance the potential of this strategy. We also investigated a "one permit" system for highway movements from Des Moines to Kenora.

The 2010 Northern Networks Conference (NNTC), coordinated by The Town of Fort Frances and the Rainy River Future Development Corporation (RRFDC), and sponsored by FedNor and NOHFC was held at La Place Rendezvous on September 15 & 16th. With over 120



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delegates from Northwestern Ontario, Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Manitoba in attendance, it was deemed a success. Many delegates from all over were very impressed by this year's conference and gave exceptional feedback about the speakers, conference topics, and networking opportunities, but all would agree that the abundance and quality of the local foods that were served was definitely the highlight of the two day conference. The conference expanded our network to include attendance at the Focus Canada Conference in Hibbing, Minnesota in April 2011. The caterer, from Fort Frances (who was showcased) at NNTC was also featured in Hibbing.



In order to determine the companies in Southern Ontario to target we needed to know which ones were doing business or seeking to do business in the oils sands. Thus the RRFDC attended three Buyer/Seller Forums (2009, 2010 & 2011) in Edmonton. Once a significant list was gathered we developed and implemented a marketing campaign into the Mississauga area of the GTA. We sent over 400 information packages to companies, combined with print advertising in the Mississauga Business Times, which were identified as having ties to the oil sands. This effort was successful in that we did receive one interested company from the mail out. The RRFDC will continue to pursue this line of effort as there is a high probability of success over time.

In support of this initiative the RRFDC upgraded the District's property website in order to provide more accurate and timely information to prospective developers or businesses looking to locate the area.

Telecommunications



The project work for this component focused on evaluating and expanding telecommunications services in the Rainy River District. The initial component of the strategy was the development a response to proposal for the expansion of wireless broadband services to areas within the District with low population densities as a result of the government stimulus program. The RRFDC sent out an expression of interest seeking companies

interested in working with us with two responding, TBay Tel and Dryden Tel. We subsequently sent them our RFP and one company, TBay Tel, responded but the project was terminated as a result of this response due to the fact that the company was only prepared to put in 5% of the project funding, citing low populations densities and

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high operating costs. We were advised not to submit the proposal to senior government as they would not support 95% of a project.

Following this activity the RRFDC hired a consultant to analyze the telecommunications capabilities in Fort Frances and across the District and outline opportunities. The RRFDC also initially planned to place WiFi hot spots along the route to the U.S. border in an attempt to market the community to tourists returning home. This project was also terminated when TBay Tel announced and implemented 3G service in Fort Frances making the Internet available to anyone with an Iphone or Ipad.

Investment Readiness

As part of this project the RRFDC utilized the province's Northern Community Investment Readiness (NCIR) programs, community investment readiness tests and asset analysis for Fort Frances. In addition the RRFDC encouraged the communities of Emo and Rainy River to undertake asset analyses. These reports have been of great assistance in allowing the communities to value industrial lots and determine new opportunities.

Strategy:

- Revised all advertising theme and messages – airport signs and ad packages
- Developed the "Your Business, Our Lifestyle; A Better way to Success" campaign
- Focus on transportation and Mining services by promoting NASCO and mine interests.
- Focus on the lower costs of business
- Reduce costs to purchase land
- Integrate Tourism and Business Marketing Themes

As part of this process we brought in an EDCO session on site location. The consultant, site locator Tom Ticknor, helped us focus our investment attraction efforts through our participation in the Woodpecker Location Project. One of his main themes was that the community needs to be as investment ready as possible in order to capitalize on opportunities that arise and meet the information needs of the client in a timely fashion. Subsequent to his session, the RRFDC updated the 2Ontario (now Invest in Ontario) website and created a functional Bizpal website for Fort Frances, a one stop site for all municipal licensing etc.



The **Select Ontario** GIS tool uses multiple criteria to find locations based on the needs of your business

The recent evaluation of Fort Frances and Emo industrial lots also supports the concept of being investment ready.

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In the summer of 2010, the RRFDC again utilized the province's Northern Community Investment Readiness (NCIR) program in order to implement an inbound investment review of our investment readiness. A developer from the Greater Toronto Area was brought to the Fort Frances and the District to make an evaluation of the area's development prospects. His evaluation highlighted the area's positive aspects as well as identifying challenges which we need to overcome in order to attract investment. As part of the process, the RRFDC upgraded the entire Fort Frances website, including photos of the Industrial park.

Mining:



Over the period of this project, the RRFDC has seen a dramatic increase in mining exploration activity across the District and Northwestern Ontario. Mining exploration companies are spending significant funds with promising outcomes. Within 200 km of Fort Frances, at least four mines are planning to open by 2015. While it is highly unlikely that all four will be given the go ahead for a mining operation, there is a good chance that one may open. These opportunities, being closer to home, are significant from an employment and investment point of view and require the RRFDC's attention. For example, Rainy River Resources, once operational projects a workforce of 600+ and a capital investment of over \$600 million. It is for these reasons that the RRFDC requested and received a project amendment in late 2010 to include mining.

The RRFDC has since expanded its knowledge of the industry by attending the 2011 Prospectors and Developers of Canada Conference (PDAC) in Toronto, the 2011 Northwestern Ontario Prospectors Association and Prosperity Northwest meetings, both in Thunder Bay. We also developed new marketing materials and promoted Fort Frances and the District as "Canada's Next Mining District" at the Manitoba Mining Trade Show and the Canadian Association of Mining Equipment and Services for Export (CAMESE) in Toronto.

In June 2011, the RRFDC hosted a Mining Information Session in Fort Frances with Rainy River Resources, Bending Lake Iron Ore, and Coventry Resources making presentations. There were 79 business attendees at the session. Subsequent sessions in December saw 50 attendees hear a presentation by Osisko – Hammond Reef Gold Inc. at the Fort Frances Chamber of Commerce (FFCC) AGM in December 2011, and 40 business people attended an additional update by Rainy River Resources. Our information sessions and other research has highlighted a further need for the RRFDC to assist area business in learning about mining and mining exploration companies in order to allow them to access the supply chain. As each company operates differently, we need to expose our business community to as many companies as possible.



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Due to our research into the mining activity within Northwestern Ontario, the RRFDC has also made contact with and joined the Minnesota Mining Association, and has a better sense of the activities on Iron Range. Essar Steel plans to invest \$1.2 billion dollars in an upgraded mine and smelter in Nashwauk, Minnesota along with at least 5 other projects with a total \$5 billion dollars being invested. These projects are only 150 km from Fort Frances. These investments, combined with the proposed mines just north of the community, make Fort Frances and area a prime location for mining service and supply companies to operate from.

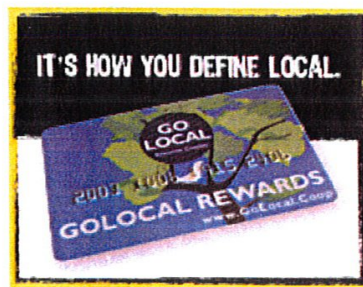
Finally, the RRFDC promoted the region at the Canadian Association of Mining Service and Equipment conference in Toronto. We also sent out over 100 information packages to mining service companies highlighting the District as a business location.

Go Local



Go Local type projects were discovered by our delegation to the BALLE (Business Alliance for Local Living Economies) Conference in Colorado in 2009. Subsequently, follow up research was done at the BALLE Conference in Charlotte N. C. in spring 2010. In Charlotte, we developed contacts with Sonoma Technologies of Sonoma, California. This community had developed a well established go

local program that incorporates the majority of the retail and service sector businesses. Sonoma Technologies Inc. was present at the 2010 Northern Networks Conference in September to promote the concept of a Go Local project for Fort Frances and the Rainy River District. As a result of the positive interest shown in the program, the RRFDC sent a delegation to Sonoma to evaluate the viability and applicability of the program. The RRFDC also evaluated Go Local type projects in Vancouver and Edmonton. The RRFDC also developed and submitted a Go Local project to FedNor and the NOHFC. To date, only NOHFC has approved their contribution.



This project has garnered significant interest from the Fort Frances Chamber of Commerce and other business with an initial commitment of \$10,000 towards the project. The RRFDC continues to promote the project through presentations to the FFCC and the Town of Fort Frances Economic Development Committee.

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Rainy River District
Social Services
Administration Board

Annual Report 2011

Dan McCormick,
Interim Chief Administrative Officer

January 19th, 2012

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A) Introduction

The Rainy River District Social Services Administration Board encountered many changes throughout 2011.

CAO, Donna Dittaro retired effective November 1, 2011 after thirteen years of service with the corporation. She had led the DSSAB through the assumption of service delivery of Ontario Works, Childcare, Social Housing and Land Ambulance as well as many legislative changes across the various programs through the years. The Board is actively recruiting a replacement and anticipates that a permanent CAO will be in place shortly.

Upgrades to our information technology are in progress, the key system being a new financial management system which includes a restructured general ledger, accounts payable, accounts receivable, asset management and payroll modules. Most of the systems will be fully operational by June 2012 following transition and conversion of historic data. Expansion provisions also allow our municipal partners to share the software in the future. Aging infrastructure is also receiving an upgrade in the form of a new server which will be installed shortly. This server will accommodate newer programs and provide improved access for the public, board and staff to web-based information. Within the Social Housing Program, an upgrade to existing system software to track rental units, perform income assessments, track maintenance requests and procurement will be installed shortly. Staff are presently training on the upgrades and preparing for conversion with anticipated go live date of March 19th, 2012.

Also in 2011 the DSSAB participated in a Worker Safety and Insurance Board (WSIB), Workwell Audit. The audit identified areas where improvements to our Health and Safety programs, policies and procedures would benefit staff and the corporation. It also identified key areas that we excel in which included our Joint

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Health and Safety Committee and workplace inspections. Management and staff are currently working to address areas for improvement and to share best practices across all programs. A second review will be completed in April 2012.

The Board also reached agreements with management employees and staff on terms and conditions of employment which will continue until 2015 and 2013 respectively.

Further program specific changes and accomplishments are provided in the following pages. I would like to thank the managers and staff for the consolidation of the information provided particularly, Leanne Eluik, Finance Manager, Shelly Shute, OW Manager, Cheryl Bodnar, A/Childcare Manager, Sandra Weir, Housing Manager, Joanne Spence, HR and Aynsley Penner HR.

Respectively submitted,
Dan McCormick
Interim CAO

B) 2011 Budget Summary

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>	
Board Administration	46,860	48,300	
DSSAB Administration	295,184	302,784	
Ontario Works	2,664,015	7,034,211	
Child Care	1,377,974	1,382,326	
Best Start	714,300	735,299	
Consolidated Homelessness Prevention	68,372	68,372	100% Provincial
Land Ambulance	6,137,748	5,774,092	
Social Housing	3,511,018	3,440,286	
Affordable Housing	308,929	400,427	100% Provincial
Social Housing Renovation & Retrofit Program	339,416	1,293,275	100% Provincial
	<u>15,463,816</u>	<u>20,479,372</u>	

- The overall budget decreased in 2011 by 24.49% with the Municipal share decreasing by 4.64%. This decrease was due to the cost savings from the upload in the Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP), the Ontario Works General Allowance (OWGA) and Employment Assistance (EA). A portion of the cost savings was used to enhance other services.
- The Provincial upload for ODSP was completed in 2011, with the final 50% of the Municipal 20% share being uploaded to the Province. For OWGA and EA, the Provincial upload share was increased by 3% to 6% of the Municipal 20% share making the cost share of these two programs 81.2% Provincial and 18.8% Municipal for 2011.

B) 2011 HR Statistics

- # of Grievances for 2011: 4
- # of Grievances advanced to arbitration: 1
- # of Incident Reports (entire DSSAB): 33
- # of Incident Reports (Land Ambulance Only): 30
- # of WSIB Claims (entire DSSAB): 13
- # of Lost Time Claims (entire DSSAB): 6
- # of Healthcare only claims (entire DSSAB): 6

C) 2011 OW Annual Report

- The Ministry announced a new Cost of Administration Funding Formula for 2011. The Province moved to an established subsidy cost-per-case and the new formula took effect April 1, 2011.
- Allocations were based on a two-year monthly average caseload of 201.5 and supplemental caseload of 60.5 and provincial subsidy per case. There was also a 10% adjustment to caseloads in recognition of a northern factor and up to an additional 10% based on a rural/remote factor.
- Our total notional Provincial and Municipal funding allocation for 2011 was \$926,374.00. Of this allocation, \$720,600 was for Ontario Works Administration and \$205,774.00 was for Employment Assistance. We were eligible to receive 100% provincial transition funding to bring our funding to a level equal to 2010 funding without requiring increased municipal investment. This 100% funding, in the amount of \$39,090.00, was to be provided for the next two years to assist in adapting our local service planning to the new funding model. The RRDSSAB opted not to utilize the transition funding.
- As a result of meeting and/or exceeding our forecasted targets, we retained our full funding allotment for 2010 and there will be no recovery by the Ministry thanks to the exceptional work of the staff.
- May 16th was the first official day of the Province-wide implementation of the Online Application for Social Assistance (OASA). The online

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application for Social Assistance allows applicants to assess their potential eligibility for assistance and complete and submit a web-based application from any computer with an internet connection, 24 hours a day, and 7 days a week.

- Persons wishing to apply for social assistance can now do so by applying online at www.ontario.ca/socialassistance. They may also continue to apply by visiting the office or having their application taken over the phone.
- On June 28, 2011, we received a copy of the Ontario Works Compliance Review findings which focused on intake, overpayments, discretionary benefits and participation agreements. The review states, "As in previous reviews, it was determined that the Rainy River District Social Services Administration Board continues to deliver the Ontario Works program at a very high level of compliance. The Site has a clear understanding of the processes and requirements with respect to program delivery. The knowledge, communication and integrity of both the Ontario Works Manager and Staff at this Site are key factors to a well-delivered program. Their diligence, commitment and proactive attitude enable the Site to continue to deliver the ever-evolving program to this degree."
- Shelly Shute, OW Manager participated as a member on the Ontario Municipal Social Services Assistance (OMSSA) working group to develop a response to the Commission on the Review of Social Assistance in Ontario's "Discussion Paper: Issues and Ideas". The completed submission proposed a full scale reform of Ontario's income security system rather than just trying to fix the existing social assistance programs.
- Work continued on the design and construction phase of the new Social Services Solutions Modernization Project (SSSMP) which will replace the current Service Delivery Model Technology (SDMT) in 2013. Meetings were held to complete the gap analysis and finalize solution design,

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structure and characteristics of the new system and how they interact.

The next phase of the project is the design stage. Staff will attend engagement sessions and will be provided with an overview of the design and be introduced to the new functionality within the Curam software, discuss business processes and provide an opportunity to give feedback and ask questions about the design to help support a smooth transition to the new solution.

- Jeff Butler, A/Director, Ontario Works Branch, provided an update of items the Ministry is looking at pursuing in the upcoming months. Under the revised OW funding model, new client service delivery standards will be included in the 2012 budget. At this time, we have not been advised what those new standards will be.
- As a result of the Auditor General's criticism regarding the Eligibility Review process, the Ministry will be developing an action plan to include:
 1. The establishment of baseline information on fraud investigation procedures; and
 2. To develop a provincial/municipal working group to improve the eligibility review processes.

Once work has wrapped up on both of these action items, a new Eligibility Review Officer Guide will be developed and implemented.

- Confederation College ran a Pre-Apprenticeship Motive Power Training Program which ran for 40 weeks. The course is a combination of trades readiness and paid work placements. Our Employment Support Worker referred seven Ontario Works participants for assessment and consideration for attendance.
- Valley Adult Learning delivered an Introduction to Office Administration course. Our target audience for this course was our sole support parents as they make up almost half of our caseload.
This eleven (11) week course covered basic computer applications and administrative duties.

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- In Atikokan, we had seven participants who attended and successfully completed the Janitorial/Housekeeping and Kitchen Help Courses at the Adult Learning Centre.
- We had 10 participants attend and successfully complete the Diamond Drilling course through Confederation College. All 10 of those participants exited to full time employment.
- Ontario Works rates and asset limits were increased by 1% effective December 1, 2011.
- A total of 358 new intakes were completed for OW in 2011. Of those, 276 were granted eligible to receive assistance.
- The average monthly OW caseload for the District was 223.
- \$65,274.31 was collected through the efforts of our OW Family Support Worker (FSW)/Eligibility Review Officer (ERO)
- 49 referrals were sent to ERO. Of these, 30 cases warranted further investigation. As a result of investigation and review, 2 cases were referred to police and 22 cases resulted in collectable overpayments.

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C) 2011 OW Statistics

Ontario Works		Total Cases Oct. to Dec.
	# New Intake	79
	# Cases Granted	61
		Average # Cases Per Month
Ontario Works (continued)	# Cases in Alberton	4
	# Cases in Atikokan	41
	# Cases in Chapple	1
	# Cases in Dawson	1
	# Cases in Emo	7
	# Cases in Fort Frances	140
	# Cases in Lake of the Woods	2
	# Cases in LaVallee	4
	# Cases in Morley	0
	# Cases in Rainy River	13
	# Cases in Unincorporated Areas	4

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	# Referrals	36		164	
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D) 2011 Child Care

- Fee Subsidy was provided to many new and ongoing parents/caregivers to assist with paying their child care costs. This allows them to attend school and secure employment. Without child care fee subsidies many families could not afford the high cost of child care and therefore would be unable to pursue education or employment.
- In 2011 139 families and 184 children were subsidized utilizing fee subsidy dollars.
- Child Care Service Providers met on June 27th with DSSAB Child Care and Finance staff attending. The Ministry of Education Child Care Advisor Kelly Massa-Joblin also attended and discussed common forms, statistics collection, Full Day Early Learning Program and play-based learning. The opportunity to network and discuss common issues was very positive and a recommendation was made that these meetings be conducted at least semi-annually.
- Implementation of Full Day Early Learning (ELP) meetings were held with the Rainy River Public School Board, Northwest District Catholic School Board and the Fort Frances Children's Complex. A mutual partnership agreement was approved by the Town of Fort Frances which allowed Fort Frances Children's Complex to proceed with third party agreements to provide before and after school care at St. Michael and Robert Moore Schools commencing September 2011. The Fort Frances Day Care provides before and after school programming for children attending the Full Day Early Learning and was also expanded to include older children. This also includes Personal Development (PD) days as well as school breaks. As of this date, there are two classrooms of children at both sites, St. Michael's and Robert Moore Schools, requiring either before or after school or before and after school care. The Fort Frances Children's Complex will no longer be offering school age child care at their centre.

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- Additional meetings were held with the Rainy River Public School Board (RRDSB) regarding implementation of the Early Learning Program for 2013-2014 school year. Based on discussions with community partners the RRDSB will offer the Early Learning Program to J.W. Walker School in Fort Frances, Donald Young in Emo and Sturgeon Creek near Barwick.
- Effective January 1, 2011 the Ministry of Education (MEDU) assumed responsibility from the Ministry of Children and Youth, for child care funding and contract management.
- On January 25th the MEDU held an orientation session for DSSAB Child Care Managers. The Early Learning Division (ELD) and Elementary/Secondary Business and Finance Division (ESBFD) of the Ministry of Education will provide direct support to District Social Services Administration Boards (DSSABs). Within the Early Learning Child Care Implementation Branch (ELCCIB) there are six regional Child Care Advisors who work directly with CMSMs/DSSABs and one Child Care Advisor located corporately to provide child care policy and program support and direction. The regional Child Care Advisors are based out of six regional offices across Ontario: London, Toronto, Barrie, Sudbury/North Bay, Ottawa and Thunder Bay. The Child Care Advisors will work closely with the MEDU regional Early Learning Education Officers to provide integrated support for community planning, including the implementation of Full Day Early Learning Kindergarten Program (FDELKP) and the stabilization of child care. The Rainy River DSSAB is now part of the Thunder Bay Regional Office along with Kenora and Thunder Bay DSSABs.
- The Ministry of Education announced effective May 9, 2011 a licensed child care website has been launched. All licensed child care facilities in Ontario are listed and information on each site such as general program information and license status is available. Details can also be located regarding the number of licensed spaces, overall compliance and whether

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non-compliance issues were resolved. This is an excellent tool for parents who are seeking licensed child care in their community.

- In July, the RRDSSAB was informed that our new Program Supervisor, Ministry of Children and Youth, located in Thunder Bay MCYS office would be Margie Bettiol.
- An Issue Sheet regarding the lack of administrative dollars for the Children's Services Program was prepared and presented at the October Board meeting. Based on the Issue Sheet and on the Child Care Committee recommendation, a resolution was agreed upon to actively pursue additional administration dollars from the Ministry of Education & Ministry of Children & Youth Services.
- In consultation with Kelly Marasso-Joblin, Child Care Advisor with the Ministry of Education, a conference call was held on November 9th with a Financial Analyst from the Ministry of Education. The discussion revolved around the lack of funding for administrative dollars and justification for the requirement of an increase. The Issue Sheet will be brought forward by our Child Care Advisor to MEDU's 2012 budget meeting.
- The RRDSSAB was informed in early November by our Child Care Advisor for MEDU that the Children's Services Program would be receiving an additional \$17,793.00 under the Best Start Operating budget line. These additional monies are to be expended by December 31, 2011 and utilized for program costs as per the Ministry guidelines.
- In June of 2009, Dr. Charles Pascal delivered his report, *With Our Best Future in Mind: Implementing Early Learning in Ontario*. In addition to phasing in full day kindergarten, a key part of Dr. Pascal's report is the establishment of Best Start Child and Family Centres in communities across Ontario. To this date, the province has been holding round table discussions throughout the province to receive feedback from parents and professionals. This feedback is assisting Dr. Pascal and his team of experts

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on how the communities can ensure that services for children and families are both effective and timely.

- Best Start Network Regional meeting took place in Thunder Bay from March 28 – 30, 2011. These meetings included Child Care Managers, CAOs, Directors of Education, Best Start Network members and Best Start Hub leads throughout the Northern region. Dr. Charles Pascal and Jim Grieve of the Early Learning Division led a session and set the context by highlighting the vision for children and families in Ontario. Fifty-three (53) Best Start Hubs were represented at the Regional meeting and shared best practices regarding reaching out to hard to reach families, service integration and discussed next steps to moving forward in the development of Best Start Child and Family Centres.
- The Rainy River Best Start Network (BSN) conducted a Summer Celebration on Saturday, August 6th at La Place Rendezvous. The Rainy River BSN and partners sponsored a workshop on the importance of play-based learning. The workshop entitled "Ooey Gooey – a silly name – a serious message" was presented by Lisa Murphy, an international presenter on various topics related to early childhood education, specifically how to be more play-based in the classroom. This workshop was geared to professionals working with children aged 0 – 6 years and was free of charge, approximately 100 participants attended.
- Partners of the Rainy River Best Start Network table submitted a proposal to the Ministry of Children and Youth for Innovation funding. The Innovation Fund has been created to support community groups to undertake specific, focused work in core areas related to integration that is consistent with the vision and guiding principles outlined in the update 'Building our Best Future'. The Ministry accepted proposals to pursue innovative strategies that contribute to integrated services in eight areas.
- In September, the Rainy River Best Start Network received notification from the Ministry of a \$30,000 approval to proceed with their project. This

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funding was used to create an Information Management System across Providers which provided a social media blog or group to be accessed by local children's services. The goal of the Network and its partners; the Northwestern Health Unit (NWHU), Rainy River District School Board, Firefly, Fort Frances Children's Complex, Northwest Catholic District School Board, United Native Friendship Centre and the Kenora-Rainy River Family & Children's Services and the Rainy River DSSAB is to provide a seamless services system for children and their families. Through the development of this navigational support system for service providers, families will be supported as they move through children's services in our district.

- The Best Start Network was also informed they would be receiving \$9,700 for the BSN to refocus local efforts to build relationships with Aboriginal families and service providers. This initiative is aligned with the Government's commitment to meeting the Province's obligations to Aboriginal people. This intentional approach to allocating funds for Best Start planning is an expansion of the original Best Start Planning Guidelines and is in accordance with the MCYS approach of building positive and collaborative relationships with Aboriginal partners.
- The 6th and Webster Outreach Program, located at 1018 Webster Avenue, has been operational since June of 2009. The Partnership Agreement includes personnel from the Northwestern Health Unit, Metis Nation of Ontario, United Native Friendship Centre, Fort Frances Day Care, Museum and Library, Rainy River DSSAB, Family and Children's Services, with the Fort Frances Children's Complex - Best Start Hub as the lead. Unfortunately due to low attendance of parents and children, as well as time constraints, many partners have not been able to continue with their weekly programming. In 2012, a meeting of all partners will be held to determine the future of the Outreach Program.

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D) 2011 Child Care Statistics – October 2011 to December 2011

Child Care		#Families	YTD #Families	#Children	YTD #Children
	# Cases carried forward from previous month	72	n/a	105	n/a
	# Cases Opened	13	58	17	79
	# Cases Closed	11	65	27	91
	# Cases at close of month	74	n/a	95	n/a
	# Partial Subsidy	18	n/a	n/a	n/a
	# Full Subsidy	56	n/a	n/a	n/a
	#Total Served Year-to-Date	n/a	139	n/a	184

E) 2011 Social Housing

- In February of 2011 on site support services (assisted living) began at Riverview Manor in Rainy River. Service will run 12 hours a day, 7 days a week. The Northwest Independent Living Services (NILS) will receive \$120,000 annually to provide support services for individuals in Riverview Manor.
- Throughout 2011 the RRDSSAB Housing Department continued to participate in working groups in both Atikokan and Fort Frances regarding Assisted Living. Both groups are gathering information in order to determine need within each municipality.
- In 2011 DSSAB housing completed approximately 90% of budgeted capital maintenance. A 5% increase from 2010.
- The RRDSSAB is currently developing an *Emergency Response Plan* for all DSSAB Housing and the Non Profit (NP) Housing Projects where we provide Property Management.
- The RRDSSAB Housing Department commissioned Pinchin Environmental LTD (PINCHIN) to develop an Asbestos Management Program (AMP) document so as to ensure a safe workplace is maintained for all employees, the visiting public and maintenance or renovation workers.
- The week of June 20, 2011 fire drills were completed at the following manors; Riverview, Heritage, Queen Street, Flinders, Rose, Green, Elizabeth, Lady Frances, Columbus and Fotheringham Court. Drills are required by Fire Code at least one every twelve months.
- 417 unit inspections were completed on DSSAB Housing and Non profit providers.
- 80 units were readied for move in, in 2011. An increase of 2 units from 2010.
- Staff were trained in, asbestos management, Language hurts (CMHA), ONPHA conference, Psychiatry training for Health Professionals, FSW Core

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Training, ICAST Housing Services Regulations, Hoarding & the Law webinar, Introduction to Yardi, RTA online training, RGI online training, OMSSA 2011 Policy & Research Conference, Pets and the Law.

- Fort Frances Municipal Non Profit Housing Corporation, Finders Place Inc. and Faith Non Profit Housing Corporation contracts were renewed for three years.
- The RRDSSAB had the opportunity to participate in a one hour meeting with Janet Hope, ADM, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing on Thursday April 28, 2011. At this meeting we were able to discuss five issues of concern which included; Capital funding – fixed funding since 2002, Assisted Living Initiatives, Affordable Housing Program – Northern Home Repair Program, Bill 140, and Supportive Housing. There was emphasis put on our aging population, large area span, and lack of specialized resources, travel costs, and harsh weather conditions. Together, all of these factors have a direct impact on how we deliver and provide housing within the Rainy River District. Ms. Hope was invited to visit our district which she did on June 6 & June 7, 2011.
- Renewable Energy Initiative (REI) (100% provincial funded) Two projects were approved:
 - Rainy River District Shelter of Hope, Atikokan - \$87,604.00 – installation completed June 2011
 - Fotheringham Court, Atikokan - \$104,998.00 – Installation completed December 2011. Final inspections to take place.
- Investment in Affordable Housing (IAH) for Ontario Program announcement (100% provincially funded)
 - The RRDSSAB will receive \$629,138, and is divided by fiscal year;
 - Year 2, 2012-13 - \$258,177
 - Year 3, 2013-14 - \$258,640
 - Year 4, 2014-15 - \$112,321
 - In addition the RRDSSAB will receive \$100,000 in upfront

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administration fees in Year 1 of the IAH program.

- Riverview Manor – Contaminated Soil -After a year delay, the RRDSSAB received \$49,171 in regard to the environmental remediation of 110 Fourth Street, Rainy River, Ontario.
- January 1, 2012 is the official proclamation date for Housing Services Act (HAS). The HAS replaced the Social Housing Reform Act (SHRA). HAS completes devolution and ensures that local communities have better control over how they resolve their unique housing issues and needs.
- The RRDSSAB conducted an Operational Review at Rivercrest Terrace, Atikokan Municipal Non Profit Housing Corp. on May 26 and May 27, 2011.
- Tenant Move Ins: 97 (senior/family/singles)
- Landlord & Tenant Board Applications Initiated: 41
- Files referred to the Eligibility Review Officer: 1285
- Termination notices sent: 97

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E) 2011 Social Housing Statistics

Social Housing	Vacant Unit Listing As of December 2011	# of Vacant Units - Senior/Single		# of Vacant Units - Family	
		Non-Profits	DSSAB	Non-Profits	DSSAB
	Town of Atikokan	n/a	2	8	8
	Town of Fort Frances	0		2	
	Township of Emo	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	Town of Rainy River	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

Social Housing	Units filled during December 2011	# of Filled Units					
		Non-Profits	Year-to-Date	DSSAB	Year-to-Date	Rent Supp.	Year-to-Date
	Town of Atikokan						
	Family Unit:	1	8	0	4		
	Senior Unit:	0	0	0	5		
	Town of Fort Frances						
	Family Unit:	1	6				
	Senior Unit:	1	14				
	Single Unit:	0	0				
	Township of Emo						
	Senior/Single Unit:	1	3				
	Town of Rainy River/Stratton						
	Senior/Single Unit:	0	1				

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Social Housing	Wait List December 2011	Senior		Single		Family	
		NonProfit	DHsng	NonProfit	DHsing	NonProfit	DHsng
	Town of Atikokan	3	2			2	0
	Town of Fort Frances	61		13		15	
	Township of Emo	1					
	Town of Rainy River	0					

Social Housing	Units filled during December 2011	# of Filled Units					
		Non-Profits	Year-to-Date	DSSAB	Year-to-Date	Rent Supp.	Year-to-Date
	Town of Atikokan						
	Family Unit:	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	Senior Unit:	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	Town of Fort Frances						
	Family Unit:	n/a	n/a	2	13	n/a	n/a
	Senior Unit:	n/a	n/a	2	23	n/a	n/a
	Single Unit:	n/a	n/a	0	4	n/a	n/a
	Township of Emo						
	Senior/Single Unit:	n/a	n/a	0	2	n/a	n/a
	Town of Rainy River/Stratton						
	Senior/Single Unit:	n/a	n/a	1	16	n/a	n/a

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Social Housing (Arrears) DSSAB & Non-Profit	Location	Current Arrears as of Dec. 31/2011	
		Non- Profits	DSSAB Public
	Fort Frances Family Units	n/a	\$ 2,984.88
	Fort Frances Senior/Single Units	n/a	\$ 1,034.50
	Rainy River & Emo Senior/Single Units	n/a	\$ 193.90
	Atikokan Family Units	n/a	n/a
	Atikokan Senior Units	n/a	n/a
	Total Rents Owning	n/a	\$ 4,213.28

Eligibility Review (Housing) DSSAB & Non-Profit	October 2011 to December 2011		Year-to- Date
	Files Referred to ERO	333	1285
	Court Action Initiated	0	0
	Garnishees Initiated	0	2
	Garnishees in Progress	4	5
	Arrears Collected for the Month	\$53,178.93	\$193,219.35
	LTB Applications Initiated	8	41
	Agreement Negotiated	33	179
	Termination Notices Sent	12	97

F) 2011 Land Ambulance

- December 2011, ambulance 6225 was involved in a single vehicle accident in which it rolled onto the driver's side. The damage is currently being evaluated to determine whether repairs can be made. If the vehicle can be repaired it will be sent to Saskatoon Sask. for repairs and recertification. One paramedic received minor injuries in the accident, but was treated and released.
- Implementation of the new stroke protocols will take place in early 2012. The protocols have been updated with an increased timeline from time of onset of symptoms to drug treatment in a recognized stroke facility. In the Rainy River District the approved stroke facility is Riverside Health Care's Laverendrye site. Once this protocol is in place paramedics may bypass a local hospital and go directly to the stroke facility provided specific conditions have been met.
- Ambulance 6207 was involved in an accident in which it was struck on the driver's side and damaged to the extent that it had to be sent to a certified shop in Toronto for repairs. One paramedic sustained injuries which has required ongoing treatment, but is expected to make a full recovery. No patient was involved in the accident. The vehicle is being repaired through insurance and the other party was charged as a result of the accident. A review of the call clearly demonstrated that the paramedic driver was not at fault. This vehicle is expected to be returned to service in January 2012.
- Staff training scheduled for Oct 25, 26, 27th & Nov 2 & 4th was deferred until February/March 2012. This training will coincide with requirements being implemented as a component of the Workwell audit.
- The Ontario Professional Fire Fighters Association (OPFFA) is continuing in its campaign to have fire fighters of full time services respond to all EMS calls for assistance. Overall they insist that they can respond quicker to

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calls and provide immediate support to life threatening emergencies.

Many documents are available for a review of their position on the web at www.opffa.org under the tab Fire Service and EMS. This position has not affected the excellent working relationship between fire and EMS in the Rainy River District.

The Association of Municipal Emergency Medical Services of Ontario (AMEMSO) commissioned an evidence based paper questioning the validity of the fire position. This paper, completed by an independent firm, Performance Concepts, found that fire fighter response is beneficial in approximately 3% of EMS calls. The document has been provided with the board package and is also available on the web at www.emsontario.ca under Latest News – Performance Concepts, EMS Fire Paper.

Due to the staffing patterns of our local fire services in the District of Rainy River this issue currently has little impact on our delivery of services.

- Annual certification of ALS skills was completed in Atikokan, Nov 8 & 18th, Emo, Nov 10 & 16th and Fort Frances Nov 9 & 18th. All paramedics self schedule this training, which is a mandated requirement to employment as a paramedic. Each certification session is four hours and staff are paid upon successful completion of the course.
- A second meeting with Riverside Health Care was completed as a follow up to the meeting held on July 6, 2011. Discussions took place regarding deceased patients, low priority transfers and psychiatric patient transfers. Additional stakeholders invited to the meeting included the OPP, coroner and Ministry of Health, Northwest Field office.
- TWOMO Funding - The Ministry of Health & Long Term Care has advised that our Land Ambulance base funding will be increased annually by \$38,512. This increase is an adjustment based on our 2011 budget and apportionment formula.

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- The Ontario Award for Paramedic Bravery - On Wednesday, June 1st, 2011, the Hon. Eric Hoskins announced the establishment by government of the Ontario Award for Paramedic Bravery. This award is representative of current awards for bravery for Police Officers and Fire Fighters. The Award was established after the death of paramedic Paul Patterson who died in the line of duty. The Award will honour paramedic bravery in the course of their job or while off duty.

**Following is an excerpt from the Legislative Orders of the Day
Wednesday June 1, 2011:**

Hon. Eric Hoskins: *Every day, Ontario's 7,000 paramedics respond to emergency calls in big cities and small towns in every corner of this province. Their quick and heroic actions to provide on-scene medical treatment literally save thousands of lives each and every year. They provide critical medical services en route to hospital, all while negotiating traffic and, in some cases, hazardous weather conditions.*

Paramedics work in remote and difficult locations; in our homes and in our workplaces; in the service of others; to save lives and protect our families.

Ontario's paramedics perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation. They provide trauma care such as spinal and wound care. They administer drugs to treat conditions such as chest pain, hypoglycemia, allergic reactions, breathing difficulties and severe nausea and vomiting. And they do all of this and more while managing crises and interacting with patients, relatives and bystanders.

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Paramedics are part of Ontario's triad of first responders, including the police and firefighters. Through their professionalism and dedication, they make Ontario a safer place to live.

Earlier today, I was proud to announce that our government is creating an award to honour paramedics who have performed an act of exceptional bravery by putting their own life at risk to protect the lives of others. The Ontario Award for Paramedic Bravery is to be presented to paramedics who have clearly demonstrated bravery in the course of their job or while off duty.

I would also like to commend my colleague MPP Maria Van Bommel, who has been a vigorous supporter of Ontario's paramedics. Her work in promoting the bravery of Ontario's paramedics has brought this issue to the forefront. She has been instrumental in promoting the development of this bravery award for Ontario's paramedics.

MPP Van Bommel brought forward this issue with the support of the family of the late Paul Patterson, a paramedic who tragically died while in the line of duty. Today, Paul's parents, Wayne and Clara, and his twin sister, Laura, are here watching in the gallery.

Paul's brother, Jeff, is watching from home.

With them are Norm Gale, president of the Ontario emergency services association, together with a number of his paramedic colleagues and Bruce Krauter, operations manager of Sun Parlour EMS.

As a physician, I can tell you from a personal point of view that Ontario's paramedics are a vital part of our medical system. Throughout my career,

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I have witnessed the exceptional work that our paramedics do on the front lines while keeping our communities healthy and safe, and I have witnessed the way our paramedics confront emergencies with professionalism, compassion and courage. They go above and beyond every day and night in this province to save lives and protect Ontario's families.

The Ontario Award for Paramedic Bravery will recognize those paramedics whose extraordinary courage brings honour to their profession and to all of us.

- In 2011, two of our Automatic External Defibrillators (AEDs) were used in the district. One in the Lake of the Woods area and the other in Stanjikoming First Nation. Although the attempts to resuscitate were unsuccessful, the response by trained responders provided a much faster initial treatment to the individuals than could be provided by the responding ambulances from Rainy River and Emo respectively. The AEDs were returned to RRDEMS for downloading of the patient data, restocked and returned to service in their respective communities.
- AMEMSO Meetings- Toronto May 10 & 11th – Meetings opened with Guy Giorno as the keynote speaker on EMS Matters and communications. AMEMSO committee reports on Performance Measures and Standards (Response Time requirements), Documentation Standards & Investigations Protocols, Bedbug Working Group, Research Consortium, Centralized purchasing, and EMS Supervisory Skills & Education were received and discussed. The second day was a full day on collective bargaining issues, including recent settlements, arbitrations and key union issues presented by Hicks Morley, legal council. A segment on effective media communications was also presented by Squeaky Wheel Communications.

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- Paramedic Spring Training 2011 – An eight hour training day was completed for all paramedics which addressed, Violence in the Workplace, Risk Mitigation, 2nd Portable radios, Absenteeism, ZOLL defibrillator computer interface, Hand Hygiene, Return to Work and Back Safety/Lifting techniques.
- King LT Airway/ Obstetrics kits - the King airway has been recalled across Canada and the United States due to packaging with a "Triad" lubricant that has been found to be unsterile. All King Airways have been removed from service and were returned to our supplier for direct replacement per Health Canada instructions. Replacements were received and the airways were redistributed to all ambulances and bases across the District. Similarly all our obstetric kits have been checked and "Triad" alcohol packages removed and replaced. Once the alcohol wipe is replaced the obstetric kits were returned to service.
- Winter Training 2010/2011 – Our winter training for all paramedics has been completed. A general review on administrative changes, instruction on the new Deceased Patient Standard, Traffic Safety Plan and Continuous Positive Airway Pressure has been completed.
 - The major change to the Deceased Patient Standard addresses expected deaths at home and allows the paramedics to leave the deceased in the care of a responsible person, other than police or the coroner. The change also allows the police to contact the local, regional or provincial coroner dependant on availability of each. This change was implemented across the Province for March 1st and will allow an ambulance to return to service quicker.
 - The Traffic Safety plan provides instruction on safe deployment of emergency vehicles on highways and roadways. This training is required under the Highway Traffic Act and Occupational Health and Safety Act.

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- Second Portable Radio – A second portable radio, with case, spare battery and charger has been supplied by the Ministry of Health & Long Term Care, Emergency Health Services Branch, for all ambulances in Rainy River District EMS. All communication equipment is 100% Ministry funded. This additional radio addresses concerns raised by paramedics and management across the province regarding the need for emergency communications at all times. Previously, only one radio per vehicle was provided which meant one paramedic might be working remotely from their partner without communication. All radios have a one touch emergency button to summon police assistance in any emergency. Paramedics are required to carry the radio with them on all calls.
- Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (CPAP) Implementation – On Monday April 11, 2011 all front line ambulances were stocked with a CPAP unit for use on individuals that meet specific Advanced Life Support protocols as set by Thunder Bay Regional Base Hospital. Some indications for use include shortness of breath, with rapid respirations, use of accessory muscles to breath and an oxygen level of less than 90%.
- Rainy River District EMS #746 Service Review - the Rainy River District Social Service Administration Board received a certificate to operate an Ambulance Service, for the period of January 1, 2011 to Jan 1, 2014. This certificate represents successful completion of the Service Review conducted in September 2010.
- King LT Airway - the King LT airway training has been completed across the District and all paramedics are trained in its use. This specialized airway is primarily for vital sign absent patients and will be used in conjunction with oxygen, CPR and defibrillation. Medical oversight is provided by Dr. Andrew Affleck of the Thunder Regional Base Hospital.
- Ombudsman – Low Priority Transfers– the Ontario Ombudsman has announced that it will be conducting an investigation of low priority patient transfers in Ontario. The primary focus of the review is the use of

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non-ambulance transport vehicles such as private stretcher services. Currently these providers are unregulated with standards being set by contract or bylaw by the initiating facility across the province. For further information please check: www.ombudsman.on.ca

- Ministry of Health – Emergency Health Services Branch – announced that effective January 1, 2010, Mr. Dennis Brown, Senior Manager of Operations, after 44 years in the health care industry with 35 dedicated to the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care's Emergency Health Services Branch retired.

Since becoming affiliated with Ambulance Services in the early 1970's Dennis was instrumental in making Ontario's Emergency Medical Services into a world class system and can truly be called an EMS pioneer. Dennis' long dedication and experience will be greatly missed by the Branch and the Ministry.

Dr. Anthony Campeau has been appointed as Senior Manager of Operations. Beginning as a paramedic in both land and air ambulance services, he has managed a variety of Ministry programs, including Education and Training, Regional and Field Offices, and most recently the Land Ambulance Program. Dr. Campeau is also a respected EMS researcher having published articles both as a member of a research team and as sole author.

- Rural & Northern Health Care Framework – This committee with representatives across the province has released its stage one report. It specifically notes:
 - Availability of transportation (emergent, inter-facility and non-urgent) in some northern, remote and rural areas is limited

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- Travel distance can make access to services difficult, and influences which services individuals seek.
- Lack of rural perspective applied in planning at the provincial or LHIN levels, and the need for increased flexibility at the local level to drive innovations related to scope of practice, funding and system integration
- Within the report, recommendations # 10 to 11.4 directly relate to transport of patients. The full report may be reviewed at:

http://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/public/programs/ruralnorthern/docs/report_rural_northern_EN.pdf

- Deceased Patient Standard – On December 30, 2010, the Ministry of Health & Long Term Care released the new *Deceased Patient Standard Issue Number 111- version 1.0*. This standard replaces the existing *Patients with Vital Signs Absent (Transportation) Standard*. The new Standard must have been implemented by March 1, 2011. Our paramedic training was scheduled to occur during the two weeks prior to that date. This Standard also includes the *Investigation Coroners Best Practice Guideline #5 – Interaction of Investigating Coroners with Emergency Medical Services, Police, Body Removal Services and Funeral Services Arising from Death Investigations*. The standard is to assist with the quicker release of emergency resources from scenes particularly with regard to obvious deaths and expected deaths at home.
- Advanced Life Support Standards - On January 18th, 2011 the Ministry of Health & Long Term Care advised of two changes to the *Advanced Life Support (ALS) Standards*, under *Ontario Regulation 257/00*. These changes require that a Ministry certified Base Hospital and specifically in our case the Thunder Bay Regional Base Hospital Medical Director must provide medical oversight whether or not the skill be performed by the

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paramedic is a delegated act or is required by the Emergency Health Services Branch Medical Advisory Committee. Furthermore the paramedics must complete the skill to the standard set by the Medical Director. Concern over this change is being expressed to the Province by the Association of Municipalities of Ontario as it further limits Upper Tiers from proceeding with programs which may no require medical oversight.

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F) 2011 Land Ambulance Statistics – Oct to Dec 2011 & YTD

Land Ambulance Call Volume	Base	Patient Dispatch Priority							
		Code 1*	Year -to- Date	Code 2**	Year -to- Date	Code 3***	Year -to- Date	Code 4****	Year -to- Date
	Fort Frances	45	196	116	453	84	305	187	759
	Atikokan	1	5	27	100	28	96	42	176
	Emo	4	18	18	61	30	96	56	231
	Rainy River	5	28	17	77	26	117	65	200

Code 1* Deferrable: a routine call that may be delayed without being detrimental to the patient (e.g. a non-scheduled transfer; a minor injury)

Code 2 Scheduled:** a call which must be done at a specific time e.g. because of special treatment of diagnostic facilities are available at a specific time (e.g. inter-hospital transfer for MRI, a scheduled meet with an air ambulance)

Code 3* Prompt:** a call that should be performed without delay (serious injury or illness e.g. stable fracture)

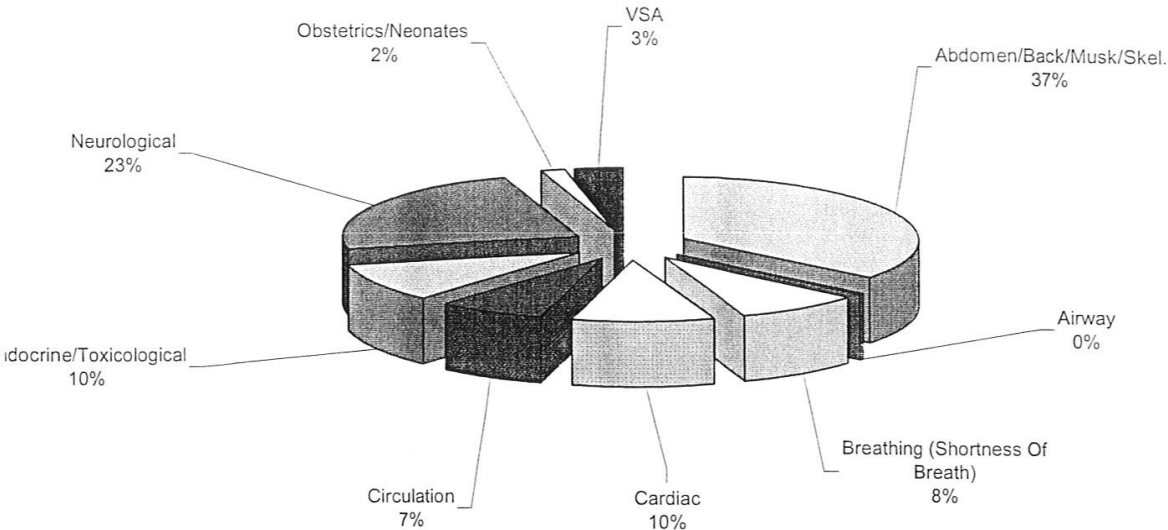
Code 4** Urgent:** a call that must be performed immediately where the patients "life or limb" may be at risk (e.g. Vital Signs Absent patient; unconscious head injury)

N.B. – These stats only include actual patient contact calls. Calls that are cancelled enroute are not included in these stats.

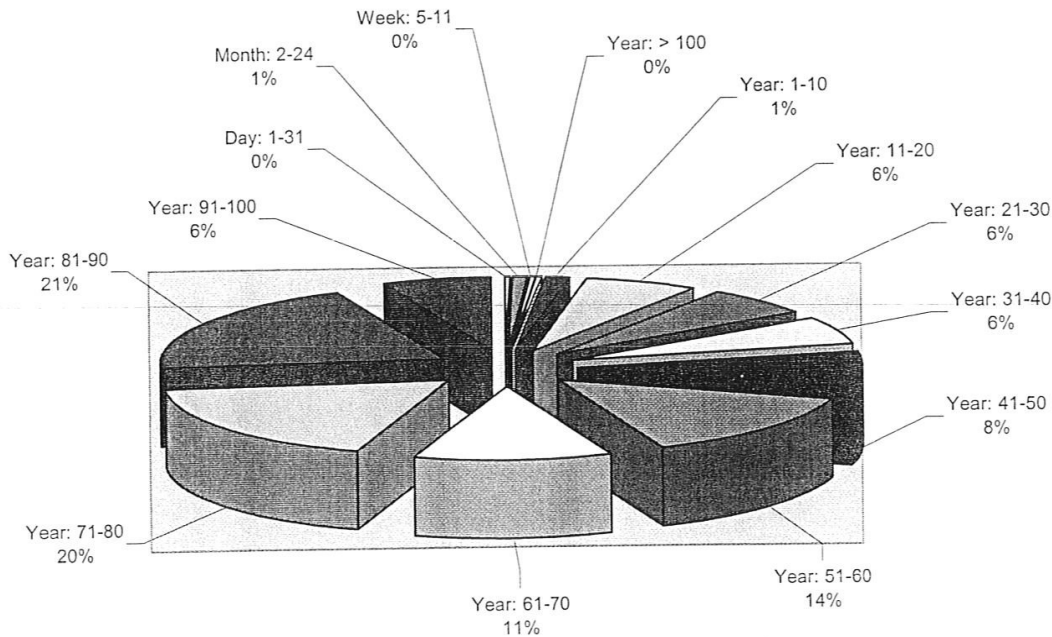
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Year 2011
Patient Primary Problem



Year 2011
% Patients Transported by Age



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January 2012

Dear Friends:

LINCOLN M. ALEXANDER AWARD 2012

Every year since 1993, the Government of Ontario has presented the **Lincoln M. Alexander Award** to honour young Ontarians who have demonstrated exemplary leadership in contributing to the elimination of racial discrimination.

I am pleased to call upon you and ask you to support this program by nominating a young person whom you believe to be deserving of recognition. As the Minister of Citizenship and Immigration, I will join the Lieutenant Governor in officially recognizing the award recipients at a special ceremony at Queen's Park later in the year.

Nomination forms and information outlining details of the program, including the deadline date, the selection criteria and the procedures followed in the selection process are available on my ministry's website at www.ontario.ca/honoursandawards

Please take this opportunity to acknowledge a young person from your school or community who has made an important contribution to eliminating racial discrimination in Ontario.

For further information, please contact the Ontario Honours and Awards Secretariat: 416 314-7526, toll free 1 877 832-8622 or TTY 416 327-2391. **The deadline for nominations is May 31, 2012.**

Thank you for taking the time to consider a deserving young Ontarian for the Lincoln M. Alexander Award.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Charles Sousa'.

Hon. Charles Sousa
Minister

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January 2012

Dear Friends,

I am pleased to inform you that nominations for the **Newcomer Champion Awards** are now being accepted. The Newcomer Champion Awards recognize individuals and groups who have made a difference in their community and province through active citizenship and engagement.

Newcomers are not the only ones eligible for this award. Award recipients are champions of voluntarism, supporters of newcomers, and advocates of greater social and civic inclusion.

Nominations may be made in the following 3 categories:

1. ChangeTheWorld Youth Ambassador – recognizes outstanding youth volunteers who have participated in the ChangeTheWorld Ontario Youth Challenge.
2. Community Leader – recognizes individuals who have demonstrated active involvement and commitment to their communities and/or province.
3. Newcomer Champion – recognizes groups which have contributed to the celebration of Ontario's diversity and which have helped settle and connect newcomers in their communities.

Nomination forms and more information are available on my ministry's website at www.ontario.ca/honoursandawards, or by phone at 416 314-7526, toll free 1 877 832-8622, or TTY 416 327-2391. **The deadline for nominations is March 15, 2012.**

Ontario is dedicated to building a province where cultural diversity is celebrated, newcomers are valued and people work together to improve the quality of life for everyone.

Please consider recognizing an individual or group who has made an outstanding contribution to our great province.

Sincerely,

Hon. Charles Sousa
Minister

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TOWN OF FORT FRANCES

PUBLIC MEETING to firstly, receive comments on proposed Zoning By-Law Amendment (8/98-TT) Re: (property – Lots 28 to 36 on Plan SM-144 commonly known as “Nelson Street Park” to rezone from Open Space (OS) to Residential Type Two (R2) to accommodate the creation of five residential building lots) and to secondly, receive comments on proposed Zoning By-Law Amendment (8/98-UU) Re: (property – Lots 12 to 14 and Part Lot 11 on Plan SM-129 & part of lane to rezone from Tourist Commercial (C4) to Open Space (OS) to provide an equivalent area of property for use as public open space to offset the open space noted in the first instance.

Applicant: Town of Fort Frances
December 12, 2011

A public meeting was held by the Council of the Town of Fort Frances in the Council Chambers, Civic Centre on Monday, December 12, 2011 from 6:50 p.m. to 7:47 p.m.

The following Council members were present: Mayor R. Avis, (Chairman), Councillors: J. Albanese, A. Hallikas, K. Perry, P. Ryan, S. Tibbs and R. Wiedenhoeft.

Also present: M. McCaig, CAO; G. Treftlin, Clerk; F. Flatt, Municipal Planner; D. Brown, Manager Operations & Facilities; L. Witherspoon, Treasurer; R. Hallam, Superintendent Planning and Development; E. Rude; J. Stainke; K. Kielczewski; M. George; B. Kielczewski; J. Bliss; D. Hicks, Fort Frances Times reporter; R. Thoms, Radio B93.1 fm reporter.

Mayor Avis declared the meeting open and explained that the purpose of the meeting was to consider the two separate zoning amendment by-laws and consideration would be given firstly to By-Law 8/98-TT and secondly to By-Law 8/98-UU.

The Clerk read the notice as published November 18, 2011 in respect to the giving of notice as required.

Mayor Avis requested that any person wishing to receive written notice of the decision on either of these Zoning By-Law amendments to leave their name and address on a form prepared for that purpose – B. Kielczewski and K. Kielczewski came forward and entered their names and addresses.

Mayor Avis asked if anyone in attendance had any questions regarding the process or what was just read – no one came forward.

Mayor Avis called on the Municipal Planner to give her preliminary report for the record. F. Flatt, Municipal Planner, read from her preliminary report dated December 8, 2011 on the proposed amendment. Copies of the preliminary report were available.

Mayor Avis asked if anyone wished to speak in opposition to the amendment By-Laws 8/98-TT – the following came forward:

E. Rude came forward and spoke in opposition to the proposed amendment making reference to a petition he had filed with the Town Clerk previous to this meeting. He presented 3 amended pages to the petition against the proposed amendment. The amended petition contains by count, 590 signatures of persons who appear to be eligible to sign a petition to Council.

J. Stainke spoke to a letter he had submitted to the Town Clerk in opposition to the proposed amendment.

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K. Kielczewski spoke from a written submission she had prepared in opposition to the proposed amendment. Part of her submission was also in opposition to the proposal to rezone property under amending By-Law 8/98-UU. She also read from a letter prepared by each of S. Campbell, M.P.P., Kenora-Rainy River Riding and J. Rafferty, M.P., Thunder Bay- Rainy River Riding both of which were not in favour of the proposed amendment.

M. George spoke in opposition to the proposed amendment.

Mayor Avis asked if anyone wished to speak in favour of the amendment – Jason Kabel came forward and spoke in favour of the proposed amendment.

Mayor Avis asked if anyone in attendance had any questions – B. Kielczewski and J. Bliss came forward.

Mayor Avis announced that the by-law is to be considered by Council at their next regular meeting (December 19th, 2011).

Mayor Avis then introduced the proposed Zoning By-Law Amendment 8/98-UU.

Mayor Avis called on the Municipal Planner to give her preliminary report for the record. F. Flatt, Municipal Planner, read from her preliminary report dated December 8, 2011 on the proposed amendment. Copies of the preliminary report were available.

Mayor Avis asked if anyone wished to speak in opposition to the amendment By-Laws 8/98-UU – the following came forward:

E. Rude came forward and spoke in opposition to the proposed amendment.

Mayor Avis asked if anyone wished to speak in favour of the amendment – no one came forward.

Mayor Avis asked if anyone in attendance had any questions – no one came forward.

Mayor Avis announced that the by-law is to be considered by Council at their next regular meeting (December 19th, 2011).

There being no further questions or comments on the proposed amendment, Mayor Avis declared this public meeting closed.

R. Avis, Mayor

G. Treftlin, Clerk

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PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES OF MEETING


Place: Civic Centre Committee Room
Date: 2012 January 3rd
Time: 0830 hours
Meeting Session No. 15
Present:
PDEC; J. Albanese, S. Tibbs, R. Hallam
Delegations;
Others; P. Briere, G. Treftlin, F. Flatt

Disclosure of pecuniary interest;

- No disclosure of pecuniary interest expressed.

Items discussed & disposition thereof;

- Moved & Seconded (Tibbs/Albanese) that the minutes of the meeting held 2011 December 15th be accepted as amended.
- Fort Frances Canadian Bass Championship re; Request for financial Consideration
 - Memo forwarded to lead executive committee for inclusion in final report to Council.
- The Salvation Army – Rainy River District re; Request for Additional Parking Space in Front of 316 Victoria Avenue.
 - Recommendation to approve one extra dedicated on street parking space subject to the annual fees as required by By-Law.
- SkyPower re; Extension of Option to Purchase Town Owned Property
 - Municipal Planner to complete a report that will be delivered to the Committee of the Whole of Council at their meeting to be held January 9th 2012.


Chairperson


Committee Administrator

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<u>REPORT</u>	<u>TOWN OF FORT FRANCES EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE</u>	<u>SESSION # 18 January 3, 2012</u>
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A meeting of the Community Services Executive was held in the 52 Meeting Room at the Memorial Sports Centre on Monday January 3, 2012 at 11:00 am.

PRESENT: John Albanese, Andrew Hallikas, Paul Ryan, Travis Robb Sustainability Coordinator (11:12), George A. Bell Manager of Community Services

Call to Order 11:00 am

Adoption of minutes – December 5, 2011 – as presented

1. Disclosure of pecuniary interest - none
2. Items discussed as per the following agenda.

AGENDA

NEW BUSINESS

1. Integrated Community Sustainability Plan – recommended

ITEMS REFERRED FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

1. Janitorial Tender Correction - recommended

ITEMS REFERRED FROM COUNCIL

1. Rainy River Arts Collective – Snow Sculpture Project – deferred to next meeting
2. FFCBC Request – Waiving of user fees not recommended, financial request referred to budget process.

NON AGENDA

none

INFORMATION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned 11:23 am

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Next Meeting is scheduled on January 16, 2012 at 11:00 am in the 52 Canadians Rm at the MSC

If there are recommendations on any of the agenda items they are brought to council in a report prepared by the division manager.

There being no further matters before this committee at this time this meeting was closed.

Manager/Secretary



Chairperson

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes

January 9, 2012

A meeting of the Economic Development Advisory Committee was held in the Committee Room Civic Centre January 9, 2012 at 11:30 a.m.

The following members were present: Gary Rogozinski, Chair, Bob Armit, Aaron Beckett, Jim Cumming, Gord McBride, Jane Gillon, John McTaggart, Shanda DeGagne-Begin, Teresa Hazel, Mark McCaig, CAO, Councillor Ken Perry and Mayor Roy Avis.

Also Present: Tannis Drysdale, Rainy River Future Development Corporation, Faye Flatt, Municipal Planner and Lori Pattison, Secretary.

Regrets: Geoff Gillon, Rainy River Future Development Corporation

1. Call to order at 11:45 p.m.
2. Non agenda items:
 - i) Rainy River Resources Luncheon
3. Disclosure of pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof: None
4. Approval of Minutes – December 5, 2011

Gord McBride – Jim Cumming: that the minutes from the December 5, 2011 meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED.

5. Information and Activity Reports:
 - i) Border Signs – graphics have been completed for sign on Hwy 53 in International Falls – will submit to hotels in US – hope to have new sign up next month.

Mom's Way sign outside Atikokan – Town has partnered with Atikokan
6. Discussion and Action Request Items:
 - i) Huffman School Property – a very lengthy discussion took place – building/land could be utilized for many different purposes – committee needs to assess and decide which would be the most beneficial to the Town of Fort Frances, below are some suggestions:
 - educational facility
 - office space
 - assisted living

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- commercial
- institutional
- school facility

The cost to demolish the school is approximately \$100,000.00.

The following resolution was brought forward:

Gord McBride – Ken Perry – that the Town rezone the property adjacent to the Huffman School to be designated as residential and further that Council subdivide the property creating up to 18 residential lots and the Town retain the adjacent property on 5th Street and Ellington Avenue for Community Hall and rink site use.

John McTaggart – Roy Avis – that the Economic Development Advisory Committee table the resolution in regards to the Huffman School property until the March Economic Development Advisory Committee meeting.

CARRIED.

- ii) Assisted Living – Survey – Financial Request – the assisted living committee is looking for help with preparing a survey to assess the need for assisted living in the Rainy River District.

It was suggested to have an independent body conduct the research – talk to business that are currently running assisted living programs in other communities to see what information would be beneficial on the survey – should be a district wide initiative through RRFDC – Tannis to investigate the needs for assisted living (to be put on March's agenda) – make sure to include the information that this is NOT a subsidized service – clients will pay for the services received.

7. Educational Opportunities: (contact Tannis or RRFDC a week in advance)
 - i) January 17, 2012 – 7 Deadly Sins of Community Marketing – please notify Tannis or RRFDC by the end of this week.
8. Non-Agenda Items:
 - i) Rainy River Resources Luncheon – Tannis reported that the luncheon was well attended with 40 to 50 people in attendance – the Vice President of Operations gave a brief update as to progression of mine – an open date of 2015 was mentioned dependent on speculative drilling reports and the ability to raise capital – not into advanced exploration state as of yet – overall a very positive feel to the project
9. Next Meeting Date: February 6, 2012.

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OPERATIONS & FACILITIES EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

REPORT

JANUARY 18, 2012

A meeting of the Operations & Facilities Executive Committee was held on Wednesday, January 18, 2012 at 7:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Rick Wiedenhoef
Paul Ryan
Ken Perry
Roy Avis
Mark McCaig
Doug Brown

REGRETS:

GUESTS:

1. Called to order at 7:33 a.m.
2. Non-agenda items which, because of urgency, cannot be referred to subsequent meeting, identified to be considered later in the meeting:
 - a) Information Report No. 1 – 2012 Water & Sewer Rates
 - b) Daily Line-Up Work Sheet & Three (3) Staff Members to Shut-Off a Curb Stop Valve

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3. Disclosure of pecuniary interest and general nature thereof – none.
4. Approve Minutes from January 4th, 2012 Operations & Facilities Executive Committee Meeting. The minutes were approved as circulated.
5. TENDERS/CAPITAL/DEVELOPMENT/ENGINEERING SERVICES
 - Award Phase II of Tender 11-OF-09 - 2011 – Roadway Reconstruction & Watermain Improvements – Third Street East from Victoria Avenue to Portage Avenue – the report was reviewed and will be forwarded to Council for approval.
6. WATER

Water Treatment Plant

Water Distribution System

 - December 2011 Drinking Water Systems Monthly Summary Report – the report was reviewed and will be forwarded to Council for approval.
7. SEWER

Sewage Treatment Plant

 - Wastewater Treatment Facility December 2011 Monthly Report – the report prepared by OCWA was reviewed and will be forwarded to Council as information only. No action required.
8. TRANSPORTATION

Traffic Safety Advisory Committee
9. WASTE MANAGEMENT
 - Waste Disposal Site Monthly Inspection – December 2011 – the report was reviewed and will be forwarded to Council as information only. No action required.

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10. AIRPORT

- Monthly Statistics – December 2011 – statistics were reviewed and will be forwarded to Council as information only. No action required.
- Airport Facility – Renewal of Lease Agreements – the report was reviewed and will be forwarded to Council for approval.

11. PARKS & CEMETERIES

12. INFORMATION REPORTS

- Monthly Operations Statistics – Milt Strachan – November 2011 – monthly statistics were reviewed and will be forwarded to Council as information only. No action required.
- Monthly Operations Statistics – Doug Herr – November 2011 – monthly statistics were reviewed and will be forwarded to Council as information only. No action required.
- Monthly Operations Statistics – Milt Strachan December 2011– monthly statistics were reviewed and will be forwarded to Council as information only. No action required.
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13. NON-AGENDA ITEMS

- a) Information Report No. 1 – 2012 Water & Sewer Rates – the Operations & Facilities Manager handed out a report with pertinent information on the water and sewer costs, revenues and consumption data. Mayor Avis would like that the reduction in the amount of water included in the minimum flat rate be included in the report. Doug Brown will make this adjustment. Also it was agreed that a special Operations & Facilities Executive Committee meeting would be held on Wednesday, February 1st, 2012 to only discuss the 2012 water and sewer rates.

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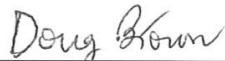
- b) Daily Line-Up Work Sheet & Three (3) Staff Members to Shut-Off a Curb Stop Valve – Operations & Facilities Manager explained that Councilor Perry came to the office yesterday to complain that three (3) staff members came to his property on Tuesday, January 10th, 2012 to shut off the curb stop valve and only one (1) staff member did all the work. I explained that this case was unusual and that this is normally only a one-man job.

Doug Brown also informed the entire Operations & Facilities Executive Committee that the three (3) men were on the way to another job and that all three (3) members were being transported in one vehicle and to complete this job on the way. The three-men crew were trimming trees in the lanes in the west end of the community.

There being no further matters before this committee at this time; this meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.


Chairman
Operations & Facilities Executive
Committee

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Manager Operations & Facilities

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OPERATIONS & FACILITIES EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

REPORT

FEBRUARY 1, 2012

A meeting of the Operations & Facilities Executive Committee was held on Wednesday, February 1, 2012 at 7:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Rick Wiedenhoef
Paul Ryan
Ken Perry
Roy Avis
Mark McCaig
Doug Brown



REGRETS:

GUESTS: Sharon Tibbs

1. Called to order at 7:35 a.m.
2. Non-agenda items which, because of urgency, cannot be referred to subsequent meeting, identified to be considered later in the meeting – none.

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3. Disclosure of pecuniary interest and general nature thereof – none.
4. Approve Minutes from January 18th, 2012 Operations & Facilities Executive Committee Meeting. The minutes were approved as circulated.

5. TENDERS/CAPITAL/DEVELOPMENT/ENGINEERING SERVICES

6. WATER

Water Treatment Plant

Water Distribution System

- Report No. 2 Establishing 2012 Water & Sewer Rates – the Operations & Facilities Manager handed out an updated spreadsheet on the 2011 actual costs for the water and sewer system where the cost to produce and treat one cubic meter of water is approximately \$2.99. After a lengthy discussion the Operations & Facilities Executive Committee requested that the rates be developed with the following criteria;
 - The monthly meter replacement charge be deferred until 2013.
 - Continue to make rate adjustments between the ICI and residential rate classes in 2012 to address the built-in inequities.
 - Two revenue targets - \$ 100,000 and 200,000.
 - Four different rate increases to the ICI class – 3%, 5%, 6% & 7.5%.
 - Three different reductions in the amount of water included in the minimum ICI flat rate; 120, 180 & 204 cu. meters.

Administration will prepare a report for the next Committee of the Whole scheduled for Monday, February 6th, 2012.

7. SEWER

Sewage Treatment Plant

8. TRANSPORTATION

Traffic Safety Advisory Committee

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9. WASTE MANAGEMENT
10. AIRPORT
11. PARKS & CEMETERIES
12. INFORMATION REPORTS
13. NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There being no further matters before this committee at this time; this meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.


Chairman
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Manager Operations & Facilities