

TOWN OF FORT FRANCES

AGENDA - December 10, 2012

MEETING - Council Chambers , Civic Centre

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<u>COUNCIL MEETING</u>	
(Session No. 62) 6:20 p.m. to 6:35 p.m.	
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Approval of Committee of the Whole Minutes *

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I would like the mayor and members of council to.... By Jenna Mose

Don't you think the kids in this town would greatly appreciate an indoor waterpark? I would love to have the waterpark uptown. I think a lot of families from around the area would come and enjoy the waterpark.

In the winter kids get bored at just the pool so an indoor waterpark would add excitement to their weekends. Waterparks are fun because they have waterslides and sometimes even a little spray park. Pools can be boring because they only have diving boards. A waterpark would give families a fun thing to do during the long winter.

Lots of kids are not able to leave the community. A waterpark would help keep them active. Going to Winnipeg is too far. Having it in our community would allow everyone to participate. It would also let kids have tons of fun!

A waterpark is a perfect place to spend quality time with your family. It's a fantastic opportunity to spend time with your kids and grandkids. Lots of families could come to the waterpark all together.

Well, can you imagine how many families you would make happy if you make this waterpark happen? We could make lots of money for the community. So what do you say? Wouldn't a waterpark be a nice addition to our community?

Dear Mayor and Council,

Would you like a water park in Fort Frances? It would bring more kids to Fort Frances and they would think Fort Frances is fun and they would keep coming back.

I would like a water park in Fort Frances. Maybe you could work with the chief and council at Couchiching and build it at the old golf course.

I want a water park because water parks are really fun. I went to Emo's water park and it was really fun. There is a lot of equipment to play on and kids can run around and exercise their legs. Anybody can go there. The water park in Emo is free and you don't have to pay.

I know it would cost lots of money to build. Maybe a service group like the Kiwanis Club could help raise money for it. We could have a spaghetti dinner and people could make donations.

Emo is kind of far from Fort Frances so it would be nice to have one here. It is free and when we go there we bring a picnic so when we get hungry we can eat for more energy.

I would really like a water park in Fort Frances so kids can have a place to play and my sister and I and my friends can go there in the summer and the spring.

Sincerely,

Destiny

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THAT the following Councillor appointments be approved for a two year term ending November 30, 2014 (Committee Chairs to be selected by their respective committees):

- 1) Deputy Mayor: S. Tibbs
- 2) Administration and Finance Executive Committee: K. Perry, S. Tibbs, A. Hallikas
- 3) Planning and Development Executive Committee: J. Albanese, R. Wiedenhoeft, S. Tibbs
- 4) Operations and Facilities Executive Committee: P. Ryan, R. Wiedenhoeft, K. Perry
- 5) Community Services Executive Committee: J. Albanese, A. Hallikas, P. Ryan
- 6) Citizen of the Year Committee: A. Hallikas, P. Ryan
- 7) Court of Revisions: K. Perry, J. Albanese, S. Tibbs
- 8) Economic Development Advisory Committee: K. Perry
- 9) Regional Economic Development Committee: K. Perry
- 10) Fort Frances Chamber of Commerce: J. Albanese
- 11) First Nations Relations Advisory Committee: Mayor R. Avis, R. Wiedenhoeft, P. Ryan
- 12) Diversity Committee: S. Tibbs
- 13) Sister Kennedy Centre Board of Management: J. Albanese, A. Hallikas
- 14) Town of Fort Frances Police Services Board: Mayor R. Avis, R. Wiedenhoeft
- 15) Moffat Family Fund Steering Committee: J. Albanese, A. Hallikas, P. Ryan
- 16) Northwestern Health Unit: P. Ryan
- 17) Fort Frances Volunteer Bureau: R. Wiedenhoeft
- 18) RR District Municipal Association Executive: S. Tibbs
- 19) Suggestions Awards Committee: K. Perry
- 20) Street Lighting Inspection Committee: K. Perry
- 21) Negotiating Committee – CUPE Local 65: Mayor R. Avis, A. Hallikas, P. Ryan
- 22) Negotiating Committee – Fort Frances Professional Fire Fighters Association: Mayor R. Avis, A. Hallikas, K. Perry
- 23) St. Francis Sports Field Management Committee: R. Wiedenhoeft
- 24) Theatre Management Advisory Committee: A. Hallikas
- 25) Fort Frances Public Library Board: S. Tibbs, R. Wiedenhoeft
- 26) Business Improvement Area Board of Management: J. Albanese
- 27) Salary Structure and Administration Practices Committee: Mayor R. Avis, A. Hallikas
- 28) Municipal Control Group: Mayor R. Avis – Alternate: Deputy Mayor S. Tibbs
- 29) Fort Frances Municipal Non-Profit Housing Corporation: J. Albanese, A. Hallikas
- 30) Rainy River District Social Services Administration Board: K. Perry
- 31) Doctor Recruitment and Retention Committee: A. Hallikas, P. Ryan
- 32) Sunny Cove Camp Advisory Committee: S. Tibbs; K. Perry
- 33) Fun in the Sun Steering Committee: A. Hallikas; K. Perry
- 34) Off-Leash Dog Park Committee: A. Hallikas; K. Perry

AND FURTHER THAT the following Councillor appointments be made effective December 1, 2012 to November 30, 2014:

- 1) Committee of the Whole of Council: J. Albanese, A. Hallikas, K. Perry, G.P. Ryan, S. Tibbs, R. Wiedenhoeft and Mayor R. Avis
- 2) Committee of the Whole Chairpersons and Vice Chairpersons: December 1, 2012 to March 31, 2013: Chairperson: A. Hallikas; Vice Chairperson: K. Perry; April 1, 2013 to July 31, 2013: Chairperson: K. Perry; Vice Chairperson: P. Ryan; August 1, 2013 to November 30, 2013: Chairperson: P. Ryan; Vice Chairperson: R. Wiedenhoeft; December 1, 2013 to March 31, 2014: Chairperson: R. Wiedenhoeft; Vice Chairperson: J. Albanese; April 1, 2014 to July 31, 2014: Chairperson: J. Albanese; Vice Chairperson: S. Tibbs; August 1, 2014 to November 30, 2014: Chairperson: S. Tibbs; Vice Chairperson: A. Hallikas.

AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor is ex-officio a member of all Town boards, commissions and committees.

THE TOWN OF FORT FRANCES

REPORT TO: Mayor and Council
FROM: G. Treftlin
SUBJECT: Town of Fort Frances
Council Meeting - Monday, December 10, 2012
Consent Agenda Items

1. Items referred from Committee of the Whole:
See individual reports.
2. Request dated December 4, 2012 from Safe Communities Rainy River District re: 2012/2013 Per Capita Funding.
 - will be referred to Administration and Finance Executive Committee for recommendation.
3. Report from T. Drysdale, Consultant re: Fort Frances Community Foundation.
 - will be referred to Administration and Finance Executive Committee for recommendation.
4. Request dated November 30, 2012 from Emerald Ash Borer Task Force – Northwestern Ontario re: Placement of Signage on Municipally Owned Property.
 - will be referred to Planning and Development Executive Committee for recommendation.
5. Request dated November 29, 2012 from Alzheimer Society Kenora/Rainy River Districts re: Proclaiming January 2013 as “National Alzheimer Awareness Month” in the Town of Fort Frances.
 - requester will be advised of Council’s proclamation.
6. Request received December 4, 2012 from Northwestern Ontario Sports Hall of Fame Annual Membership and Fundraising Campaign.
 - will be referred to Administration and Finance Executive Committee for recommendation.



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December 6, 2012





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December 04, 2012

Mayor and Council
 Town of Fort Frances
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Dear Mayor and Council:

On behalf of Safe Communities Rainy River District, I would like to thank you for your support for the 2011 year. The group looks forward to our challenges for coming year, continuing existing programs and developing new and exciting programs that promote both healthy and safe lifestyles within the district.

We request your consideration for the continuation of funding of \$.50 per capita for 2012/2013 endeavors, which help our communities become a safer place to live, learn, work, and play.

In addition to the programs listed in our Annual Report, Safe Communities Rainy River District funding the glow sticks for the 2011 Halloween project as well as administrating many OPP programs. We continually look into new funding opportunities that we may access to help our programs and partners of the district. We continue to compete with multiple applications and shrinking dollars making our efforts more difficult each year. We strongly feel acquiring extra dollars for our community efforts provides additional resources, programs, and sustainability for our safety endeavors and will keep this a top priority.

Our website continues (www.safetycoalition.com) to market the programs that we are involved in as well as partners and links to various organizations throughout the region.

Attached you will find our 2011-2012 annual report for your review. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to give us a call and thank you in advance for your support.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Grace Silander".

Grace Silander, Administrative Coordinator
 Safe Communities Rainy River District

Together we can make our District the safest place to live, learn, work and play!



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Board of Directors for 2011/2012

<i>Peggy Loyie</i>	<i>Chair</i>
<i>Linda Plumridge</i>	<i>Co Chair</i>
<i>Judith Lindholm</i>	<i>Secretary</i>
<i>Elaine Fischer</i>	<i>Director</i>
<i>Freeda Carmody</i>	<i>Director</i>
<i>John Beaton</i>	<i>Director</i>
<i>John Albanese</i>	<i>Director</i>
<i>Felix Blasky</i>	<i>Director</i>
<i>Anne McCoy</i>	<i>Director</i>

<i>Grace Silander</i>	<i>Administrative Coordinator</i>
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Notes from the Chair

Let me begin by welcoming all of you to the 2012 Annual General Meeting and extending a sincere appreciation to you for your continued support of Safe Communities Rainy River District.



Well, it goes without saying that this past year has been challenging on many fronts. We have had to deal with changes within our own Board structure as well as changes on a national level. We continue to seek out ways in which we can generate dollars that will in turn assist us in meeting our objective of providing support to local and district wide initiatives that promote safety.

The dedication and commitment of the members of Safe Communities Rainy River District Committee and Board is what gives SCRRD the drive to continue to move forward and look toward the future; the respective organizations that each member represents are also to be congratulated and applauded for their support of this community and district wide program.

Thank you Grace for your hard work and dedication, we know how important this program is to you and you do a wonderful job of sharing your enthusiasm, concern and vision for Safe Communities Rainy River District.

Once again, thank you to all and best wishes for continued success for SCRRD.

Peggy Loyie, Chair

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Coordinator's Comments



As we complete the journey through yet another year of safety, we tend to be inspired and rise to the challenges of the coming months.

The annual report is a time to celebrate our achievements, outcomes and short falls; yet this is always an energizing and proud moment for myself.

I personally would like to thank the Municipalities, First Nation Communities and our partners for their continued support, and invite their input and attendance at our regular meetings. Without this support our efforts would not be met.

Again I would like to commend all our partners on their program delivery, reaching target groups of all ages and focusing on identified priorities and risk factors throughout the district. These programs were the basis of meeting the criterion for both Safe Communities Canada and the World Health Organization.

Together we have achieved a perfect score on the National Report Card which scores our Safe Communities against the Attributes of Canadian Safe Communities as well as the Indicators for International Safe Communities. If you to visit our website <http://safetycoalition.ca> you can view the report card or read more about the activities that are ongoing throughout the District.

Safe Communities Rainy River District continues to work diligently with the National Safety Council of United States and the Collaborating Centre of the World Health Organization through the peer review process. Through this process trained selected individuals from existing Safe Communities who have proven to sustain high standards, visit US communities applying for Safe Community designation. The review team consists of one Canadian and one US delegate who visit the communities to confirm what is in the application is truly alive and working within the community.

Although our ties with the Collaborating Centre of the World Health Organization remain constant, Safe Communities Rainy River District will be venturing into new surroundings this year due to the amalgamation of four Canadian Safety Institutes.

Joining forces for "ONE VOICE FOR SAFETY" are:

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- Safe Kids Canada,
- Think First,
- Smart Risk and
- Safe Communities Canada

I would like to share a quote of Mr. Paul Kells, past CEO of Safe Communities Canada which sums up the entire movement, “This merger is a new national organization with equal voice across Canada whose vision is to be *the* strategic injury prevention partner for families, communities, the health sector, researchers, governments and business. The new organization will be known as: ***Parachute – Leaders in injury prevention.***”

Our District has been so fortunate to have the support and leadership of Safe Communities Canada, and will definitely miss this collaboration. We know the merger offers many new and exciting things for our movement in safety, and Parachute leaders will be there for helpful support as well.

On behalf of SCRRD I look forward to the new direction and directives of this new organization in the coming years.

Respectfully submitted,

Grace Silander

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Safe Communities Rainy River District

September 2012

On behalf of the United Native Friendship Centre (UNFC) I wish submit our Annual Report.

The UNFC promotes safety through the following initiatives:

- Our Health & Safety committee consists of 7 members covering 3 sites who actively ensure our safety practices and buildings are up to date;
- Annual safety/fire/security inspections and monthly sites inspections are completed;

- Throughout the year our staff carried out and/or participated in various promotions such as:

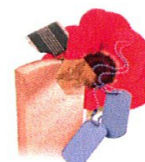
Medicine Walks Community Youth Justice National Day of Remembrance

Stuff-a-Cruiser Healthy Living Program Young Women's Symposium

FASD Day Water Walk Veteran's Day Powwow

Rachel's Challenge follow-up Breakfast Buddies program at St Michael's School

- UNFC staff belongs to multiple Boards and committees including:



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Safe Communities-RRD, RRD-Substance Abuse Prevention Team, Homelessness Committee, Elder Abuse Committee, Coming Together for Kids Coalition, Victims Services Board, Health Access Centre Board, Domestic Violence Court Advisory Committee, Diversity Committee, Native Housing Board, Legal Clinic Board, Justice Coordinating Committee, Sexual Assault Program Committee, Best Start Network, Sixth/Webster Outreach, Walk for Good Life, Community Garden, and Interagency.

It's been great being part of Safe Communities Rainy River District's collective of partners helping the community.

Sincerely,

Judith Lindholm,

UNFC Program Director

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RIVERSIDE HEALTH CARE FACILITIES INC.

"CONNECTING COMMUNITIES – COMMITTED TO CARING"

PARTNER REPORT FOR THE

SAFE COMMUNITIES RAINY RIVER DISTRICT ANNUAL REPORT

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Riverside Health Care Facilities Inc. is pleased to provide an annual report to the Safe Communities Rainy River District, with whom we have a longstanding partnership. Our partnership has been both beneficial and complementary to our organization. We truly appreciate our collaboration, which supports and promotes our mission and values:

- "To provide quality patient care with a commitment to clinical achievement, safety and enthusiasm to assure the best possible health care"
- "To support a safe and healthy work environment where each person is valued and respected and where personal and professional growth is encouraged"
- "To respond to community health care needs and providing creative, ongoing community support initiatives"



Riverside Health Care Facilities provides primary, secondary, long-term and community health services at our five health care facilities across the Rainy River District. While this past year has involved some changes internally, we are continuing to focus our efforts on standardizing safety programs, consistency of processes throughout our facilities and expanding our services. Riverside promotes a safe and healthy work environment through various working groups and committees:

Quality Management is an avenue for improving processes, reducing and/or eliminating adverse events for the patients and staff to ensure quality safe patient care. Through satisfaction surveys and use of the NRC Picker, we are able to elicit feedback on how our patients/residents/clients perceive the services we provide. Presently, the NRC Picker has provided us with valuable feedback for our in-patient units, as a result we are doing follow-up phone calls to some patients post discharge to ensure a safe and successful transition home. We have just received our first quarter results from the Emergency/Urgent Care departments within our facilities and will use those results to improve the quality of our services. Riverside continues to adopt best practice guidelines and looks for continual quality improvement. Staff members receive updates and education on changes to policies, processes, procedures and best practices.

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Occupational Health and Safety continues to be a part of our everyday life at Riverside. We underwent a “Work Well Audit” in May 2012, which was a process that helped us strengthen our Occupational Health and Safety program throughout the Organization. We have completed our certification training in both basic and site specific, which ensures we have the knowledge and commitment to oversee safety processes and a safe working environment for all. We have 2 staff who have become certified trainers to provide Non-Violent Crisis Intervention in-services to designated staff at all facilities. Presently, we have 86% of our designated staff trained, with a commitment to continue efforts to reach our goal of 100%. In our Long Term Care Facilities, we have 96 % of all RN’s and RPN’s who have received the “Gentle Persuasive Approach” training provided through our community partnership with the Older Adults Program. Both courses have been very well received and have incorporated this knowledge into their everyday work routines. Riverside continues to update relevant policies and procedures related to bullying, harassment and workplace violence. All staff continue to complete their on-line modules annually, through Discovery Campus, on Violence in the Workplace. This form of education delivery ensures ongoing training requirements are met by all staff.

Infection Control efforts continue to focus on the importance of Hand Hygiene to reduce infection and the spread of disease. We have adopted the program “Just Clean Your Hands”, and the Infection Control Nurse travels to all facilities to demonstrate/talk with front line staff. Audits are conducted and reported. Alcohol based hand-sanitizers and signage have been installed throughout all facilities, as well as, at point of care. Literature, public service announcements and posters in all our facilities help to educate our patients/residents/clients and visitors to the importance of protecting themselves and others from infection—“Clean, Screen and Go” signage is seen within each facilities. Make it your practice when you are in our facilities to utilize the hand sanitizer stations, not only for your protection, but the protection of others. We have just begun our annual influenza immunization campaign for staff and residents in October 2012.



Patient Safety is essential in the delivery of quality, safe care. Our wallet sized medication recorders, developed in partnership with Safe Communities Rainy River District, continue to be available throughout the District. We have had excellent feedback from this collaborative project. Riverside Health Care Facilities have just undergone their on-site Accreditation review from October 21-25, 2012 and are awaiting our final report. Our Falls Prevention Team continues to meet. We monitor and report our statistics, with the goal of reducing the number and severity of falls throughout our facilities. Canadian Patient Safety Week is presently underway, from October 29-November 2, 2012. Promotional products have been distributed to all facilities to mark “Patient Safety Week”. We continue to use our Corporate and Nursing Newsletters to submit articles on the importance of staff incorporating safety into their daily work routines “Patient Safety is Everybody’s Job Everyday!”

Riverside Health Care Facilities Inc. values their partnerships with the Safe Communities Rainy River District. We will continue to provide support and resources to the Opiate Task Force and

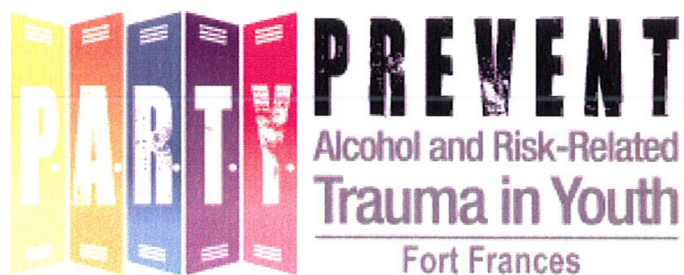
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PARTY program. The Emergency, Diagnostic Imaging Department and Rehabilitation staff are dedicated to participating in this valuable program for the young people of the District. Riverside is committed to ensuring safe health care services and programs for the communities we serve. We look forward to an exciting year full of challenges and opportunity.

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2012 was another busy year working on upgrading program with new tools and keeping relevant to current issues.

9 classes (185 students) from Ft. Frances High School participated. A mini P.A.R.T.Y. was done for Couchiching youth group utilizing some of the tools, injury survivor and multi-media content to make these youth aware of how their choices influence themselves and others.

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Myself, Lyle Dolph and Jia Wu spend many hours fund raising, formatting and doing presentations to purchase Metiman simulator.

Fund raising was successful with the support of Community Policing Committee Rainy River District, Emo Lions Club, Ft. Frances Chiefs Secretariat, Ft Frances Royal Canadian Legion Br 29, Ft Frances Royal Canadian Legion Ladies Auxiliary Br 29, Kiwanis Ft. Frances Club, Moffat Family Fund, Ontario Healthy Communities Fund, Rainy River District Safe Communities, Rain River District School Board, Royal Bank Foundation and TD Canada Trust.

Our program is becoming well known and I am assisting Dryden and Kenora in how to setup and run P.A.R.T.Y. InnoCorp E-newsletter has done a profile on us which is seen by more than 12,000 safety professionals around the world. <http://fatalvision.com/news-events/2012/sidne-helps-youth-party-in-ontario/>



The 2012-2013 school year will again be busy with 9 Ft Frances High School Classes, writing program and training helpers for simulator. Multimedia and scripts used by P.A.R.T.Y. presenters will have to be changed to fit the scenario programmed into simulator who has been given a name, Rory Paulson by the high school first responders.

New groups who will experience P.A.R.T.Y. are Couchiching youth and Atikokan High School who see it at Atikokan Hospital.

Thanks again to all the volunteers and professionals who commit their time.

John Beaton,

P.A.R.T.Y. Program Co-coordinator

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A number of campaigns were done throughout the year.

Bike rodeos were facilitated by OPP through community policing partnerships. Education in bike and road safety, helmet use with prizes awarded. Rainy River Play School held a bicycle rodeo for children in Rainy River in July 2012. Atikokan Safe and Healthy Communities assisted with a positive tickets campaign to encourage youth to wear helmets during wheeled events.



Public service announcements focusing on distracted driving were given in partnership with our local radio station, 93.1 The Border.

All grade 7 & 8 Robert Moore School students participated in CN Rail Safety Public Service Announcement contest.

Metiman simulator was given financial assistance.

During August, CPC partnered with OPP for a week long youth camp at Sunny Cove which was very successful.

We have a new logo and sign in front of the Emo OPP Detachment.

New members are always welcome.

John Beaton, Chair

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Safe Communities Rainy River District CN Rail Safety Initiatives

Safe Communities Rainy River District was successful again this past year in securing funds to put toward a worthy project. This year the funds were requested for funds to help offset some smaller costs for a Kiss and Ride program.

What is Kiss and Ride?.... . It is an innovative program designed to address morning and afternoon traffic congestion and student safety. Kiss n' Ride brings principals, parents, police, and traffic engineers together to identify safe drop off zones at each individual school. While parents remain in their cars, volunteers safely escort children to a designated area. This system allows for convenient and safe drop-off 15-20 minutes before the morning school bell, pick up following the school day and relieves traffic congestion. This was a win/win solution for everyone involved.

Safe Communities Rainy River District has worked diligently on our pedestrian safety as they move to and from our school systems. Past programs our partners are proud of: Safe Routes to School, All aboard for Safety, Photo Voice, Ticket or Teaching, JW Walker Video, Seniors and Law Enforcement Together, and our rapport that we have built with our Boards of Education. It is time to target our traffic congestion challenge in our school zones.



Planning for the Kiss and Ride program has already started. We have acquired information from other community reports, and are beginning to discuss a fit for our community schools that will require little adjustments from school to school.

This program will empower parents and school communities as they strive to keep their school population safe.

Partnerships have been developed with OPP, SALT, and Boards of Education, Parent/Teachers Associations, Town of Fort Frances (operations and traffic safety), Active Transportation and School Administration.

Much planning and work is yet to be done on the project, so the small funds received remain on our CN line for future needs.

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Safe Communities Rainy River District has brought one of the larger projects to a close and anticipates a safer environment for those crossing at the Pithers Point crossing. Benches have been placed at both sides of the crossing, inviting those waiting for a train to pass to "TAKE A SEAT FOR SAFETY". Reports were received following the installation of the benches that they were indeed being used.



Safe Communities Rainy River District thanks Safe Communities Canada, Pete LeDrew (CN Police) and Canadian National Railway for their support in this endeavor.

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Celebrating Diversity

www.celebratingdiversity.ca

Respect. It lives here

The RESPECT campaign was developed by members of the Celebrating Diversity Committee in the spring of 2011, as a way of reaching out to our communities to talk about diversity issues. A workshop was created, and tested with the committee members, then rolled out to the public.

The workshop is exactly one hour in length, no more, as we acknowledge that we are generally taking time from people's work day. There is a 15 minute powerpoint presentation, that is used to provoke thought and discussion from attendees. People are then broken up into small groups of 3 or 4 people, to discuss their own experiences with disrespect and with respect. The groups then come back to full session, and spend the last part of the workshop talking about what they learned in the small groups. This format is used so that people will learn from each other, rather than just presenters, and hopefully the experience will have a greater impact on them as they learn from friends and co-workers.

There is a group of presenters, so that each workshop is presented by two people working together, to help provide a broader spectrum of information and experience. We have trained 9 presenters to date. When the workshop is completed, participants are provided with a copy of the powerpoint, pens and lanyards with the RESPECT campaign logo on them, and interior window stickers. These are to be used in their workplace, to serve as a celebration of respect and diversity, and a reminder of the things people have learned in the workshop. It is the hope of the committee that these identifiers will soon spread throughout our community.

A summary of workshops to October 23, 2012 follows:

June 2011	Rainy River District School Board	40
October 2011	Atikokan Economic Development	9
November 2011	RRDSB Principals	15
November 2011	Atikokan Interagency	50

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February 2012	Public Launch	10
March 6, 2012	DSSAB Managers	10
March 26, 2012	DSSAB	8
March 27, 2012	DSSAB	6
March 28, 2012	DSSAB x 3	22
March 29, 2012	DSSAB x 3	20
April 4, 2012	DSSAB	18
April 12, 2012	DSSAB	12
April 14, 2012	United Church Women, Emo	15
April 16, 2012	DSSAB	10
April 16, 2012	Community Living Atikokan	15
April 23, 2012	Riverside Healthcare managers	20
June 19, 2012	Rainycrest staff	25
June 25, 2012	Rainycrest staff	12
June 27, 2012	Rainycrest staff	20
July 12, 2012	Rainycrest staff	10
July 16, 2012	Rainycrest Staff	15
September 27, 2012	Rainycrest Staff	2
October 10, 2012	Rainycrest Staff	20

Including presenters, and members of the Celebrating Diversity Committee, approximately **384** people have experienced the workshop to date. Further presentations are currently being planned for other Rainycrest staff, RRDSSAB staff, and the Community Police Officers' conference.

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Fort Frances Fire & Rescue Service Fire Prevention & Public Education Annual Report 2012

Overview:

Fort Frances Fire & Rescue Service (FFFRS) continues to provide education in Fire and Life Safety throughout the Community and the Rainy River District. We are dedicated to ensuring the highest level of programming and delivery techniques are utilized when imparting educational material necessary for residents to keep safe.

History:

In previous years, Fort Frances Fire & Rescue Service has been very active in achieving the safety needs of the Community and District and 2012 was no exception. While continually analyzing local safety issues, the FFFRS continues to develop, implement, deliver and evaluate all programs to ensure we maintain quality safety initiatives.

Present Community Awareness and Activities:

A number of comprehensive programs are presently being offered and delivered in the Community. These programs are directed at what are considered to be groups at higher risk to fire and other safety concerns. For example, Risk Watch is promoted in elementary schools to help young persons make smarter choices in eight separate categories of safety. Older Adults are provided education through group discussions and programs such as Older & Wiser. Fire Prevention Week provides the advertised opportunity to reach all age groups in between with general fire safety messaging on topics such as safe cooking, candle safety and safe use of smoking material.

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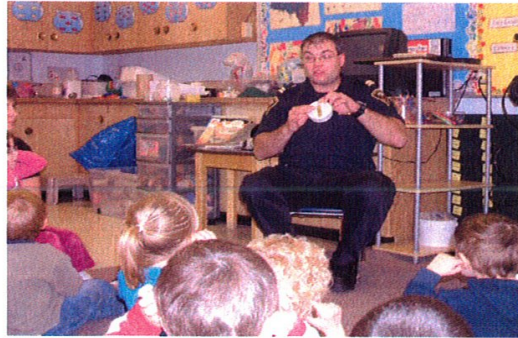


Fire Safety Day at Canadian Tire – local firefighters

Developed programs presently offered by the FFRS are as follows:

- Risk Watch for elementary schools
- TAPP-C The Arson Prevention Program for Children
- Fire Station Tours with general fire safety messages geared to age
- School Fire Safety & Exit Drill Practices
- “Alarmed For Life” Smoke Alarm Program
- Fire Prevention Week Activities and Awareness Displays/Presentations
- Commercial & Industrial Fire Safety Plan Staff Training
- Fire Safety Training for Staff in Health Care Facilities
- Fire extinguisher training for the workplace
- Routine Fire Safety Inspections/Inspections upon complaint and request
- General Fire Safety Public Service Announcements

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Prevention Captain Wayne Riches on a school visit

Photo Courtesy Fort Frances Times

2012 Results:

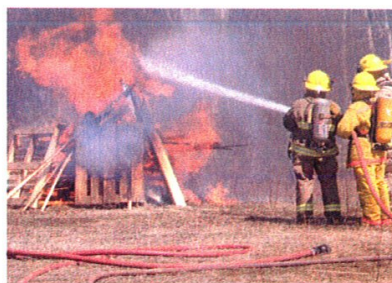
- Anticipate year-end completion of the required annual Fire Safety Inspections for approximately 150 commercial and industrial establishments within the TOFF
- Many Community groups, school students/teachers and other members of the public were involved in fire station tours or received presentations on fire safety during 2012
- Emergency Services Day held in May 2012 at our local Canadian Tire – various emergency services were in attendance (MNR, Red Cross, FFRS) with displays and activities for Community and District residents
- Fall Fire Safety Day, also held at our local Canadian Tire, with the FFRS in site with equipment, displays and handouts for people of all ages (estimate 800+ people attended the event)
- Approximately 500 JK – grade 3 students and 50 teachers in our community were spoken too by staff of the Fire Department during Fire Prevention Week
- We continue to provide Staff training sessions regarding workplace Fire Safety to many Commercial and Industrial Occupancies within Fort Frances and outside the Community
- Fire extinguisher training continues for many workplace employees within Fort Frances (including TOFF staff) and the request for Fire Department training continues to increase
- The Fire Department continues to utilize a variety of safety related public service announcements, having aired on the local radio stations and in the local paper
- Older Adult Fire Safety sessions continue to be delivered at Senior Housing Complexes
- The Risk Watch Program continues within our local School System
- The Fire Department has seen a further decrease in referrals to the TAPP-C Program in 2012. We would like to attribute this to increased fire safe behaviour through our education programs
- Fire department staff were involved in monitoring this year's fire drills within our Community's public schools

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- Fire Safety Displays have been established at various locations within the Community throughout the year



*Fire Safety Day at Canadian Tire
Captain Kirk Armstrong
Photo Courtesy Fort Frances Times*



Local Firefighter training session

Conclusion:

The 2012 Safety Season has been yet another busy and challenging exercise for the Fort Frances Fire & Rescue Service. We are continuing to see positive results in reduced costs regarding fire loss and most importantly, reduced deaths and health care requirements caused by a variety of preventable injuries. A huge thank you goes out to all the Firefighters in the Fort Frances Fire & Rescue Service for their dedication and commitment to ensuring safety to the residents of our Community.

Sincerely

Wayne Riches

Fire Prevention Captain

Fort Frances Fire & Rescue Service

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Seniors and Law Enforcement Together
Making a Difference in our Communities

A REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES FUNDED BY THE NEW HORIZONS FOR SENIORS PROGRAM

The New Horizons for Seniors Program Grant has funded the purchase of equipment, a strategic planning process, training, and the initiation of sustainable activities for Seniors under the umbrella of the Seniors And Law Enforcement Together Group (SALT). The SALT Group meetings are subsidized by this grant as is the work of the Assisted Living Action Group (ALAG) which is a sub-group of SALT. Also the grant has sponsored the maintenance of the SALT website which is up and running to keep our seniors in the loop. The following is a brief summary of the activities sponsored by the grant to date.

Assisted Living Action Group – Strategic Plan

The Assisted Living Group Strategic Planning process is nearing completion. Mission, Vision and Values statements have been reviewed and edited and are in their final state. Action plans have been established for each objective. The group is now working on indicators of success. Indicators of success will be in draft form for the planning meeting on Nov. 22, 2012.

In fact, one working group is up and running as they work on the important action of securing a site for the facility. The group is collecting data and exploring several sites throughout the district. They have looked at and will be looking at more possibilities located throughout the district. They are not confining their search to any one area but are conducting a district wide search.

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The timeline for completion of the plan is the end of November and we hope to be sharing the plan and using it for a variety of purposes by the middle of December. A final step will be the creation of a communication plan which will direct how we circulate the strategic plan. A power point presentation is being created to accompany the strategic plan and to assist in our public relations efforts.

This plan will provide a detailed framework for the work of the Assisted Living Action Group for the next three years. We have held two meetings for large groups involving many community stakeholders. Also, a core planning team has met frequently to move the planning ahead. We have had a fantastic response from the community in terms of participation in our planning and the group is working hard to make sure all those who have so generously donated time and resources are kept up to date and given the opportunity to remain involved as we move toward completion of the strategic plan. This strategic plan will be the result of a high degree of collaboration by many partners in the district and will maintain a district wide approach which honors the commitment of all the representatives who have been a part of the process.

Eager B's – Energetic Adults Getting Exercise Regularly for Busy Baby Boomers and Beyond

The Eager B's have been a group of "busy bees". They have conducted numerous activities to encourage healthy exercise and activity. These activities are open to anyone fifty five (55) years of age and over. The following is a list of activities conducted over the Fall:

- Group walks along the waterfront
- Zumba (modified for 55 plus years of age) at Energy Fitness
- Line Dancing (at the Circle of Life Building)
- Tai Chi (provided by the Town of Fort Frances) at the Senior Centre

Upcoming activities include:

- Bannock making and Wild Rice Soup workshops
- A one day curling workshop
- Snowshoeing
- Aquafit exercise
- Wii bowling
- Pole walking

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- Tai chi
- Zumba

Other activities fitted in by the group included a bog walk (Cranberry Peatlands Interpretive Trail), riverfront walking, senior games (table shuffleboard and floor shuffleboard)

The majority of these activities have been offered free to anyone over 55 years of age through the grant and community partnerships.

SALT – Elder Abuse Awareness

The Seniors and Law Enforcement Together program is a means to mobilize Seniors to become involved with the Ontario Provincial Police and other services to focus on Seniors' needs in the community. The Elder Abuse Awareness Program deals with elder abuse as it relates to crime prevention. Examples of the types of abuse being discussed are:

1. Financial (by family, telemarketers, mail scams, and email scams)
2. Emotional Abuse
3. Physical Abuse
4. Neglect

Three SALT members have been trained to present Elder Abuse Awareness Workshops. The trainer was Raj Sud of the Ontario Provincial Police. A DVD and a booklet are available to assist in making presentations. The group was also trained in the area of Restorative Justice Circles. Several Elder Abuse Workshops have been held in 2012 and the group has intervened in one restorative justice incidents already.

Computer training for seniors is ongoing and with through the New Horizons Grant computer equipment was purchased. The group purchased a laptop computer, a projector and a screen. This equipment was for use in senior computer training, Elder Abuse Workshops, Assisted Living Strategic Planning presentations and other educational opportunities sponsored by the New Horizons Grant.

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Seniors Recognition Event

The “Hats Off to Seniors” Gala will be held on Friday November 16, 2012. There will be dinner and refreshments followed by an evening of recognition and entertainment. The event will be held at the La Place Rendezvous Hotel. The guest speaker will be Ontario Provincial Police Commissioner Chris Lewis. Entertainment will be provided by “Entirely Mac” and other entertainers. Hard working seniors and those who support our seniors will be recognized throughout the evening. About one hundred and fifty persons are expected to attend this night to honour a group of citizens who have gone the extra mile for seniors in the community.



Conclusion:

The New Horizons Grant is responsible for supporting a wide variety of activities for seniors in the Rainy River District. Its scope is far ranging and is providing invaluable assistance to seniors in their efforts to contribute to the community they have lived in and supported for many years. This grant provides the means to establish programs to benefit seniors that are sustainable in the future and it provides recognition for a group of citizens who are contributing a great deal to all parts of our community.

Submitted by: Ian Simpson

Date: November 14, 2012

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The Northwestern Health Unit (NWHU) works with a variety of groups toward the creation of safe and supportive environments where people live, work, play and learn. In 2012, the NWHU worked with multiple partners to deliver the following injury prevention efforts across the District:

- **Coalition-Building and Active Participation-** Partnerships, collaboration, and comprehensive health promotion efforts continue to be priorities for NWHU staff. Much of this work is successfully accomplished with local planning tables, grassroots groups and coalitions such as Healthy Communities Coalitions (Emo, Rainy River and surrounding communities), Trails Committees, Safe and Active Routes to Schools, RR District Substance Abuse Prevention Team, Mental Health Planning, Celebrating Diversity, Safe Communities, Atikokan Safe and Healthy Lifestyles Committee, People for Playgrounds, Atikokan Next Generation, Seniors and Law Enforcement Together, Assisted Living Action Group and Eager B's.
- **Road Safety Stencils-** NWHU staff worked with various partners to implement this initiative in several communities across the NWHU catchment area. The stencils with "No Texting" and "Buckle up" messages can be painted onto parking lots to remind drivers to practice road safety.
- **Youth Action on Drugs (YAD) Project-** A student survey, one component of the YAD project, was administered in 30 schools across the region. The survey measured the levels of risk and protective factors among Grade 7-12 students. Seven community reports are being generated to share results across communities in our region.
- **Photovoice Project-** NWHU partnered with several seniors groups to implement this project. The intention was to stimulate discussion, raise awareness of the needs of seniors and highlight the positive aspects of aging in the Rainy River District. Participants took photographs in response to the following questions: "What keeps you safe and healthy as you age?" and "what prevents you from being safe and healthy as you age in the Rainy River District?"
- **Car Seat Safety-** The health unit continues to provide regular car seat inspections and technician training for parents, caregivers and services providers. Car seat safety was delivered to close to 100 parents as a component of the NWHU prenatal class curriculum for new parents.
- **Supportive Environments-** NWHU continues to be involved in local activities and grant proposals to promote and advocate for safe and supportive environments. Rainy River completed a system of trails to promote safe and active recreation (River Trails Project). Fort Frances is working with local stakeholders, parents and schools to advocate for safe and active routes around school areas. Emo continues to work diligently on a sports field/trails project and Atikokan has mobilized to work on enhancing local playgrounds and green spaces.
- **Operation Safe Ride-** This program was coordinated with the OPP and the local Teen Centre in Atikokan. Coupons and prizes were provided to children and youth to encourage positive behaviours such as wearing bicycle helmets. 62 children participated.
- **FALLS Prevention-** physical activity can help reduce the risk of falls, maintain functional independence and maintain mobility. Several initiatives such as urban poling workshops, walking groups, SAGES program (Safe and Gentle Exercises for Seniors), and exercise classes were offered to older adults to promote safe, physical activity opportunities.

We look forward to continuing our membership with Safe Communities-Rainy River District and maintaining quality, comprehensive injury prevention planning and programs across the entire District.



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FINANCIAL REPORT FOR PERIOD AUGUST 1, 2011 TO JULY 31, 2012

INCOME REPORT FOR SCRRD AT YEAR END OF JULY 31, 2012

Funding		
Municipal Per Capita Donation		11,962.50
Federal Grants		25,890.00
Provincial Grants		<u>1500.00</u>
TOTAL FUNDING		<u>39,352.50</u>
Other Revenue		
Fundraising Revenue		9,579.06
Interest Revenue		0
Misc Donations		7,178.42
Miscellaneous Revenue		<u>12,177.80</u>
TOTAL OTHER REVENUE		<u>28,935.28</u>
TOTAL REVENUE		<u>68287.78</u>
Expense		
Accounting & Legal	9,143.94	
Administrative Coordinator	12000.00	
Advertising and Promotions	295.25	
Amortization Expense	0	
Bank Charges and Interest	0	
Business Fees and Licenses	-1000.00	
Insurance	1069.00	
Courier and Postage	198.09	
Interest and Bank Charges	0	
Office Supplies	89.42	
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION		21,795.70
Equipment		260.00
Communications		1,287.18
Fundraising Expense		100.00
Meals		750.03
Other Expense		0
Personnel		0
Training		4094.80
Youth Camps		1807.40
Travel		0
Supplies		<u>1770.51</u>
TOTAL GENERAL AND ADMINISTATIVE EXPENSE		<u>31,865.62</u>
NET INCOME		<u>36,422.16</u>

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BALANCE SHEET FOR SCRRD AT YEAR END OF JULY 31, 2012

Bank Balance	68,782.94	
Total Cash		68,782.94
Investments		9,970.94
HST Fed Rebate	52.72	
HST Prov. Rebate	138.31	
Total HST		191.03
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		<u>78,944.91</u>
Capital Assets		0
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>78,944.91</u>
Liabilities		
YE Accounting Accrual		8000.00
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>8000.00</u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</u>		<u>78,944.91</u>

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Special thanks to the Municipalities for their continued support. Funds received from the Municipalities are our sustainability. Program dollars go directly into the specific program and used for items declared in their grant requests as teaching, programming, meals, consulting etc. Program dollars are not used for the day to day administration and operational costs of Safe Communities Rainy River in our coordination role of district safety programs unless specifically identified in grant applications.

Township of Alberton
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 Township of Emo
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 Town of Rainy River



A LESSON FROM THE PAST.....

Together we can make our District the safest place to live, learn, work and play!



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REPORT TO MAYOR AND COUNCIL

RE: COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
FROM: T DRYSDALE RRFDC EDAC

The Town of Fort Frances Strategic Plan sets out that EDAC should investigate the Community Foundation model and make a recommendation to Council on if and how this model for charitable funding would work within the Town of Fort Frances.

EDAC reviewed the concept of Community Foundations in the Winter/Spring of 2011/12. As a committee they decided, based on the experience of other communities of a similar size, that they should investigate creating a Foundation for Fort Frances. EDAC created a sub committee consisting of Gray Rogozinski, Shauna DeGagne, Jim Cummings and Theresa Hazel. The committee met three times and reported back to EDAC twice. The committee after the second meeting decided to request the inclusion of Councillor Tibbs as she had suggested that the Foundation be created.

A major point of discussion has been the geography that the Foundation would cover and if it should be just the Town or also include the District. The recommendation was to create a Fort Frances Foundation and begin within the Town and over time as the Foundation develops expand, if prudent, to a larger geography.

EDAC received advice from the committee created a recommendation to Council is:

That the Town of Fort Frances proceeds with the creation of a Foundation and that the Town:

- Purchase the start up pkg from the Community Foundation Network.
- Appoint an adhoc committee who will become the initial Board of Directors.
- Budget for the cost of registration and legal filings if required.
- Budget for the cost of initial marketing materials.
- Provide administrative and in kind support.
- Make a long term commitment to absorb all accounting and administrative costs for the first five years of the foundations existence.

Fort Frances Community Foundation

Community Foundations

Community Foundations exist in many municipalities across Canada. At least 40 exist in Manitoba and over 60 are listed from Ontario on the Canadian Community Foundations website.

The Foundations support community work by attracting charitable investments and making grants to various good works. In most cases these funds operate on expenditures of interest only. In nearly all cases the foundations have a variety of funds that are dispersed based on either donors requested purposes or the foundations priority areas. For example the Foundation may have single bequest that is specified for a particular use such as playground equipment and another pool of money that is generally contributed to that the fund has decided to use to support arts programming.

The Foundations are run by independent Boards of Directors who may or may not be appointed by the municipal governments sponsoring the organization. The Foundations are registered Charities and as such responsible for all the legal filings and reporting's of this type of legal entity.

Fort Frances Foundation

The initial committee discussions regarding a Fort Frances Foundation revolved around the geographic scope of a local Foundation. These discussions lead to a conclusion that the Foundation should be district wide. However, while an ideal situation, when the concept is applied to the practical budgetary limits of the Towns resources the committee rethought this recommendation and have decided to recommend that the Foundation begin smaller within the Town. Over time as the organization is developed it should be encouraged to expand its mandate when requested by other partners in the region.

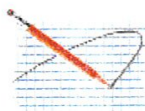
The Foundation Committee will require the following resources of Council:

- A small budget to cover:
 - the costs of registration and legal filings. (the committee intends to request pro-bono legal assistance)
 - the costs of community foundation start up materials (300)
 - initial marketing material expenses
- Administrative support, meeting rooms and misc materials.
- Either the authority to appoint an adhoc committee who will become the initial Board of Directors or for Council to appoint this committee.
- A long term commitment to absorb all accounting and administrative costs for at least the first 5 years of the Foundation.



Kathy Lawson/Frances
03/12/2012 11:11 AM

To
cc
bcc
Subject Emerald Ash Borer Billboards



Travis Rob/Frances
11/30/2012 02:49 PM

To Glenn Treftlin/Frances
cc
Subject Fw: Emerald Ash Borer Billboards

Hi Glenn,

I received a letter from the Emerald Ash Borer Task Force (attached) looking for permission to erect a sign on Town property near the border warning of the dangers of transporting firewood. They received a grant to erect these signs in conjunction with the local MNR. Can this request be forwarded on to Council at the next meeting?

Regards,

Travis

Travis Rob, EIT
Sustainability Coordinator
Town of Fort Frances
P: (807) 274 - 9893 ext. 305
F: (807) 274 - 7360
trob@fort-frances.com
C: (807) 275 - 9757



Before printing, think about ENVIRONMENTAL responsibility!

----- Forwarded by Travis Rob/Frances on 11/30/2012 02:41 PM -----



SVescio@thunderbay.ca
11/30/2012 02:36 PM

To trob@fort-frances.com
cc evan.mccaul@ontario.ca, michelle.nowak@ontario.ca
Subject Emerald Ash Borer Billboards

Thanks Travis for your help. It is much appreciated. Shelley

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November 30, 2012

Travis Rob
Sustainability Coordinator
Town of Fort Frances
320 Portage Ave
Fort Frances, ON P9A 3P9

Dear Mr. Rob:

I am contacting you on behalf of the **Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) Task Force**. Our mission is to prevent EAB from entering Northwestern Ontario and minimize the impact if it does.

We are a grassroots affiliation of municipalities, national and provincial agencies, First Nations communities, corporations, university, college, organized clubs and concerned citizens in Northwestern Ontario.

Emerald ash borer is an invasive insect that has already devastated ash forests in the American mid-west and southern Ontario. **The primary cause of the spread of the EAB is the transportation of infected firewood.**

I bring this issue to your attention with the hope that we can work together with the Town of Fort Frances to use educational signage to help reduce the amount of firewood movement within Northwestern Ontario and carried across the US border into Canada. Our Task Force recently received a grant from the Thunder Bay District Stewardship Council to fund the design and production of five 'Don't Move Firewood' signs. We have been placing these signs at high traffic areas in the region (see attached photo). So far we have signs posted on Hwy 102 west of Thunder Bay and will hopefully be placing a sign at the Pigeon River Border Crossing in the near future.

We are asking for permission to erect one sign in Fort Frances on municipal land near the International Falls Border Crossing (see attached map for potential location). I have enlisted the help of Dave May, Partnership Specialist with the Ministry of Natural Resources who will help co-ordinate the installation and maintenance of the signage. I hope that this sign would be installed in the late spring or early summer before the busy camping season begins and firewood movement increases.

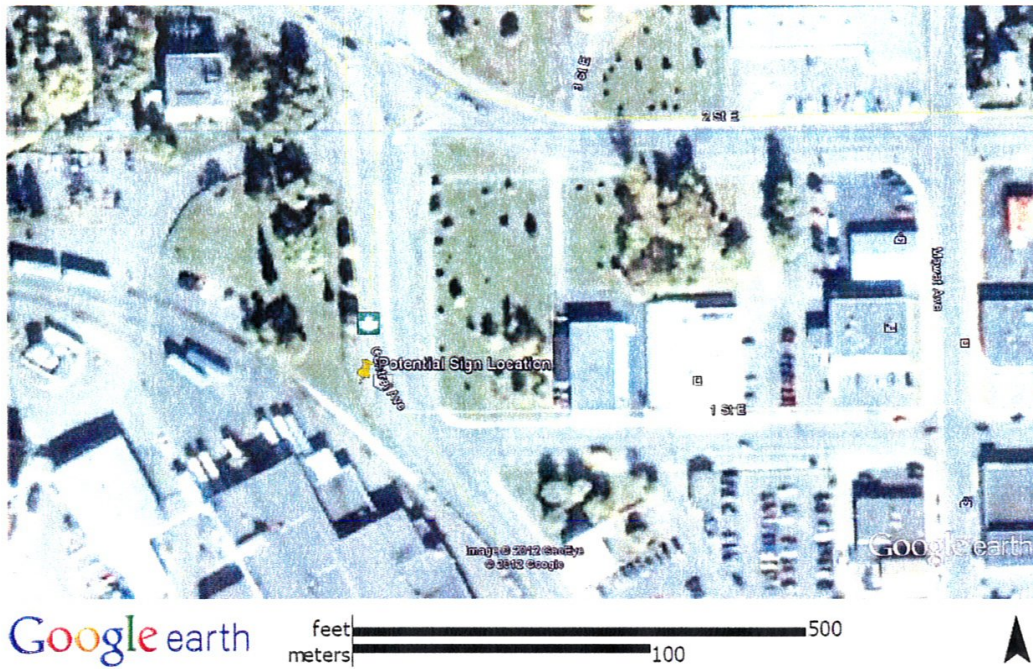
If you have any questions regarding the signage, our group, or have ideas on how we can work collaboratively, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,

Shelley Vescio
Chairperson - Emerald Ash Borer Task Force Steering Committee
svescio@thunderbay.ca
(807) 625-2473

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Requested Location



Alzheimer Society

KENORA/RAINY RIVER DISTRICTS



**Alzheimer Society of
Kenora/Rainy River Districts**
618-9th Street N
Kenora, Ontario P9N 2S9
Tel: (807) 468.1516
Toll-Free: 1.800.682.0245
Fax: (807) 468.9013
www.alzheimerkrr.com
info@alzheimerkrr.com

November 29, 2012

Town of Fort Frances
320 Portage Ave.
Fort Frances ON, P9A 3P9

Dear Mayor Roy Avis:

On behalf of the Alzheimer Society of Kenora/ Rainy River Districts, I would like to inform you that this January is Alzheimer Awareness month. This year's campaign for 2013 is reducing stigma related to Alzheimer disease. So this January "Let's Face It" and start "Living Together".

We would appreciate if you could proclaim "National Alzheimer Awareness Month" to be made on behalf of the Town of Fort Frances and permission to have the Alzheimer Society flag raised on the pole outside the Municipal Office for the month of January.

Sincerely,

Lynn Moffatt
Executive Director



Charitable Business Number:
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Northwestern Ontario Sports Hall of Fame

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP & FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN



WE VALUE & NEED YOUR SUPPORT!

As a non-profit organization, the Northwestern Ontario Sports Hall of Fame must raise the funds needed to operate our regional sports museum and hall of fame. A big part of this challenge is met through our **Annual Membership and Fundraising Drive**. There are a number of ways you can help:

- Purchase a **2013 MEMBERSHIP**
- Make a tax deductible **DONATION** or **MONTHLY PLEDGE**
- Try your luck with a **FAME 500 CLUB LOTTERY TICKET**

✓ **YES I want to Help Preserve Our Sports Heritage!**

MAYOR ROY AVIS
TOWN OF FORT FRANCES
320 PORTAGE AVE
FORT FRANCES ON P9A 3P9

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

2013 MEMBERSHIP FEES (please ✓ category):

- ☐ Individual - \$25
- ☐ Family - \$40 (# in family _____)
- ☐ Business/Organization - \$60

Membership Total \$ _____

DONATION Levels: *Spectator (\$1 - \$49) Loyal Fan (\$50 - \$199) Patron (\$200 - \$499) Benefactor (\$500 plus)*

- ☐ I would like to make a **DONATION** in the amount of: \$ _____ (tax receipt issued for donations/pledges)
- ☐ I would like to **PLEDGE** \$ _____ for _____ months, for a total donation of _____

I would like my donation to be in Memory of _____

Donation Total \$ _____

- ☐ **FAME 500 CLUB DRAW** - Only 500 tickets available. \$10,000 in cash prizes. Ticket in drum for all draws.
(10 Draws: 8 - \$500, 1 - \$1000, 1 - \$5000)

Number of tickets required _____ @\$50.00 each **Fame 500 Total \$** _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____

Method of Payment (✓ one): _____Cheque (made payable to NWO Sports Hall of Fame) _____MasterCard _____VISA _____Other

Credit Card No. _____ Expiry ____/____ Signature _____

Please remit with payment to: Northwestern Ontario Sports Hall of Fame 219 May Street S Thunder Bay ON P7E 1B5
Phone (807) 622-2852 Fax (807) 622-2736 email: nwosport@tbaytel.net www.nwosportshalloffame.com

Northwestern Ontario Sports Hall of Fame

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Northwestern Ontario Sports Hall of Fame and Museum

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Northwestern Ontario Sports Hall of Fame 2012/2013

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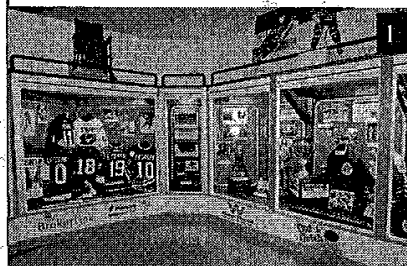
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Judy Gerry

HALL OF FAME HAPPENINGS

As another busy year comes to a close we are reminded of just how much the Sports Hall of Fame manages to accomplish through the hard work of our staff and volunteers. From the hosting of our Induction Ceremonies and educational programs, to the collecting of artifacts and the opening of new exhibits, to the undertaking of interesting research projects and welcoming the visiting public to tour our facility, there never seems to be a spare moment. At the same time there is always the need to come up with some new ways to raise money to keep the doors open. This year we added a new fundraising initiative and improved upon another. As you will discover in this newsletter, both turned out to be great events with our first ever Two-Bit Auction and our 25th Anniversary Golf Tournament helping to raise some much needed revenues for our non-profit organization.

As always we would like to thank the many businesses and individuals that help us out each year. We would not be here today if not for the support we receive through the purchase of memberships and Fame Lottery tickets, yearly cash donations, and participation in our many events. Your support is the reason we can celebrate and preserve our sports heritage.



1. New hockey exhibit celebrating our success in the professional and amateur ranks.

2. Golfers enjoying the Hall of Fame Tournament at the Fort William Country Club including (l-r): Tom Covino, Doug Colbon, Cy Goshgarian, Henry Staal, Heather Houston, Alva Llewellyn, Lorraine Lang, Linda Hiscock.

3. Patrons attending the 31st Annual Induction Ceremonies at the Valhalla Inn.



"NEW YEAR OPEN HOUSE"

SATURDAY, JANUARY 26th, 2013 from 2 - 4 pm

DROP BY THE HALL OF FAME TO SEE WHAT'S NEW FOR THE NEW YEAR

Proud Member of:

International Sports Heritage Association (ISHA), Canadian Association for Sport Heritage (CASH), Canadian Museum Association (CMA), Ontario Museum Association (OMA), Thunder Bay Chamber of Commerce, Arts & Heritage Alliance (AHA)

Inductee In Memoriam

Pete Johnston ('89)
Gary Onley ('89)

*Our sincere condolences to
their family and friends.
Their legend will live on in
the Sports Hall of Fame...*

Memorial Donations & Planned Giving

*A wonderful way to help
honour family and friends by
helping to preserve the
memory of sport for future
generations to come.*

HALL OF FAME GIFT IDEAS

Give the gift of
sport heritage through...

- Gift memberships
 - Donations
 - memorial, tributes
 - anniversary, birthday, etc.
- 2013 Fame 500 Club
Lottery Ticket (\$50)
 - Hall of Fame
Baseball Caps (\$20)

2013 Membership
Drive

'Join Our Team'

Individual: \$25
Family: \$40
Business/Organization: \$60

Names In The News

The Hall of Fame extends a big vote of thanks to retiring Board member **Bill Salonen** of Dryden who served on the Board since 1990 and prior to that was a member of the Hall of Fame Selection Committee for many years.

The Hall of Fame was fortunate to have two students join our team this summer including **Laura Harrison**, and returning student **Derek Daniher**, who conducted and transcribed oral history interviews with current and past Honoured Members. Thanks to Laura and Derek for a great job and to the Government of Ontario through the Summer Experience Program (SEP), and the Government of Canada through the Canada Summer Jobs (CSJ) grant program, for making these positions possible.

Congratulations to Hall of Fame Executive Director **Diane Imrie** and Curator **Kate Dwyer** on their continued involvement on the Board of Directors of the *Canadian Association for Sport Heritage* (CASH).

This past June, five of our wonderful Hall of Fame volunteers received **Ontario Volunteer Service Awards** which were presented at a special ceremony at the Valhalla Inn. Congratulations and thank you to **Mary Bozic** (5 years), **Kathy Kangas** (10 years), **Dave Gerry** (15 years), **Harry Coffey** (25 years), **Bill Salonen** (30 years).

Be sure to check out Hall of Fame Executive Director, Diane Imrie's, successful column *Where Legends Live On*, in *The Chronicle-Journal* every second Thursday. The articles can also be found on our Facebook Group page by searching for NWO Sports Hall of Fame and Museum. Be sure to 'Like' us and join our Facebook group.

Thanks for the Support!

Community Museum Operating Grant: A big vote of thanks to the *Ministry of Tourism, Culture & Sport* for their approval of our 2012 CMOG allocation.

Municipal Operating Grant: The members of Thunder Bay's City Council approved a two-year (2012-13) Cultural Funding Grant allocation for the Sports Hall of Fame. This funding is critical to the continued operation of the Sports Hall of Fame. Be sure to let your Councillors know how much you value their support of sports heritage.

'It's For You' Thank you to *tbaytel* for their continued donation of cellular service!

It All Adds Up Thank you to Lincoln Galbraith and the partners of Grant Thornton LLP for once again donating a portion of their yearly accounting services to the Hall of Fame to carry out our audit.

Major Funding Partners:



Ontario



HALL OF FAME NOMINATION DEADLINE January 31, 2013

Nominate an Athlete, Builder or Team

Forms may be picked up or downloaded from our website. Call (807) 622-2852

ECHOES OF GLORY—FALL/WINTER 2012/2013

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Northwestern Ontario Sports Hall of Fame

Sports Heritage Programming

School groups, sports teams and community organizations continue to utilize the Hall of Fame as a wonderful resource to learn about, and celebrate, our proud sports heritage. In addition to the programs and tours offered at the Hall of Fame, educators can also utilize our **Sports Heritage Education Resource Kit** which is available on-line at the Hall's website and provides classroom activities for various grade levels. Community groups also continue to request off-site presentations by our staff for their special events and meetings. Book your school program, group tour or speaking engagement today by calling 622-2852.

31st Annual Induction Ceremonies

Family, friends, fans, dignitaries and past Honoured Members were on hand to welcome in the Class of 2012 at the 31st Annual Induction Ceremonies, held on Saturday, September 29th at the Valhalla Inn in Thunder Bay. Congratulations to our newest Inductees and thank you to the Hall of Fame staff and volunteers for



working so hard to make this a first class event. Special thanks to John Zupan (J-D Video Recording), Jarron Childs (Superior Images), Bryan Wyatt (Dougall Media) and Jim & Josie Vaillant (Vaillant Florists) for their ongoing donation of their time and talents.

The Class of 2012 on stage following their induction:
Front row (l-r): Terri Gibbons, Helen (Fleming) Livingstone, Barbara Kukko.
Back row (l-r): Alex Dampier, Mike Busniuk, Bill Selman, Dick Henderson.

(Photo by Jarron Childs, Superior Images)

Publications Available at the Hall of Fame

Gamble in Goal - Bruce Gamble's life in hockey

By David Nicholson (\$20)

On the Allan Cup Trail - The Story of the Fort Frances Canadians

By Neil McQuarrie (\$25)

Just Another Hat Trick

By Ross Brewitt (\$22)

Coming soon:

A Century of Sport in the Finnish Community of Thunder Bay

Published in partnership by the Northwestern Ontario Sports Hall of Fame and the Thunder Bay Finnish Canadian Historical Society.

Sports Hall of Fame Educational Programs

The Sports Hall of Fame provides programming for a variety of groups.

We welcome school classes, service groups, day camps, PA days, sports teams and organizations to our facility.

*CALL or EMAIL to discuss programming opportunities
(807) 622-2852*

nwosport@tbaytel.net

Visit the Sports Hall of Fame

**Tuesday to Saturday
Noon to 5 pm**

CHECK US OUT ON THE WEB



Website:

www.nwosportshalloffame.com



Facebook Group:

NWO Sports Hall of Fame and Museum



**Channel:
nwosport**

Fundraising For Sports Heritage !



First Ever TWO-BIT AUCTION

A big vote of thanks to Hall of Fame Board member Lynne Peters who initiated this newest fundraising venture, and to **Canadian Tire** (Bruce Stone) for coming on board as our **presenting sponsor**. The event was a huge success which saw the sell-out crowd at the Columbus Centre bidding on some great prizes, enjoying some refreshments and having some fun while helping to raise close to **\$6,000** for the Sports Hall of Fame. Thanks to Katie Sutton who assisted Lynne as an Event Coordinator and to volunteers Mary Bozic, Carol Chorkawy, Kate Dwyer, John Garland, Judy Gerry, Diane Imrie, Larry Hebert, Dick Hill, Phil Jarvis, Sylvia Kayzer, Lauren Kushnier, Colleen Marshall, Marie Murphy, Meagan Murphy, Rob Murphy, Joe Mutz, Barb Rickards, Roger Rickards, Carol Siciliano, Dave Siciliano, Brenda Sutton, Lauren Sutton, Gail Quirion, Matt Wilson, Sue Wilson, Marlene Wright. Thank you to all of the companies and individuals that donated prizes and cash which allowed for such great baskets to be bid on.



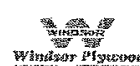
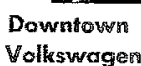
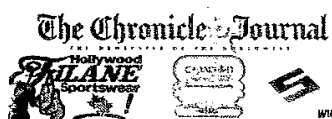
Save the Date - 2nd Annual Sports Hall of Fame TWO-BIT AUCTION
Thursday, February 28th, 2013, 7:00 - 10:00 pm at the Columbus Centre (301 May Street S)

25th Annual Golf Tournament A HIT



The **25th Annual Golf Tournament** saw 125 golfers (the most ever) gather at the **Fort William Country Club**, for a great afternoon of golf and an evening of fun and fundraising. This years event saw a new location and some new additions including the announcement of our 2012 Hall of Fame Inductees and the hosting of a Silent Auction. A big vote of thanks to our presenting sponsor **RBC**, who not only provided financial support, but also some great staff to assist with the tournament. Thanks to the efforts of our golf committee, which included Dave Siciliano (Chairman), Doug Colbon, Diane Imrie, Sylvia Kayzer, Stephen Kontzie, Pat McDonald, Al McLean, Rob Murphy, Lou Pero, Dave Stasiuk, Murray Walberg; event day volunteers Marie Murphy, John Garland, Lynne Peters, Carol Siciliano, Mary-Alice Isaac; Hall of Fame staff Kate Dwyer, Katie Sutton, summer students Laura Harrison and Derek Daniher and our generous sponsors and prize donors, we were able to raise over **\$12,000** to help us preserve our regional sports heritage. Thank you to everyone! This years tournament format produced two winners. Congratulations Front 9 champions Bill French, Greg Hollins, Larry Pineau and Jim Szturm and Back 9 champions Lionel Laprade, Chris Cottenden, Arnold Steeves, and Gary Weiss Sr.

Sponsors:



Mark Your Calendars - 26th Annual Sports Hall of Fame Golf Tournament
Monday, July 22nd, 2013, Fort William Country Club

2013 FAME 500 CLUB LOTTERY TICKETS - ON SALE NOW!

♦\$10,000 in total cash prizes ♦10 Chances to win ♦Tickets \$50 each ♦Only 500 tickets available
(each ticket purchased receives 50% off the purchase price of two (2) tickets to a Thunder Bay Border Cats 2013 regular season game)

★8 - \$500 Draws ★1 - \$1000 Draw ★1 - \$5000 Grand Prize Draw



First Draw: July 22nd, 2013 ~ Final Draw: August 28th, 2013

Get your tickets today by dropping by or calling the Sports Hall of Fame at 622-2852

HELP NEEDED—BINGO volunteers!

Matinee Bingos are held monthly at the CLE Auditorium. Call 622-2852 to add your name to our bingo list.

2012 Event Sponsors - Thank You

31st Annual Induction Ceremonies

Friends of The Dinner

Dave ('03) & Marion Allison
 Eileen Baryluk - in memory of Mitch ('86)
 Robert Bearman
 Art Berglund ('04)
 Dr. Mary Bluehardt
 Mary-Ann & Dennis Bortolon
 Dorothy Chambers
 Mike Chochla
 Terry ('86) & Ellie Cooper
 Eva Cousineau - in memory of Ray ('98)
 Brian ('87) & Linda DePiero
 Marilyn & Russ Desserre
 Anne Marie & Rob Dupuis
 Ted Hanley
 Dick Hill
 Laurie Hill
 Ron & Shirley Hodges
 Esther & Fred Holowitz
 Cliff Huber
 Rebecca Johnson
 Arne ('86) & Shelby Jorgenson
 Elving Josephson
 Eddie ('98) & Sheila Kachur
 Sylvia Kayzer
 Shirley King
 Pentti Lund ('84)
 Bevans MacMaster
 Sharon & Brian Mallon
 Vera & Herman Mannila
 Derm & Lil McCullough
 Liz McKinnon ('03)
 Lenora & Don ('85) Nicholson
 Oliver Piccinin
 Peter Raffo
 Linda & Bill Salonen
 John & Sandra Schelling
 Harry Stark
 Vern Stenlund
 Don Sutherland ('05)
 Len Sylvester
 Patricia Teeple - in memory Murray ('88)
 Terry ('05) & Rita Tuomaala
 Bruce & Marilyn Walker
 Peter M. White
 Ben ('82/'87) & Julie Wolt
 J-D Video Recording Services
 - Darlene & John Zupan
 Superior Images ~ Jaron Childs
 Bryan Wyatt ~ CKPR/Rock 94 Radio
 Vaillant Florist - Josie & Jim Vaillant
 Valhalla Inn
 Dallas Allaire ('99/'05), Gord Towill,
 Dave Gerry, Mary Bozic, Laura Harrison

Program Sponsors

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 for Sport Heritage
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 City of Dryden
 Town of Fort Frances
 Hockey Development Centre Ontario
 Lakehead Thunderwolves Hockey
 Township of Nipigon
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 Port Arthur Curling & Athletic Club
 Royal LePage Lannon Realty, Brokerage
 SASI Spring Water
 The Skihaus
 Thunder Bay AAA Kings Hockey
 Thunder Bay Community Bingo
 Thunder Bay Metro Lions
 Thunder Bay Rowing Club
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25th Annual Golf Tournament

Event Sponsor - RBC - Royal Bank

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 Smith's RV Centre
 Stella Backen - In memory of Norm
 Eva Cousineau - In memory of Ray

Gallery Donors

Anthony & Mary Garbuz
 Brian & Sharon Mallon
 Linda & Bill Salonen
 SRC
 Maggie & Doug Colbon
(in memory of Hank Akervall)

Golf Silent Auction:

Boston Pizza (Arthur St)
 Core Hockey Schools (Jeff Riccardi)
 Five Forks Restaurant
 Fort William Country Club
 Golf Canada
 Hockey Hall of Fame
 Hockey Northwestern Ontario
 Larry Hebert
 Diane Imrie
 Phil Jarvis
 Lakehead Thunderwolves
 Al Law
 Magnus Theatre
 Ming Car Care Centre
 Molson Breweries ~ George Cava
 Perhol Construction
 Pro Football Hall of Fame
 Scott Smith
 Dave Siciliano
 Marc Staal & Family
 Superior Performance (Steve Bailot)
 Sparta Pewter
 Thunder Bay Tennis Club
 Valhalla Inn



2012 Two-Bit Auction

Presenting Sponsor

Canadian Tire
 (Arthur St & Fort William Rd)

Box Seat

The Power Centre
 Thunder Country Diving & Sports
 WestJet

Fans in the Stands

Bulk Zone (Westfort)
 Canada Games Complex
 Canadian Lakehead Exhibition
 Caribou Restaurant & Bar
 Chaltrek-Ostrom's Outdoors
 Economy Printing
 5 Forks Fine Food & Drink
 Fort William Country Club
 Grand Portage Lodge & Casino
 Home Outfitters
 Jersey City
 Tom Jones Corporation
 The Keg Steakhouse & Bar
 Kelsey's/Montana's Cookhouse
 Marostica Motors (Hyundai)
 John W. McDonald - Solicitor
 Perfect Fit Lingerie
 Play It Again Sports
 The Riverview Lodge (Dryden)
 Royal LePage Lannon Realty
 - Art Lannon
 Shopper's Home Health Care
 Subway
 Tbaytel
 Whitewater Golf Club
 Mary Bozic, Doug Colbon
 Betty Dwyer, Phil Jarvis,
 Sylvia Kayzer, Alison Parsons
 Bill & Linda Salonen
 Lucy Shiels, Marlene Wright

Cheering Section

Allard Designs Ltd
 Applebee's
 The Athletic Club
 Authentique Gift Shop
 Auto-Tool-Toy Sense
 Bearskin Airlines Hope Classic
 ~ Judy Gerry
 Boston Pizza (Memorial Ave)
 Bulk Zone (Memorial Ave)
 Canadian Tire (Dryden)
 C & D Sports
 Celebrations by George
 Con College Fitness Centre
 Craig Plumbing Centre
 Danair's Automatic Transmission
 Dave Wilson Sporting Goods
 DiBiagio Salon & Spa
 Discover Yoga Studio
 Domino's Pizza
 Dryden Fire Department
 East Coast Lobster & Seafood
 Excalibur Motorcycle Works Ltd
 Fabricland
 Fresh Air Experience
 Half-Way Motors
 Helium Highs
 Home Depot
 Home Hardware (Dryden)
 Hoito Restaurant
 Jessiman Family Chiropractic
 Kelly's Nutrition
 Karen Kemp Kreation
 Kitchen Nook
 Landale Garden Centre
 Loch Lomond Ski Area

Cheering Section cont'd

Mallons Corporate Impressions
 Nortrax
 Nutrition Corner
 Painted Turtle
 PartyLite ~ Iris McCoy-Slango
 Prospector Steak House
 Robin's Donuts & Deli (Dryden)
 Shopper's Drug Mart (McIntyre)
 Shopper's Drug Mart (McKellar)
 Karen Sosnowski R.M.T.
 Signs Now
 The Sports Dome
 Sportop Marketing
 Staples
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 Thunder Bay Community Tennis Club
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 Tim Horton's
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 Zellers (Arthur St)

Snack sponsors

Dr. Darryl Blazino, Rivercrest Dental
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 The Real Canadian Superstore





YOUR ONGOING SUPPORT IS GREATLY APPRECIATED!
 Thank you to all who supported the Sports Hall of Fame over the past year (Oct/11 to Sept/12)
 with financial contributions/pledges and the donation of goods and services.

Spectators ~ \$1 to \$49

Dolly Amadeo ('86)
 Eileen Baryluk
 Dave & Marge Bragnalo
 Judy Bragnalo
 Bo Britton
 Jane & Harry Chapman
 Mike Chochla
 Norma & Brian Collins
 Terry ('86) & Eli Cooper
 Sharron & Marv Detweiler
 Carolyn Drabek
 Noel Dunford ('93)
 Dom Figliomeni ('04)
 Judy & Dave Gerry
 Mary & Ken ('89) Harris
 Larry ('91) & Kathy Hebert
 Shirley Herbst
 Irene & Chuck Hudson
 Sheila & Ed ('98) Kachur
 Vera & George Kearney
 Irene LeBlanc
 Bevans MacMaster
 Kay & Jack ('87) Masters
 Wayne Muloin ('96)
 Rob & Marie Murphy
 Lenora & Don ('85) Nicholson
 Gail & John Palko
 Hank Parks ('95)
 Dave & Linda Parsons
 Jim Pudas
 Peter Raffo/Donna Gilhooly
 Donna Rawlyk
 Dave ('87/'95/'04/'08) & Carol Siciliano
 Bill Sinfield
 Michael Vasko
 Diane & Dave Van Wagoner
 Murray ('87) & Janice Wing
 Hilldale Gardens
In memory of:
 Peter Amadeo ('86)
 Mitch Baryluk ('86)
 Patrick Dick
 George Drabek
 John Duguay
 Bill 'Red' Johansen ('82)
 Don Murphy
 J. Albert Pudas ('03/'07)
 Alan Rawlyk ('85)

Loyal Fans ~ \$50 to \$199

Joan Allison & Family
 Stan Baluik ('01)
 Lee & Elaine Batstone
 Dr Darryl Blazina ('09)
 Mary-Ann & Dennis Bortolon
 Helen & Rick ('91/'96/'11) Bragnalo
 J. Brian Burns
 Jayson Childs
 Doug ('08) & Maggie Colbon
 Judy & Bill Cooke
 Eva Cousineau
 Harry ('06) & Barb Curtis
 Doris Dargavel
 Wilhemina & Lorne Delinsky
 Brian ('87) & Linda DePiero
 May & Larry ('91) Dunville

Loyal Fans ~ \$50 to \$199 Cont'd

Doreen & Bill Everitt
 Jean Frost
 Lorne Fucile
 Mary & Anthony Garbaz
 John Garland/Lynne Peters
 Frank ('92) & Rosemarie Gartrell
 Lynda Hansen
 Michael Herbert ('83)
 Shirley & Ron Hodges
 Esther & Fred Holowitz
 Barb ('92) & Chic Hutcheon
 Darlene & Dick Hygaard
 Audrey Imrie
 Betty Irving
 Florena & Jack ('83/'96) James
 Rebecca Johnson
 Bernice & Alvin ('89) Jorgenson
 Freda Karioja
 Vincent Kennedy
 Peter Kowalchuk
 Madeleine Kreikmann
 Ed Kruppa ('83)
 Alex Kurceba ('84)
 Al Law
 Allie ('86) & Pat LeBlanc
 Larry ('83) & Bernice Lychowyd
 Elaine Lynch/Jim Dacey
 Don ('02/'09) & Wendy Main
 Jack Main
 Sharon & Brian Mallon
 Mary Ann & Max Mekilok
 Hap Oldale
 Shelley & Bill Oleksuk ('95/'03/'07)
 Norma Patterson
 Lou & Joan Pero
 Georgina Pytyck
 Georgette & Glenn Rawlings
 Shirley Robertson
 Daniela & Phil Salatino
 Linda & Bill Salonen
 Betty & Ron Sawicki
 John ('03/'07) & Debbie Sliskovic
 Sandra Stewart
 Leonard & Gina Sylvester
 Vianna & Joe ('96) Tookenay
 Lawrence Timko
 Elle & Glenn Warner
 Trina & Tom Walker
 Marlene & Steve Wright
 Atwood Labine Amone McCartney LLP
In memory of:
 Henry Akervall ('88)
 Bill Allison
 Marg Baluik
 Fred Bragnalo ('10)
 Stan Cooke ('87)
 Ray Cousineau ('98)
 Ken Dargavel
 Tom Dixon
 Neil Duncan ('93)
 Peter Karioja
 Ralph LeBlanc ('86)
 Bill Oleksuk Sr
 Donald (Spike) Robertson ('85)
 Lou Salatino ('99)
 Murray Stewart
 Sherry Wishart ('83)

Patrons ~ \$200 to \$499

Norm & Lorraine Bevilacqua
 Dona & Dick Henderson
 Dick & Doris Hill
 Peter Hnatiw ('86)
 Sylvia Kayzer
 Brian Renken ('98) / Barb McComb-Renken
 Vern Stenlund
 Janette ('07) & Fred Stoot
 Auto-One International
 Hockey Development Centre
 Paul White ('05)
 Windsor Plywood
 Ontario Power Generation Inc - Employees'
 & Pensioners' Charity Trust
In memory of:
 Wayne Axent
 Alex Kayzer
 Lynne Ryan

Benefactors ~ \$500 plus

Jarron Childs
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 Marilyn & Rusty Desserre
 Betty Dwyer
 Kathryn Dwyer
 George Gwozdecky ('10)
 Marlene & Phil Jarvis
 Diane Imrie
 JD Video Recording Services
 Gardner Systems Corp. - Steve Letwin ('99)
 Tbaytel
 Grant Thornton LLP
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 Old Dutch Foods
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 Robert's Plumbing
 Smith & Associates Insurance
 Sportop Marketing
 Windsor Plywood

*Thank you for your
 continued support*

TOWN OF FORT FRANCES

BY-LAW NO. 8/98-WW

(Being a By-Law to amend Zoning By-Law #8/98, as amended, *The Planning Act*, Section 34 with respect to lands municipally described as Part of Block C Plan SM-112)

WHEREAS Council of the Corporation of the Town of Fort Frances passed Comprehensive Zoning By-Law regulating land use in the Town, and has, from time to time, amended same as authorized by section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O., Chapter P.13;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Fort Frances has ensured adequate information has been made available to the public, and has held at least one public meeting for the purpose of informing the public of the proposed By-Law as required by Ontario Regulation 545/06 of the *Planning Act*;

AND WHEREAS Council, at its meeting held December 10, 2012, approved the Report and recommendation of the Municipal Planner, supported by the Planning and Development Executive Committee, that Zoning By-Law 8/98 be further amended to rezone part of Block C on Plan SM-112 to Residential Type Two (R2) to permit the creation of a residential subdivision for future disposition and development.

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

1. That Schedule A (Zoning Map) attached to and forming part of Town of Fort Frances Zoning By-Law #8/98, as amended, be hereby further amended by changing the zoning and permitted uses on the property known as 1345 Emo Road from "Institutional (I)" to "Residential Type Two (R2)";
2. That notwithstanding regulations for permitted uses as set out in section 4.2.2, the following regulation is added and shall apply as a site specific provision to the lands illustrated on Schedule "A" hereto and described as Part of Block C on Plan SM-112:

viii) Minimum Ground Floor Area	
- one storey dwelling	139.35 sq. m.
- two or more storeys	116.13 sq. m.
3. That this By-Law shall come into force and take effect upon the final passing thereof and upon certification by the Clerk that no appeal has been filed within twenty (20) days from the date of publication of the Notice of Passing of this By-Law, or if appeals have been received, by the Ontario Municipal Board, or the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

READ THREE TIMES and finally passed in open Council this 10th day of December 2012.

MAYOR

CLERK

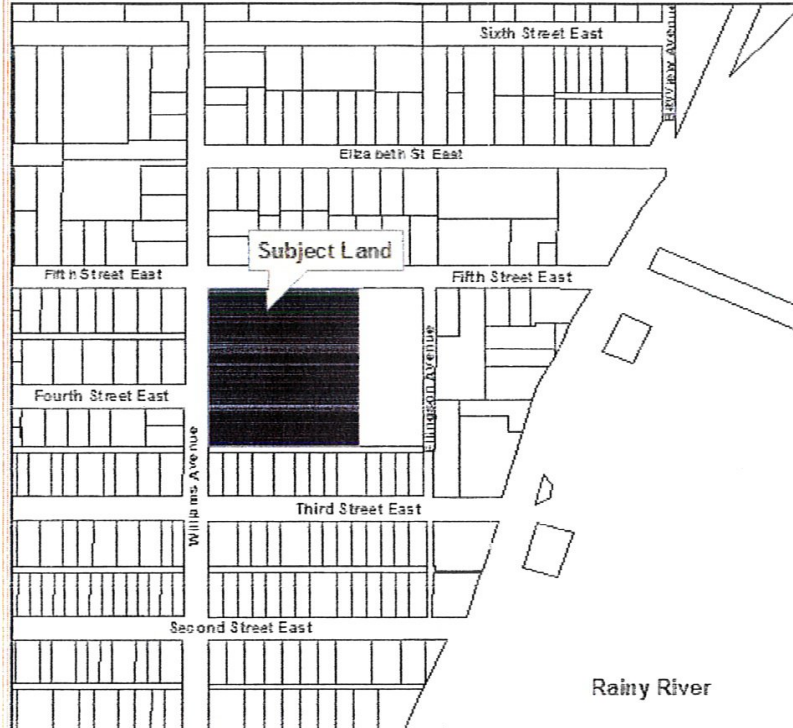
TOWN OF FORT FRANCES

By-Law 8/98-WW

SCHEDULE 'A'

This is Schedule "A" to By-Law 8/98-WW attached to and forming a part of said By-Law enacted by Council for the Town of Fort Frances on the 10th day of December 2012.

Key Map of Subject Lands:



100-04/03
OntarioBy-Law No. 46/12A by-law authorizing the borrowing of money to meet current expenditures of the council of Fort Frances
(the "Municipality")

- A. In accordance with subsection 407(1) of the Ontario *Municipal Act*, S.O. 2001, c.25 (the "Act"), the Municipality considers it necessary to borrow the amount of \$4,000,000.00 to meet, until taxes are collected and other revenues are received, the current expenditures of the Municipality for the year.
- B. Pursuant to subsection 407(2) of the Act, the total amount borrowed pursuant to this by-law together with the total of any similar borrowings is not to exceed the limits set forth in that subsection or other relevant sections of the Act and if so required under subsection 407(2), the Municipality shall have obtained the approval of the Ontario Municipal Board.

Therefore, the Council of the Municipality enacts as follows:

1. The Head and the Treasurer are authorized on behalf of the Municipality to borrow from time to time from **Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce** ("CIBC") a sum or sums not exceeding in the aggregate \$ 4,000,000.00 to meet, until taxes are collected, the current expenditures of the Municipality for the year pursuant to subsection 407(1) of the Act, and to execute any documents that are required in connection with the borrowing of the above sum, plus interest, at a rate to be agreed upon from time to time with CIBC, in addition to any reasonable charges of CIBC associated with this borrowing.
2. All sums borrowed pursuant to this by-law, as well as all other sums borrowed pursuant to the Act in this year and in previous years, from CIBC for any purpose will, with interest thereon, be a charge upon the whole of the revenues of the Municipality for the current year and for all preceding years as and when this revenue is received.
3. The Treasurer is authorized and directed to apply in payment of all sums borrowed plus interest, all of the moneys collected or received on account in respect of taxes levied for the current year and preceding years or from any other source which may lawfully be applied for this purpose.
4. The Treasurer is authorized to furnish to CIBC a statement showing the nature and amount of the estimated revenues of the Municipality not yet collected and also showing the total of any amounts borrowed that have not been repaid.

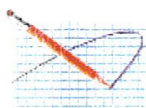
Passed this 10th day of December, 2012._____
Head of the Municipality_____
Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the By-law numbered above of the Municipality in the Province of Ontario, duly passed at a meeting of the Council of the Municipality and that this By-law is in full force and effect.

Dated this _____ day of _____, _____.

Witness the corporate seal

_____
Clerk



Glenn Treftlin/Frances

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To info@atikokan.ca, rainyriver@tbaytel.net,
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chapple@tbaytel.net, dawsontwp@tbaytel.net,

cc

bcc

Subject 2013 Annual General Meeting Notice & Call for Nominations

Ladies/Gentlemen

Please find attached a Notice of the RRDMA Annual General Meeting to be held in Barwick, ON on January 26th, 2013 and an invitation for names to be put forward for election by the membership to the offices of President and Vice-President and appointment to various organizations on which RRDMA has representation.

I would appreciate if you would bring these documents to your Council and senior management staff for consideration and response.

If you have any questions on this, please contact me.

Thanks.

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November 26, 2012

**TO: ALL MUNICIPALITIES
DISTRICT OF RAINY RIVER**

FROM: Glenn Treftlin, Secretary-Treasurer, RRDMA

*** * * NOTICE * * ***

The Rainy River District Municipal Association will be hosting its 22nd Annual General Meeting and Conference on Saturday, January 26th, 2013 at the Barwick Recreation Hall in Barwick, Ontario. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. and the Conference will begin at 9:00 a.m.

A preliminary agenda and registration form will be distributed following the Executive Meeting to be held December 19th, 2012. Consideration is being given to reducing the registration fee for attendance at this conference.

Similar to previous years, the Association is soliciting donations to offset the cost of the conference and provide for attendance prizes to be drawn for throughout the day. Any contribution in the form of cheque payable to Rainy River District Municipal Association or item(s) to use as prizes would be greatly appreciated. All donors will be recognized at the conference for their contribution. In order to facilitate recognition, please let me know what items, if any, you will be contributing.

We are looking forward to another great conference in January and hope to see your municipality well represented.

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Friday, November 23, 2012

District Municipalities
Rainy River District

Ladies/Gentlemen:

At the 22nd Annual General Meeting and Conference to be held on Saturday, January 26th, 2013 at the Barwick Recreation Hall in Barwick, Ontario the membership will be electing for 2013:

- a **President**, and
- a **Vice-President**

The membership will also be making appointments as follows:

- **Rainy River District Veterinary Committee** (one appointee) (1 year term)
- **Rainy River Valley Agricultural Society** (one appointee) (1 year term)
- **Executive of the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association**
(one appointee – Vice-President for the 2013-2014 term)
- **Board of the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association**
(three appointees - two elected, one staff for the 2013-2014 term)

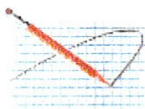
If anyone with your municipality is interested in putting their name forward for any of the above-mentioned positions, please let me know as soon as possible. Please note that appointees are required to complete a quarterly report that will be distributed to the general membership.

Thank you for your consideration of this.

Yours sincerely,



Glenn Treftlin
Secretary-Treasurer



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Subject Invitation to Local Government Network Session January 16,
2013

Good Morning:

Please find attached an invitation from the Rainy River District Municipal Association to the second Local Government Networking Session being held at the Devlin Community Hall in Devlin, Ontario on January 16, 2013. This session is being hosted by the Rainy River District Municipal Association. Please ensure that this invitation is brought to the attention of your municipal council.

Contact me if you have any questions on this.

Thanks.

Glenn

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Attention: Mayor or Reeve and Councilors

Dear Mayor or Reeve and Councilors

Recently, on October 16th, 2012, the Fort Frances Chiefs Secretariat organized and hosted a Local Government Networking Group session at the Kay-Na-Chi-Wah-Nung Historical Centre. I understand that those who attended that session have been provided a copy of a summary prepared to illustrate highlights of the meeting.

The October 16th event is intended to be the first of a continuing series of similar gatherings of area local government representatives in the future.

The Rainy River District Municipal Association is pleased to organize and host the next Local Government Networking Group session on January 16th, 2013 at the Devlin Community Hall in the Township of La Vallee. An agenda is currently being prepared.

We would be pleased if you and/or members of your Council and senior management staff could attend and participate at our session on January 16th.

It would be very much appreciated if you would respond to this invitation at your earliest opportunity indicating the number of representatives who will attend from your municipality.

Yours sincerely,



Glenn Treftlin
Secretary-Treasurer
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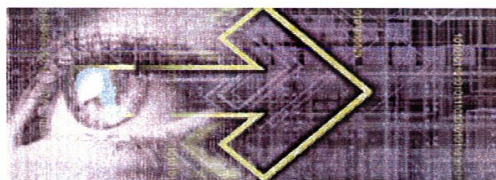
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- Only one week left to register for Connections.
- Important please read - 2013 AMO Conference Hotel Guestroom Booking Policy.
- Career opportunities with AMO, Ontario Public Service, Kawartha Lakes, Halton Region, York Region and Cobourg.

AMO Matters

AMO's Economic Development Task Force met on November 26, 2012 and received presentations from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Greater Toronto Marketing Alliance, the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake, the Toronto Board of Trade and AMO. AMO is also looking to review membership of elected officials for participation on the Task Force. Please submit interest to Matthew Wilson, Senior Advisor.

AMO/LAS Events

Energy prices are expected to double in 20 years, consumers are demanding more for less, energy plans are mandatory, so many changes are expected in the Energy sector over the next few years. Some good, some challenging. The 2012 LAS Connections Energy Symposium presents you the tools, techniques, tips and technologies to help plan for your municipal energy needs. Don't delay the Symposium starts December 6. Register today!

The Westin Ottawa Hotel (the official AMO AGM/Conference hotel) will release guest rooms at the AMO Conference rate for reservations on Wednesday, January 9, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. As in previous years, a non-refundable cancellation fee is being implemented at the hotel for reservations in order to deter the practice of overbooking guest rooms. For information on how to book at the Westin Ottawa please

review the full [guestroom booking policy](#).

Career Opportunities

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Administrative Assistant - Ontario Public Service. (One temporary - up to 6 months with possible extension) Location: 50 Bloomington Road West, Aurora. Please apply online, by December 7, 2012, by visiting [Ontario Careers](#) and entering Job ID 48359 in the Job ID search field.

Manager, Building and Property - City of Kawartha Lakes. Please forward your resume by December 7, 2012, quoting Job #12-193 to Human Resources Officer, City of Kawartha Lakes, Box 9000, 28 Francis Street, Lindsay, Ontario, K9V 5R8, or email to jobs@city.kawarthalakes.on.ca.

Director, Employment, Housing and Social Services - Halton Region. Posting Expires: December 14, 2012. Posting # SS-387-12. **Apply Online:** Human Resource Services, Regional Municipality of Halton, 1151 Bronte Road, Oakville, ON L6M 3L1; Fax: (905) 825-4032.

Manager, Program Development and Delivery #13849 - York Region. Department: Community and Health Services. Please [apply on-line](#) at by December 11, 2012 quoting competition #13849.

Building Inspector - Town of Cobourg. Please submit your resume and cover letter by 4:00 p.m., December 13, 2012 to: Human Resources Department, The Corporation of the Town of Cobourg, 55 King St. West, Cobourg, Ontario, K9A 2M2; Fax: (905) 372-8819; careers@cobourg.ca.

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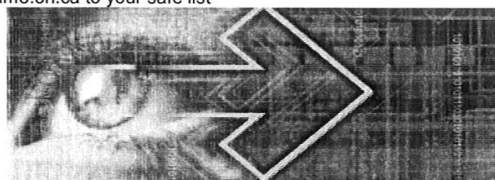
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- LAS helps you lower your group benefits costs.
- Career opportunities with AMO, Niagara Region and City of Guelph.

Provincial Matters

The Ministry of the Attorney General has recently made changes to the list of municipal officials who are authorized to take affidavits by virtue of office. A commissioner for taking affidavits may take affidavits and administer other legal oaths, affirmations or declarations. The attachments [detail these changes](#).

Ontario's draft [Cycling Strategy](#), open for comments until January 29th, 2013, outlines measures aimed at improving cycling safety. Cycling infrastructure is eligible under the Municipal Infrastructure Strategy.

On January 1, 2013, section 19 of the *Safe Drinking Water Act* will come into force. Section 19 extends legal responsibility to the people with decision making authority over municipal drinking water systems, including municipal councillors. A [guide](#) that outlines these legal responsibilities has been developed for municipal councils.

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Director, Children's Services - Niagara Region. To explore this opportunity and [apply online](#) and click on the 'Careers' link. Job Opening ID: 9525. Closing date: December 26, 2012.

Waste Management Policy Analyst - City of Guelph. Candidates are invited to apply via our online application system by Wednesday, January 2, 2013. For more information and to access this online posting, visit [employment opportunities](#) current openings.

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TO THE IMMEDIATE ATTENTION OF THE CLERK AND COUNCIL

December 5, 2012

AMO Report to Members Highlights of the November 2012 Board Meeting

To keep members informed, AMO provides updates on important issues considered at regular AMO Board of Directors' meetings. Highlights of the November 30, 2012 Board meeting follow:

Municipal Elections Act

With the review of the Ontario *Municipal Elections Act* expected to occur before the 2014 municipal election cycle, the Board discussed key issues of focus for submission to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing. The submission will be shared with members when completed.

Contact: Matthew Wilson, Senior Policy Advisor, email: mwilson@amo.on.ca, Ext. 323

Provincial Policy Statement (PPS) Response

The Board approved AMO's proposed response to the final draft of the Five Year Review of the Provincial Policy Statement (PPS). Among other recommendations, the Board asked that the vision of the PPS be more clearly articulated, drawing all of the principles together in one section to assist in expressing the overall vision of the Province. The "one size does not fit all" principle was also emphasized by the Board for inclusion in AMO's response as well as a change to the timeframe for future review of the PPS.

Contact: Cathie Brown, Senior Policy Advisor, email: cathiebrown@amo.on.ca, Ext. 342

Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF) Update

The Board received a report regarding the scaling back of the total funding envelope of OMPF and its impact on recipient municipalities. AMO will continue its advocacy efforts to convince the Province to continue reconciling OMPF funding giving the rising costs of several services and policing.

Contact: Matthew Wilson, Senior Policy Advisor, email: mwilson@amo.on.ca, Ext.323

Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) Update

The AMO Board received a presentation from Antoni Wisniowski, President and CAO of MPAC, regarding 2012 assessment updates. The MPAC strategic plan, and its proposed implementation and associated future savings, was highlighted as well as ongoing consultation on voter list quality.

Contact: Matthew Wilson, Senior Policy Advisor, email: mwilson@amo.on.ca, Ext.323

Blue Box Status Update

Municipal representatives on the Municipal Industry Program Committee (MIPC) are working with Stewardship Ontario (SO) and Waste Diversion Ontario (WDO) to better understand the dramatic increase (71%) in the Canadian Newspaper Association and the Ontario Community Newspaper Association's (CNA/OCNA) in-kind obligation to the Blue Box program for the 2013 funding year. Because of this increase, MIPC has not signed off yet on the 2013 Blue Box funding distribution. AMO expects that this will be resolved and municipal payouts to begin after the WDO Board meeting on December 12.

Contact: Monika Turner, Director of Policy, email: mturner@amo.on.ca, Ext. 318

LAS Update

The Board received a presentation regarding LAS' recently launched Energy Consulting Service, Energy Efficiency Service Providers (EESPs). Seven regional EESPs are stationed across the province to help capacity constrained municipalities develop local energy management regimes. Why? Because energy costs are the third to fifth largest item in a municipality's budget. Reducing consumption reduces operating costs. Check out LAS' Energy Consulting Service on the [LAS website](#).

Contact: Scott Vokey, Manager, Energy Services, email: svokey@amo.on.ca, Ext. 357

The Board also approved its 2013 Budget and Strategic Objectives – more information on this will be distributed separately.

PLEASE NOTE AMO Breaking News will be broadcast to the member municipality's council, administrator and clerk. Recipients of the AMO broadcasts are free to redistribute the AMO broadcasts to other municipal staff as required. We have decided to not add other staff to these broadcast lists in order to ensure accuracy and efficiency in the management of our various broadcast lists.

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Dear FCM Members:

Much has occurred since my last President's Corner message in October. We had a successful launch of our formal submission to the federal government on the new long-term infrastructure plan. We also received endorsements from our [Municipal Infrastructure Forum](#) stakeholders, launched our [Great Canadian Infrastructure Challenge](#) and held the [Big City Mayors' Caucus](#) meeting – all in support of our campaign to secure long-term infrastructure investment.

This President's update comes to you just days after our hugely successful Advocacy Days in Ottawa – where our Board members from across the country met MPs from four parties. We used these face-to-face encounters to continue building our relationship with Parliamentarians and deliver our key messages on the long-term infrastructure plan.

During the meetings, our directors provided each MP with a customized information package that summarized Gas Tax Fund investments made in the MP's riding. In addition, MPs heard

details of FCM's submission to the government on the infrastructure plan that we anticipate will be announced when Budget 2013 is tabled.

As President, I had the opportunity to meet with the Saskatchewan Conservative Caucus and Quebec NDP Caucus. I also met with: Jim Flaherty, Minister of Finance; Denis Lebel, Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Communities; Rona Ambrose, Minister of Public Works and Government Services; Steven Fletcher, Minister of State for Transport; and many others. From these meetings, I came away impressed with the respect that FCM and our member municipalities enjoy among all political parties.

Perhaps the clearest sign of the respect we enjoy is that all of the parties represented in the House of Commons took the time to speak with us. NDP Leader Thomas Mulcair, Liberal Party Leader Bob Rae and Green Party Leader Elizabeth May delivered keynotes to our luncheons.

Then, in a rare move, Minister Lebel attended our Board of Directors' meeting and spoke to us about the long-term infrastructure plan and the government's partnership with municipalities. Also in attendance was Minister Fletcher.

Our Board members and I were busy as we had a record number of meetings with MP and Senators. In all, our Board members met with 153 Parliamentarians – 74 Conservatives, 51 NDP, 27 Liberals and 1 Green Party – and smashed last year's record of 113 Advocacy Days meetings. Our reception – hosted right inside Parliament Hill's Centre Block – attracted more than 300 Parliamentarians from all parties.

The 35-per-cent increase in meetings over last year is a testament to the success we're having in building our profile in federal circles. MPs want to meet us and hear our position on key issues, and share theirs at the same time. Some made a point of telling us that FCM is a trusted organization because we listen, and make constructive recommendations.

These are the kind of comments we love to hear! This can only help us as we enter the final crucial weeks of advocacy around the long-term infrastructure plan. As President, I'm proud of the work we are doing and the advancements we are making. It will be interesting and exciting to see how these efforts play out for us when Budget 2013 is tabled in a few short months.

As always, I would welcome your thoughts about issues your community is facing and how FCM might be able to help. Also, if you would like a customized information package to share with your MP, let me know and it can be provided. I can be reached at president@fcm.ca or 780-496-8120. Stay tuned for another update from me just before the holidays. Please visit fcmchallenge.ca and support our campaign by taking the Infrastructure Challenge and passing it along to others.

Warmest regards,

Karen Leibovici President Councillor, City of Edmonton

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December 6, 2012

All Municipalities
District of Rainy River

Dear Members of Council:

I want to bring to your attention the following article of the constitution for the RRDMA:

Article XVIII RESOLUTIONS: I) "All resolutions to be placed before the Annual General Meeting for endorsement and submission to the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association shall be delivered to the Secretary-Treasurer at least thirty (30) days in advance of the Annual General Meeting."

Therefore, as the 22nd Annual General Meeting and Conference is scheduled to be held on Saturday, January 26th, 2013, in Barwick, Ontario, all resolutions should be received no later than Saturday, December 29th, 2012. Resolutions may be submitted to me by [e-mail: gtreftlin@fort-frances.com and cc me at glennwtreftlin@hotmail.com (preferred)], Canada Post, or fax: 274-8479.

However, please be advised that I will accept resolutions up to and including January 10th, 2013. All resolutions received will be referred to the Resolutions Committee for review and recommendation at the AGM, therefore you are encouraged to submit your resolutions as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,



Glenn Treftlin
Secretary-Treasurer





MUNICIPAL PROPERTY ASSESSMENT CORPORATION

December 4, 2012

To: Heads of Council
All Ontario Municipalities

From: Dan Mathieson
Chair, MPAC Board of Directors

Subject: Update from MPAC

I am writing to provide you with an update on the work we are doing at the [Municipal Property Assessment Corporation](#) (MPAC).

In September, we began our delivery of the 2012 province-wide Assessment Update with the first mailing of Notices. Our primary focus in 2012 has been the delivery of updated assessed values for Ontario's nearly five (5) million properties to both municipalities and property owners. In support of this work, we have undertaken a number of new initiatives including the relaunch of AboutMyProperty™ as well as the first MPAC *MarketSnapshot* reports.

We also continued our work to deliver assessment growth to municipal rolls, process Requests for Reconsiderations and manage the disposition of Assessment Review Board Appeals.

We are also continuing planning for 2013, and beyond, with a new [four-year strategic plan](#) focused on finding cost savings and creating operational efficiencies; a new approach to municipal payment for assessment services; and, laying the groundwork for improvements to our next enumeration event.

2012 Province-wide Assessment Update

Overall, average residential values have increased 18 per cent in Ontario since the 2008 Assessment Update.

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Some of the most significant assessment change was seen in the value of farmland, which rose by an average of 34 per cent. When residential values applied to farm homes are taken out, the value of Ontario farmland rose by an average of 46 per cent. Increases in farmland values were seen across Ontario, driven primarily by the continued demand for land for dairy producers and intensive livestock operations, and the loss of farmland to development.

In 2012, MPAC released several editions of its new *MarketSnapshot* report. These reports, with commentary from MPAC's Chief Assessor, Larry Hummel, provided context for property owners about the change in Ontario's property market as reflected in the Assessment Update.

MarketSnapshot and our launch of AboutMyProperty™ played key roles in our efforts to increase public understanding of assessment and MPAC's role.

From the start of our mailing of Property Assessment Notices this fall, our Customer Contact Centre has handled approximately 103,000 enquiries received by phone, email, fax and in writing. Drivers for enquiries include assessed value, information available through www.aboutmyproperty.ca and data-related matters. The number of enquiries received during this year's update represents a 29 per cent decrease when compared to the same point in the Notice mail schedule in 2008. In terms of Requests for Reconsideration (RfR) submitted for the 2013 property tax year, approximately 8,300 RfRs have been filed to date.

Since the previous Assessment Update in 2008, MPAC has held more than 6,300 meetings with Municipal Councils, property taxpayer groups and other stakeholder groups.

In support of the 2012 Update, we also continued to meet with Municipal Councils and staff to provide details of assessment changes and the impact in their communities.

In addition, we have been providing every municipality with information through the Notice-based Market Change Profile (MCP). The MCP provides a set of reports to which Municipal staff can refer, as they prepare to understand the impacts of the Assessment Update in their community. A final Roll-based MCP will be made available to coincide with the Assessment Roll Return, on or before December 11, 2012.

Overall, we are seeing an increased public and media understanding of current value assessment, the four-year phase-in program, and the role both assessment and MPAC play in Ontario's property tax system.

In keeping with our responsibilities to ensure all property in Ontario is accurately assessed and classified, we regularly review our processes and consult with stakeholders. As we prepare to

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deliver the 2012 Assessment Roll to municipalities, I would like to take this opportunity to provide an update on some key assessment matters.

- *Landfills* – During 2012, MPAC undertook a review of its valuation methodology for landfill sites across Ontario.

Over the coming months, we will be undertaking a further in-depth consultation process with all stakeholders, including landfill operators, municipalities and the Ministry of Finance on valuation changes as well as the implications before proceeding with changes. We look forward to this review process and its findings and will continue to keep affected municipalities updated on our progress.

- *Common Lots* – On November 5, 2012, an amendment to Ontario Regulation 282/98 was filed providing direction on the assessment of a certain type of common land parcel within residential communities.

For 2013, and subsequent tax years, this new provision provides direction that there will be no separate assessed value of the common land parcel, but the value is to be included in the value of the residential property that the owners of the common land parcel also own in the community.

We were not able to reflect this change for the 2012 Property Assessment Notices/Assessment Rolls due to the timing of the amendment. As a result, and where applicable, MPAC will implement this change through a post-roll Amended Notice in early 2013.

- *Billboards* – MPAC and the Ministry of Finance continue to review the assessment of billboards in Ontario. We will continue to share updates as details on the results of this review are available.
- *Provincial Parks* – The Ministries of Natural Resources (MNR) and Infrastructure Ontario filed Requests for Reconsideration/appeals, respectively, for 19 Provincial Parks (2009-2012 tax years). As a result of our review, MPAC determined a more equitable approach was required to value Ontario's 337 parks for the 2012 Assessment Update. Using up-to-date data provided by MNR, MPAC established 2012 assessments for the parks using six

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(6) key criteria: geographic location; regulated park acreage; waterfront access; development zones; campsites; and building costs.

Over the last month, MPAC hosted meetings with affected municipalities to provide an update of the changes. Province-wide, the 2012 assessments for Provincial Parks has increased by approximately \$110 million since the last update in 2008. Although the total value has increased province-wide, 78 municipalities will see an increase in the assessments; however, 57 municipalities will experience a decrease in their park assessments.

As an update, MNR has withdrawn their Requests for Reconsideration based on the result of our review and MPAC continues to work with the Ministry of Infrastructure to settle outstanding appeals.

- *Wind Turbines* – To date, MPAC's analysis of sales has not indicated that the presence of wind turbines that are either abutting or in proximity to a property has either a positive or negative impact on its value.

MPAC is currently undertaking a study using its January 1, 2012 current value assessments for 2013 taxation to determine if the distance from a wind turbine affects the assessed value.

To complete this review, MPAC will compare the 2012 assessed values to recent sale prices to determine if the ratio between the assessments and sales prices differs between homes near wind turbines and those further away. This is referred to as a level of assessment study. This study will be completed in early 2013.

AboutMyProperty™ (www.aboutmyproperty.ca)

AboutMyProperty™ was relaunched in support of the 2012 Assessment Update earlier this year with a completely new look and navigation. Openness, transparency and convenience were all key in developing this secure, self-serve web application. Starting this fall, owners of all property types – residential, farm and business properties – have had access to detailed information through AboutMyProperty™.

AboutMyProperty™ allows property taxpayers to quickly and easily find out more about how their property was assessed and to confirm its accuracy. It demonstrates how we are leveraging technology to improve openness, transparency and service to property taxpayers while keeping costs as low as possible.

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By using the Roll number and Access key found on their 2012 Property Assessment Notice, property taxpayers can register and log on to www.aboutmyproperty.ca and compare their property to other properties in their neighbourhood. Using an interactive map of their community, they can create a Properties of Interest list with access to as many as 100 property snapshots – selected by them – and up to 24 detailed property reports – all free of charge.

This web application features detailed reports and interactive map imagery for almost every property in the province, under secured accessibility. Property owners also have the option of submitting updates to the information MPAC has on file directly through the application.

When designing AboutMyProperty™, MPAC took a Privacy by Design (PbD) approach. The PbD framework, created by [Ontario's Information and Privacy Commissioner](#) (IPC), seeks to embed privacy into the design specifications of information technologies, organizational practices and networked system architectures, to achieve the strongest protection possible, as the default condition. MPAC also applied the IPC's Privacy in the Cloud principles in its development of AboutMyProperty™.

As of November 23, nearly 140,000 property owners have registered on AboutMyProperty™ to access information.

MPAC's *MarketSnapshot*

This summer, MPAC launched the first edition of [MarketSnapshot](#), an online report to underscore the link between a property's sale price and assessed value. The report was released and provided a snapshot of residential sale price trends in Ontario – an important factor in the determination of assessed values. Commentary from local real estate boards across the province was included in this report to help explain trends in local sale prices over the past four (4) years.

A second Assessment Update edition of *MarketSnapshot* was released in September to coincide with the mailing of Property Assessment Notices. In mid-November, a Farm Property Values edition was released and a Business Property Edition is now underway.

MarketSnapshot has been well received, particularly by real estate professionals, and we plan to publish additional reports in 2013.

Review of Requests for Reconsideration (RfR) and Assessment Review Board (ARB) Appeals

MPAC received over 17,000 RfRs for the 2012 tax year, representing approximately 0.3 per cent of Ontario's nearly five (5) million properties. All 2012 RfRs received by March 31 were completed by the legislated deadline of November 30.

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We also continue to work collaboratively with property taxpayers to resolve their RfR and ARB appeal matters, and to answer their questions or provide the information they need to better understand their property's assessment. As a point of interest, over 13,500 appeals for all property types were disposed of from July 1 to September 30, 2012.

The ARB's objective is to dispose of all outstanding appeals (i.e., the 2009-2012 assessment cycle and prior) by March 31, 2013. MPAC is supportive of the ARB's undertaking and continues to work collaboratively with the Board to identify opportunities to streamline the Board's processes while balancing our other operational pressures such as the 2012 Assessment Update.

Supplementary and Omitted Assessments for 2012

MPAC continued its focus on fieldwork in communities across the province completing inspections and property data reviews. I am pleased to advise you that we surpassed our assessment growth forecast of \$23.5 billion and delivered \$24.4 billion in assessment growth to our municipal stakeholders.

As a result of our partnership with Ontario municipalities, we now receive information electronically in a standardized format for approximately 85 per cent of the 165,000 building permits we receive and a majority of the occupancy permits issued annually across Ontario. Previously, we only received 15 per cent of permits in the standard electronic format. Increasing the electronic transfer of this information was one of the recommendations in the 2011 Auditor General's Report and we are very pleased with the results of our partnerships with municipalities and municipal building permit suppliers.

We also continue to work with third parties, such as building permit system vendors and the Electrical Safety Authority (ESA) to assist us in capturing and delivering assessment growth in a more efficient manner.

Agreement reached with Ontario Digital Cadastre Corporation

Earlier this fall, MPAC reached an agreement with the Ontario Digital Cadastre Corporation (ODCC) to acquire Property Dimension Reports for plans of subdivisions, also known as M-Plans, directly from land surveyors.

The ODCC is a wholly owned, for profit subsidiary of the Association of Ontario Land Surveyors (AOLS). Receiving this information directly from the source is integral to MPAC's ability to provide timely and consistent assessment of new construction in Ontario.

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By receiving this data directly from surveyors, MPAC will be able to improve the accuracy and consistency of the information used to assess properties. Receiving this critical information in a format that requires no transcribing or calculation by our staff means we can add growth to municipal assessment rolls in a more timely manner.

The agreement with the ODCC is significant for the organization as almost half of all residential assessment growth in Ontario can be attributed to subdivisions.

In addition to the efficiencies that this agreement helps bring to our internal work processes, it is also an important first step for MPAC as part of one of the Victory Statements included in our new four-year strategic plan. Specifically, it reflects our commitment to capturing 100 per cent of available assessment growth within 12 months of commencement of use by 2016.

Stakeholder Outreach Activities

MPAC has continued its successful community outreach initiatives to help raise awareness of assessment-related matters. In 2012, MPAC has held approximately 1,085 outreach activities across the province with various property taxpayer and stakeholder groups and attended over 20 municipal association conferences and trade shows.

Some of the most recent events or activities include:

- MPAC staff attended the **Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Annual Conference** from August 19-22, 2012 in Ottawa. MPAC hosted a joint session with the Ministry of Finance on August 21, 2012. The Board of Directors, senior management and Municipal Relations staff were in attendance to meet with AMO delegates.
- **Ontario Municipal Taxation and Revenue Association (OMTRA) Annual Fall Conference** was held from September 9-12, 2012 at Cleveland's House in Muskoka. MPAC hosted a plenary session as part of the agenda and the MPAC booth was on display with MPAC staff in attendance to answer questions.
- **Municipal Finance Officers' Association of Ontario (MFOA)** was held from September 19-21, 2012 at the London Convention Centre. MPAC hosted a presentation and interactive panel session and the MPAC booth was on display with staff in attendance.
- MPAC staff attended the **2012 Toronto Fall Home Show** from September 20-23, 2012 at the Better Living Centre, Exhibition Place. Over 300 property taxpayers visited the MPAC booth with assessment-related enquiries.
- The **46th Annual Canadian Property Tax Association (CPTA) National Workshop** was held from September 30 to October 3, 2012 in Banff, Alberta. MPAC staff attended the

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conference with President and Chief Administrative Officer Antoni Wisniowski delivering a presentation on 'innovation' that included MPAC's web application AboutMyProperty™.

A Look Ahead to 2013

New Four-Year Strategic Plan

As you are aware, public sector agencies are being challenged to provide greater value to all stakeholders. In September, we launched our new four-year strategy focused on creating cost savings and operational efficiencies. The strategy has the potential to save as much as \$20 million over the next four (4) years. These savings are expected to be passed on to municipalities, which fund the cost of MPAC.

This strategy will have an impact on how every MPAC employee does his or her job. Some examples of the improvements planned as part of the strategy include the reduction of office space, reduction of the operating and capital expenses of our fleet, as well as making more services available online to property taxpayers.

In support of this new strategy and as part of MPAC's commitment to support Ontario's communities, MPAC has partnered with Habitat for Humanity Canada and will corporately support the organization through payroll donations, local fundraising and team builds. The new strategy will formally roll out in January 2013 and we will share updates on our progress as we implement initiatives.

2013 Payment for Services

The Board of Directors has approved MPAC's funding requirements for 2013 and, for the first time, also approved a targeted four-year expenditure plan for 2013 – 2016. I am pleased to inform you that the funding requirements approved for 2013 represent an increase of less than one per cent over the 2012 funding level.

In addition to setting an increase of 0.95 per cent for 2013, MPAC is also forecasting a proposed increase of 0.95 per cent for each of 2014, 2015 and 2016.

In determining our funding requirements, we consider a number of factors including the work activities that MPAC must complete, the continued growth of the number of properties that MPAC assesses and classifies and the various fiscal pressures on the organization including wages, benefits, pension costs and utilities. The organization's ability to continue to deliver its operations with incremental funding requirements set at less than one (1) per cent for each of the next four (4) years is only possible due to our commitment to expenditure constraint as well as our ability to

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achieve the \$20 million of projected savings outlined in our new four-year strategic plan.

This forecast is based on the status quo in terms of MPAC's mandate and services and may need to be revisited if there are unplanned changes to the organization's workload or responsibilities as the result of legislative or regulatory change.

Municipalities will experience varying increases in their individual 2013 payment for services due to the changes in their assessments and property counts on the 2012 Assessment Roll.

We will confirm the actual impact to your municipality in January 2013, following the return of Assessment Rolls. As in 2012, municipalities will be billed in equal quarterly installments on the first day of each quarter.

MPAC to host 2012 Voters' List Forum

On December 5, 2012, MPAC will co-host a Voters' List Forum. The purpose of the Forum is to engage in a broader discussion on the fundamental questions raised in the Discussion Paper by the Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO), in late 2011. This initiative is being held in cooperation with AMCTO and our election partners.

Representatives from a wide range of organizations are expected to attend the Forum including municipalities, school boards, Elections Canada, Elections Ontario, Ontario Ministries of Education, Finance and Municipal Affairs and Housing, and private sector firms that provide election and data management services.

It is anticipated that formal results will be issued on behalf of the Forum participants that would provide a road map for moving forward and will address the valid and important questions, and issues raised in the AMCTO's Discussion Paper.

As an elected municipal colleague and as the Chair of the MPAC Board of Directors, you have my assurance that we will continue to deliver on our commitment to property assessment excellence and outstanding service to our municipal partners, government stakeholders and the property taxpayers of Ontario.

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If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact your local Municipal Relations Representative or Arthur Anderson, Director of Municipal Relations at 905 837-6993 or 1 877 635-6722, extension 6993. If you would like to speak with me directly, I can be reached at 519 271-0250, extension 234.

Yours truly,



Dan Mathieson
Chair, MPAC Board of Directors

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TOWN OF FORT FRANCES

PUBLIC MEETING to receive comments on proposed Zoning By-Law Amendment (8/98-WW) Re: property – Part Block C Plan SM-112 located south and east of the intersection of Fifth Street East and Williams Avenue (former Huffman School property) to rezone from Institutional (I) and Open Space (OS) to Residential Type Two (R2) to accommodate the creation of sixteen residential building lots).

Applicant: Town of Fort Frances
November 26, 2012

A public meeting was held by the Council of the Town of Fort Frances in the Council Chambers, Civic Centre on Monday, November 26, 2012 from 6:45 p.m. to 7:02 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. Wiedenhoef.

Also present: M. McCaig, CAO; G. Treftlin, Clerk; F. Flatt, Municipal Planner; D. Brown, Manager Operations & Facilities; R. Hallam, Superintendent Planning and Development; C. McGuire; B. Schulz, Chair, Seniors and Law Enforcement Together; E. Armit, Chair, Assisted Living Action Group; B. Armit; N. Laur; J. Brow (arrived at 6:56 p.m.); D. Hicks, Fort Frances Times reporter; R. Thoms, Radio B93.1 the Border fm reporter; M. Anderson, Shaw Community Channel Cable Technician.

Mayor Avis declared the meeting open and explained that the purpose of the meeting was to consider the zoning amendment By-Law 8/98-WW.

The Clerk read the notice as published November 5, 2012 in respect to the giving of notice as required.

Mayor Avis requested that any person wishing to receive written notice of the decision on this Zoning By-Law amendment to leave their name and address on a form prepared for that purpose – B. Armit came forward.

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 November 20, 2012 on the proposed amendment. Copies of the preliminary report were available.

Mayor Avis asked if anyone wished to speak in opposition to the amendment – the following came forward:

B. Armit came forward and read from his letter dated November 22, 2012 to request Council to delay a decision to rezone the subject property until such time as a location of assisted living facilities is determined in the Rainy River District.

B. Schulz read from a letter dated November 22, 2012 submitted by the Assisted Living Action Group to request Council to delay rezoning the subject property until their search for property for assisted living facilities in the Rainy River District is completed.

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Mayor Avis asked if anyone wished to speak in favour of the amendment – Councillor R. Wiedenhoeft and Councillor K. Perry spoke in favour of the proposed amendment.

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 10th, 2012).

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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CANADA

November 21, 2012

G. T. Hopcroft
Director, Intergovernmental and Community Liaison

I hereby certify that the Municipal Council, at its session held on November 20, 2012 resolved:

That, on the recommendation of the Director of Intergovernmental and Community Liaison, the following motion **BE ADOPTED** authorizing the Civic Administration to continue to pursue an increase to the heads and beds levy and to collaborate with other interested municipalities on a legal perspective, around the "heads and beds" payment amount:

WHEREAS post-secondary institutions, hospitals and provincial institutions are exempt from paying property taxes to municipalities under provincial law and instead pay a fixed amount set by the Ontario Government; and

WHEREAS the amount of the "heads and beds" payment is \$75 per head or bed and this amount has not been changed by the Ontario Government since 1987; and

WHEREAS the City of London passed a motion on November 3, 2008 with respect to lobbying the Ontario Government to increase the "heads and beds" payments; and

WHEREAS communities across Ontario have come together to advocate for this important provincial policy change and efforts to have the Ontario Government review the "heads and beds" amount have not been met with a positive response to date;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Civic Administration be authorized to pursue an increase to the heads and beds levy in coordination with Mayors of affected municipalities; and

Civic Administration be authorized to collaborate with other interested municipalities on a legal perspective, around the "heads and beds" payment amount; and

This resolution be circulated to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and to all municipalities in Ontario that have universities, colleges, hospitals and provincial correctional facilities requesting their councils to show their support for this important policy change. (6/29/FASC)

C. Saunders
City Clerk
/hw

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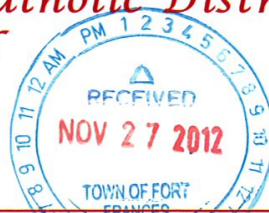
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Ted Debenetti – Co-Chair	A	RRFDC – Geoff Gillon	P
A Buck or Two			
George Emes	P	John Albanese – Town Councilor	P
Edward Jones		Town of Fort Frances	
Richard Boileau	A	Shelley Wepruk	P
McTaggart		Secretary	
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Pharmsave		Warehouse One	
Pat Gartshore	A		
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Doug Anderson	P		
Betty's			
Mike Tullio	A		
Nirvana Spa			



Blair Anderson & Tanis Drysdale were present as a guests.

1.Call to Order , Call for Conflict of Interest, Call for Agenda Additions

George Emes – Chaired the meeting and called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. The Agenda and minutes were circulated to the members for review. Members were asked for any agenda additions or conflicts of interest, none were noted.

George is going to talk to Ted regarding his vice-chair position and if he would be interested in taking over chair due to Connie's resignation.

2. Approval of Minutes

B.I.A Board of Management Meeting – 12 September , 2012

Copies of the minutes from the 12 September, 2012 Board of Management Meeting were circulated for review and approval. The following motion was made;

Motion #1 Shelley Wepruk/Doug Anderson

TO accept the minutes presented of the 12 September, 2012 Regular Board of Management Meeting as presented.

Also to ratify all motions made on that date.

No against or abstentions

CARRIED

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3. Accounts Payable & Financial Report

Accounts payable for October were circulated for review.

Motion # 2 Doug Anderson/Marie Therese Metke

To accept the total payable dated September for payment in the amount of \$282.50

No against or abstentions

All in agreement - **CARRIED**

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Finance and Administration Committee – No report at this time.

Promotions Committee – No report at this time.

Maintenance Committee – The committee is going to ask the proper authority if we can paint the parking lot structures on the 100 block of Scott Street.

Doug talked to Cher Pryse about her interest in doing our art work on Scott Street. She is interested and suggested doing portable murals. Discussion was held regarding finding more local artsy people who would be interested in participating and sharing their ideas.

Discussion was held regarding starting a contest to build bird houses to help decorate the downtown trees. There are a number of local builders who build and sell them. Should we go ahead with this idea?

John had positive comments re planters from local people, especially how beautiful they were considering the extremely dry summer we had. Should recognition be sent to public works? Discussion was also held on the adverse effects to people for vandalizing the planters and being charged – they would stand to lose their Nexus cards. This is something which should be put out to the public as most people don't realize it.

5. New Business

GO LOCAL – Tanis Drysdale gave a talk re the project. They are looking at combining projects from 2 different locations to create the Fort Frances program. Geoff Gillon will be in charge of selling the program to merchants. If retailers don't go with the GO LOCAL program (need 30 participants – 50 would be good and 75 or more great) then the program will NOT proceed. The GO LOCAL team is still working out the bugs but wanted to keep BIA informed of the progress to date. A seminar is to be held tonight presenting the program to the general public.

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AGM MEETING – The next AGM will be held at our December meeting. Letters have to be sent out to all building owners as well as merchants 30 days in advance of the meeting. It was suggested that a copy of the newsletter (which Kim is setting up) should accompany the letter to keep people informed of what the BIA is doing. The main purpose of the AGM is to reduce the number of seats necessary on the board as well as attracting new board members.

A letter of resignation was received from Connie resigning as Chairperson and from the Board of Management. A new Chairperson is being sought.

5. Closing & Setting of Next Board Meeting

The next meeting date will be 12 December, 2012 @ 8:00 a.m. at the BIA office.

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL MEETINGS WILL NOW BE HELD ON THE SECOND WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 8:00 A.M. AT THE BOARD ROOM UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTIFIED.

Meeting closed at 8:55 a.m.

Motion #4 John Albanese

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TOWN OF FORT FRANCES
Community Services Executive Committee
Minutes of Meeting

Date: Monday, November 19, 2012 **Session No.** 35

A meeting of the Community Services Executive Committee was held in the '52 Canadians meeting room from 10:34 a.m. to 11:40 a.m.

Committee Members present: A. Hallikas – Chair; J. Albanese – Councillor; M. McCaig – CAO; F. Sheppard – Fire Chief; J. Kabel – Manager of Community Services

Regrets: P. Ryan – Councillor

CALL TO ORDER:

A. Hallikas called the meeting to order at 10:34 am. J. Kabel recorded the minutes of the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes of November 5, 2012 Community Services Executive Committee were approved as circulated.

DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:

NIL

NEW BUSINESS:

- a) Emergency Services Annual Budget & Capital Budget – Frank Sheppard. Frank presented the budget with a few questions from the committee and it was recommend for it to go forward in the budget process.
- b) Police Services Annual Budget & Capital Budget – Mark McCaig. Mark presented the budget with little change from the previous year with recommendation for it to go forward in the budget process.
- c) Community Services Annual Budget & Capital Budget – Jason Kabel. The committee spent some time going through the 800+ lines for each cost centre of the Community Services Division. Further clarification will be required on the Daycare's change in budget figures over last year which is a result of: a) DSSAB'S required changes to the budget, b) the impact of before and after school care expansion to J.W. Walker. This clarification will be made with administration as it continues in the budget process.

ITEMS REFERRED FROM COUNCIL:

NIL

NON-AGENDA ITEMS:


- a) Fort Frances Hockeyville – A letter was received by Jon Glueheisen expressing interest in pursuing an entry into 'Kraft Hockeyville' as seen on TSN for Fort Frances. Jason will contact Jon to see what has been planned thus far.

INFORMATION

- a) Next Meeting Date – Monday, December 3, 2012 10:30 am.

CLOSING

There being no further matters before the Committee at this time, the meeting was closed by A. Hallikas at 11:40 am.


Chair
Manager (or Superintendent)/Secretary